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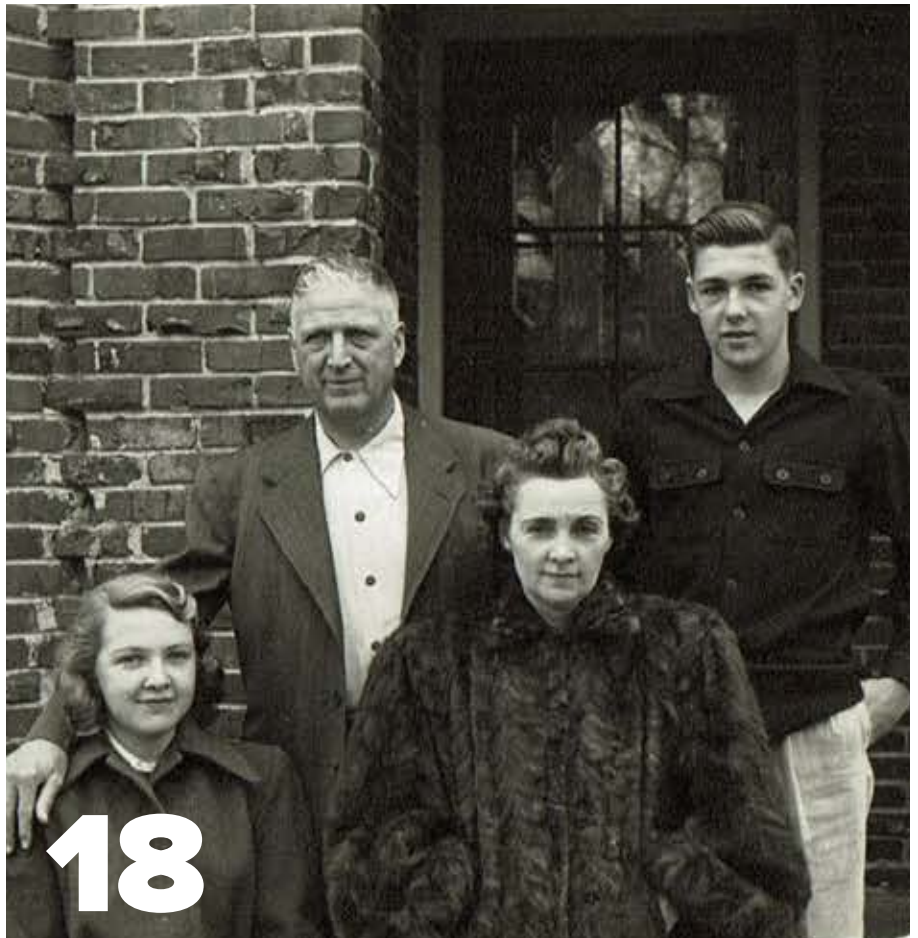


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I hope you have enjoyed a great summer and are enjoying the start of the autumn season. This is one of my favorite times of year. There are so many exciting events to look forward to all around the neighborhood: block parties, trick-or-treating on Halloween, the buildup to the holiday season and the New Year. It is a time when we realize that our neighborhood is really special.

I have received very positive responses from residents about the Chronicle, our new logo and the many social events we have sponsored. We are fortunate to have such a hard working and dedicated board. I want to thank them for all they do. I want to also thank all of you members and supporters, for not only your love for our neighborhood, but your support of our team. Please feel free to contact us and let us know how we can serve you in the future.

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Anna Eickholt, CCNA President

and all thefts, even if someone just goes through a vehicle and takes nothing. The more we report to the police, the more likely they will patrol and protect our neighborhood. Also, if you see something suspicious please contact the police.

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WHERE DID THE BIKES GO? Great news! Two of our neighborhood bike sculptures are being refurbished over the winter! They will be back soon!

Pirate Day





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Having a variety in the dining experience of a community always brings a sense of lively vibrancy. You take the same old and transform it into a new experience. That is exactly what Jamie and Charles Brewer plan to do with their new lounge at Stur 22. After seeing the need, the two jumped on the opportunity to create a fresh take of cuisine for the people of Lincoln.

