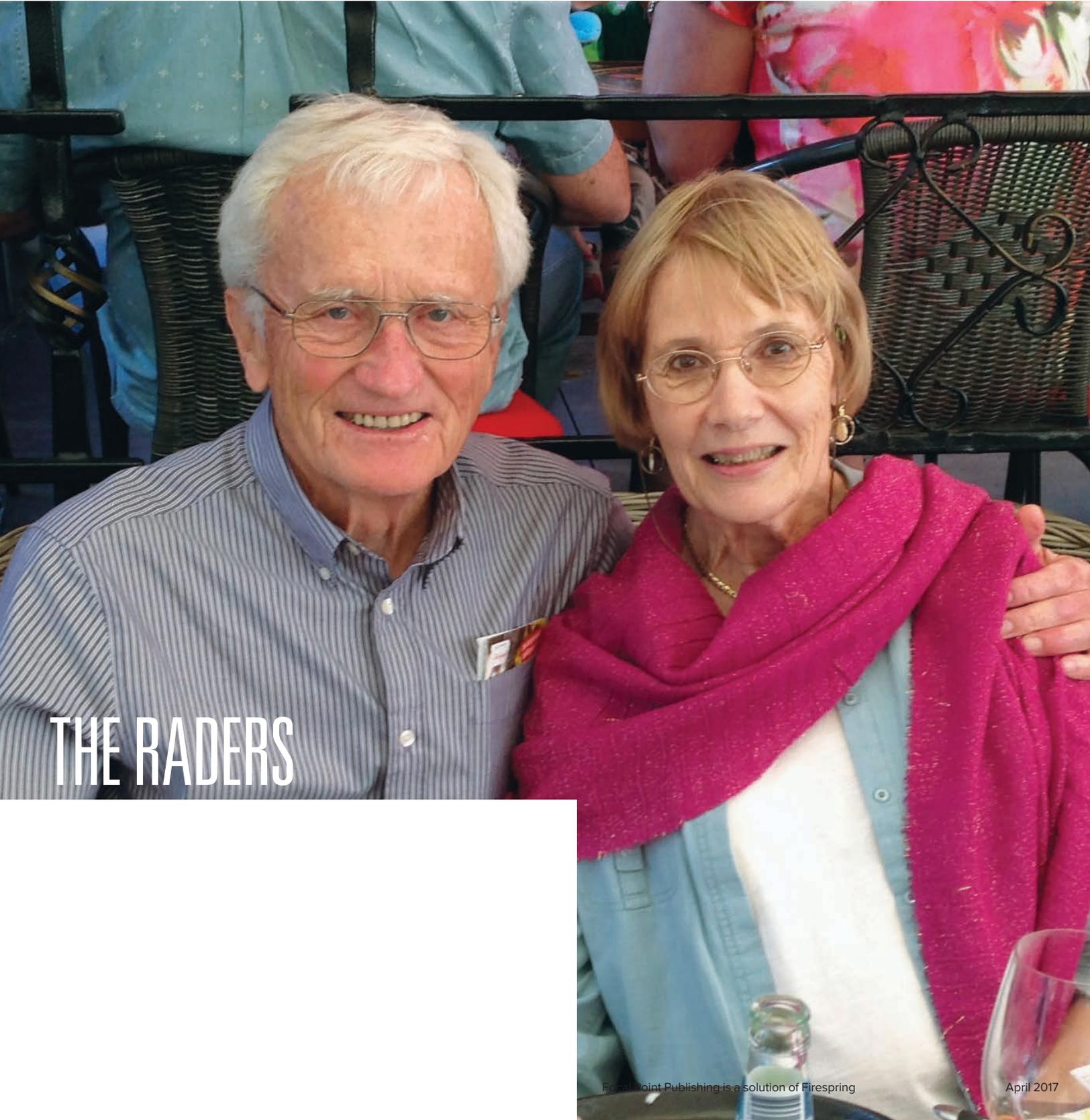


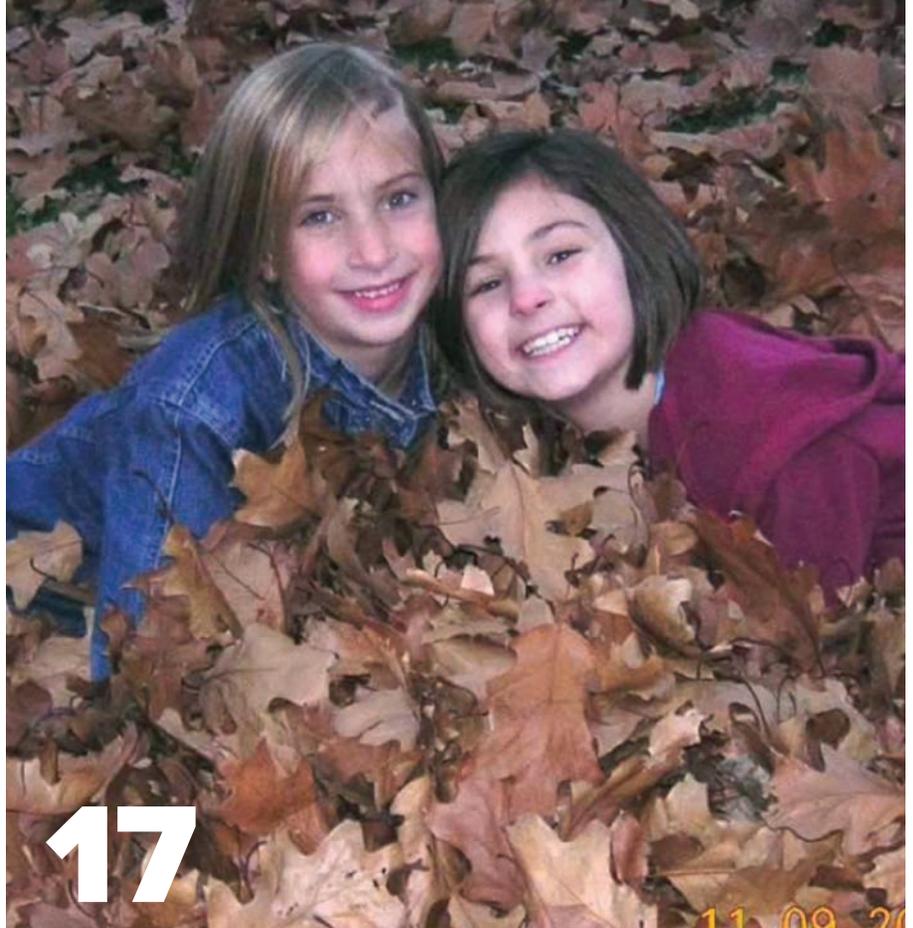
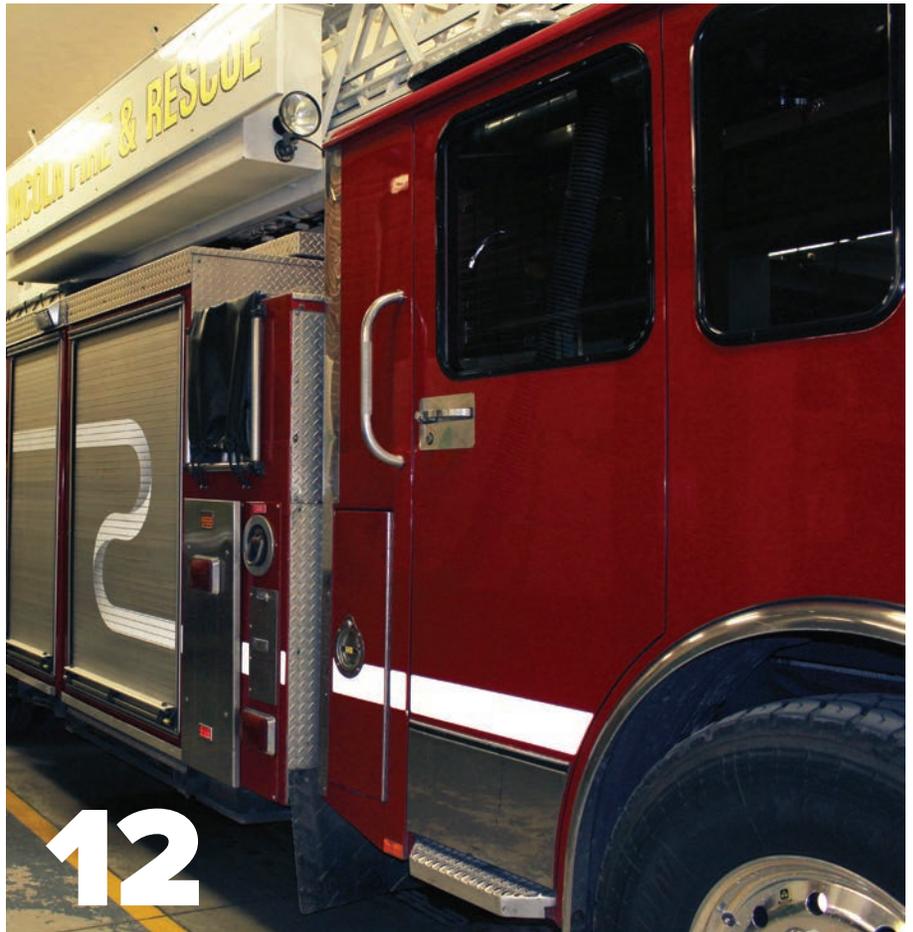
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# President's Message

THE CCNA IS CONTINUING TO fulfill our mission "to encourage neighbors to come together to preserve, protect and enhance the historic character of the neighborhood". One issue we are monitoring is a possible zoning change that would allow for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) in Lincoln. The proposed change could lead the way for tiny houses to be built in backyards. The matter has been discussed at our meeting and the CCNA, along with other neighborhood associations, want to make sure we realize the implications in our neighborhood of such a change and to make sure we have a voice on the issue. We will continue to share information about this development in the future.

As many of you already know, the CCNA is once again planning to organize an annual garage sale in the neighborhood. As always, it will be

held on the first Saturday of May, this year it falls on May 6th. Registering is easy at CCNAlinc.org. This same weekend is the Lincoln Marathon, be on the lookout for the CCNA along the route.

We have a new logo. You will start to see this updated version on a variety of items from us in the future.

We continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 at the Irving Recreation Center. As always, everyone is welcome.



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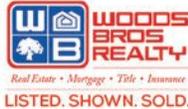
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Having been with the company for over 30 years, Sarah Gauger didn't originally plan on joining the family business. She graduated with a BA in Sociology and joined omt! as a stop gap while she decided on a course for graduate school.

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**“We have such wonderful customers and consigners. Getting to serve and assist our customers is what we enjoy the most.”**

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She soon found her love for omt! was too strong to walk away from and she has since seen the company be embraced by the Lincoln community through the years. “The Lincoln community is amazing! They have supported us for nearly 40 years of business!” Sarah says of her appreciation, “We have such wonderful customers and consigners. Getting to serve and assist our customers is what we enjoy the most.”

Kate Merrit has also been a foundation of omt!, having been with the shop for over 10 years after her first career of programming



programming with the State of Nebraska and owning her own bookshop. Along with Jan, Sarah, and Kate, Omt! is staffed by six amazing women, including three generations of family working for the shop!

After four locations, omt! found its current home at 1725 Van Dorn in 1997. If you think clothing is the only thing you can get at omt!, you would be mistaken. Shoes and designer purses from Michael Kors, Coach, Kate Spade can commonly be found as well.

