

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

PO Box 125, Lawrence, KS 66044 Spring 2020 Newsletter

PNA May Meeting Saturday, June 20 @ 10 a.m.

Zoom Meeting (and in person, if possible)

Hello all,

Given the current restrictions in place due to COVID-19, we will be using **Zoom** video conferencing for at least the upcoming monthly neighborhood meetings. When possible, we will also have an in-person option that conforms to the applicable health guidelines.

Check the PNA e-blast, PNA's website, and Facebook pages for information about the meetings. We will provide draft minutes from the previous meeting and an agenda for the upcoming meeting, as well as the Zoom link information.

If you would like an invitation to the Zoom meeting or want to sign up for the PNA e-blast (emailed about every other week), please send us an email request. Also, if you do not have internet access but would like to contribute ideas or ask questions, please contact us:

Email: pinckney.neighborhood@gmail.com
Mail: Pinckney Neighborhood Association
PO Box 125, Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Thank you and stay safe, PNA

Pinckney Neighborhood Association UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS*

June 20 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am - Zoom call (in person option TBA)

July 18 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am – Zoom call (in person option TBA)

August 15 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am – Zoom call (in person option TBA)

September 19 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am - Zoom call (in person option TBA)

October 17 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am – Zoom call (in person option TBA)

*check for updates: www.pinckneyneighborhood.org and Facebook "Pinckney Neighborhood Association"

Thank You to all of our Healthcare Workers, First Responders, Front Line Workers and Essential Workers!

LMH Health – COVID-19 Communication

Inclement Weather Preparations

Spring is in the air and, with that, severe weather season has returned. It's important to plan ahead and have a severe weather plan. With the current health precautions in place due to COVID-19, <u>LMH Health is not available for sheltering for the general public</u>.

Douglas County Emergency Management has provided great information about severe weather preparedness and sheltering. You can learn more about severe weather warnings and preparedness at:

https://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/emergencymanagement/tornado-safety-and-awareness or call **785-832-5259**.

<u>Please Welcome ELEANOR GARDNER!</u> New PNA Communications Coordinator

We are delighted to bring Eleanor Gardner onboard as the new PNA Communications Coordinator! Eleanor will be a fantastic addition to the PNA team, with lots of communications experience and a deep commitment for getting involved to make positive change.

Eleanor and her husband, Will, have lived at the corner of W. 4th and Mississippi for two years with their pets, Scout (dog) and Rascal (cat). Eleanor is passionate about community outreach, and her daytime job is in the public programs division of the KU Natural History Museum. She is excited to get more involved with PNA and to foster connections (from a safe distance!) around the neighborhood.

Congratulations Class of 2020!

Bishop Seabury Academy
Free State High School
Haskell Indian Nations University
Johnson County Community College
Lawrence High School
University of Kansas
Veritas Christian School
And graduates from all other Colleges,
Trade Schools and High Schools!

Watch for an announcement about a Pinckney
Neighborhood Graduates Celebration this summer!
We're looking for a few recent grads to help plan a fun and
save event. If interested, please email PNA:
pinckney.neighborhood@gmail.com

Cloth Face Masks

To slow the spread of COVID-19, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment recommends individuals use cloth face coverings when going out in public. Your cloth face mask protects others from germs you may carry, and others' face masks protect you from others may carry. Please preserve medical grade face masks for our front line workers.

Remember, also wash your hands often and practice physical distancing (6 feet or more).

#LawrenceStrong #RiseLawrence

To donate cloth face masks:

www.volunteerdouglascounty.org/donations
To request a free cloth face mask:
www.volunteerdouglascounty.org/cloth-masks

Location to purchase a mask (not a complete list):

- The Merc Co+Op, 901 Iowa Street, Lawrence
- Cottin's Hardware & Rental, 1832 Massachusetts Street, Lawrence
- Great Harvest Bread Co., 807 Vermont St, Lawrence

More info:

- Homemade mask guidance: www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/Vi ew/441/Kansas_Homemade_Mask_Guidance-PDF---4-10-20
- Children and masks (encouraged over age 2):
 www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/492/Children-and-Masks-PDF---4-14-20
- * We encourage the Douglas County community to participate in **#MaskMonday** by sharing a picture of your mask on social media. Also, include: **#DGKSCOVID**.

2020 Census

Shape Your Future!

There is still time to respond online, by phone, or mail. To complete your census or for more information:

online: www.2020census.gov/en.html

Phone: English 844-330-2020 / Spanish 844-468-2020

K-12 Student Summer Bus Pass

The Kindergarten through 12th grade Student Spring Bus Pass is on sale now for just **\$10.00!** Students can access unlimited rides on any city or university fixed-route bus from May 1 until August 31. The K-12 Student Bus Pass is a great way to get to and from school, go to after school activities and to get around Lawrence.

The K-12 Student Spring Bus Pass can be purchased at these locations in Lawrence:

- Dillon's stores
- Hy-Vee
- The Merc Co+Op

For more information, call (785) 864-4644. Find Lawrence Transit on Facebook: @lawrencetransit

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Guidance on How to Prevent Getting Sick

The CDC offers guidance on steps you can take to slow the spread of COVID-19, including the use of face masks, hand washing, social distancing and more.