Jamie is a Certified Public Accountant who has worked in the accounting field since 2004. Over the years, she has excelled in many supervisory and managerial roles which helps her succeed in her role at Stur 22. Numbers aren't her only experience, though; Jamie has spent a lot of time working in the restaurant industry as both a server and hostess at three different restaurants.

Charles Brewer has a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration as well as a Master's Degree in Management and Leadership. He has over 11 years of experience in the customer service

in the business industry and has his Protection Manager Certification along with 5 years of restaurant experience. Outside of his professional career, Charles is on the Executive Board for the Boys & Girls Club of Lincoln, the Lead Coordinator of Project Bridge Builders Youth program, and the head advisor of Student Veterans Organization at SCC.

Together Jamie and Charles' experience has allowed them to have a unique set of skills to dive into the restaurant business. They are excited to bring that skill set and deliver a new type of dining to the community. "What makes Stur 22 unique is that most of our cuisine and drinks represents a variety of countries flavors in both the Caribbean and Africa. There's not any restaurant in Lincoln that we know of that focuses on both Caribbean and African foods," says Jamie.

With the company being new, the two look forward to the future. "We opened



August 4th, 2017. There was a need for more international cuisine's and drinks and we decided to step forward and provide it," says Charles. The reception to Stur 22 has been an accepting one and Jamie and Charles are thankful for it. "Just knowing that the Lincoln community is accepting and supporting small diverse business growth is very appreciated and gratifying."

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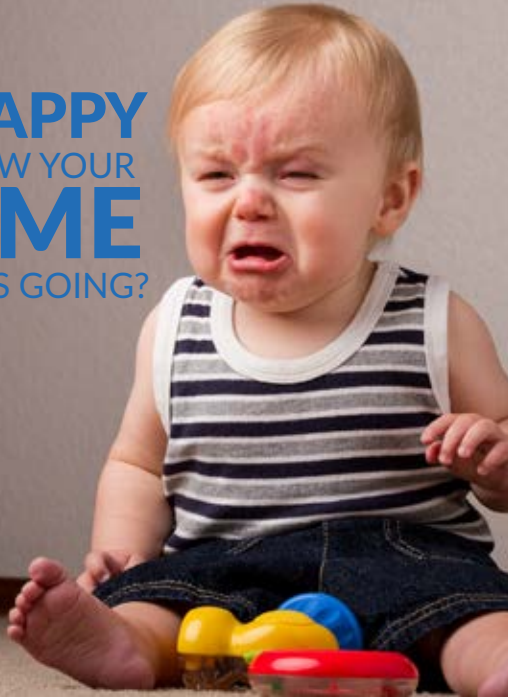
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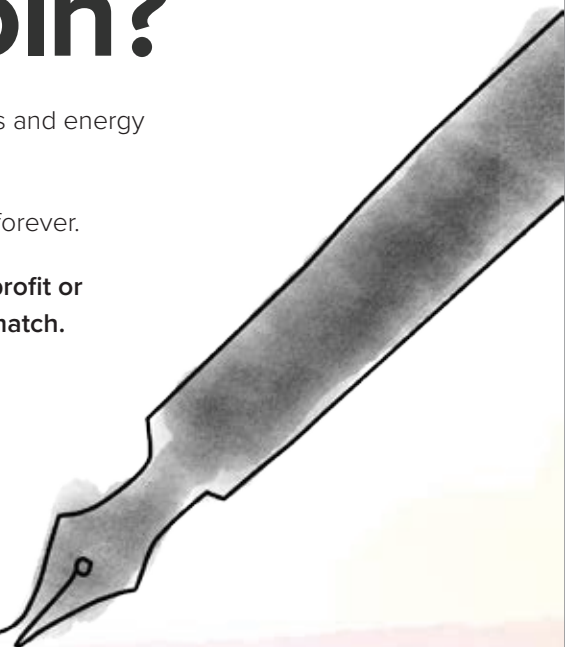
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WINTER GARDEN DESIGN WITH SEED HEADS

by Benjamin Vogt



WHILE THE FALL FLOWERS HAVE mostly come and gone, the garden's purpose and beauty is far from over. Many of the same plants we admired for their seasonal blooms now sport interesting if not stunning forms and seed heads. As these plants head into winter they can still help our gardens shine in the off season, creating both visual interest for us and food or shelter for wildlife. These are both reasons why cutting down an ornamental garden in fall is not recommended, and waiting until early spring is a far better option.

