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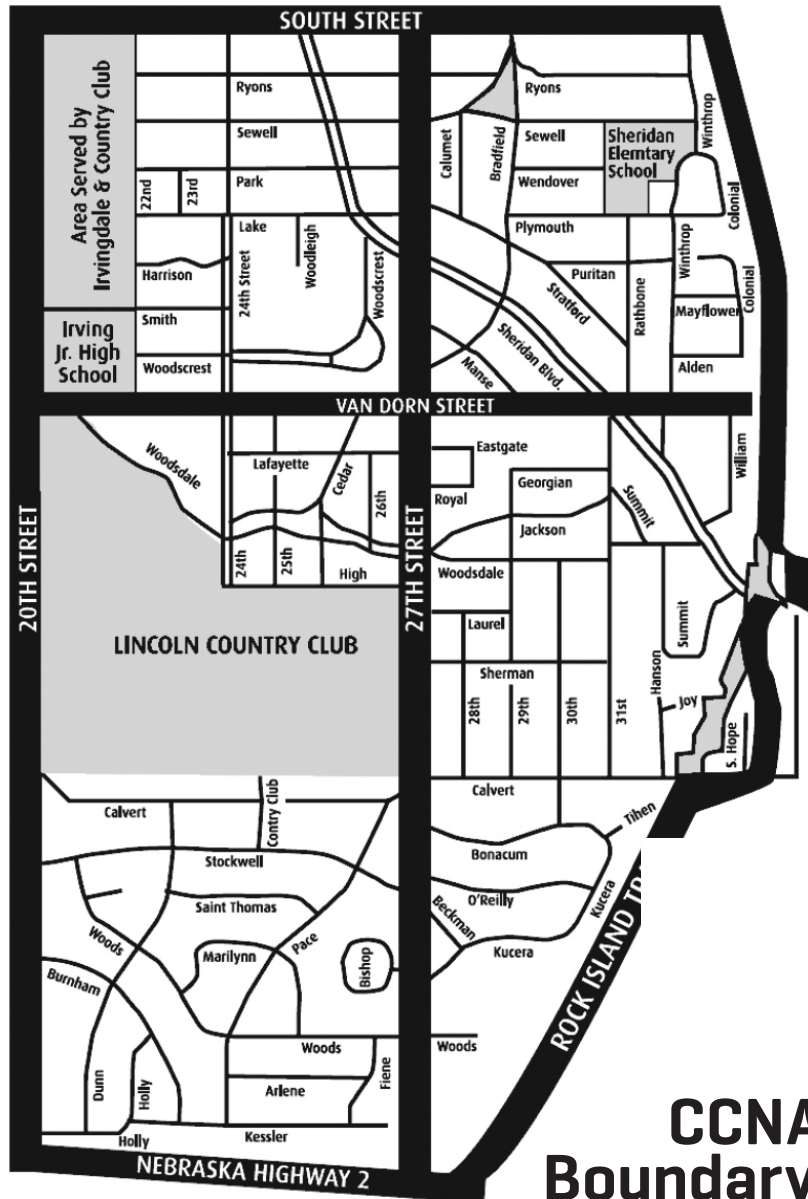
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President's Message

By Anna Eickholt, CCNA President



I am Anna Eickholt and I am honored to have been elected to serve as President of the CCNA. I look forward to working with the board and the association members to continue our mission to preserve and enhance our historic neighborhood.

I have served as a member of the board since 2014, most recently as Vice President. I am a long time

resident of Lincoln and have lived in this neighborhood for 5 years. I reside with my family and a few pets at 3015 Stratford Avenue. It is such a pleasure to live in this beautiful part of town.

As a board we try to plan events so that everyone in the neighborhood has an opportunity to be part of our community. Our annual neighborhood spring garage sale always attracts lots of participants. We work to clean parks, public areas, and streams. We provide for trees to be planted in parts of the neighborhood. Also, we plan several social gatherings such as the pool party at Irvingdale Pool and, in past years, the Fun-Run through the neighborhood. All these events are organized by volunteer board members.