Sarah finds that the popularity of omt! may lie with it not being your typical consignment shop. She explains, “the fact that omt! is locally owned, brick and mortar store makes us fairly unique in this day and age. It is a challenge but we are using things like social media and trying to create an online presence to carry us into our fortieth year of business. Our dedication to customer service is also unique. We have fun at our job and try to make the shopping

experience fun at omt!.

With the resale industry changing and evolving constantly, omt! has found its close connection with the community of Lincoln a foundation of success through the years. Sarah still finds that some people aren't taking advantage of the resale industry simply because they aren't aware. “The resale industry has come a long way since 1979, but there might still be some people that don't know what we have to offer. Even if someone doesn't think they would like shopping resale, we would like to invite shoppers of all ages to check us out. Our customers tell us that they like finding all their favorite labels under one roof and having convenient parking right at the door. There's no need to spend all day at the mall when you shop at omt!”

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**Tell me more...**

One of things that jumps out at me is the specialization our builder offers. We met with his electrician, his plumber and his carpenter. We also met with Nick Vondrak of gvKustom Kitchens for the cabinets. These people are all experts in their respective fields.

**So how does this translate to your business, Custom Blinds & Design?**

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# CCNA FEATURE STUDENTS

## Quinn Preston and Olivia Gustafson

LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS ARE rarer now than they've ever been. That's why Quinn Preston and Olivia Gustafson cherish the friendship they've shared for the last 13 years.

Stratford Avenue in south Lincoln was the birthplace of the friendship between Quinn and Olivia. Both of their families moved onto the block in the summer of 2004, shortly before the pair began kindergarten. Naturally, they became close and spent as much time together as they could. They loved hanging out with other families in the



neighborhood and enjoying every summer swimming on the Irvingdale swim team. Olivia and Quinn also earned money babysitting, watching pets and watering plants for out-of-town neighbors.

Like a lot of friends, they both decided to attend Lincoln Southeast High School together. Quinn has enjoyed participating on the swimming and track teams, while Olivia is a contributing member of the LSE school newspaper, the Clarion. Both girls spend the majority of their

free time either working—Quinn at Leon's and Olivia at HomeGoods and Marshall's, or spending time with friends and family. While their differing activities and interests have created space between them, the girls remain close and plan to be roommates during their freshman year at UNL.

Olivia credits her mother for helping her find her love in journalism. "I found something I really like to do, journalism, during my freshman year in high school. This has opened the door for me in understanding what I want to do in the future. I am (planning on) attending UNL with a journalism major in mind." Since Olivia came from a private school before Southeast, she didn't know very many people besides Quinn her freshman year. She believes that her social abilities and outgoing personality helped her make friends at LSE.

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While Olivia was immersing herself in journalism, Quinn had her sights set on success in athletics. One of her favorite high school memories was getting to compete in the Heartland Athletic Conference Swim Tournament. Quinn believes that by pushing herself in swimming in track, as well as trying different activities, she found success in areas she was



unaware of. She also discovered the best thing about sports: creating relationships that last a lifetime. "Most situations aren't as hard as they may seem and I gained confidence by persevering. I think this will help me achieve goals in the future." Quinn also looks up to her mother because she taught her self confidence and to give 100% in everything that she does.

Needless to say, Quinn and Olivia are excited for next year. Quinn is planning on majoring in athletic training while Olivia plans on majoring in journalism. They will be meeting many new people and going through new experiences each and every day. Most importantly, they will be doing this together.

# FEATURE FAMILY

## Ben and Barbara Rader

YOU CAN TELL A LOT ABOUT how special a neighborhood is by how long its residents choose to stay there. Ben and Barb Rader have called the Country Club neighborhood home for nearly 50 years.

### An academic beginning

Ben and Barb, who recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary, found each other in an American History seminar as graduate students at the University of Maryland. As Barb recalls, the seminar consisted of her and 11 men, and Ben and another grad student were both vying for her affection.

“Ben convinced me to go to a football game with him one afternoon even though he knew I had an evening date with another grad student,” Barb says. Her evening date ended up being postponed, however, and she never rescheduled. The couple was married in 1961, and in 1967, the Raders moved to Lincoln with their two young

children when Ben accepted a position as professor of history at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Ben has always been interested in history. He earned a Ph.D. at the University of Maryland and has been a social and cultural historian for over 50 years. Ben has also written several books, and his most recent work, *Down on Mahan’s Creek: A History of an Ozarks Neighborhood*, was just released this year.

Barb graduated with a history major from the College of Wooster in Ohio, and had started a Masters program at the University of Maryland when she met Ben. Shortly after the Raders arrived in Lincoln, however, Barb began taking piano lessons with MarySue Harris, and “all thoughts of a history career were put aside,” she said. “MarySue eventually convinced me to teach piano.” In 1996, Barb produced a game called *Music History Bingo* that helps teach the history of music.

### Life in Lincoln

The Raders spent their first year in Lincoln renting a house near 27th Street and Sewell, biding their time until they could find the perfect home. And in 1968, they found it: a house on the corner of 31st and Woodsdale. It

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**“Ben convinced me to go to a football game with him one afternoon even though he knew I had an evening date with another grad student”**

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was built in the late 1930s, and “there was a bit of controversy at the time,” Barb says. “[This house] and the house next door were 1.5-story houses in an area platted for two-story houses only. Apparently there was some complaint, but I don’t know if it is any more than neighborhood gossip.” After 25 years on Woodsdale, the Raders moved around the block to West Summit Boulevard. and have been there since 1992.

