



The Witherbee Buzz

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Fall 2014

The Witherbee Neighborhood Association includes the area bounded by 33rd to 56th and Randolph to "O" Streets

Witherbee Neighborhood Association to Celebrate Another Great Year!

You are invited to the Witherbee Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting:

- Enjoy a pizza dinner provided by Hy-Vee with tossed salad & cookies provided by the WNA
- Visit with your neighbors
- Elect new and returning board members
- Hear Ed Zimmer share the history of Stuhr Park
- Play Bingo for great prizes.

Date: Thursday, November 6th

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Place: Bryan Community School at Hawthorne gym located at 300 S. 48th St.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. Membership is not required to attend this free family-friendly neighborhood event, but membership is encouraged. The annual meeting is a convenient time to pay dues for the 2015 year. Your dues help support many WNA events like this.

We appeal to our neighbors to consider serving as a board member. Please take a few moments and contemplate the idea of volunteering in this capacity. We have a critical need for people willing to help keep our neighborhood safe, clean and welcoming. Please contact a board member (see page 2) for more information. You can be an important part of the Witherbee Neighborhood Association.



Neighbors, Nominate and Vote for Your Favorite Holiday Display!

It's time to get into the holiday spirit! This year we are trying something a little different in our Holiday Lighting Contest. We will accept nominations from December 1st, 2014 until midnight December 17th. Voting will take place on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WitherbeeNA December 18th, 19th and 20th, until midnight. Votes will be counted and winners announced on December 22.



To nominate a holiday display, please send a picture and address to holidaylighting@witherbeena.org. We ask you to vote for your top three favorite displays. The top three with the most "likes" will be the winners. **The first place winner will be awarded gift cards totaling \$100.00 to local businesses, 2nd place will be awarded \$50.00 in gift cards and 3rd place will win \$25.00 in gift cards to local businesses.** The first place winner will get a WNA Holiday Lighting Contest winner sign in their yard as well! All winning displays will be featured in the winter edition of the Buzz. In case of a tie, WNA board members will be honorary judges to break the tie.

Not a face book or computer user? That's not a problem! Simply give Sandi a call at (402) 570-7029 to nominate a favorite display or displays that you have seen in the neighborhood. We will count those as your votes. We will also take a picture of the display/displays you nominated, and add to our WNA face book page, unless it's already been nominated and is on Facebook.

We look forward to your participation and seeing our Witherbee Neighborhood "light-up" for the holiday enjoyment of all!

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About Your Witherbee Neighborhood Association

Boundaries:

33rd to 56th & 'O' to Randolph

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7:00 p.m. first Thursday of each
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President's Message

Another year wraps up as we move from fall into winter. Sincere thanks to all who have helped make Witherbee a great neighborhood in a rapidly growing, changing city. Our midtown location makes for easy access to shopping and work, healthcare and recreation. Our neighbors make it livable. Your Witherbee Neighborhood Association has completed another successful year working for you, watching out for you, and community building for us all. Newsletter production and distribution, cleanup, garage sales, Witherbee Connect, Swim Party and Ice Cream Social, and the upcoming Holiday Lighting contest all continue to connect and serve. Special thanks to the coordinators and committees, event chairs and volunteers.

A special thanks also goes out to two volunteers completing 4-years of service on the Board of Directors, Kathy Stastny and Jackie Varicak. Term limits mean they are rotating off of the Board, but we know we will continue to benefit from their time and many talents. I'd like to say to them, "Your many avenues of dedication are greatly appreciated!" Kathy is most well known as the coordinator of Witherbee Connect. It is fair to say it would not exist without Kathy's leadership. Jackie's contributions are ongoing, even if not serving on the board. Jackie has worked in every project, helped with every Witherbee effort, most notably this newsletter. You are benefitting from her work right now, as you read this edition of the Buzz. Both women have found time in their busy lives to care and connect with neighbors through Witherbee. Thank you.

Please consider voting in the upcoming election. Numerous local, state, and federal positions are on the ballot. Your vote does matter. Check up on the candidates, then vote those who most closely match your values and priorities. One election note: If you usually vote at Redeemer Lutheran, you will vote this election at the City-County Health Department building. Parking lot renovations at Redeemer Lutheran Church have created the need to temporarily relocate the polling location. No need to re-register, just a temporary change in location of your polling station.

As we move into fall and winter, please remember your neighbors who may need a hand with their homes for the change in seasons. Our help referral service, connecting you to neighbors with time and skills and with city and county resources is Witherbee Connect. Through Witherbee Connect you can find help for your neighbors too proud to admit they need it, help directly, and you can ask for help when needed.