I encourage anyone who is interested in getting involved to attend the board meetings. Board meetings are held at the Irving Rec Center seven months out of the year. All meetings are on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 o'clock pm. The meetings are an opportunity for us to share updates on projects in the works and to plan for future projects. The next meeting is scheduled on November 17, 2015 and I hope to see you there.

I look forward to getting to know and work with all of you.

Anna Eickholt

CCNA President ■



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Penny Bridge update

By Kim Hachiya

Farmers and homeowners often welcome rain. But it stymies construction contractors. And an unusually rainy spring and early fall put construction on the Sheridan Boulevard Penny Bridges a bit behind schedule.

Devin Biesecker, an engineer with the City of Lincoln and design project manager, said contractors are certain the bridges will reopen after Thanksgiving, most likely the first week of December, (weather permitting). The contractors had aimed for a mid-October completion but heavy rains in May, June and September slowed efforts. The Rock Island Trail will reopen when the traffic lanes open, he added.

The compacted-earth retaining walls that hold up the ends of the spans took longer than expected to complete, Biesecker said, because rain made the soil too muddy to work. The good news is that drier weather in late September and October helped Hawkins Construction to catch up, he said. Construction on the \$2 million project began May 4 after the Lincoln Marathon.

There were a couple of surprises, he said. A large concrete footing, probably from the original trolley bridge, was discovered during excavation; portions were removed. And a storm sewer line was discovered and relocated.

Railings from the original bridge were salvaged and will be part of a seating area to be installed near Calvert Street and the Rock Island Trail.

Biesecker is excited about decorative signs developed by Clark Enersen design firm. The signs explain the history of the bridge and are copper-plated cut-outs. "I'm anxious to see them installed because they are really cool looking," he said.

Although the bridges and trail will reopen in December, landscaping and finish work will complete in 2016.

Biesecker said the Mayor's Office is planning a ceremony to celebrate the reopening of the bridge, but the date depends on the contractors' completion date.

It's That Time of Year Again – *Winter!*

Winter means it's time for snow and dark nights. Other than the normal rituals we do in getting ready for winter, we also need to remember the following:

- **Snow removal from sidewalks** – City of Lincoln has an ordinance that a snowfall over 1" must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours or be fined. This is especially important if you have a sidewalk abutting your property that is used by children walking to and from school.
- **Snow and cars parked on the street** – don't get plowed in and don't make it difficult for cars driving down a slippery street by having your car parked on the street at night. Not only moving your car to the driveway helps to prevent any fender benders from a sliding car, the Lincoln Police Department also says a car parked on your driveway helps to prevent thieves from trying to break in to your vehicle. Don't let thieves do holiday shopping from your car.
- **Lights** – come 5 o'clock and it's already dark out. Leaving your front porch light on helps to deter crime. If you don't like remembering to turn your light off and on, your local hardware store has a "light sensor" adapter that screws into your front porch light socket. Screw your light bulb into the light sensor and it will do the work for you – on at dusk and off at dawn.
- **Fireplaces** – Ahhh! Love to take walks and smell the aroma of a wood-burning fireplace. If you haven't had your fireplace checked or cleaned in several years, now is the time to do it and make sure it is safe. Remember to make sure all fires are completely OUT before going to bed at night.

Now you can safely enjoy the winter season.

It's getting colder! Here's some tips on snow removal from the City of Lincoln.

When Lincoln has a winter storm, the City's goal is to keep the streets cleared and safe. For City crews to accomplish this goal effectively and efficiently, community cooperation is required. Residents are discouraged from parking on the street during any snow storm and are encouraged to plan ahead for alternative off-street parking.

Residents also are asked to stay informed on the status of snow operations. The City uses the following methods to inform the public:

LOCAL NEWS MEDIA SOURCES

- The City website – lincoln.ne.gov
- RSS feed/email alerts
- Twitter – sign up at twitter.com/lincolnsnow. You do not need a Twitter account to receive SMS alerts – text "follow lincolnsnow" to 40404 (standard text messaging rates apply).
- Time Warner Cable government access channels 5 and 10

The mayor may declare three types of parking bans:

Map of Emergency Snow Routes, Arterial Streets, Snow Removal Districts and City Bus Routes

SNOW EMERGENCY:

Parking may be banned on both sides of emergency snow routes, arterial streets and City bus routes, as indicated on the map. These routes must remain open for emergency vehicles. Along non-arterial streets, bus routes are marked with signs.

