



Oread Neighborhood Association

NEWSLETTER

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The mission of the Oread Neighborhood Association is to stabilize and maintain the neighborhood as a quality, mixed-density residential neighborhood by accommodating the need for student housing, preserving existing single-family housing, and revitalizing the neighborhood's unique architectural, environmental, and historical character. This mission is accomplished by encouraging the participation of residents and property owners in the maintenance, planning and development of the neighborhood.

OREAD BLOCK PARTY!

Make Plans to Attend the Oread Block Party!

Wednesday, October 13th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

10th Street, between Kentucky and Vermont

Call Dianne at 832-8864 for more details and to Volunteer.

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We Are Here to Help... Report your Concerns!

The Oread Neighborhood Association serves as a liaison between neighborhood residents, property owners, and the City of Lawrence. There is not a rental registration / inspection program for multi-family zoned neighborhoods, therefore Oread residents must be proactive in order to ensure that their living conditions are safe. If there is something concerning you about your residence or the neighborhood in general, please feel free to report your concern to the ONA Planning Coordinator at:
oreadneighbor@gmail.com.



PO Box 442065
Lawrence, KS 66044

Monthly Meeting Schedule

Did you know that all neighborhood residents, 18-years of age and older, and all property owners can attend Oread Neighborhood Association meetings? All meetings are held in the Heritage Room (Northeast entrance) at Plymouth Congregational Church and begin at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month:

- October 28, 2010
- November 18, 2010
- December 16, 2010
- January 27, 2011
- February 24, 2011
- March 24, 2011
- April 28, 2011
- May 26, 2011
- June 23, 2011

Oread Neighborhood Association is on the web at:
www.oreadneighborhood.org

Board Member Elections October 28th

The Thursday, October 28th monthly neighborhood meeting will serve as the Annual Neighborhood Meeting for Oread, in which a summary of the 2009 Annual Neighborhood Report will be presented and the election for the Board of Directors will also take place.

Please make plans to attend the **Annual Meeting at 7 p.m. at Plymouth Congregational Church** to vote for your ONA Board of Directors! Membership is open to any person eighteen years of age or older living or owning property within the geographical boundaries of the neighborhood. All members of the neighborhood association can serve on the Board of Directors.

The ONA depends on active residents and property owners of the neighborhood to help guide residents, city staff, and elected officials on issues such as short and long range planning and development, historic preservation, neighborhood character, city ordinances, and residential safety. To nominate an individual to serve on the Board of Directors, please contact a current board member or email oreadneighbor@gmail.com with the individuals name and contact information.

What Will I Do as a Board Member? The time commitment for a one-year term board member includes preparation and attendance at the monthly neighborhood meetings. Your interest and passion for the neighborhood will dictate the amount of time and energy you invest outside the ONA monthly meetings. The important thing is that you have a genuine care for Oread, an opinion to share, and a willingness to identify areas of concern in the neighborhood. **Student participation is encouraged.**



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

TITLE	NAME
President	Rose Moore
Vice President	Rob Farha
Secretary	Lois Schneider
Treasurer	James Hicks
District 1	Linda Haskins
District 2	Marci Francisco
District 3	Phil Hemphill
District 4	David Holroyd
District 5	Katherine Moore
District 6	Erik Crawford
At Large	Elise Higgins
At Large	Jim Schneider
At Large	Kyle Thompson



Apples are ready to pick in the Community Garden located at 8th & Vermont Street

What is CDBG?

CDBG is Community Development Block Grant funds that are provided by the federal government and allocated for local community development activities directed toward aiding low-to-moderate income residents. Funded activities aid in the prevention or elimination of blight by revitalizing neighborhoods through community and economic development, and providing improved facilities and services through affordable housing and infrastructure development.

Have any ideas for CDGB projects or activities that would build on the Oread Neighborhood's character? Share your thoughts and ideas at monthly meetings every 4th Thursday of the month and/or at oreadneighbor@gmail.com.

RESIDENT TIPS: Know Where These Things Are

- Emergency Exits
- Fire Extinguisher
- Fire and Smoke Detectors
- Water Turn Off Valve
- Hot Water Heater
- Fuse / Electric Box
- Snow & Ice Removal Tools
- Tornado Shelter
- Trash Collection Area

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Oread Historic District

The Oread Historic District achieved national recognition when it became listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 10, 2007. The historic district is bounded by 9th Street on the north, the alley east of Kentucky Street on the east, 12th Street on the south, and Indiana Street on the west.

Visit ONA's website at: www.oreadneighborhood.org to view the Oread Neighborhood Plan and to learn much more on the history of Oread. Then, make plans to visit the Lawrence/Douglas County Historical Society and Watkins Community Museum of History located at 1047 Massachusetts Street for more local history. Below is a list of historic properties in Oread to view on your next walk through the neighborhood!