Join us for our annual celebration of the year's efforts, Thursday, November 6th for dinner and entertainment as we celebrate working together, and please consider joining in. Without you we sit by and watch the world swirl around and over us. With you, we help shape it.



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Spots represent recent new neighbors within Witherbee boundaries.

WNA – You're Welcome Program

By Mike Fitzgerald

The consensus from brainstorming and discussions at a committee meeting in August, during the regular monthly WNA meeting in September and via email exchanges is that a welcome wagon like program in the Witherbee neighborhood is worth creating.

Committee members working to create a program have developed a two-step approach. First, new home owners here since June 2013 will receive a special invitation to attend the WNA annual meeting scheduled for Nov. 6 (see annual meeting details on page 1). They will be encouraged to bring the invitation to the meeting so they can be awarded a one-year WNA membership, a \$15 value. WNA wants them to know that they are welcome and that the association is a great way for them to get to know other residents down the block and throughout the neighborhood.

Second, the committee hopes to kick off WNA's welcome program in January. Tentative plans are that beginning in January new home owners in the neighborhood will receive a card welcoming them, a free one-year WNA membership, a traditional baked good (think fresh loaf of bread or delicious sweet rolls) – hand delivered with a personal welcome (think handshake and smile) from a WNA volunteer.

With plans continuing to take shape, the committee is hoping to hear from more residents who are interested in helping make the program a reality. Volunteers could choose from a variety of tasks to help with. Anyone wanting to volunteer or wanting more information is encouraged to contact Rick Bagby, Mike Fitzgerald, Cheryl Hejl, Kate High, Kathy Holland, Mike Kreikemeier, Sandi Mahoney, Christine Nesmith or Kathy Stastny (phone numbers and email addresses for current WNA board members are listed on page 2 of this newsletter).

Primary reasons for establishing the welcome program include that there are approximately 75 people or families who buy homes in the neighborhood each year and we want them to know that WNA is a great resource that works to maintain and enhance the neighborhood. An organized welcome program would help them feel welcome, help them connect with other residents, and it would help confirm for them that they made the correct decision of making their home here.

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Home Improvement – Sheri Heusman

New Patio Is A Happy Spot

By Mike Fitzgerald

The patio Sheri Heusman recently added to her home at 131 S. 38th St. is being used by her, her family and neighbors as much as she hoped it would be. If you drive by her home at breakfast or supper time there's a good chance you will see Sheri, and often her friends, using the comfortable space. Shade from trees in the morning and late afternoon is a big factor.

The brick home was built in 1952 and Sheri, a retired Woods Brothers real estate agent, bought the home about 15 years ago. She recalls seeing it advertised to sell at auction and intended to attend. But she almost didn't get to the auction because she was working that day as a volunteer at the "Fill the Mayflower" project at Super Saver.

"When my volunteer shifted ended, I drove to the house to see if the auction was over or still going. I got there and it was still taking place. So I walked through the house and could tell it was solid and in good shape. Almost before I knew it, I had made the winning bid."

The basement is a separate apartment and until recently she used both the first floor and basement apartment as her living space.

Now the tenant in the basement uses a patio that is on the north side of the house. Sheri long wanted a patio that was more accessible. The project got started last summer when a gentleman she plays poker with gave her an acceptable quote for the concrete work. Re-using wrought iron railing from the existing sidewalk fencing and buying a couple more sections from Eco-Store and getting a good bid for installing wooden posts made the project affordable. She had intended to paint the wood posts black to match the railing but decided to get input from family and neighbors. The consensus was to paint the posts with a color other than black. She settled on a dark red that her sister-in-law Ruth suggested, which complements the patio furniture cushions.



Sheri Heusman relaxes on new patio.

The area is lit in the evening by solar lights that are built into the post caps.

Finishing the project became a family affair because Sheri had knee surgery and was sidelined with therapy. Her daughter Heidi (who lives in Michigan) and son Ross (who lives in Lincoln) helped with dirt work and mulching. Daughter Chrystal (who lives in Chicago) helped pick out and get the patio furniture installed.

"We get good shade and breezes in the morning and the shade returns by supper time. It's very functional. We love this neighborhood and think it is a great place to call home," Sheri said.