Now retired, Ben and Barb thoroughly enjoy the life they’ve created together in the Country Club neighborhood. In addition to his research and writing, Ben enjoys



*The Rader's current home on West Summit Boulevard*



*Their first home in the Country Club at 3100 S. 31st, then and now.*

playing tennis as often as he can. Barb has had many hobbies over the years—quilting and needlework, to name a couple—but currently she is exercising, walking her neighborhood and “learning Spanish for the umpteenth time,” she said. And of course, she still spends plenty of time at the piano, occasionally with students.

The couple has traveled together extensively over the past 20 years and has been fortunate to travel with the First Plymouth Church Choir to Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and the Baltic States. Barb considers singing in the First Plymouth Church Choir and Abendmusik to be her greatest joy.

Ben and Barb are proud to include grandparenting on their list of

activities. Their daughter, Anne, is a pathologist in Portland, Oregon, and has two sons; the eldest will graduate from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington, this May, and the younger is in high school in Lake Oswega, Oregon. Their son Steve was killed in a bicycle accident in Madison, Wisconsin, in 2013, and is survived by one daughter who also lives in Oregon and recently attended Lewis and Clark College.

### **A close-knit community**

The Raders have built a wonderful network of friends and can often be found dining out and enjoying conversations. “I grew up in the Washington, D.C., suburbs,” Barb said.

“I dearly love the sense of community in Lincoln and the ease with which one can get around.”

Barb takes a lot of pride in the Country Club neighborhood. “This past Fourth of July, I was very upset on my afternoon walks by the amount of fireworks litter that I had to walk around,” she said. “Recently, I read an article in the Christian Science Monitor about former Massachusetts Governor Mike Dukakis, walking with the interviewer in Boston, pulling out a plastic bag from his suitcase and picking up some litter. I read the article a second time and said to myself, ‘I can do that!’”

The Country Club neighborhood is truly lucky to have Barb and Ben.





# EMERALD ASH BORER

Lynn Johnson, Director of Lincoln Parks and Recreation, recently spoke with the Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable on the subject of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). Here are a few highlights Country Club neighbors may find helpful.

- When EAB moves in, 100% of ash trees die within 15 years. The State Forester expects to find EAB in Lincoln this year.
- The City of Lincoln has planned a phased removal and replacement of 14,000 public street trees. Approximately 1,000 trees will be removed and replaced each year. Ash trees that are not removed will be treated with an injected insecticide to protect the trees until they can be removed.
- Homeowners can contact Community Forestry at 402-441-7847 to request their street tree be removed, however, replacement trees will not be available until 2018 at the earliest.
- Homeowners may opt to treat or remove any ash trees on their property. Visit the homeowners section of [www.eabne.info](http://www.eabne.info) for more information on EAB symptoms and treatments.

# ART IN YOUR CITY

Lori Thomas

*Lincoln Partners for  
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Three years ago Lincoln Partners for Public Art Development (LPPAD) began as an idea between city officials and private citizens. Recognizing the value of this public-private partnership and intending to make a lasting commitment to public art in our community, LPPAD has embarked on a community-wide fundraising effort to establish an endowed fund, the proceeds of which will be used to acquire public art for years to come, and for all to enjoy.

Donors to this public art fund are called Art Makers, and for their generous commitment to public art, the Art Makers have a stake in the decisions being made surrounding public art in our city. This year the Art Makers will bring five

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**This year the Art Makers will bring five granite and steel sculptures to Lincoln on loan from esteemed sculptor Jim Huntington.**

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granite and steel sculptures to Lincoln on loan from esteemed sculptor Jim Huntington. Through a vote, the Art Makers will decide the site for these five handsome pieces.

With an eye toward high traffic areas, clear visibility from the roadway, and pedestrian accessibility, three locations were put forth for the vote: Densmore Park, Highway 2, and Holmes Park. Stay tuned to find out the Art Markers' choice and please do keep an eye out for these sculptures coming soon to a neighborhood near you!

For information on artist, Jim Huntington visit: [www.huntingtonsculpture.org](http://www.huntingtonsculpture.org)



To learn about LPPAD and Art Makers, visit [Lincolnpublicart.org](http://Lincolnpublicart.org); or contact: Lori Thomas, Director of LPPAD at 402.770.3642, or by email [lppaddirector@gmail.com](mailto:lppaddirector@gmail.com)



# LINCOLN SPOTLIGHT

## Kids Park

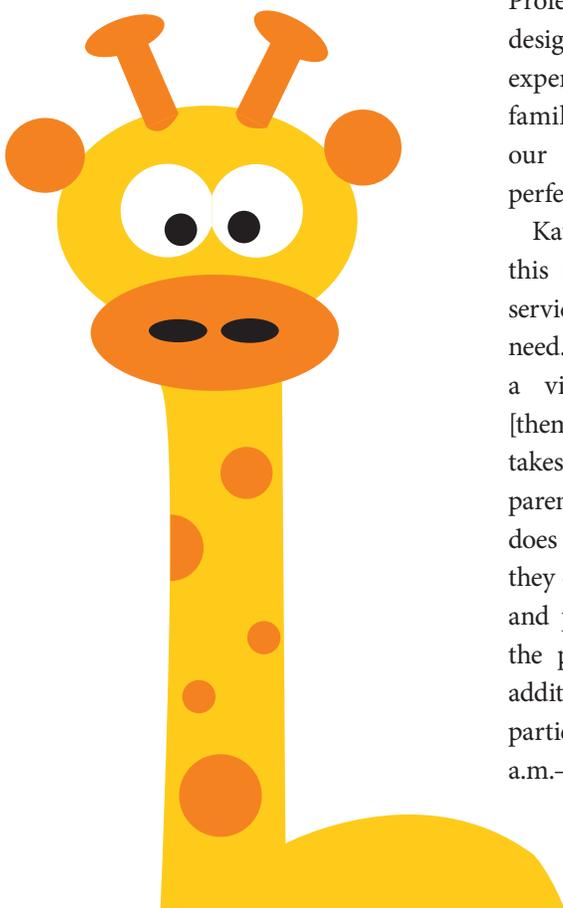
OFFERING CHILDCARE BY THE hour, KidsPark in Lincoln is a parent's dream come true. It is a safe, licensed, hourly child care center for the modern family that allows registered families to drop off their kiddos (even without notice). KidsPark offers extended hours which allows for full time, backup, date night, temporary or nearly any kind of care you need. Sisters-in-law Katie and Kay Krivolavek, both mothers of 3, saw the potential in this business and decided to take the plunge and open a KidsPark location in Lincoln on June 4, 2015. "Opening a KidsPark truly brought all of our past education and experience full circle."