SNOW REMOVAL DISTRICTS

When a snow emergency is declared, the Mayor may prohibit parking on both sides of the street in areas designated as snow removal districts. In these areas, the snow is plowed into windrows, loaded into trucks and hauled out of the area. Typically, snow removal occurs between midnight and 8 a.m. The districts include streets in the following areas: Downtown, University Place, Havelock, Bethany, College View, 11th and "G", 17th and Washington, 25th and Sumner.

During snow removal district parking bans, free downtown parking will be available from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. at Center Park Garage, 1100 "N" St. The customer will be charged for any time beyond the nine hours at the posted garage rate. If

the vehicle remains in the facility past 10 a.m., the customer will be charged for the entire time the vehicle was in the facility.

You can find a map of emergency snow routes, arterial streets and snow removal districts at lincoln.ne.gov.

RESIDENTIAL

A residential parking ban applies to streets that are not emergency snow routes, arterials or bus routes or included in a snow removal district. Parking is first banned on the even-numbered (north and east) side of the street. Once the Mayor has terminated that ban, parking will be banned on the odd-numbered (south and west) side of the street, and parking is again permitted on the even side.

All bans remain in effect until terminated by the Mayor.

TICKETS/TOWING

Vehicles parked illegally during Snow Emergency, Snow Removal District or Residential Parking bans are subject to fines, towing and storage costs at the owners' expense.

Vehicles parked in a way that does not allow emergency vehicles to pass may be ticketed for obstructing a public street.

For information on the location of towed vehicles, call the Lincoln Police Service Desk, 402-441-7204.

SIDEWALKS/DRIVEWAYS

City ordinance requires property owners to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 9 a.m. the day following the end of the snow storm. Sidewalks must be kept clear of snow and ice during the day. The entire width of the walk must be cleared, along with any adjoining wheelchair ramps or curb cuts. For more information or to report locations not cleared, contact the Public Works and Utilities sidewalk office at 402-441-7541.

If a property owner does not clear the walk and a complaint is received by the City sidewalk office, notice will be given to the owner. City ordinance requires written notice to be left on the front door or other conspicuous place on the property. If an unresolved problem is reported again, the City may hire a snow removal contractor, and the owner is responsible for the charges.

It is illegal to push or blow snow into or on any street, alley or sidewalk. Violators are subject to a fine.

Residents are encouraged to clear snow from fire hydrants.

Neighborhood Association Born 30 Years Ago Thrives

By Kim Hachiya



Linda Wibbels and Hal Allen with photo of Bobbie Allen

In 1985, rumors flew that the city planned to widen 27th Street to four lanes from South Street to Highway 2. This distressing news galvanized a group of people living in what was then loosely called the Country Club neighborhood to band together to stop or reduce the project scope.

Linda Wibbels and Hal Allen (and his wife, the now late Bobbie Allen) were among a handful of folks concerned about the project. A meeting was called at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Wibbels said, and she remembers 50 to 60 people attended. This, she noted, was before it was easy to inform people through social media or email. Fliers, word of mouth and phone calls were implemented; later as mailing lists were developed and money was donated, the group sent letters to people throughout the neighborhood.

Allen and Wibbels remember the original members included Bob Beecham and Jan Dutton; Robert and Shawna Valentine; Pat and Nancy O'Brien; and Bill and Joyce Norris, although

many others were also involved. Pat O'Brien wrote the original bylaws, Wibbels said, and the group registered with the State of Nebraska and the city's Urban Development office. The Country Club Neighborhood Association was born in summer 1985.

Anti-street widening tactics included putting ribbons on every tree and shrub that would be lost to a widening and stringing yellow caution tape across property lines indicating where the street edge would be. For some, the tape crossed a front porch, or lopped off a home's wall.