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The purpose of the buddy bench is to have a place for students to go when they are feeling lonely

“Buddy Bench” Welcome Addition at Randolph School

Former WNA board member Tony Marquez donated benches for Randolph School through his company TMCO. The benches were installed just before the school year began and they have been a welcome addition to the walking path the WNA helped Randolph school fund last year.

According to school Principal Dr. Wendy A. Bonaiuto, and school counselor, Susie Mahoney, the new benches are teaching students how to look out for and help other students play together. Dr. Bonaiuto says about the benches, ““You may have noticed that the middle



New buddy benches line new walking path.

bench on the walking path has a “Buddy Bench” sign. In 2013 a 1st grade boy in York, Pennsylvania found out about a thing called a “Buddy Bench” for the playground and he was able to get one started at his elementary school. Now, there are Buddy Benches all over the U.S. thanks to the press that he has gotten.....including Randolph Elementary!! The purpose of the buddy bench

is to have a place for students to go when they are feeling lonely, left out or just have trouble finding a buddy to play with at recess. When other students at recess notice someone sitting on the bench, they are to walk over and ask the person to join them in play.”

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’” Martin Luther King, Jr.

We would like to especially thank Tony Marquez for doing for others!

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Eighth Annual Ice Cream Social and Swim Party was Enjoyed by Many!

Sunday evening August 4th was another great night for the Annual Witherbee Neighborhood Association Swim Party and Ice Cream Social which took place at Woods Park Swim Pool, and Tennis Complex located at 33rd & J Streets. The weather was perfect for an enjoyable evening for neighbors and friends to indulge in a couple scoops of ice cream while visiting, as well as go for a splash in the pool if they were up to it or young enough at heart to take part in both. There was plenty of ice cream and bottled water provided by Super Saver and Walgreens.

The event also included many additional activities. Three Lincoln firefighters brought a fire truck. The kids were thrilled to see their firefighter heroes, to experience sitting in the firetruck, and learning about fire safety. A police officer with his police car was available. Adults and

kids alike explored the cruiser and many questions were answered by the officer. Music was provided by Tony Church and his 12 string guitar. Chalk drawing, a bean bag game, a ring toss game, putt putt golfing and bubble blowing gave kids a variety of additional fun things to engage in. The tennis courts were open for those wishing to hit around some balls which kept many attendees delightfully entertained.

A big thank you goes out to all dues paying members of the WNA along with event sponsors, Super Saver, Walgreens and Woods Tennis who made the event possible. Thank you to the Police and Fire Personnel who took the time to come out and visit with our neighbors. Also to all the volunteers that worked to put this event together THANK YOU, on behalf of all neighbors, families and friends!



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Laura Avenue Update

By Sally Buchholz

Last fall, the Buzz included a story about Witherbee neighbors on Laura Avenue who were working together to improve that street's three islands. These neighbors reseeded the east and west islands in the fall of 2013. This summer the neighbors turned their focus to the center island. Many neighbors contributed ideas, labor, water, plants from their own gardens, and financial gifts. In addition, Lincoln Parks and Recreation provided soil and mulch, LES painted the islands' light poles, and the Lincoln Parks Foundation awarded the Laura neighbors with a mini grant for additional plantings. While the Laura islands are still a work in progress, we're excited to see their beautification project continuing to blossom.



July Yard of the Month

By Jeff and Dawn Worrall

In the sweltering July heat, what could be more inviting than a large shade tree, with comfortable chairs!

The home of Jacob & Ada Samuelson, 4132 L Street was so inviting for that fresh cold glass of lemonade on a hot summers day. The yard was freshly mowed, and manicured. The hosta plants were blooming under the large shade tree. The inviting red chairs and our nation's flag were the perfect touch to make this home stand out as July's Yard of the month.



September Yard of the Month

By Jeff and Dawn Worrall

The home of Randy and Julie Houser, located at 3461 Woods Avenue is the recipient of September's Yard of the Month. There were many nominations this month, however this particular one stood out with a great amount of neighborhood pride.

The Houser's front and back yards are meticulously groomed and contain a wide variety of colorful plants and flowers. Julie is always outside working with her flowers and it sure shows. Their property is one of the highlights of Woods Avenue and neighbors are lucky enough to live by them. And better yet, their family is as wonderful as their yard and flowers look! The Houser's take great pride and pleasure in working in their yard on a continuing basis.