Katie's passion for childcare began when she was 16 years old as an ice skating instructor. After spending 5 years on the ice, Katie then received her degree in Applied Behavioral Science with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education from the University of Kansas. This is when Katie decided to become a Preschool Teacher at KidsPark in Olathe, KS. Right away she knew she belonged with children, and she took the next step by becoming a certified teacher in Elementary Education, teaching in Lincoln Public Schools for 3 years until deciding to stay at home with her children. Katie is the definition of a lifelong learner—she received her Bachelor of Science from UNL in Family and Consumer Sciences, and obtained her Profession in Human Resources (PHR) designation. "With our combination of experience working with children and families and a business background, our business partnership became a perfect match."

Katie and Kay knew right away that this business "is exactly the kind of service the busy families of Lincoln need. The saying 'Sometimes it takes a village...', [Katie and Kay] see [themselves] as part of that village it takes to meet the demands of life and parenting in this day and age." Not only does KidsPark offer basic childcare, but they offer summer camps, spring break and preschool programs, still offering the pay as you go option with zero additional enrollment fees. Birthday parties are offered on Sunday from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

KidsPark has 17 employees who all have the same vigor and education in childcare. With an all-star staff like this, the KidsPark experience is one children and parents will never forget. None of this would be possible without the families of Lincoln—Katie and Kay get to work directly with their community while developing lifelong relationships. Nothing is more rewarding to Katie and Kay than helping parents get out of a tough last minute situation like getting to work when school or their childcare is closed. KidsPark's unique experience allows families to come in at any time without making a reservation. And all care is calculated to the minute.

Choosing to enter into childcare was a no brainer for Katie and Kay. They both have shared a passion for children their entire lives. "Childcare will always keep you on your toes. There is never a dull day!" KidsPark is definitely an adventure worth taking. KidsPark in Lincoln is located at 5633 S. 16th St. Ste. 100, on the northeast corner of 14th and Old Cheney.



### KidsPark is open

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.–10 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m.–midnight  
Saturday 10 a.m.–midnight  
Sunday 1 p.m.–6 p.m.

### You can reach KidsPark by

Phone: 402-413-8849  
Website: [www.kidspark.com](http://www.kidspark.com)  
Email: [lincolnne@kidspark.com](mailto:lincolnne@kidspark.com)  
Facebook: KidsPark of Lincoln



# OLLI AT UNL CELEBRATES NEBRASKA SESQUICENTENNIAL

By Patricia Saldana

THE OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING Institute at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, otherwise known as OLLI at UNL, an adult learning program for men and women age 50 years plus, is joining in the celebration of Nebraska's 150th birthday of statehood. From a day trip to Willa Cather's hometown of Red Cloud, to an excursion through the Nebraska Sandhills, to learning about immigrants who have settled in the state, OLLI is offering dozens of opportunities this coming year designed to explore Nebraska and its history.

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**“We are really excited to be a program partner of the Nebraska 150 Commission”**

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On May 5, join OLLI on a day trip to Red Cloud, Nebraska, hometown of American author Willa Cather. Cather is recognized for her novels about frontier life on the Great Plains. The day includes a tour of Cather's childhood home, exhibits at the Cather Foundation, a catered lunch at the Red Cloud Opera House and an opportunity to stroll through other historic buildings in the town. Learn

about the life and work of this famous Nebraska author.

Since last summer, OLLI has been offering the “Visions of Nebraska” tours. The second tour in the series, to the Nebraska Sandhills and Niobrara Valley, takes place in June. The Sandhills tour will highlight the importance of agriculture in the region, grassland management efforts, observation of large bison herd at the Niobrara Valley Preserve and tour participants will have a chance to enjoy a canoe or tubing experience on the Niobrara River. The final tour takes place in October with a trip through Nebraska's northeast region.

“We are really excited to be a program partner of the Nebraska 150 Commission,” said Dee Aguilar, OLLI coordinator. “We are looking forward to introducing events, courses and classes that focus on Nebraska's unique places, people and its history,” she said.

Here a few examples of other class offerings related to Nebraska's 150th birthday:

- “The Beginnings of our Nebraska Pioneer Spirit: Part II” examines the history of immigration in Nebraska from the 1800s to the early 1900s. Part II looks at immigrants from Mexico, Japan, Denmark and Germans from Russia.
- “Celebrate Nebraska and Your

Family History” focuses on discovering the role of your family in the settlement of the United States and Nebraska. You will learn how to track and trace your family through time.

- “The Storytellers: Media History in Nebraska” takes us on a trip through Nebraska's past with a special emphasis on the media's role in covering stories.

## Other Topics

Lectures and classes representing topics such as separating fact from fake news, newspaper versus television, the rise of Hitler and Third Reich, the changing face of Lincoln and a May Day hike through Pioneers Park are among other OLLI offerings this spring.

OLLI spring Term 4 begins on March 27 and runs through May 6. Membership is required to take courses and attend special events. A mid-year membership, January through July, is \$50 and includes a \$30 credit to be applied to a course or event.