The two say the city was deaf to neighborhood concerns about the widening, and also disregarded neighborhoods along 40th and 48th streets, which were also considered for widening. Allen said CCNA eventually sued the city, hoping for a hearing. After much to and fro, the compromise concept of "2 plus 1" was implemented. Still in use, having two through lanes with a center turn lane allows traffic to move more smoothly, Allen said.

Other issues soon emerged, Wibbels said, including proliferation of group homes and condo/apartment conversions in large older homes, and the location of pedophile/sex offender residents. The neighborhood association successfully achieved the unusual status of down-zoning to a more restrictive R2, which allows less redevelopment and conversions, than the previous R4 zone.

Allen said the focus to a more positive form of activism benefited the entire city. For example, Wibbels said, rules that limit the placement and number of group homes mean no neighborhood becomes too saturated. And rules requiring pedophiles and sex offenders reside no closer than 500 feet from a school or church benefit all. The association also got the city to enforce a 1953 ordinance that limited trucks over 26,000 pounds of gross vehicle weight from using residential arterials like 27th and Van Dorn streets. The trucking association opposed enforcement, Wibbels said, because it meant grain trucks could no longer use 27th street and had to take other routes to elevators.

Other projects spearheaded by the association included clean-up and beautification projects that reduced litter and allowed residents to get rid of junk appliances. Recycling projects were initiated and eventually went citywide. School crossing lights were installed on Sheridan Boulevard and 27th Street. Tree planting plans were developed, Allen said, especially after a 1993 windstorm and a 1997 snowstorm

damaged many older trees citywide. Current projects include landscape and maintenance of the 43 boulevard islands in the neighborhood, which Wibbels said required writing and attaining grants and private funding. The group also has worked with Sheridan School on various projects and donated a Tour de Lincoln bicycle sculpture at Van Dorn/Manse Boulevard park. Other efforts renovated Pocras/Triangle park near South Street.

Wibbels said that often the city response to neighborhood requests was “you pay for it yourself,” and she said, “so we did.” For instance, Wibbels said, the association has paid more than \$75,000 just for the lighting projects. “Your dues go a long ways,” Wibbels said.

Bob Ripley became involved in the 1990s and remembers most vividly the work to approve the ornamental lighting districts along Sheridan, Woodsdale and 27th Street. Ripley said the city “changed the rules” midway through the project, meaning that residents had to twice walk the neighborhood to get homeowner approvals. “But, we did it. Twice,” he said.

Ripley said the key ingredients for success were vigilance and perseverance. Wibbels said the group became avid readers of the city council and other meeting agendas printed in the Sunday newspaper.

Lincoln’s historic preservation planner Ed Zimmer said the Country Club association is not the oldest in the city; those distinctions belong to Hartley, which organized in 1972, and Near South, which just celebrated its 40th anniversary. But like those two, CCNA has lasted while others have disbanded.

“The challenge for groups is to survive their first big struggle. Often the groups die after the war is fought, especially if the war was won,” Zimmer said. It’s crucial that groups bond and have fun together, Zimmer said. “The key to sustaining and remaining strong until the next crisis pops up are those ice cream socials, neighborhood parties and other activities.”

Zimmer has given many tours in the neighborhood and worked with homeowners on history property designations. He noted the association was active in helping plan the Penny Bridge restoration.

Allen and Wibbels agreed, saying that it was fun to work toward common goals, which kept folks going during sometimes discouraging times.

“The dynamics of this neighborhood come from the foresight the Woods Brothers had when they platted their original 3,000 acres back in the early 1900s,” Allen said. “They planned for an economically integrated community, with some large expensive homes and a lot of more modest homes. They got away from the grid street system with the diagonal Sheridan Boulevard along the ridgeline and curved streets. The neighborhood attracted bankers and laborers, doctors and business owners. It was not just for members of the Country Club of Lincoln, although the name has stuck.

“Our neighborhood attracted city leaders, city followers and city do-ers,” Allen said. “It stimulated the growth of good citizens. This neighborhood is loaded with talent and people who are willing to run for office. Talent attracts and invites other talent.”