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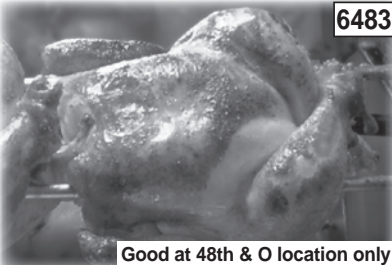
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Witherbee Connect Opportunities

By Kathy Stastny

I would like to give you just a bit of background as to why I volunteer for Witherbee Connect. I graduated with a Bachelor degree in Family Science when I was 59 years old. When the WNA board began talking about ways to connect neighbors with each other better and to be there to help them find community resources I got excited and thought this really fit my background and interests. I knew I did not want to be a secretary or treasurer but I thought the Witherbee Connect would be something I would enjoy coordinating. We have come a long way in the last couple of years and I hope you will take advantage of our community connections when you are in need.

We are always looking for ways to help out our neighborhood and have a few new ideas we hope to share with you by the next newsletter. But we want to remind you of a program that we began connecting neighbors with last year called the Snow Angels. I am grateful to them as they did a great job of helping us last year. As the snow begins to hit the ground this year (hopefully later than sooner) keep them in mind. If you need them go to <https://lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/engine/traffic/snow/snow-angels.htm> or call the Public Works snow center at 402-441-7644.

Also, if you are 55 or older the Tabitha's Club 4 Gym is a great place to get some exercise. Most of us do not want to walk outside when it is so cold. Not many neighborhoods have the opportunity to join a gym in their own neighborhood and the price is right at just \$40.00 per year.

There seems to be more crime than in the past. There are several of us working to put together a stronger Neighborhood Watch program. If you would like to get involved we want to hear from you. We hope to start out simple by first meeting with our neighbors and plan to ask the Lincoln Police Neighborhood Watch coordinator to join us. Usually a neighborhood watch needs at least fifty percent enrollment to work. Also, when it comes to looking out for each other a great idea is to have a block party or a cookie exchange or some way to get to know your neighbors better. Do this and start talking about a neighborhood watch in your corner of the neighborhood. If you do let us know and we would be happy to join you and perhaps invite a police officer to attend so you and your neighbors can ask questions. Give me a call if this is

something we can help you with.

I know most of this is not new to you as we have printed it often. But if you have a question, even a small one we will try to answer it. Call Witherbee Connect at 402-488-3314.




August Yard of the Month

A nomination came in from WNA resident Sarah Schinstock for the address 3551 J Street. Sarah stated, "The yard is beautiful, and makes all of us around them smile! Also the yard has green grass that looks like carpet, and flowers that are unmatched in their beauty! They have an eclectic style, with incredible artwork by the homeowner strewn throughout their garden. It truly is a masterpiece!" *(Editor's note, we were unable to meet the owners so are withholding their names, but the yard of the month sign was placed in the yard for the month of August.)*

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December Meeting Topic:

Creating an Environmentally Friendly Community

Join us on Thursday, December 4th for the WNA monthly meeting at Tabitha LifeQuest Center located at 48th and J Street at 7 p.m. Ellen Wright of the Watershed Management Division with the City of Lincoln Public Works Department will join us to help us create a more environmentally-friendly community.

Creating an environmentally-friendly community is a task that requires cooperation from governments, businesses, and residents alike. Sustainable landscapes provide opportunities for people from all walks of life to create beauty and improve water quality within their community. They also help establish a connection between people and their watersheds through hands-on learning experiences.

Whether it's a common area or your own backyard, creating a sustainable landscape within your community is simple and easy. Even small steps can have a big impact. Using no phosphorus fertilizer, being pesticide free, picking up pet waste, and keeping natural areas or greenspaces litter-free can contribute to the overall health and well-being of local waterways.

If you are looking for more ways to have an even bigger impact, consider incorporating Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) into your landscape. They can help improve water quality, control flooding, provide recreational opportunities, and create natural areas or



greenspaces in your community. Examples of Stormwater BMPs include rain barrels, rain gardens, vegetated bioswales, dry detention basins, wetlands, riparian buffers, and permeable pavers.

Funding for sustainable landscape projects may be available through the Watershed Management Division of the Public Works and Utilities Department. Property owners can apply for the Sustainable Landscapes Cost-Share Program, which provides reimbursement for 50% of qualifying expenses (up to \$2000) for projects intended to improve water quality, reduce runoff, and facilitate infiltration.

For more information, please contact: Watershed Management Division 949 West Bond Street Suite 200 Lincoln, NE 68521 402-441-7075 ewright@lincoln.ne.gov Or visit our website: lincoln.ne.gov (Keyword: landscape)



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Help us form a Plan for Stuhr Park

WHY?

