

Holiday Gifts Needed for LPS Headstart

A good community service project for the holidays is helping the less fortunate by providing gifts for the Lincoln Public Schools Headstart Program. This program is in need of over 500 gifts for children birth to 5-years old. Literacy is being emphasized again this year, so books and items to encourage reading are suggested (such as puppets, puzzles, small toys, etc. relating to story books). The goal is to give each child a book. **Gifts should be unwrapped** and recommended cost is up to \$5. Bring gifts to the extension office by Dec. 1. For more information, contact Lorene at 441-7180. This is an excellent project for 4-H, FCE and other community clubs. Individuals are welcome to participate.



FREE SPEECH University of Nebraska-Lincoln Speakers Bureau

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Speakers Bureau begins its 14th year this fall with 18 speakers and 40 topics from which to choose. This free service connects faculty and other university experts with Nebraska citizens through service organizations,



schools and other groups who want knowledgeable, interesting speakers on a variety of topics. The Speakers Bureau invites you to choose from a diverse selection of topics this year. University faculty and staff have a wide range of expertise to share with you

through their presentations. Most speakers will be available on a year-round basis while others are available during the academic year only. Note that availability of speakers is limited during December and early January. For more information or to book a speaker, go to www.speakersbureau.unl.edu or contact Barbara Bowers in the Office of University Communications at 472-0088.

Public Notice

The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners seek members of the community to serve on the Lancaster County Extension Board. The vacancies will be filled with terms beginning in January 2009.

Extension Board members represent and assist University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension staff in Lancaster County with priority issue areas that include Agricultural Profitability and Sustainability; Children, 4-H, Youth and Families; Food Safety, Health and Wellness, strengthening Nebraska Communities, and Water Quality and Environment. The Board meets monthly (usually the second Friday at 8 a.m.).

Registered Lancaster County voters interested in serving a three-year term should complete an application for an appointment by Nov. 1, 2008. Additional information and an application can be obtained from UNL Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Road, Suite A, Lincoln, NE 68528-1507, or phone 441-7180. Applications are also available on the Internet at www.lincoln.ne.gov/cnty/commiss/boardapp.pdf

2008-2009 Speakers

Speaker	Speech Topics
DEE AGUILAR Coordinator, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute	Lifelong Learning: Your Brain or Mine? Play: A Lifelong Ambition Humor: What's So Funny?
PATRICE BERGER Professor of History & Director of University Honors Program	Europe: 2008 Europe: 1939 University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the 21st Century
JOHN BRASCH Associate Vice Chancellor, Office of Technology Development	New Directions for Technology Transfer at UNL
DON COSTELLO Lecturer, Computer Science and Engineering	Information Technology – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow Computer Games The Birth, Death and Resurrection of Computers in Banking
KEN DEWEY Professor of Applied Climate Sciences, School of Natural Resources	Global Warming: Fact or Fiction Storm Chasing with the Nebraska Vortex Intercept Team Photographing the Extremes in Great Plains Weather
BOB DIFFENDAL Professor Emeritus, Conservation & Survey	Iberia Fossils from Nebraska's Ancient Seas Volcanoes: Their Impact on Nebraska's Geologic Development
CAROLYN POPE EDWARDS Cather Professor of Psychology and Family and Consumer Sciences	Showing that Early Childhood Education Works
DAVID FEINGOLD Assistant General Manager-Content, NET	Straight Talk About Digital Television
JAMES GOEKE Research Hydrogeologist, School of Natural Resources	Nebraska's Water Resources: Past, Present, and Future
MICHAEL HOFF Professor of Art History	Pirates and Roman: Cities of the Cilician Coast of Ancient Turkey Athens Under Roman Domination Ancient Roman Religion and Nebraska Football
PETER LEVITOV UNL International Affairs & Immigration Attorney, NU Central Administration	International Students in the United States
WES PETERSON Professor, Agricultural Economics	A Billion Dollars a Day International Trade Agreements Africa: Problems and Prospects
PAUL READ Professor, Horticulture and Viticulture	Grape Expectations: Nebraska's Developing Grape and Wine Industry Gardens of the World
JOHN W. RICHMOND Professor and Director of the UNL School of Music	Does Music Make You Smarter? It Depends on What You Mean! Thinking About Common Dimensions of Aesthetic and Religious Experience Finding the Next Mozart! Music Composition Education in the 21st Century
JOHN RUPNOW Professor, Food Science and Technology	History and Agents of Agroterrorism It Must Have Been Something I Ate: Issues in Food Safety Guru or Gourmet: The Science of Food
GREG SNOW Associate Professor, Physics & Agronomy	Did a Giant Asteroid Kill the Dinosaurs? E=mc²: The Most Famous Scientific Formula
SANDRA STOCKALL Professor Emeritus, University of Nebraska Extension	Wow, That Felt Great! Communication is a Contact Sport
CHRIS TIMM Associate Director, Career Services	Developing a Top Internship Program Using the Web to Effectively Recruit College Students

STRENGTHENING FAMILY TREASURES Daughter/Mother Camp

A retreat designed for 6th grade girls and their mothers (or grandmothers or other adult females)

Friday, Oct. 10, 5 p.m. to Saturday, Oct. 11, 5 p.m.

This camp is 2 days and 1 night of fun, educational and confidence-building activities. As the teen years approach, this is an opportunity to:

- Enhance effective communication including expressing emotions
- Learn more about body image and sexuality
- Explore techniques to handle peer pressure and stress
- Discuss the importance of individual family values



Cost includes meals, snacks and lodging at Eastern 4-H Center near Gretna. Fee is \$125 per pair.

Presented by UNL Extension. For more information or a registration form, call Maureen Burson at 441-7180 or go to <http://lancaster.unl.edu/family/guf.shtm>