When designing your garden and choosing plants, consider their future winter form. Maybe a flower that gets black seed pods will look nice contrasted against the soft blades of a prairie grass. Or maybe barren stems that once held seeds (like aster or blazingstar) now sport showy white bracts or crisscrossing umbels that delicately hold falling snow. Following are several of my favorite native plants to try in your winter garden.

Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)

Ideal for most dry sites in full sun, this native bunch grass has blue-tinted leaves in the growing season, then bright red foliage in winter followed by glittery seed heads. The grasses tends to bounce back from heavy winter snows and provide cover for birds. It gets about 36" tall and 18–24" wide

Wild False Indigo (*Baptisia australis*)

Whether you go for the larger species (*B. australis*, 3–4' tall and wide) or the smaller (*B. australis minor*, 2' tall and wide), you'll be impressed by its drought tolerance all year long. Winter seed heads are large, puffed up, black shells with seeds inside that rattle. Full to half sun in most any dry soil.

Culver's Root (*Veronicastrum virginicum*)

Preferring moist soil in full to part sun, you can expect this pollinator-loved plant to reach 3–5' tall and about 3' wide after several years. The 4–8" candelabra umbels show off tan to black seeds that hold on all winter long.

Round-Headed Bushclover (*Lespedeza capitata*)

More often seen in prairies than gardens, the soft tufts of coppery seeds look feathery and hold on well into spring. In the summer the leaves are a blue-tinted green, and before the seeds turn brown they are a lemon color. Also very drought tolerant reaching about 36" tall and less than 12" wide in as much sun as you can give it.

Pale Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea pallida*)

This dry-loving, clay-loving native puts down a taproot over ten feet deep. Blooming several weeks earlier than more commonly planted purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*), the

almost jet-black tops last all winter long as goldfinches and other birds come to enjoy the seeds. Try planting it among little bluestem for a nice contrast summer through winter.

Aromatic Aster (*Symphotrichum oblongifolium*)

A shrubby perennial with blue flowers that last late into fall, even after several freezes. Many of the small leaves tend to stay on in winter, providing shelter for wildlife and a coppery-tan color we can enjoy. Seed heads also remain deep into winter. Drought tolerant, a favorite selection is 'October Skies' that gets about 18–24" tall and 24–36" wide. More sun equals more flowers.

Rough Blazingstar (*Liatris aspera*)

Another dry-loving perennial for bright, tough spots, it puts up spikes of purple blooms in late summer. Those spikes are what bring winter interest, being highly vertical and stout while providing showy cream bracts where the seeds once were. Rough blazingstar gets 3–4' tall and less than 12" wide, so that small footprint allows it to be squeezed in among other plants.



Benjamin Vogt is the author of *A New Garden Ethic* and owner of Monarch Gardens LLC, a prairie garden design firm in Lincoln. He speaks nationally on sustainable landscapes for wildlife.



FEATURE FAMILY

The Hill Family

THE SOUND OF LAUGHTER. THE sound of friendship. The sound of imaginations running wild. You'll hear it in the heat of a summer afternoon. You'll hear it as dusk approaches on a fall evening. In fact, you'll hear it on most days. For anyone who travels down South 31st Street, there is life emanating from every corner. And for this close-knit group of neighborhood families, the home and front yard of Steve Hill and Susie Wilson is where much of this joy originates.

Steve and Susie met in the halls of Irving Junior High School in the seventh grade. Susie grew up in the neighborhood and Steve wasn't too far away. They married on August 28, 1999, and after some time away, they moved back to the Country Club neighborhood about thirteen years ago. They have always had a deep appreciation for the mature landscapes, the character of the houses and the friendly neighbors.

They are now a family of five and one slightly crazed dog. The Hill family likes to be active, whether it's playing sports, participating on teams or pursuing hobbies. As most families can relate, it is their kids' activities that keep Steve and Susie busy – violin, cello, baseball, basketball, volleyball, chess and more.

“We just do the best we can and try to cut ourselves and one another some slack when things don't work out just perfectly.”