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Although the current playground equipment is still working and in safe condition, it no longer meets the standards for city parks. If and when it is replaced, the city will replace it with their small parks package and within their budget constraints.

If we want anything other than the lowest level package, we need to speak up, plan and fund raise.

WHEN

Playground equipment replacement is on the "B" list of priorities. Given the city's current funding for parks, any changes to Stuhr Park will not happen soon. We have time to plan. If we start now, we have the opportunity to bring the power of public input.

HOW

Our first step is to gather ideas and opinions from those who use the park, those who live nearby and those who care about parks. If we see no interest we will do nothing. If we find there is interest, we'll gather a group to develop a plan using information from this survey.

The Witherbee Neighborhood Association stands ready to lead, to assist, to serve as a resource and conduit to the city and the Parks Department.

Your ideas and suggestions will be used to make recommendations to the Parks Department.

To voice your opinion please take a 5-10 minute Stuhr Park survey electronically here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FP6BW7L>

For additional information about the Witherbee Neighborhood Association or Stuhr Park:

- * Face Book: Witherbee Neighborhood Association
- * On the web: WitherbeeNA.org
- * WNA President Rick Bagby at Witherbeerick@gmail.com or (402) 488-8567

Contact Rick for a paper survey or attend the annual meeting where a paper survey will be available.

Tabitha Sets Dates For Grief Support Group Meetings

Tabitha, your answer for Elder Care, has updated the dates and will provide more sessions for upcoming grief support meetings. These meetings are free and open to the public.

Growing Through Grief, a six-week support group meeting to explore loss through poetry, art and conversation. The group will host three separate sessions, Monday mornings, Oct. 27-Dec. 1; Wednesday mornings, Oct. 29-Dec. 1; and Wednesday afternoons, Oct. 27-Dec. 1. All sessions held on Tabitha's main campus in Lincoln.

GriefShare will now meet Tuesday evenings, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. beginning Oct. 14, on Tabitha's main campus. GriefShare is a nine-week Christian-based grief support group helping individuals cope after the loss of a loved one through topical videos and discussions.

These support groups are open to the public but space is limited, contact Caitlin Mason, 402.486.8506 to reserve a spot or receive more information.

Bereavement and grief are normal, yet emotional aspects of the hospice journey. Through Tabitha Hospice, Nebraska's first hospice provider, bereavement support is offered to all loved ones for 18-months following hospice care. Grief support groups, supportive mailings as well as personal conversations are all included aspects of Tabitha Hospice bereavement support.



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January 8th Will Be Opportunity to Plan for the New Year!

The Witherbee Neighborhood Association's monthly member meetings are normally the first Thursday of each month but in 2015 the first Thursday in January falls on New Year's Day so the meeting is being moved to Thursday, January 8th. Please attend to find out how you can contribute and share ideas and talents that you can offer to our annual events, monthly meetings and special projects being planned. Your volunteer contributions big and small are appreciated!

Mark your calendar today for quarterly Board meeting and new Board member orientation on January 8th at 7:00 p.m. to join us at Tabitha's LifeQuest Center Located at 48th and J Street.

Quick Action Needed to Prevent Mold

Recent heavy rainfall has resulted in many wet homes and flooded basements, and the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) urges the public to take prompt action to prevent the growth of molds.

"Molds are known to be allergens for some individuals and can exacerbate conditions such as asthma in others," said Kathy King, an Environmental Health Specialist with LLCHD. "Visible molds in buildings also are defined as a nuisance condition under City Code."

King recommends that property owners take the following steps:

- Immediately identify the cause of the flooding, and remedy it as soon as possible. Repair leaky roofs, non-functional sump pumps or burst pipes. If you rent your home, notify the landlord or management company as soon as possible.
- Use a wet vac to remove standing water from floors and carpeting. Remove furniture and personal items so that the entire floor can be dried.
- Carpets may be cleaned, but padding must often be discarded if it cannot be fully dried within 48 hours of the event.
- Personal items that cannot be cleaned and/or dried within 48 hours may have to be discarded. Water damage restoration professionals may be able to help.
- Use fans and dehumidifiers to aid the drying process. Relative humidity in the home should be maintained between 30 to 50 percent.
- Moldy areas on hard surfaces can be removed with warm water and detergent.
- HVAC equipment and appliances such as water heaters, that have been submerged in flood waters should be inspected by a licensed contractor before use.

More information on flood clean up and mold is available at epa.gov/mold. For More Information Contact: Kathy King REHS, Health Department, 402-441-6541

WNA Calendar

Membership not required for any meeting or event.

