

Community Focus



Good Neighbor garden

Over 30 volunteers gathered on May 12 to plant a garden at the Good Neighbor Center. The garden was developed by Bryan Learning Center students to provide beautification, as well as an educational landscape for Good Neighbor Center clients (primarily low-income and refugee families), and to deter neighborhood residents from dumping garbage at the site (a problem for which the Center has often been ticketed). Bryan students spent last fall researching and designing the plot area. They received a "Teens for Teens" Learn and Serve grant from UNL Cooperative Extension to purchase and lay the garden wall. On May 12, they were able to see their plan come

to full fruition when they hosted a volunteer planting party at the Center. Volunteers included over 20 Bryan students, several Clinton neighborhood youth in the "Character Counts! Club," Novartis corporate volunteers, and neighborhood residents. Plants were donated/purchased with the support of Novartis, Earl May on "O" Street, Nebraska Landscapes, Finke Gardens and the Herb Society. Bryan students plan to continue the garden's development by seeking a birdbath, picnic table and tree bench, while Clinton neighborhood youth plan to add herbs and annuals, as well as help with the garden's upkeep. (TB)



earth wellness festival wins award



earth wellness festival received the University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources 1999 Team Effort Award. The award was presented on April 15, 1999 by Vice Chancellor Irv Omtvedt and Associate Vice Chancellor Edna McBreen at April Preview. Teams that produce results in research, teaching, extension, service and/or international programs are honored. earth wellness festival team received \$10,000 in recognition for providing youth with innovative, experiential learning opportunities and to continue teaching Lancaster County 5th graders innovative ways to understand and improve the environment.

The earth wellness festival steering committee represents ten community educational resource units. They include: Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County/UNL, City of Lincoln, The Groundwater Foundation, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, Lincoln Public Schools, Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, Southeast Community College-Lincoln, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension, University of Nebraska Water Center/Environmental programs and Ventures in Partnerships.

Congratulations ewf—for a great program that impacts the whole community. (ALH)

Lancaster County fairbooks available

1999 County Fair books for 4-H, FFA and open class entries are available at the Lancaster County Extension office during business hours. A limited supply of fair books are also available at local banks and post offices throughout the community.

"Old Fashioned Family Fun" is this year's county fair theme. The fair will be held August 4th thru the 8th. The July issue of the NEBLINE will feature the fair schedule and highlights. (GB)

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