For more information visit [olli.unl.edu](http://olli.unl.edu) or call 402-472-6265.





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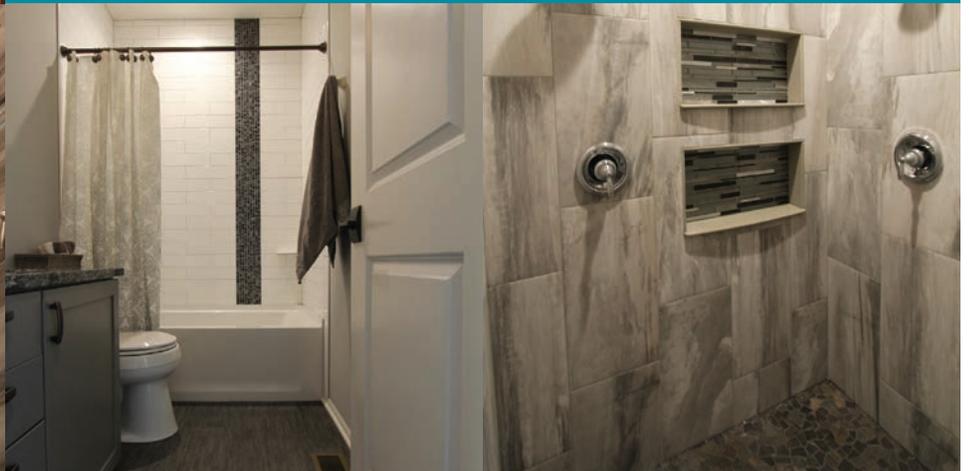
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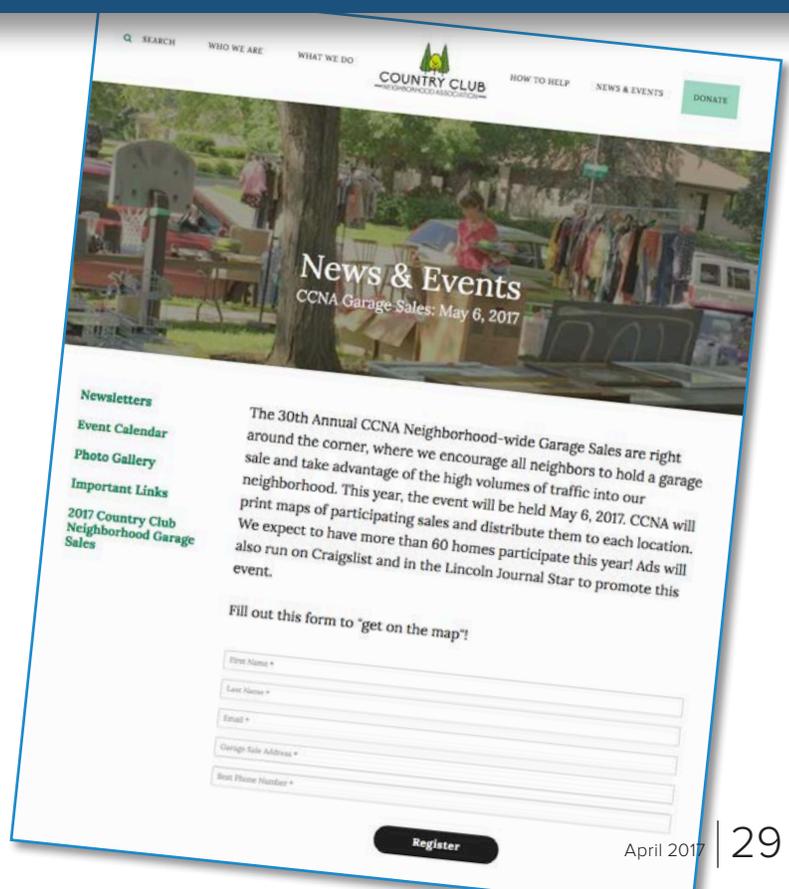
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# FRESH FLAVORS

The days are getting longer and the warm weather is making its way back. It's time to start spending days outside and enjoy these fun summer recipes!

## S'MORE PRETZEL BITES



### Ingredients:

- 48 pretzels
- 2 Hershey bars (24 individual chocolate pieces)
- 72 small marshmallows (3 per pretzel)

### Directions:

1. Lay 24 pretzels on a cookie sheet (use parchment paper for an easy clean-up).
2. Pre-heat the broiler to high.
3. Place three marshmallows on each pretzel and stick in the oven for 2-3 minutes.
4. Place a Hershey chocolate piece on each pretzel and put back in the oven for 1-2 minutes so they melt.
5. Stick a pretzel on top of the chocolate.
6. Enjoy them all warm or put them in fridge to chill.

## PINEAPPLE SALSA



### Ingredients:

- Whole pineapple
- 1 cup pineapple, diced
- 1 cup peppers, diced (any combination of red, orange, yellow or green peppers)
- 1 cup Roma tomatoes, diced
- ½ cup cilantro, chopped
- ¼ cup onion, diced
- 2 limes
- Salt and Pepper
- Optional: 1 jalapeno, seeded and diced

### Directions:

1. To make the pineapple bowl, cut about ⅓ of the pineapple off, leaving the stem attached to the larger piece of the pineapple. Make a cut around the outer edge of the pineapple fruit and make cuts across the middle too. Use a metal spoon to loosen and scoop out the pineapple chunks. Pour the extra juice out of the pineapple bowl so that it is empty.
2. Dice enough of the pineapple chunks to make one cup of diced pineapple to be used for the salsa and save the rest for another use.
3. In a small bowl, mix together diced pineapple, diced tomatoes, diced peppers, minced onions, chopped cilantro, lime juice, salt, and pepper.
4. Transfer the salsa to the pineapple bowl for serving.

