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The Brook Creek Breeze

Neighborhood Events

November

- 4 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
Board and officer nominations
East Lawrence Rec. Center

December

- 2 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m,
Holiday party and
Board and officer elections
East Lawrence Rec. Center

January 2016

- 6 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m,
East Lawrence Rec. Center

Come together to celebrate and serve Brook Creek!

What do you want your neighborhood to be like? Make it happen! Brook Creek residents can always bring issues and ideas to BCNA meetings. If you have a little more time to give to neighborhood improvement, consider joining BCNA as an officer or board member. We will collect nominations and volunteers at the Nov. 4 meeting, with elections to follow at the Dec. 2 meeting. Board members can monitor and address issues that affect the neighborhood, organize social events, and offer assistance to neighborhood residents.

The December meeting brings our annual holiday party as well as annual elections! Bring treats to share and enjoy good company after a quick business meeting and elections. Join your neighbors at 7 PM on Dec. 2 at the East Lawrence Recreation Center at 1245 E. 15th St.

Updates on Issues

Trail access at Burroughs Creek: In October, Brook Creek representatives urged the City Commission to retain green space along Burroughs Creek in the plat for the property at the northeast corner of 12th and Haskell. Green space was included in the 2013 preliminary plat, but not in the submitted draft final plat.

Verizon Cell Tower: As reported earlier, Brook Creek and nearby neighbors organized a large opposition to a new Verizon cell tower adjacent to homes at 17th & Bullene Ave. In response, the City Commission denied the application. Verizon sued the City, but also proposed a cell tower next to the grain elevator south of 19th Street (2001 Moodie Rd.). The new site is expected to replace the first proposed site, with less impact on residential areas.

Traffic on 19th St.: See meeting notes inside newsletter for more information.

Recycling Dates

North of 15th Street

- Nov. 4
- Nov. 18
- Dec. 2
- Dec. 16

South of 15th Street

- Nov. 6
- Nov. 20
- Dec. 4
- Dec. 18

A Note from the President

Fall Greetings, Brook Creek Neighborhood! This will be our final newsletter of the year as we begin to wrap up 2015, and begin planning for 2016. We have had a great year with a few neighborhood events as well as informative speakers at our meetings. I'd like to thank everyone in our neighborhood who has helped, volunteered, or given their time to come speak with us in a meeting about important happenings!

In the next few months, we will be nominating and voting on the 2016 board members and we'll also have our annual holiday season social at our December meeting. Please join us to share your ideas for 2016, volunteer your time to help your community, or meet more of your neighbors. We hope to see you at an upcoming meeting!

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Stay Active at East Lawrence Center

Cool weather and the busy holiday season often get in the way of staying physically active, but regular exercise is important for managing stress and staying fit. Your local recreation center is offering these classes, open gym times and programs for the upcoming months. Registration is open now.

- Senior Strength Training | Tuesday/Thursday | 9-9:50 a.m. | November 10
- Silver Steppers | Wednesday | 10:30-11:30 a.m. | November 11
- Open Walking | Monday-Friday | 7-9 a.m.
- Pickleball | Monday, Tuesday, Thursday | Call the center for times-832-7950
- Toddler Open Gym | Tuesday Thursday 10:15-11:15 a.m. | Saturdays 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
- Family Game Night 3rd Saturday 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Always feel free to call in about Free Play Basketball- 832-7950

Did you know that members of the United Healthcare KanCare program can use their benefits to pay for parks and recreation classes? If you are eligible and have questions, call Gayle Sigurdson at 832-7920.

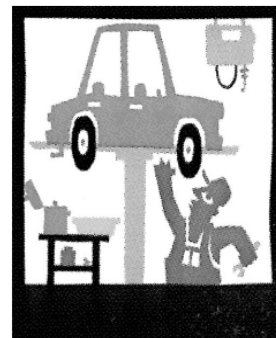
Winter Helpers Needed

Need more exercise? Sign up to shovel snow for your neighbors in need by Nov. 20 for the City's Safe Winter Walkways Program. Call (785) 832-3338 or register at: www.lawrenceks.org/safe_winter_walkways.

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19th Street Traffic Concerns and Other BCNA Meeting Notes

BCNA meetings were on break through the summer.

At the September 2015 BCNA meeting, attendees voted to oppose the connection of 19th Street to the Lawrence VenturePark, due to traffic volume and safety concerns.

Community Health Planner Charlie Bryan described the Safe Routes to School program which encourages safe walking and bike access to schools. The program supports better health, and the reduction of childhood obesity, motor vehicle use, and air pollution. Bryan is working with schools to identify routes and to plan physical improvements for walking and bicycling access to schools.

Attendees discussed the lack of transit access within the neighborhood.

Attendees approved a position in favor of rigorous enforcement of the City's fireworks ban in support of veterans that may experience post-traumatic stress syndrome as a result of fireworks noise.

BCNA meeting minutes are posted in full on the BCNA website
<https://brookcreeklawrence.wordpress.com/>

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In October, Lawrence Transit System Administrator Robert Nugent visited BCNA. He said that some 'bus bench' chairs placed along Haskell Ave. and 11th Street will be replaced with permanent benches where bus ridership is high. Route 1 (Downtown to Prairie Park) serves the edge of Brook Creek Neighborhood with stops along Haskell. Nugent said that the route may be shifted east, into the neighborhood.

Henry Fortunato, visiting fellow at the Hall Center for the Humanities, presented a project to collect and share stories of the area along the Burroughs Creek Trail from decades of Lawrence history. Fortunato requested input from the neighborhood on which activities, events, places and buildings should be included. He can be reached at henry@henryfortunato.com.



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