



# Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association Newsletter

MARCH 10, 2020

WINTER, 2020

## SHNA Executive Committee

### Officers

Gary Webber -  
President

Matthew Paul -  
Vice President

John White -  
Secretary

### At-large Members

Jesús Garcia

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Marlene Merrill

Mariana Nieto

Chris and Betsy  
Ostrander

### Past President

Jeanne Pees

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## Notes from the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee (EC) met on Monday, March 2, 2020, and discussed the following items:

- I. Approve December 4 EC minutes: Change Fay to Faye. Webber will revise. Motion from White/Heter to accept minutes as amended. Motion passed.
- II. Treasurer's Report: Webber reported \$790.84 in bank, 143 members.
- III. Old Business
  1. LAN update (Webber): Webber reported to the EC on 3 LAN meetings.
  2. Discussion of returning EC members, new members, and new officers: Hale will not be returning, Paul will be returning, Webber will ask Merrill.
- IV. New Business
  1. Accessory Dwelling Units in RS5 zoned areas.
  2. Possible business letter in addition to or instead of NRPO letter: Possibly replace NRPO letter in 2022 to see if business membership is feasible.
  3. Discuss possible presentations for Annual Meeting (4/20/2020): Webber will arrange
  4. Discuss logistics for Annual Meeting
  5. Discuss logistics for Neighborhood Picnic
- V. New agenda items from participants
  1. Next meeting, Wednesday, April 22, 6:30 pm, Christ Covenant.
  2. Webber will contact Paul and Betsy Ostrander about Facebook group page and making Betsy the administrator.

[Complete minutes for this meeting are available on the SHNA website.](#)

## What's Happening?

### SHNA Annual Meeting Scheduled for April 20, 2020

# ANNUAL MEETING

All residents and property owners in Sunset Hill are encouraged to attend our Annual Meeting on Monday, April 20, 7:00 pm, West Middle School Cafeteria! Please walk or bike, or if you drive, park in the lot north of the school and enter by the Auditorium entrance. Homemade cookies and lemonade will be served.

This is an excellent opportunity to visit with neighbors, learn more about your neighborhood association, get to know the Executive Committee and vote for new committee members. This year we will host two speakers:

- Megan Poindexter, Executive Director of the Senior Resource Center

## Quick Links

**Lawrence Police  
Department**

**Non-emergency  
Dispatch**  
785-832-7509

**Neighborhood  
Resource Officers**  
785-830-7408

**Report Traffic Safety  
Concerns**  
[Online form](#)

**City Code  
Enforcement**  
785-832-3111

[Code Violation Form](#)

**Animal Control** To  
report a loose or  
captured animal, call  
785-832-7509

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**City of Lawrence**

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Residents](#)

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Ordinances](#)

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Waste](#)

## Sunset Hill Businesses

Absolute Pawfection  
Acres Realty  
Advanced Health  
Center  
Alvin's Wine & Spirits  
Arcpoint Labs  
B. A. Green  
Construction  
Barnes Homes  
Beautiful Music  
Belltone Hearing  
Aid Center  
Biemer's BBQ  
Body Boutique  
Blue Cross & Blue  
Shield of Kansas  
Busey Home

for Douglas County will introduce you to the resources, services, opportunities and advocacy the Center provides.

- Nick Hoyt, I&I Manager, Municipal Services & Operations, City of Lawrence will talk to us about infrastructure work planned or currently underway in Sunset Hill, including sidewalks at 9th and Iowa, water mains on Lawrence Avenue and Ninth, traffic light timing on our major arterials, and more!

SHNA works hard in your behalf, so please support us by renewing your membership and attending the annual meeting!

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### Third Annual SHNA Potluck Scheduled for May 2, 2020

Please join us for the Third Annual SHNA Potluck! The potluck will be held at 5:30 pm, Saturday, May 2, in Centennial Park East Shelter. The East Shelter is just west of Biemer's Barbecue and access is off of Ninth St.



SHNA will provide the main dish (barbecue) and we ask Sunset Hill residents to bring side dishes or desserts, and non-alcoholic beverages. This is a great opportunity to meet fellow SHNA members and the SHNA officers and executive committee.

There is a playground and Frisbee golf course nearby, so come and play after dinner!