Outside of their role as parents, Susie coordinates communications and grants for Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach, while Steve manages the planned giving team at the University of Nebraska Foundation. When asked about what drew her to her line of work, Susie shared, “I have a public health background, which keeps me focused on the big picture. Every day, I see how the Matt Talbot homeless prevention and hunger relief programs benefit the entire community. I really like knowing that the work I do is helping people in need.” For Steve, his family helped shape his career path. “I remember as a child that higher education was always valued, always emphasized by my parents. I was taught early on that higher education has a transformative power on

individual lives and on communities. I enjoy helping our generous donors support that process.”

Finding that balance between work, school and home life is a challenge for the Hill family, and they know many of their neighborhood families can relate. They value time together whenever they can get it. This includes sitting down together for dinner on most nights, although they admit it is not always perfect. As Steve said, “We just do the best we can and try to cut ourselves and one another some slack when things don't work out just perfectly.”

At this stage in their lives, it is the kid-friendly nature of the neighborhood that keeps them engaged and well-known on their block. Depending on the time of year, their expansive front yard hosts football, soccer, baseball, kickball, basketball and other games. On holidays, like the Fourth of July, it is their driveway that is lined with chairs and tables. And Steve and Susie love it.

“Lincoln has been really good to us. It's been a great place to raise our kids. People are friendly, there are plenty of interesting things going on and in many ways, it's just easy,” said Steve. We are lucky to have such positive and engaged families in our neighborhood. Thanks for being such great neighbors!

RETURNING HOME

Aunt Jean's Story

By Maggie Stuckey

IN EARLY APRIL, A LETTER (see inset) arrived in my parents' mailbox addressed to *Owner, 2945 S. 25 th St., Lincoln, NE, 68502*. The opening of the letter set in motion, without hesitation, a response to invite Aunt Jean and her entire family to visit the Stuckey home...or should we call it Aunt Jean's home...during their upcoming visit to Lincoln. This is the story of Aunt Jean.

The Thomas Family

Dr. Fred Thomas, DDS, and Helen Thomas were married on Christmas Day, 1924. Fred was a graduate of the University of Nebraska College of Dentistry. Fred had a Dental Practice located on the 10th floor of the Stuart Building. Helen had worked in Fred's dental office until he had to let her go, a precursor to his proposal of marriage.

The Thomases began building a home on the northwest corner of South 25th and Woodsdale Boulevard in 1925, moving in upon completion in 1926. And for nearly 40 years, until 1964, 2945 South 25th Street was the Thomas family home. Fred and Helen had three children: Bobby, James (Jim), and Jean. Bobby was born in 1928 and died two and a half years later of leukemia. At the time, there was no real treatment, though Fred and Helen did everything possible to save their son, including traveling to Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.

James (Jim) was born one month after Bobby's death in 1931. Following in his father's footsteps, Jim also graduated from the University of

Nebraska College of Dentistry in 1956. At the University, Jim was a member of Sigma Chi. He served in the Navy as a Dentist and eventually opened a Private Dental Practice in Yorba Linda, CA. Jim worked at the Lincoln Country Club for many years

On the Fourth of July, everyone gathered to light fireworks & enjoy a BBQ, a tradition that continues today.

through high school and college, both as a caddie and in the pro shop. Jim married his college sweetheart, Carmean Boyer, and had three children, four grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. Jim passed away on his birthday in 2016 at age 85. The family trip to Lincoln in July was for Jim's memorial service.

Fred and Helen's third child, daughter Jean, was born in 1933. Jean also attended the University of Nebraska, was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, and graduated in 1954. She became a school teacher in Denver, Colorado, and married Lincoln High School graduate Bill Parchen. Bill and Jean owned and operated a warehouse and trucking company for many years before retiring. They had two children, Cathie and Tom, and have three grandchildren. Jean currently lives in Denver.

Growing Up in the Neighborhood in the 1930s/40s

World War II was happening during Jean and Jim's childhood. A neighborhood Victory Garden was located across the street east from the Thomas home at the home of Walky and Eleanor Roberts. The front porch of the Thomas home was a gathering spot for parents during the hot, summer evenings as neighborhood children played baseball in the street, basketball in the driveway and other games in the Woodsdale boulevards. On the Fourth of July, everyone gathered to light fireworks and enjoy a barbeque, a tradition that continues today. In the winter, the children would sled down the 25th Street hill and ice skate on the lake at #5 hole of Lincoln Country Club as there were no fences at the time. The reality of the war meant blackouts and bombing drills were also the norm during these years.