Wibbels notes that the neighborhood is among those with the highest voting rates in the city.

“We have desirable schools and we keep our neighborhood up,” Wibbels said. A Realtor by profession, Wibbels said homes in the neighborhood retain value and are desirable to younger residents.

Allen’s experience exemplifies that. He has moved to The Legacy, leaving the Sheridan Boulevard home he shared with Bobbie for nearly 50 years. His 97-year-old home sold in less than three weeks, Wibbels said. ■

CCNA Anniversary Gala Is Dec. 5 at Country Club of Lincoln



Join your neighbors and celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Country Club Neighborhood Association at a gala and concert at the Country Club of Lincoln on Saturday, Dec. 5. Doors open at 6:30 with a cash bar and hors d’oeuvres.

Jazz singer and neighborhood member

Jackie Allen takes the stage at 8 p.m. accompanied by Tony Hillhouse, drums; Tom Larson, keyboard; and Hans Sturm, string bass. Guitarist Peter Bouffard also will perform earlier in the evening. The festivities will conclude with a dessert bar.

Tickets are \$50 per person in advance; \$75 at the door if available.

The deadline for reservations is Nov. 28. To register online, go to www.eventbrite.com/e/country-club-neighborhood-association-30th-anniversary-party-tickets-19245930095?aff=efbnreg. Or mail your check (written out to CCNA) and reservations to Anna Eickholt at 3015 Stratford Ave.

Thanks much to the committee organizing the event. Committee members include Anna Eickholt (chair), Jena Lambert, Justin Carlson, Mary Monahan, Jackie Allen, Hans Sturm and Linda Wibbels.

November Events

Good Life Halfsy

November 1 2015

Nebraska's running celebration. Halfsy the distance, double the fun!

When- 9am-2pm

Cost-

Fall Fling Antique Show

November 1 2015

Flea Market, Antiques and MORE! One of a kind items over 125 unique vendors will be at the Fall Fling Flea Market & Antique Show.

When: 10am-4pm

Where: Lancaster Event Center

Cost: \$4 for adults, Children 12 and under are free

Itty Bitty Basketball

November 3 2015

A nationally recognized sports program, the Start Smart programs offered by Campus Rec will introduce your 3-5 year old to the wide world of sports. This is a positive experience for kids to help prepare them to play sports in the future. This sport program focuses on basketball skills including dribbling, passing, catching, shooting, and agility.

When: 530-630pm

Where: UNL Rec & Wellness Center, 1717 North 35th St

Cost: \$55 for members/\$65 for non-members

Huskers for Husker Highlights Night

Nov 4 2015

Huskers 4 Huskers was created by Lee Berks and Jeff Dinslage, two long time loyal Husker friends, for the sole purpose of uniting former Huskers and loyal fans in support of current Huskers, coaches and staff members. Former Huskers for current Huskers equals Huskers 4 Huskers. This group also features former Husker athletes in "real talk" questions and answers. Post links to former players' websites and invites to Huskers 4 Huskers events. Husker Highlights Night 2015

When: 7-9pm

Cost- \$5, all ages welcome

Where- Vega 350 Canopy St, Lincoln Ne

First Friday Gallery Opening

November 6 2015

Join us at the LUX for food, drinks and new show opening on the First Friday of every month!

When- 5pm-8pm

Where- 2601 N 48th St

Nebraska Alumni Association's Football Friday- Post Season Preview

November 6 2015

Kick off home football weekends with Football Fridays, the Nebraska Alumni Association's family-friendly event series. Invite your friends and family and connect with Husker football fans around the country at these fun-filled evenings. ALL Football Fridays are free and open to the public.

When- 5-7pm

Where- Wick Alumni Center, 1520 R St

Cost- FREE

Husker Tailgate Party with AM/FM

November 7 2015

If you danced to it, sang along to it, cracked it up in your car, and you want to hear it... we're going to play it! Come down to Vega to enjoy and fun filled evening!