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### Street and Curb Work Delayed For a Second Year

In late 2019, SHNA learned that street work planned in 2019 for Schwarz Acres subdivision and curb work on the 2600 block of Orchard Lane would be deferred due to an excessively damaging winter.

Recently, the 2020 Street Maintenance Program was presented to the Multimodal Transportation Commission, and in the map, both projects were again missing. I contacted Steve Lashley, and received this reply

"The area around the 2600 block of Orchard internal street maintenance location has been currently deferred. We wanted to more accurately reflect those street maintenance locations on the 2020 program map that would realistically be completed in that maintenance year. The location has been retained on a deferred list for future maintenance."

If you would like to hear more about what Municipal Services & Operations plans for the streets of Sunset Hill, please attend our Annual Meeting on April 20 at the West Middle School Cafeteria (see article above).

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### Centennial Park Update

In 2018, SHNA adopted Centennial Park and committed to cleaning it of litter three times annually. All three cleanups in 2019 were a success, and we are currently preparing for 2020.

We need a crew of about 10 people to work for one hour on a Saturday. We need people in the neighborhood association to volunteer, in addition to the cub scouts. The dates and times will be:

- April 25 at 1 p.m.

Mortgage  
 Capitol Federal  
 Savings  
 Capitol Agency  
 Insurance  
 Central Bank of the  
 Midwest  
 CEK Insurance  
 The Chiropractic  
 Element  
 Chops Comics  
 Chris Munk State  
 Farm Insurance  
 Christal K-9  
 Color Studio  
 Commerce Bank  
 Connie K. Grob,  
 Bookkeeping  
 Conroy's Pub  
 Cosmos Indian Store  
 & Cafe  
 Crimson & Brew's  
 Dazzlers Christian  
 Dance  
 Econo Lodge  
 Edie Insurance  
 Empire Bar & Billiards  
 Ernie Williamson  
 Music  
 Everest Liquors  
 Excalibur of  
 Westminster Hair  
 Styling  
 Family Psychological  
 Services, LLC  
 Family Therapy  
 Institute Midwest  
 Farm Bureau  
 Financial Services  
 The Fit Flavor  
 Free State Insurance  
 Free State Ride  
 Genstler Eye Center  
 Orchards Executive  
 Golf & Footgolf  
 Goodcents Deli  
 Great Plains Media  
 Heartland Meat  
 Market  
 Hillcrest Laundromat  
 Hillcrest Styling  
 Center  
 Hite Collision  
 Hi-Q Massage  
 In the Zone Pro Shop  
 Ignacio's in Empire  
 Bar & Billiards  
 Iowa Massage  
 Jade Garden  
 Restaurant  
 Jayhawk Nail  
 Jayhawk Trophy  
 Jazzercise Lawrence

- July 18 at 9 a.m.
- October 17 at 1 p.m.

Please add your name to the list of volunteers by sending an email to Phyllis Farrar, [pfarrar21@gmail.com](mailto:pfarrar21@gmail.com), or sign up at the Annual Meeting. Volunteers will be contacted a few weeks before each of these dates, to confirm who can participate. If you volunteered at any of the clean-ups last year, you should hear from Phyllis around the first of April.

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### Are you Tired of Crave Burritos?

The Lawrence Journal World publishes a monthly cuisine supplement called "Crave". This supplement is delivered to all JW subscribers in their daily paper.

However, this supplement is also delivered, encased in a plastic bag, to all homes in Lawrence that do **not** subscribe to the JW (unless they have opted out.) If the recipient does not retrieve it (and why should they, they neither ordered nor paid for it), it soon becomes a cellulose burrito, a faded blue lump of pulp in the gutter or driveway.

Do you have a house like this on your street? Take a moment to share the following opt out phone number or email address with the occupants and encourage them to opt out. In order to stop the automatic deliver of Crave, they must either call 785-843-1000 or email [subs@ljworld.com](mailto:subs@ljworld.com).

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### Housing Acronym Update: ADUs and STRs

The City Commission and staff are working on a number of changes to city zoning ordinances that affect our neighborhood.

