



## Community Focus



## National Pollution Prevention Week

Lincoln will become part of a nationwide celebration during the week of September 18-24, when local businesses, agencies, and concerned citizens participate in National Pollution Prevention Week activities. "Pollution prevention" (P2) means eliminating waste at the source before it becomes pollution. P2 helps businesses reduce costs and is one of the best ways to solve the nation's waste problems. P2 Week allows businesses to share their successes and allows communities to celebrate businesses that have reduced waste. A number of communities in Nebraska are planning a wide range of events for the week.

In Lincoln, Tuesday, September 19, 8 a.m. to noon, buses will provide transportation to tour Lincoln area businesses to learn more about their waste reduction and recycling efforts. Buses will leave the Lancaster County Extension Office at 8 a.m.

The tours will let businesses show off their P2 successes and will provide visitors with ideas for their own operations.

On Thursday, September 21, 10 a.m. to noon there will be a combined meeting of INFORM and Nebraska Industrial Council of the Environment (NICE) at the Lancaster County Extension Office.

Local businesses will share their waste reduction success stories.

The luncheon and dessert following the meeting costs \$5. Advance registration is required for the tour and luncheon. Luncheon reservations can be made through Lorene Bartos, 402-441-7180. For more information on Lincoln activities, contact Carrie Hakenkamp, WasteCap of Lincoln, 402-472-0888, or Phil Rooney, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, 402-441-8644.

In Beatrice, Keep Beatrice Beautiful and Recycling Unlimited are planning P2 activities for the following week. A tour of three businesses (American Tool, Accuma, and Goosens) will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 9 to 11 a.m., followed by a trip to the landfill baling facility. A light sack lunch (11:30-12:30) at the baling facility will follow the tours. Those outside of Beatrice are welcome to come along. For more information, contact Dale Ekart, UNL Recycling Coordinator 402-472-6099.

These events are being scheduled by a planning committee consisting of representatives from Square D, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension, Keep Nebraska Beautiful, Keep Beatrice Beautiful, Recycling Unlimited, WasteCap of Lincoln, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, NICE, INFORM, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Nebraska Energy Office, and the Nebraska Business Development

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## Lancaster Event Center Progress Report

Leon Meyer, Managing Director of the new Lancaster Event Center reports that construction progress remains ahead of schedule.

- Pavilion II is nearing completion; inside electricians and dry wall installers have been finishing building details. On the exterior installation of all outside overhead doors has been completed.

- Pavilion I has had air exchange units lifted into place

and roof eaves are being installed.

- Over 160 yards of concrete have been poured in the Lincoln Room of the multi-purpose building. Installation of the air exchange system is nearly completed for the building's arena area.

- Construction of the geothermal heating and cooling system for the multi-purpose building has also begun.

- Installation of the Event Center's water system is now

complete with hookup to the water main to be the final step.

- Solicitation of bids for asphalt paving of parking lots and 84<sup>th</sup> street Event Center marquee is underway.

- Opening for the Lancaster Event Center is scheduled for February 1, 2001.

- Over 170 facility user days have been designated from February 1 through December 1, 2001. (GB)



Pavilion I nears completion with exterior doors installation complete.



Ventilation equipment/units ready for installation.

Photos by Joel Armstrong



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## Opportunity for Child Care Providers

Don't miss this opportunity to learn effective ways to teach character to children in your care. Lancaster County Cooperative Extension will train providers on the six pillars of character, introduce activities for character building, and provide free curriculum for 4 to 6 year olds. Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 30, 9 to 11:30 a.m. For further questions or information call LaDeane or Suzanne at 441-7180. (LJ)

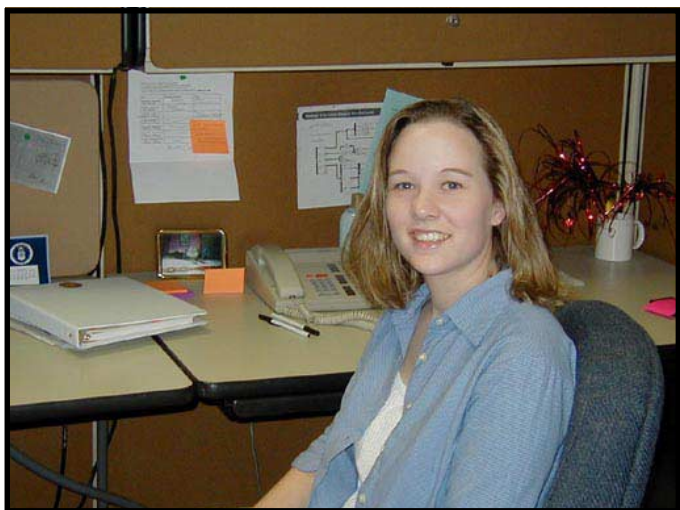
### Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child Care Center \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee of \$5.00 per person must be enclosed with registration. Make check(s) payable to Lancaster County Cooperative Extension. Refreshments will be provided.

Registration deadline is September 27.

Return Registration form and fee to:  
 University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County  
 LaDeane Jha  
 444 Cherrycreek Road  
 Lincoln, NE 68528-1507



Suzanne Spomer joined the staff of Lancaster County Extension at the end of July. She is a new VISTA member in the office so she will be a familiar face for the next year. Suzanne is a Nebraska native. She graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in December of 1999 with a bachelor's degree in Human Resources and Family Science, with family science as her major field of study. One area Suzanne will focus on is the Character Counts! program. She will be helping to support Character Counts! in Lincoln schools and the community. She will also be working with 4-H youth leadership programs as well. Her family has been involved with 4-H for many years. Suzanne hopes to gain valuable work experience and meet new people this year. (LJ)