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/index.html

COMMUNITY HEALTH GARDEN

PNA continues to collaborate with the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department on a community garden at 3rd and Alabama Streets. The gardening season is fully underway now: we have built raised beds (including 2 large wheelchair-accessible ones) and a potato box, added a neighborhood-sized compost bin, and mulched the whole garden. Tomatoes, greens, wildflowers, berries, and herbs have now been planted!

Work days will be size-limited due to social distancing guidelines, but stay tuned on Facebook for more information about how you can contribute compost and yard waste to the garden! Please spread the word to all your Pinckney neighbors; we want this to be a true Community Garden.

For more information, see the Facebook group at facebook.com/groups/communityhealthgarden, or send an email to Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com

COVID-19 Resources

Below is a listing of some of local businesses and additional resources to help you navigate the availability of food, goods and services. It was put together with help from our neighbors in Old West Lawrence. If you know of someone without internet access, please share these resources with them as well. Thank you all and stay safe.

The Lawrence Chamber of Commerce has pulled together a Local Business Directory for COVID-10. This page includes information regarding the availability of business services and goods, as well as other resources, including free food options and free Grab-and-Go breakfast and lunch services at some area public schools. lawrencechamber.com/local-business-directory-for-

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Restaurant Meal Pick-up or Delivery:

Many local restaurants are offering curbside pickup, regular carry-out, and delivery options. The link below provides the names/options/phone numbers:

lfk.im/

Senior Resource Center for Douglas County (SRC):

Seniors who need assistance accessing food can contact SRC for assistance.

Phone: 785-842-0543

Email: contact@YourSRC.org

www.yoursrc.org/covid-19-resources-for-seniors/ Senior Assistance for Grocery Access

- Transportation to the grocery store Call Senior Wheels to schedule a ride at 785-727-7876
- Assisting you to place an online grocery store order (Have your debit and credit card available)
- Assisting you with registration with Just Food
- Providing delivery of grocery orders or Just Food Boxes
- Senior Meals

Food Pantries, Food Access and Community Meals:

United Way of Douglas County provides a list of food pantries, community meals and other means to access food. A list of resources in Lawrence and other cities in Douglas County can be found at:

www.unitedwaydgco.org/covid-19-douglas-county-food-resources

Pharmacies:

Many pharmacies provide delivery, often for free, of prescriptions and medical and other supplies. Ask your pharmacy if they can delivery your order or whether they partner with another service for delivery.

Grocery Pick-up or Delivery:

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Senior Shipping Hours: Tues/Thurs 8:30 – 9:30 AM

Current Store Hours: 9 AM – 7 PM Order online for pick-up or delivery:

www.aldi.us/en/shop-now/ways-to-shop-aldi/

Checkers Foods

Senior Shopping Hours: Tues/Thurs 8 AM - 10 AM

Current Store Hours: 7 AM – 9 PM Online Ordering for pick-up: www.checkersfoods.com/xpress

Dillon's

Senior Shopping Hours: Monday – Thursday 7 – 8 AM

Current Store Hours: 7 AM – 10 PM
Online Ordering for pick-up or delivery:
www.dillons.com/i/ways-to-shop/
(785) 330-1028

Hy-Vee Lawrence

Senior Shopping Hours: Daily 7 – 8 AM Current Store Hours: 8 AM – Midnight Online ordering for pick-up or delivery:

www.hy-vee.com/grocery

The Merc Co+Op

Current Store Hours 7 AM – 10 PM Phone ordering for pick-up:

Call to place an order: 785-843-8544 ext 115

Available products at: www.themerc.coop/curbside

Sunflower Provisions

Offering next-day delivery on some weekdays in Lawrence

www.sunflowerprovisions.com/ or email INFO@JHF-KS.COM

Instacart

A service that can facilitate delivery from various local grocery, pet and other stores:

www.instacart.com/

Other General Guidance:

Serious Eats – COVID-19 food safety guidance:

Informative article about carry-out and food delivery:

https://www.seriouseats.com/2020/03/food-safety-and-coronavirus-a-comprehensive-

guide.html?utm_source=pocket-newtab

(General guidance: accept delivery on front porch/step without direct contact with the delivery person. If possible, wipe down packaging, transfer food from delivery packaging to home packaging, discard delivery packaging in outdoor trash, wash hands well.)



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NEIGHBORHOOD EYE-SPY ANIMAL SAFARI Fun for the whole family!

Join us in creating and enjoying a neighborhood eye-spy "animal safari!" From June 1st - 30th, Pinckney Neighborhood residents are invited to place animal toys (stuffed, plastic, or of any other variety) in home windows or in their yards to create an "animal safari" for families to look for while out on a walk or a drive. This is a fun, social-distance-safe activity that can bring joy to neighborhood children (of all ages).

We encourage creativity and silliness! Each week (or day, if you're really into it), you can add variety by changing the toy's position, adding new toys or replacing the toys.

As you're out spying for animals, please post photos of your finds to the "Pinckney Neighborhood Association" Facebook group page or the "pinckneyneighborhood" Instagram account:

#PinckneyEye-Spy or #PinckneySafari

PNA recommends bringing toys placed outdoors back inside each evening to avoid damage by nocturnal animals or overnight dew, etc.

PNA Contact Information

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