Jim and Jean attended Sheridan Elementary, Irving Junior High, and Lincoln High School, graduating in 1948 and 1950, respectively. Jean remembers many prominent neighbors and business owners from her years growing up on 25th Street, including: Leo Beck who managed First Bank; the Stephenson's who owned Stephenson's School Supplies; the Walts who owned Walt Music Store; and Walky and Eleanor Roberts who owned Roberts Mortuary.



The families of Jean and Jim return to the home, July 2017

Hello, my name is Steve Vincent. I am writing with a unique request concerning your home. Find enclosed a copy of a photo taken of your house most likely in the 1940's. My wife's father, James Thomas and her aunt, Jean Thomas Parchen, lived in your home from their birth through graduation from Nebraska in the 1950's.

Their father, Dr. Fred Thomas with his wife Helen had the home built in 1925 and raised three children in the home. One son, Bobby, died at age three. Dr. Thomas had a dental practice in Lincoln until retiring and moving to California in the late 60's. He was a long-time member of Lincoln Country Club.

My wife's father, James Thomas, passed away in California recently at age 85 and has been buried at a family plot in Lincoln. Some members of the family will be traveling to Lincoln from Denver, California and Arizona in July to attend a memorial service for him.

I am writing to ask if it would be possible for 84-year-old Jean Thomas Parchen to walk through her old family home one last time. During several trips to Lincoln over the last 20 years we always drive by, she and her brother would talk about the good ole days. This will be Aunt Jean's last visit to Lincoln, her beloved home town.

I have not mentioned this to Aunt Jean nor to any family members, so if you decide to say no, it will not be mentioned to her. Should you graciously say yes it will be a surprise to her when we do our traditional drive by.

Sincerely,
Steve Vincent



Thomas family at home, 1940s; Jean is seated next Fred & Helen (standing); Jim in center of back row

July 17, 2017

On Monday, July 17, ten members of Aunt Jean's family arrived at the Stuckey home for a tour and conversation. Family members present included:

Jean's Two Children

- Cathie (Parchen) Guymon and husband Trey
- Tom Parchen, wife Iris, and their son Josh

Jim's Three Children

- Steve Thomas and wife Linda
- Debbie (Thomas) Vincent and husband Steve
- Carol (Thomas) Adams

Unfortunately, Aunt Jean was not able to make this trip due to a minor health matter. Someday, she still hopes to make the trip. To help her feel like she was part of the day, many photos

and videos were taken.

The opportunity to meet members of the extended Thomas family brought much life and joy into the Stuckey home. We are grateful Steve wrote us a letter and hope Aunt Jean's story inspires our neighbors to research the history of their homes and the families who once lived there.

NEIGHBORHOOD

Sheridan Elementary

YEAR BUILT: 1926 (*we celebrated the 90th birthday last year*)

MASCOT: Sheridan Sharks

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 476

NUMBER OF STAFF: 60 (teachers, paraeducators, kitchen staff, secretaries, custodians, principal, coordinator)

FUN TRADITION: Our celebrations (fun night, flash mob, grade level music programs, family art night, research sharing, all-school sings, senior Shark celebrations, talent shows)

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE: Generations of families that attended and currently attend Sheridan. The wonderful parent/school partnerships.

THIS YEAR OUR THEME IS: Only One You! We are celebrating the unique and wonderful people that make up our community.

OUR MISSION: The Sheridan community. . . learning in harmony, lifting achievement, and leading the future.



Beattie Elementary School

YEAR BUILT: 1953

MASCOT: Bobcat

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 350

NUMBER OF STAFF: 66

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL

UNIQUE: Our Beattie Community Gardens & Outdoor Classrooms. Beattie School is named after Merle Beattie, who was the director of Elementary Education in Lincoln Public Schools from 1923-1951. Beattie School was established in 1953 when 193 students entered the new elementary school. Since that time, there have been three additions resulting in a building with 55,025 square feet sitting on 6.25 acres of land. Currently, we are home to more than 400 Bobcats!