## BRUSCHETTA CHICKEN PASTA SALAD



### Ingredients:

- 1 pound | 500g (dry weight) thin spaghetti pasta
- 1 pound | 500g boneless, skinless, chicken breasts (2 large breasts)
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- salt and pepper, to taste
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 2 tablespoons red onion, finely chopped (about ⅓ of a red onion)
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar (adjust to your tastes)
- 8 roma tomatoes, chopped
- ½ cup grated parmesan cheese, plus more to serve
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil or parsley
- salt and pepper, to taste

### Directions:

1. Cook pasta according to package directions; Drain and rinse in cold water. Transfer to a large bowl; set aside.
2. While the pasta is boiling, combine the Italian seasoning, garlic powder, salt and pepper in a shallow bowl. Season the chicken on both sides. Heat 1 teaspoon of oil on in a grill pan or skillet, and sear chicken breasts over medium-high heat until browned on both sides and cooked through (about 6 minutes each side). Remove from pan; set aside and allow to rest.
3. Add the olive oil to the same hot pan / skillet. When hot, sauté the garlic and red onion until garlic is fragrant (about 1 minute). Turn off heat. Add in the tomatoes, toss them lightly, and add the mixture onto the pasta. Add the vinegar, parmesan cheese and basil or parsley. Season with salt and pepper to your taste. Slice the chicken; add to pasta. Toss the pasta with all of the ingredients until well combined.
4. Top with 2 tablespoons extra parmesan and serve immediately with balsamic glaze (optional), OR refrigerate up to an hour before serving.



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# What's Happening

## APRIL

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Saturday, April 1

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Where: Nebraska Innovation Campus, 2221 Transformation Drive

When: 9:00AM - 2:00PM

Cost: FREE

### The Midtown Men

Friday, April 7

They took Broadway by storm as the original cast of Broadway's Jersey Boys. After a sold-out Lied show in 2014, The Midtown Men are bringing their magic back to Lincoln in this one-of-a-kind concert. Celebrate the music that defined the 60s including The Beatles, The Rascals, Motown, The Four Seasons and more!

Where: The Lied Center for Performing Arts, 12th and R Streets

When: 7:30PM

Cost: \$22.00 - \$48.00

### Mr. Popper's Penguins

Sunday, April 9

It is hard enough for Mr. Popper, a simple painter, to support his family. The addition of 12 penguins makes it impossible to make both ends meet - until Mr. Popper has a splendid idea. He will turn the talented penguins into a traveling vaudeville act! And that's exactly what he does. The entire family will delight in the adventures of Mr. Popper and his performing feathered friends.

Where: Lincoln Community Playhouse, 2500 S. 56th Street

When: 7:30PM Friday, 2:00PM & 7:30PM Saturday, 2:00PM Sunday

Cost: \$15.00

### UNL Red-White Spring Game

Saturday, April 15

Red-White Spring Game will be played on Saturday, April 15 at Memorial Stadium, with kickoff set for 1 p.m. This is the first opportunity fans will get to see the football team in action.

Where: Memorial Stadium

When: 1:00PM

Cost: \$10.00, \$20.00 Club Seats

### Play & Connect at Lincoln

Children's Museum

Tuesday, April 18

Play & Connect is a time to enjoy a slightly quieter time at the Museum when older children are in school. Make it a play date with your regular circle or expand your social network. This gathering is designed for all parents and caregivers with children ages 5 and younger. Play & Connect is free with your Museum membership or paid admission. Enjoy free coffee and treats provided by The Coffee House while supplies last.

Where: Lincoln Children's Museum, 1430 P Street

When: 9:30AM - 11:00AM

Cost: Free for museum members, regular admission for non-members

### Science Cafe: Eat. Drink. Talk Science.

Thursday, April 20

Science Café in Mueller Planetarium at Morrill Hall is a casual, educational, and entertaining monthly series for adults (21+) exploring a variety of science and natural history topics. Food, drinks and the opportunity to ask questions and share opinions.

Where: Happy Raven, 122 N. 11th Street

When: 6:30PM - 8:00PM

Cost: \$10 for museum members, \$15 for non-members

### The Strange and Wonderful Masks of Doane Powell

Monday, April 27

"In itself a mask is an ornament," said Nebraska artist Doane Powell. "The photograph of a mask makes an interesting picture; but a mask worn, with movement, by the proper person, becomes a living art." Made primarily in the 1940s and 1950s, Powell's strange and wonderful masks were used in theater productions, circus performances, movies and television, advertising campaigns, magazine illustrations, store window displays, and at social functions.

Where: Nebraska History Museum, 131 Centennial Mall North

When: Monday - Friday; 9:00AM - 4:30PM, Saturday & Sunday; 1:00PM - 4:30PM

Cost: Free Admission

### Hyde Observatory

Saturday, April 29

View the night sky through three telescopes, visit with knowledgeable volunteers and enjoy two video programs.

Where: Hyde Memorial Observatory, 3701 S 70th Street

When: 7:00PM - 10:00PM

Cost: FREE

## MAY

### Lend Me A Tenor

Thursday, May 4

It's September 8th, 1934, and Cleveland's premiere opera producer is on the verge of a nervous breakdown. The tickets are sold, the stage is set, and the thirty-piece orchestra is ready. But, it's about to become un-disastro gigantesco, because it's three minutes to curtain, and the leading man - the greatest tenor in the world - has gone missing!

Comedy ensues as the opera hall tries to find their tenor!

Where: The TADA Theatre, 701 P Street

When: Thursday - Saturday; 7:30PM,

Sunday; 2:00PM

Cost: TBA

### Lincoln Children's Museum

First Friday Family Night

Friday, May 5

Each family night will have a specific theme with lots of fun activities and even costumed characters to keep your kiddos entertained all night. The theme this month is Circus!