Thursday, November 6th — 6:00 p.m. WNA Annual Meeting, at Bryan Community at Hawethorne (see page 1)

Thursday, November 27th — Happy Thanksgiving

Monday, December 1st –Wednesday, Dec 17th — Nominations Accepted for Holiday Lighting Contest, (see page 1)

Thursday, December 4th — 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., WNA Monthly meeting, topic is "Creating an Environmentally Friendly Community" (see page 9)

Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 18th-20th — Vote for your favorite Witherbee Neighborhood Holiday Lights (see page 1)

Monday, December 22nd — Holiday Lighting contest winners will be awarded.

Thursday, January 8th — 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., WNA Monthly meeting and Board Meeting, Planning Time, New Board Member Orientation (see page 11)

Did you know that winter is the perfect time to prune/remove most trees?

- Huge discounts for winter tree work.
- Foliage is gone, so structure of branches is clearly visible.
- The tree is dormant, eliminating bleeding of sap from fresh cuts.
- Hard ground makes for better equipment access.
- Convenience! It is easy for a homeowner to be inundated with projects in the spring and summer, so, why not reserve tree work for winter.

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Keep Witherbee Strong, Join or Renew Your Membership

The Witherbee Neighborhood Association (WNA) celebrated 10 years in 2013. Like the saying goes – time flies when you're working hard and having fun! Since it was organized, your neighborhood association has accomplished many important things to help maintain and enhance the neighborhood you call home. To help keep it strong we are conducting our annual membership appeal. As your neighbors and WNA volunteers we hope that you will read the following points and send in your membership (or sign up or renew on

line at www.witherbeena.org/membership). Thank you to those of you who already have. In addition, we hope you will come to a meeting or participate in an activity.

In 2014, in addition to annual events (Pool Party and Ice Cream Social, Mulching trees at Woods and Stuhr Park, Neighborhood Cleanup, Yard of the Month and Holiday Lights award contests) your neighborhood association:

- Neighborhood Garage Sales
- Coordinated assistance to residents through Witherbee Connects program
- Supported Randolph School walking path paving.

- Helped LPD update the gang response plan
- Sent representatives to Mayor's Round Table, Lincoln Policy Network and Lincoln Neighborhood Alliance meetings.
- Hosted monthly speakers and open meetings to address neighborhood concerns.
- Published and distributed the quarterly Buzz newsletter keeping you informed of all of these neighborhood issues and activities.

When we each do a little, we all do a lot. Please become a member and participate at whatever level of involvement that fits you and your schedule. Everyone has a talent, skill, idea or area of interest that would be an important contribution to your neighborhood association. There are many jobs, large and small, that we could use your help with. And if there isn't anything currently that strikes your interest, WNA can be the platform for you to start a new project or tradition. Please attend a meeting or contact a board member today to get more involved.

Last, but certainly not least – participating in WNA is a very good way to meet nice and interesting people – from across the street, down the block and throughout your neighborhood.



You are invited to be a member of the Witherbee Neighborhood Association

Membership Categories:

- ___ Single\$10.00
- ___ Family\$15.00
- ___ Senior Family.....\$10.00
- ___ Additional Household Member..... \$ 5.00
- ___ Sponsor\$35.00
- ___ Benefactor.....\$50.00 & up
- ___ Business\$40.00
- ___ Extra WNA window sticker logo.....\$5.00

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, St.: _____

Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

___ Check here if you want to receive one free WNA Logo window decal for your car, home, or business with your paid membership. Additional decals are \$5. Please enter total number of decals needed here ____.

Contributions: Donations to WNA of \$50.00 or more will receive a tax deductible receipt.)

Please indicate your areas of interest and mail to Witherbee Neighborhood Assn, P.O. Box 5431, Lincoln, NE 68505

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| ___ Serving on the board | ___ Newsletter writing/photography | ___ Neighborhood Watch |
| ___ Witherbee Connect | ___ Newsletter production | ___ Bryan/Hawthorne School |
| ___ Distributing newsletters | ___ Web pages | ___ Other (describe below) |
| ___ Neighborhood Cleanup | ___ Acquire meeting speakers | ___ You're Welcome |
| ___ Organizing garage sales | ___ Annual Meeting | ___ Stuhr Park Master Plan |
| ___ Holiday Lights contest | ___ Boosting home ownership project | |
| ___ Pool Party & Socials | ___ Witherbee Park | |