Cathedral of the Risen Christ School

YEAR BUILT: 1953

MASCOT: Eagles

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 365 (PK-8th)

NUMBER OF STAFF: 40

FUN TRADITION: We are the mother church of the Catholic Diocese so I'd need a page for our traditions, but our most prominent is our Capstone: All of our 8th graders own businesses, hire 7th graders, intern 6th graders and compete in a "Shark Tank"-themed event in the spring in front of people like the mayor, UNL representatives, Junior Achievement folks, city business leaders and Prosper Lincoln members. It's an amazing, hands-on capstone project that requires every skill the kids have learned in their academic careers, and it is supported by some big players in the community.

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE: We are a community school that asks parents to be actively engaged in their children's education and our events. We have literally hundreds of volunteers, massive community events, an incredibly vibrant faith life and truly demonstrate what it means to be a Family of families.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN THE 17-18

SCHOOL YEAR: We are in year one of a new Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom, one of the few 100% certified in the area. Our PK program has doubled the past two years (and our enrollment is up 10% overall), and that's due to an extraordinary approach honed in work with Dimensions Early Childhood, Reese Construction, Nebraska Nurseries and the lively community already mentioned.



SCHOOLS

Irving Middle School

YEAR BUILT: Irving was built in 1926 and is rapidly approaching being a century old. The school was named after the author Washington Irving, best known for his work "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

MASCOT: Originally the Lions, a departing Freshman class in the 1960s chose to change the mascot to the Aardvarks. Irving remains the Aardvarks to this very day.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: Irving currently serves 854 students from the surrounding community.

NUMBER OF STAFF: The school is composed of 75 certificated educators and 50 dedicated classified staff.

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE: Irving is the oldest middle school in Lincoln Public Schools. The building recently underwent a \$20 million renovation. The primary focus of the project was to remove the old boiler system and to install geothermal heating and cooling within the building. Also included in this project were updates to energy efficient lighting and windows and a renovation of the auditorium. This work assisted Irving in becoming a much more environmentally green building. Combined with our recycling and composting efforts (Irving has a 6:1 ratio of composted and recycled products to what ends up in a landfill), Irving was recognized as a National Green Ribbon School in Washington, D.C. in July of 2016.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN THE 17-18 SCHOOL YEAR? Irving Middle School's roots run deep throughout the community of Lincoln. In any social gathering within the city, a quick poll will reveal dozens of former Aardvarks. It is continuing carrying this tradition forward, both this year and beyond, that I look forward to the most.

Jason Shanahan - Principal



Lincoln Southeast High School

YEAR BUILT: 1955

MASCOT: Knights

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 2,120
grades 9-12

NUMBER OF STAFF: 243 teachers
and non-teaching staff

FUN TRADITION: Every year we begin the school year with a celebration, or school kick-off event called Friday Knight Festival, which combines our athletic booster bash with an open house.

WHAT MAKES OUR SCHOOL UNIQUE: We have strong focus on service and giving back to our community.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN THE 17-18 SCHOOL YEAR? Inspiring excellence in all of our students through innovative teachers, invested community, involved families and inclusive programs.





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in the neighborhood

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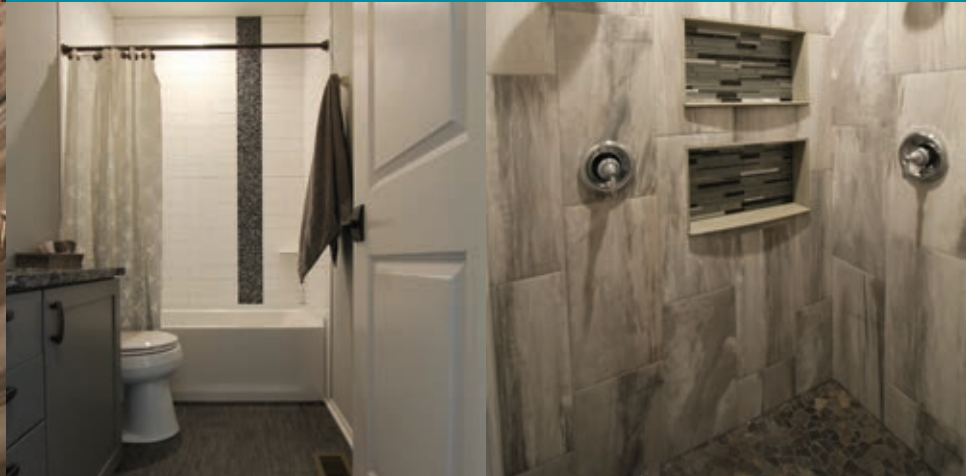
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Standing at more than 10 feet high, this bronze figure will find its home overlooking Centennial Mall and serve as a bookend for another masterpiece, Lincoln, by Daniel Chester French situated on the west side of the Nebraska State Capitol. Standing Bear, Chief of the Ponca will be a gift to the City of Lincoln and will become part of the city’s growing permanent collection