When- 6pm

Where- 350 Canopy St, Suite 220

Cost- FREE

Jr. Blackshirts Football Game Day Camp

November 7 2015

During home football games, UNL Campus Rec provides recreational activities in a childcare setting.

When-

Football Watch Party at Pinnacle Bank Arena

November 7 2015

Nebraska fans who are looking for a spot to watch the Nebraska vs. Michigan game can do so at Pinnacle Bank Arena. The public is invited to watch the game on the arena video board. Admission is free and food and beverages will be available for purchase at select concessions stands. Doors open 60 min prior to event.

When: Doors open 60 min prior to event

Where: Pinnacle Bank Arena

Cost: Admission is free, food and beverage will be available for purchase

Prairie Run

November 7 2015

Participate in the one mile or 5k run/walk and help support the Nature Center. All proceeds go to support our land management and prairie restoration projects.

When- 9am (1 mile ages 5-12 years old)

930am 5k (ages 13 and up)

Cost- \$10-\$20

Lincoln Children's Museum 25th Birthday Bash

November 8 2015

Come celebrate our 25th Birthday Bash with a special celebration! We will be unveiling two new exhibits to add to the excitement! There will be live entertainment, birthday cake, and giveaways!

When- 1-5pm

Cost- Free for Members, \$5 Non-members

NSAA 2015 State Volleyball Championships

November 12-14 2015

Volleyball will be held at the Pinnacle Bank Arena, Devaney Sports Center and some high schools. Come cheer on your favorite team!

Friday Live at Five Jazz Series

November 13 2015

Join Capital Jazz Society for our new jazz series. Friday Live at Five! it will feature local jazz groups playing some great live music.

When- 5pm

Cost- \$6 entry

Flannel Channel in Lincoln

November 14 2015

90's alt band playing favorites from one of the best decades of music!

When- 9pm

Cost- \$5

LinConnect Youth Activity

November 15 2015

LinConnect is a youth sports activity expo designed to help parents connect with your sports activity organizations including sports team, martial arts, music, dance, crafts, and camps. Youth organizations from around the area will have booths and demo space where parents and children can get more info and meet the organizers personally in one convenient location

When: 10am

Where: 4100 N 84th St

Cost: \$2 for Adults, Children FREE

A Taste of Wine and Broadway

November 20-21

The popular cabaret series is back featuring the best of Nebraska wine and talent singing tunes from Broadway.

When: Doors open at 645, show starts at 745

Where: The TADA Theatre, 701 P Street

Cost: <http://www.tadaproductions.info>

Women's Fall Craft Show

November 21, 2015

Holiday craft show consisting of handmade items only. Over 100 booths of items!

When- 9am-3:30pm

Where- Seward Fairgrounds in Seward, NE

The Santa Station

November 27 2015

Bring the little ones for a cozy Santa chat then join Santa and a cast of holiday characters (including live reindeer) with music, activities, performers, refreshment and giveaways.

Where: 2910 Pine lake Road

When: 12-8pm Friday & Saturday, 12-5pm Sunday

Cost: FREE

Hidden Gems of the Silver Screen

Take a step into Danny Ladley's office and one thing is evident: the man isn't your typical film buff. A signed Alexander Payne poster hangs on one wall. On another, an old photo of Ladley and Martin Sheen is displayed; next to it, awards, art and more autographed photos of actors. Across the room, shelves and cupboards hold movie collections and film memorabilia from the nearly 42 years since Ladley became director of the non-profit Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center. The theatre, which specializes in American independent and foreign films, started at the Sheldon Museum as a way to show film as an art form equal to other exhibits. In 1973, Ladley was brought in to move the program full-time.

In addition to showing films, the theatre also hosts special events and screenings, oftentimes bringing in filmmakers to discuss their work. The Ross also broadcasts performances from the London National Theatre and The MET Opera Live in HD via satellite.

A unique upcoming event is a live performance in November by Pat Ward Kelly, the third and final wife of Gene Kelly. The show is a one-person multimedia play about the life of Gene that includes music and audio clips. That same weekend, a Cambodian filmmaker will come to show her documentary exploring village Cambodia life.