Where: Lincoln Children's Museum, 1420 P Street

When: 5:00PM - 7:30PM

Cost: Free for members

### Ragtime

Sunday, May 7

At the dawn of a new century, everything is changing...and anything is possible. Set in the volatile melting pot of turn-of-the-century New York, three distinctly American tales are woven together - that of a stifled upper-class wife, a determined Jewish immigrant and a daring young Harlem musician - united by their courage, compassion and belief in the promise of the future. Together they confront history's timeless contradictions of wealth and poverty, freedom and prejudice, hope and despair, and what it means to live in America.

Where: Lincoln Community Playhouse, 2500 S. 56th Street

When: 2:00PM

Cost: \$25.00 Adults, \$15.00 Students

## Summer Camps at Morrill Hall

Monday, June 5 - Friday, June 9

Nebraska has a rich fossil history from sea monsters to elephants in our backyard. We will lead young paleontologists on a journey through time, taking a look at some of the gigantic creatures that used to call Nebraska home. Campers will have opportunities to work with actual fossils as we use them to investigate these great beasts and what they can tell us about how they lived.

Where: Morrill Hall, 645 N. 14th Street

When: 9:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Cost: Members; \$95.00 per child, Non-members; \$105.00 per child

### Toddler Time at Defy Gravity

Friday, May 12

If they can walk, they can jump! Defy Gravity wants to welcome parents and their toddlers to our very own kids trampoline. Bring your toddler in and spend some quality time with them. Jump, play with foam blocks, or toss a ball around. Includes access to main jump court, Little Ninja area, Dunk City, and Free Fall!

Where: Defy Gravity, 345 Sporting Village Drive, Suite #1

When: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Cost: Regular fees apply

### The 1975

Friday, May 19

The 1975 has announced that they will return stateside this spring for a North American headline tour in support of their #1 US and UK sophomore album.

Where: Pinewood Bowl Theater, 3201 S. Coddington Avenue

When: 7:00PM Doors Open, 8:00PM Show Starts

Cost: \$39.50 Advanced GA, \$45.00 Day of GA

### Sunday with a Scientist

Sunday, May 21

'Sunday with a Scientist' is a series of presentations that highlight the work of scientists, while educating children and families on a variety of topics related to science and natural history. Presenters share scientific information in a fun informal way through demonstrations, activities or by conducting science on site.

Where: Morrill Hall, 645 N. 14th Street

When: 1:30PM - 4:00PM

Cost: \$6.00 Adults, \$3.00 Children, Free for 4 & Under

### Memorial Day Weekend at the Lincoln Children's Zoo

Saturday, May 27 - Monday, May 29

The Zoo is open all weekend! Come visit all of your favorite animals and join us for the 2017 season opening of Laura's Butterfly Pavilion! Check out over 150 butterflies at one of the Zoo's most popular summer stops.

Where: Lincoln Children's Zoo, 1222 S. 27th Street

When: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Cost: \$9.95 Adults, \$8.95 Children

### Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical

Wednesday, May 31

TIME MAGAZINE'S #1 SHOW OF THE YEAR makes its Nebraska debut at the Lied! Matilda The Musical is the story of an extraordinary girl who, armed with a vivid imagination and a sharp mind, dares to take a stand and change her destiny.

Where: The Lied Center, 12th & R Street

When: 7:30 PM

Cost: \$14.00 - \$88.00

## JUNE

### Nebraska Charity Horseshow

Thursday, June 1

Horse show featuring American Saddlebred horses, Hackney ponies, & Morgan Horses, with competitions for other breeds as well. Proceeds are donated to local charities. Horses competing are from all over the Midwest such as Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota, Kansas, Illinois, & Colorado.

Where: Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84th Street

When: TBA

Cost: TBA

### Hyde Observatory

Saturday, June 3

Enjoy programs about astronomy and space exploration, learn from knowledgeable volunteers, and take a peek into the universe through three different telescopes. Programs change monthly. Visit [hydeobservatory.info](http://hydeobservatory.info) for more details.

Where: Hyde Observatory, 3701 S. 70th Street

When: Sundown - 11:00 PM

Cost: FREE

### Wild Wednesday

Wednesday, June 7

The Zoo opens at 9 a.m. and stays open late 'til 8 p.m. every Wednesday in June, July & August. Every Wednesday the Zoo will feature special animal demonstrations on the Animal Encounter Stage! Plus, the first 50 children who arrive starting at 5 p.m. will receive a free Zoo Frisbee!

Where: Lincoln Children's Zoo, 1222 S. 27th Street

When: 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Cost: \$9.95 Adults, \$8.95 Children

### Train Birthday Party

Saturday, June 10

Celebrate the 54rd Birthday of ZO&O Railroad. Each hour we will randomly select a child to be our kid conductor on the train. Train rides will be \$2 all day! Plus, model trains provided by the Lincoln Area Railway Historical Society.

Where: Lincoln Children's Zoo, 1222 S. 27th Street

When: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Cost: \$9.95 Adults, \$8.95 Children

### Greater Tuna

Friday, June 16

Visit Texas' third smallest town, Tuna Texas, where the Lion's Club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. The eclectic band of Tuna citizens - men, women, children, and animals alike - are all portrayed by only two actors, make for a quick-changing, side-splitting, hilarious evening of theatre!

Where: The TADA Theatre, 701 P Street

When: 7:30 PM

Cost: TBA

### 3rd GoodGuys/Speedway Motors "Day At The Hay"

Saturday, June 17

Featuring Hot Rods, Customs, Classics, Muscle Cars and Trucks thru '72, Goodguys AutoCross, Vendors and Live Music

Where: North Haymarket Festival & Sports District, 403 Line Drive Circle

When: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Cost: \$15.00 General Admission, \$6.00 Youth

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