of public art. Project partners (in addition to those already listed) include Lincoln Partners for Public Art, and the Lincoln Parks Foundation. To learn more about Lincoln’s public art collection or to become involved, visit us Lincolnpublicart.org

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MAYOR ANNOUNCES 2017 LINCOLN CARES PROJECTS

MAYOR CHRIS BEUTLER announced the City projects that will be funded through the 2017 Lincoln Cares community donation program. Lincoln allows customers of the Lincoln Electric System (LES) to add \$1 to their monthly bill payments for Parks and Recreation, Lincoln City Libraries and Aging Partners.

“Since its inception in 2003, Lincoln Cares has raised nearly \$1.5 million through donations matching funds and sponsors,” said Mayor Beutler.

This year’s project partners include Lincoln Parks Foundation, Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries, Seniors Foundation, Olsson Associates, Dillon Foundation, Friends of the Dog Parks, Prairie Corridor Partnership, Culver’s and the Great Plains Trails Network.

From February 2003 through April 2017, Lincoln Cares has collected \$873,784 in donations from LES customers. More than \$600,000 in additional funds has been contributed through direct donations to the City and from local foundations, businesses and neighborhood associations.

Programs and projects funded by Lincoln Cares for 2017 are:

Fitness Equipment for Aging Partners

This includes new and replacement fitness equipment for the Forever Strong Health and Fitness Program offered to adults 60 plus in Lincoln and Lancaster County at the Aging Partners Health and Fitness Center located at 233 South 10th Street. Project Partner: Seniors Foundation.

Upgrades for Library Meeting Spaces

Several libraries offer meeting room spaces free for the public to use, and libraries use these same spaces for their own special events. This will allow for replacement of furnishings and upgrades in equipment, including new projectors for five library meeting rooms. The improvements will ensure these rooms remain the “family rooms of the community” and continue to nurture learning, connection and community. Project Partners: Dillon Foundation and the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries.

School Family Nights at Lincoln City Libraries

These special open-house events provide an opportunity for families from neighborhood schools to receive library cards, meet their librarians and become more familiar with what’s available at the public library. Project Partners: Woods Bros. Foundation and the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries.

Three New Dog Runs

Parks and Recreation is developing three additional dog runs to achieve a goal of having one dog run in each of the four quadrants of the City. This plan was outlined in the Dog Use Facilities Master Plan that was finalized with community input in early 2016. Improvements funded by Parks and Recreation will include perimeter fencing and gates, parking and a shelter to house a portable restroom. Lincoln Cares funds will be used for a drinking fountain with a dog bowl

at two locations. The new dog runs will be open by the end of 2017. Project Partners: Friends of the Dog Parks and Lincoln Parks Foundation.

Haines Branch Prairie Corridor

The Prairie Corridor is a 13-mile corridor that will link Pioneers Park with Spring Creek Prairie. The project will enhance and preserve tallgrass prairie and provide recreational and educational connections and economic development opportunities. Project Partners: Lincoln Parks Foundation and Prairie Corridor Partnership.

Parker’s Pals

This scholarship program provides financial support for children of low-income families. It includes pool admissions, swimming lessons and participation in the swim/dive league and allows children to participate in youth and sports programs offered by Lincoln Parks and Recreation. Project Partners: Culver’s, Lincoln Parks Foundation and Olsson Associates.