Ladley said having the Ross in Lincoln is an asset as it allows important but lesser-known films to be accessible for the community.

"It really allows you to look at cultures that you might not be aware of or have the opportunity to look at, but both in United States and in foreign countries," Ladley said. "We show a lot of documentaries that are really important. Very topical stuff. I look at movies as art, so we really show movies in that spirit, just as we did at Sheldon. We're really fortunate."

IT'S ALL DOWNTOWN FROM HERE

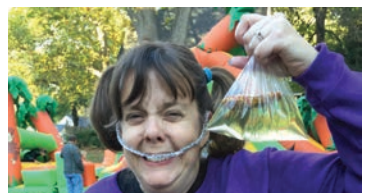


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HALLOWEEN IN THE 'HOOD





Keep the Neighborhood Beautiful!

As many of you know the Country Club Neighborhood Association has been participating in the City of Lincoln's Adopt-A-Stream program by adopting the Antelope Park Tributary, from South Street to Van Dorn. As part of the program we are required to conduct 2 cleanups of the creek each year. Since the start of our participation we have been able to, not only clean the creek, but also the rest of the park. For this fall's clean-up, a group of participants gathered on October 3 to do the work. It was a beautiful fall morning and the clean-up took only a couple of hours. Each year we see more and more improvement in the cleanliness of the park. This can be directly attributed to the efforts of the CCNA. Thank you to those who helped. If you are interested in participating in this or any other CCNA effort please e-mail Anna Eickholt at annakar31@hotmail.com.



LEFTOVERS!

Everyone loves leftovers, but not "garage sale" sign leftovers. Our neighbors have been excellent in posting their signs in the ground – not on light poles or trees – and taking them down immediately. People outside our neighborhood, however, are not so good. There have been garage sale signs posted for places as far away as 39th & Randolph! If you are out on a walk or see a sign that is in the ground or taped to a pole, will you please take it down? It looks tacky and junky. Thank you for your help in keeping the neighborhood beautiful.

Autumn is upon us, and with autumn comes an abundance of yard waste! Here's some tips from the City of Lincoln on managing yard waste.

MANAGING YARD WASTE

Grass clippings and leaves become a resource when used as mulch or compost material. This yard waste serves no useful purpose when hauled to the landfill. During the growing season yard waste can account for nearly 10% of Lincoln's total waste stream. For these reasons, yard waste is banned from the Lincoln landfill from April 1 through November 30. Yard waste includes leaves, grass clippings, and yard prunings.

HAUL GRASS/LEAVES YOURSELF

You may take your grass/leaves to the 48th Street Transfer Station, 5101 N. 48th St. Yard waste must be free of garbage, litter, and tree trimmings over 1" in diameter. Yard waste must be removed from plastic bags at the transfer station.

CONTACT YOUR TRASH HAULER

Local trash haulers offer yard waste removal services. This is in addition to your regular trash service and generally is offered in early Spring through November 30.

It is important that yard waste does not get mixed in with regular trash. If someone mows or tends to your yard for you, please inform them of where to place yard waste.

Yard waste may be placed in carts provided by waste haulers, large paper bags provided by many retailers, or 32-gallon trash cans with lids. Plastic bags are not allowed for disposal of yard waste. Note that tree trimmings over 1" in diameter are collected with regular trash.

HIRE A LAWN CARE SERVICE

Include yard waste management in your lawn care service package.

For more information, call the City of Lincoln Recycling Office at 402-441-8215 or UNL Extension in Lancaster County at 402-441-7180.

PROGRESS, SLOW BUT SURE

27th Street, from Calvert to Woods Boulevard, is the ONLY section of 27th Street from I-80 on the north to Roca Road on the south that still has wooden poles for street lights! With the assistance from Mayor Chris Beutler and Director of Public Works, Miki Esposito, this will soon no longer be the case.