NAME	LOCATION	LISTING
Benedict House	923 Tennessee Street	Local, State & National
Charles & Adeline Duncan House	933 Tennessee Street	Local, State & National
Col. James & Eliza Blood House	1015 Tennessee Street	State & National
Dr. Frederick D. Morse House	1041 Tennessee Street	Local, State & National
E.H.S. Bailey Residence	1101 Ohio Street	Local & State
George & Annie Bell House	1008 Ohio Street	Local, State & National
Hancock Historic District		State & National
Jane A. Snow Residence	706 W. 12th Street	Local, State & National
John N. Roberts House	1307 Massachusetts Street	Local, State & National
John Palmer & Margaret Usher House	1425 Tennessee Street	State & National
Lawrence's Downtown Historic District	Massachusetts Street	State & National
Ludington/Thacher House	1613 Tennessee Street	Local, State & National
Michael D. Greenlee House	947 Louisiana Street	State & National
Oread Historic District		Local, State & National
South Park	1141 Massachusetts Street	Local
William Priestly House	1505 Kentucky Street	State & National

Oread Neighborhood Plan Approved

After much discussion and debate over the past year, City Commissioners unanimously approved the Oread Neighborhood Plan at their September 21st meeting. The plan serves as a guide by outlining specific goals, policies, and recommendations for the Oread Neighborhood, while being consistent with the overall adopted comprehensive plan for the community. The plan establishes a long-term vision that comprehensively addresses the various land uses, historic preservation, infrastructure, and neighborhood atmosphere in the Oread Neighborhood. City and Planning Commissioners had difficulty passing the plan due to four significant issues that the plan did not completely address: 1) a parking study to determine the demand for parking, 2) establishing a priority list of goals when two or more goals conflict, 3) initiating a rental registration program, and 4) the design of overlay districts to more specifically define land use in the area. These four issues will continue to be worked on by the Planning Department; however, development proposals and permits will continue to proceed through the public notification, participation, and hearing process before any permit is approved.

To view the Oread Neighborhood Plan, visit www.oreadneighborhood.org
Search www.ljworld.com for more information.

ONA Approves Changes to By-Laws

The By-Law Subcommittee met on several occasions in the past months to discuss proposed amendments to the current ONA by-laws due to recent ONA member comments and discussion following the Board of Directors election in February 2010 in which a large turnover of board officers occurred. Specific by-laws have been approved that address 1) the maximum number of board members to be elected, 2) eligibility requirements of board members and officers, and 3) term limits of board members and officers.

Visit www.oreadneighborhood.org for the updated version of the ONA by-laws which include the approved amendments. Also available on the website is a summary of the tabled and unapproved proposed amendments.

KU HOME FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 14th

Saturday, October 23rd (Homecoming)

Saturday, November 6th

Sat. November 20th



The Community Garden water meter has been installed!



Lighting Pathway Project Update

At the June monthly ONA meeting, Assistant Director of Public Works Mark Thiel presented information and updates on the lighting pathway project. He stated that several of the project elements are still in the planning and design stage and additional funds are needed to reach the minimum amount to initiate the groundbreaking estimated in late 2010/early 2011. The proposed pathway will run parallel to 14th Street on the northside, the westside of Ohio Street, and the northside of 12th Street leading into South Park. Pedestrian crosswalks, similar to the Lawrence Arts Center crosswalk on New Hampshire, will be located at multiple intersections along the pathway as will also architecturally designed lighting posts and lighting styles with customized features to increase safety and have aesthetic value. All sidewalks and lighting features will be located in existing public easements and the City of Lawrence will own and be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the pathway.

More recently, ONA was notified that the KDOT grant requesting funding for the project was denied due the proposed pathway utilizing the steep slope of 12th Street and a lack of a bicycle pathway. However, city staff and KU are continuing to work together to find a solution for the shortfall in funding in order to initiate the lighting pathway project. Below is a breakdown of the requested and received funding for the project:

<i>Funding Stream</i>	<i>Requested</i>	<i>Received</i>
Federal - HUD	\$201,570	\$60,000
State - KDOT	\$174,345	\$0
Local - KU	-	\$150,000
Local - City of Lawrence	-	\$50,000
TOTAL		\$260,000
Minimum Required		\$288,000
Amount Needed		\$28,000

Portable Toilets in ONA Approved During Football Season

The City Commission has approved the use of portable toilets (porta potty) during home football games stating that: portable toilets can be placed on any residential property for up to four consecutive days, but only twice in a calendar year for weddings or other special events. The facilities will be allowed more frequently during the football season in the area near the stadium, but they will have to be removed after each game except when consecutive home games are scheduled.

MORE ONLINE!

Visit www.oreadneighborhood.org for information and links to resources on:

- Meeting Agendas & Minutes
- Maps of Oread Neighborhood
- Portable Toilet Regulations for ONA
- The Oread Neighborhood Plan
- Lighting the Pathway Project & More!

Boarding House Text Amendment Update

At their September 20th Planning Commission meeting, commissioners were unable to form a consensus on the issue of parking requirements within the language of TA 6-17-09. The text amendment has been deferred back to city staff in order to discuss parking requirements and provide commissioners with a recommendation.

For a presentation on the Boarding House amendment by Planning Director Scott McCullough visit: www.oreadneighborhood.org.

ONA MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Make a Donation Today!

The Oread Neighborhood Association has been serving the people who live and own property between the KU Campus and Downtown Lawrence since the 1970s! Residents and property owners are encouraged to donate \$1.00 to the ONA annually. Friends of ONA who do not live in the neighborhood can help also by donating at least \$5.00. All donations help finance the efforts improving the Oread Neighborhood, AND all donations are tax deductible!

ONA thanks you for your continued support.