Trail Wayfinding Kiosks

This project will support the second phase of a wayfinding project for trails that was initiated several years ago to make trails more user-friendly and accessible. Wayfinding signs that include distances and directions to community facilities and attractions will be installed at up to eight priority locations along trails. The final kiosk locations will be determined in cooperation with the Great Plains Trails Network. Project Partner: Great Plains Trails Network.

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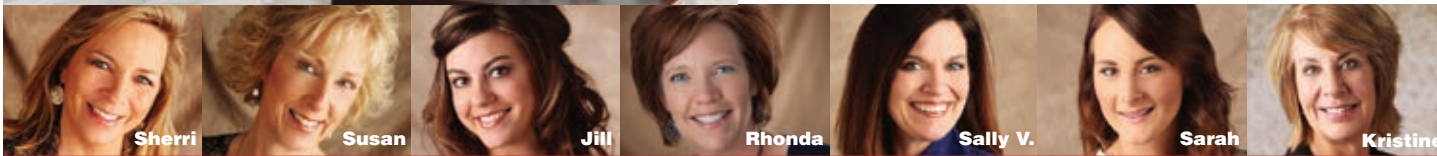


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AUTUMN'S BEST READS

WHETHER YOU LOVE AUTUMN for the lower temperatures, the rustling of fallen leaves, or the first scents of fireplaces, one of the best heralds of this season is the glut of great books.

It feels a little like the month of December when studios race to get out their Oscar® hopefuls before the end of the year. There are some great books in every genre to consider as you look to curl up in your favorite book nook.

One Book, One Lincoln: Update!

Amor Towles' novel, *A Gentleman in Moscow*, is the winning title for 2017! Talk about captive audiences. Count Alexander Rostov is held under house arrest in a luxury hotel right across the street from the Kremlin in post-revolution Moscow. Can you imagine living in an attic apartment for years and watching the changing Soviet Union? Join Count Rostov as he experiences a life of introspection and emotional discovery.

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo is back ... again!

Stieg Larsson's Millennium Series continues with book #5, *The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye*. The writing baton has been passed and remains firmly in the hand of David Lagercrantz, whose *The Girl in the Spider's Web* first was a #1 National Best Seller when it hit

shelves two years ago. Reviews suggest that Lagercrantz's writing style is extremely close to Larsson's. He's woven another page-turning sequel involving Salander's childhood and introduces us to Lisbeth's twin sister, Camille, who now runs a powerful Russian mob.

A Tale of a New Best Friend

Jay Kopelman's paperback release of his memoir sure took its sweet time. *From Baghdad, with Love: A Marine, the War, and a Dog Named Lava* was first released in hardcover in 2006. It follows Jay's discovery of a puppy while sweeping houses for arms or enemy combatants and his plan to get Lava shipped to America. Lava and Jay form a fast friendship that helps Jay deal with his post deployment PTSD. Enjoy this story of life giving and lifesaving.

A Fascinating Look Behind the Screen

Ever wondered what goes into developing that entertaining video game that you and yours enjoy so much? Jason Schreier is your tour guide on a unique tour behind the curtain into the world of ten popular video games. In his nonfiction book, *Blood, Sweat and Pixels*, each chapter reads like a case study about a different game featuring interviews with designers, studio heads, and the worker bees who realize the vision into the end commercial

products. Think it's all fun and games? No way. Schreier leads readers down the rabbit hole to see the frustrations, breakdowns, burn outs, and successes of some fascinating games.

Sharing an Important Message with Children ... and Everyone

Sometimes the best way to deal with turbulent times is with simple reminders. Holly M. McGhee and illustrator provide those perfect reminders that every person—even children—can make a real difference in a world that seems full of fear and hatred in their new children's book, *Come With Me*. Follow a girl who asks what she can do to make the world a better place. Her parents each lead by example, inviting her to take a walk into their neighborhood: "Come with me." This might just be the perfect book to share with your kids or grandkids, to help them respond to adversity and fear with confidence and kindness.

Did you find a new author during the summer months? There are so many new choices this autumn—it's been announced that this is one of the busiest publishing seasons of all time—it will be easier than ever to discover a new book or author in any genre that you choose. Add another book to your reading list and give another book to someone else. Reading keeps Lincoln shining!

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