The latest involves Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU). These are tiny houses that share a lot with a full-sized house, and may be occupied only by a relative of the owner. They are currently allowed in all residential zoning areas except the smallest, RS5. RS5 zones are single family residential lots between 5000 and 7000 square feet. Staff has proposed allowing ADUs in RS5 zones. This was attempted in 2013, and failed. There is significant neighborhood opposition to this proposal.

Regulations for operating whole-home short-term rentals (STR) are still in flux after much discussion. As part of its meeting Tuesday Feb. 18, the Lawrence City Commission voted unanimously to reject a set of new rules for whole-home short-term rentals. The commission then asked staff to craft a different proposal with stricter limitations. That proposal should arrive before the commission later this spring.

The best way to know about issues coming before the various commissions of Lawrence city government is to subscribe to E-News alerts. To sign up, go to [E-News Subscriptions](#), enter your email address, and select the subscriptions you want to receive.

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### SHNA Executive Committee Seeks Volunteers

The Executive Committee needs new members! We need to replace outgoing committee members (we will really miss them!) Faye Hale and Marlene Merrill. Committee members serve a three-year term, meet four times each year, and attend SHNA events and the Annual Meeting. The success and continuation of your neighborhood

Joda & Friends  
 John R. Hooge,  
 Attorneys at Law P.A.  
 Kansas Secured Title  
 Kathy's Alterations  
 Kobe Japanese  
 Steakhouse  
 Kwik Shop  
 La Petite Academy  
 Lawrence Center for  
 Entrepreneurship  
 Lawrence Family  
 Vision Clinic  
 Lawrence Shirt  
 Factory  
 Lawrence Suitel  
 Lawrence Tattoo  
 Leeway Franks &  
 Butcher Shop  
 Lewis Veterinary  
 Linux New Media  
 Living Financial  
 Solutions Center  
 Life Enrichment  
 Center  
 Manpower  
 Mediterranean Market  
 & Café  
 The Merc Co+op  
 Midwest Property  
 Management  
 Muddy Waters Studio  
 Munchers Bakery  
 NAPA Auto Parts  
 Optometry, F. J.  
 Florey, O.D.  
 Orchards Drug  
 Phoenix Furniture &  
 Home Goods  
 Point A School of  
 Dance  
 Pops-N-More  
 Prestige Hair Studio  
 Property  
 Management Services  
 Quality Inn Lawrence  
 Red Pepper Chinese  
 Restaurant  
 Reuschhoff  
 Automobiles  
 Dr. Robert Werner,  
 Chiropractor  
 Royal Crest Lanes  
 Salon Renew  
 The Scone Lady's  
 Coffee Shop  
 Scotch Cleaners  
 Screen Express

association depends upon a strong and dedicated Executive  
 Committee. Please consider volunteering to serve on the EC! Email  
 Gary Webber at [president@sunsethillna.org](mailto:president@sunsethillna.org) if you are willing to  
 serve.

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### That's it for now!

I hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting! Thanks for supporting Sunset  
 Hill Neighborhood Association!

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#### Sunset Hill Businesses (Cont.)

The Selection Autos  
 Sew Forth  
 Shelter Insurance  
 Sizzors  
 Sonic Drive-in  
 Southern Accent Catering  
 The Spectacle  
 Stephens Insurance  
 Stephens Real Estate  
 Stoneback Appliance  
 Stuart Chiropractic  
 Sue Mulcahey, D.C., Chiropractor  
 Sunflower Natural Pet Supplies  
 Sunflower Rentals  
 Sunset West Laundry  
 The University National Bank  
 VA Medical Center  
 Virginia Inn Suites  
 Waddell & Reed  
 Walgreens  
 Watson's Barbershop  
 Wayne & Larry's  
 Wakarusa Valley Credit Union  
 Westside 66  
 Yellow Brick Yoga

#### Sunset Hill Houses of Worship

Christ Community Church  
 Christ Covenant Church  
 First Baptist Church  
 Free State of Lawrence  
 Immanuel Lutheran Church  
 Saint Nicholas Orthodox Christian Church  
 Unity of Lawrence  
 West Side Presbyterian Church

#### Sunset Hill Parks

Centennial Park  
 Ludlam Park  
 Quarry Park

#### Sunset Hill Schools

West Middle School  
 Sunset Hill Elementary School