Lincoln Electric System will soon be removing some of the ugly wooden poles and replacing them with black, ornamental lighting. In time, CCNA will be adding the black ornamental acorn lights to the poles like you see on Van Dorn and 27th Street north of Calvert. Unfortunately, not all of the wooden poles will be removed. Time Warner and Windstream still have their lines above ground (we were told that they supposedly want about \$30,000.00 to go underground and remove the poles they use) so some wooden poles will still be in place.

Look for the new streetlights coming soon!

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Meeting Dates

The Country Club Neighborhood Association meets the third Tuesday in February, March, April, July, September, October and November.

Our next meetings will be held at the Irving Rec Center on the following dates:

November 17, 2015

February 18, 2016

March 17, 2016

Street Name History

Did you know that several of the streets in the Country Club Neighborhood are named after local figures?

Pace Boulevard, on the southern edge of the Country Club Neighborhood, was named by Lincoln real estate developer F. Pace Woods II, just like much of the Country Club Neighborhood. Woods' family started Woods Bros. Cos. in 1889, later Woods Bros. Realty. He named Pace Boulevard after his great-grandfather, and Woodcrest Avenue and Woods Boulevard after the family. More than 25 percent of Lincoln homes are in Woods Bros. developments, spanning 6,600 acres. ■

What a Beautiful Day ...



... for a celebration. The skies were blue and the sun shown brightly. A gentle breeze rustled the already turning crimson and golden leaves. Yes, it was a perfect day on October 18th for the dedication ceremony of the Historic Woodsdale Boulevards beautification; a perfect day to honor Doug and Mary Carper for their generous contribution to the neighborhood with the enhancement and endowment for the lasting beauty to this part of he neighborhood.

Christie Dionisopoulos of the Lincoln Parks Foundation welcomed the 100+ guests and neighbors to the dedication ceremony. Speakers included Lynn Johnson, Director of Lincoln Parks and Recreation, and Mark Canny, Lincoln Parks and Recreation landscape architect who worked directly with the Carpers in achieving the magnificent results on the Woodsdale Boulevards. Ed Zimmer, City of Lincoln historian gave a history of the area and Twyla M. Hansen, Nebraska State Poet, read two beautiful literary selections – “Holding Forth Promise” – Alexandria in Willa Cather’s O Pioneers and “Autumn” a selection from Twyla’s Dirt Songs: A Plains Duet. This was followed by a beautiful, musical selection “Only a Dream” by Mary Chapin Carpenter. Erin-Scott was the vocalist and Daniel Martine accompanied on the guitar.



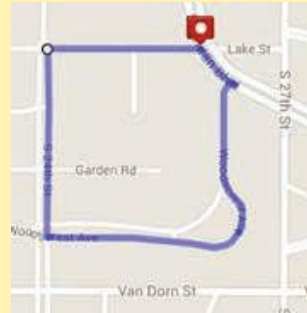
Country Club Neighborhood Walking Tour



The enhancement of the boulevards was not only for the adults of the neighborhood and passers-by, but also for the children. At the end of the ceremony the young children gathered up front and presented Mary Carper with a beautiful bouquet. After saying “Thank you! In unison, they blew bubbles into the air to close the ceremony. Afterwards, all were invited to have cookies and cider while visiting with their friends and neighbors.

A special thank not only to Doug and Mary Carper, but to the Country Club of Lincoln for the refreshments, Woods Bros Realty – Country Club office for their help with the invitations, the Country Club Neighborhood Association for their financial donation to the Historic Woodsdale Boulevard endowment and to the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Foundation for helping to make all of the possible.

Yes, it was a beautiful day!



On September 13th you may have noticed a large group meandering through the neighborhood. Approximately 90 people joined Ed Zimmer, Lincoln’s historic preservation planner, for a walking tour along parts of Sheridan Boulevard, Lake and 24th Streets, and Woodscrest Avenue. Mr.

Zimmer shared information about the homes along the tour and other interesting facts about the area. Thanks to everyone who attended and a special thank you to Mr. Zimmer for spending part of his Sunday afternoon with us.

Watch the neighborhood newsletter or the CCNA Facebook page for announcements on future neighborhood tours.



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Yard waste is banned from the landfill until November 30, so get your leaves raked up before then.

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