

## President's Message *continued*

### **Sinclair Gas Station at 48<sup>th</sup> & Randolph Closed**

Discussion was held at WNA May meeting about the importance of working proactively to help find a neighborhood-friendly replacement. I contacted a Sinclair official and expressed WNA's interest in a constructive use of the property. Sinclair's representative said the company is looking to find an investor who is interested in reopening the station, perhaps offering auto repair services.

### **U.S. Cellular's 100-Foot Pole & Cell Phone Antenna**

In March and April, WNA worked with representatives from LCC International, working on behalf of U.S. Cellular, to gather input from residents about the phone company's plans to install a pole and antenna in the parking lot of Christo Rey Church, 4221 J Street. Resident concerns centered on limiting the time a parking lot light on the pole would be on and that the pole meet city codes. The pole has been installed. U.S. Cellular is preparing to launch a July marketing and promotion campaign to announce its entry into the Lincoln market.

### **Electing New Officers And A Board Of Directors**

WNA was established in March 2003 and an election should be addressed. From this discussion, a small group of volunteers has met and drafted WNA bylaws that include a schedule for elections. Fred Freytag, Ann Richards, Steve Schwab, Karen Voageley and I met four times and then presented a draft at the July meeting. Revisions were suggested and a final draft will be voted on at the Aug. 5 meeting. To view the current draft you can go to [www.witherbeena.org](http://www.witherbeena.org) and follow the link. The draft bylaws call for a Board of Directors with a minimum of 7 directors and maximum of 12, with election of directors and officers to be held at the annual membership meeting in October. Director and officers from throughout the WNA area are needed. Anyone interested serving is encouraged to attend the upcoming monthly WNA meetings.

### **Woods Park Master Plan Meeting**

The Parks and Recreation Department begun the process to update its 10-year plan for Woods Park. A meeting was held July 15, at Redeemer Lutheran Church (510 S. 33<sup>rd</sup> St.) to seek public input for a new 10-year plan. Topics included recent park improvements and Health Department's expansion. A report will be provided at the August 5<sup>th</sup> WNA meeting.

## Neighborhood Hotline

If there are there tall weeds, junk cars, trash, over grown brush in alleys, tires or other city code violations or health concerns in your neighborhood call the Neighborhood Hotline at 441-6300 and report the exact address of the property with the problem. You do not have to give your name.

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## Cleanup *continued from page 3*

A BIG Thank You to all volunteers for making this first cleanup such a huge success. Larry Frisch, Mike Maguire, James Ihrie, Wade Fruling, Russell Schafer, Karina Voutas, Ann Richards, Elaine Monnier, Fred Zaeate, Josh Sovereign, Mike Fitzgerald, Bob Reeker, Doug Keyser, Erin Schmit, Michael, Sherry and Fred Freytag and we hope we didn't forget some one.

If you missed out this year get involved for next year. Thank you to the City of Lincoln for the money to make this possible and all the good advice from Harry Heafer, from Keep Lincoln & Lancaster County Beautiful. Soon we will be posting pictures of this event on the Witherbee web site.

~ Fred Freytag

## Household Hazardous Waste Collections

The program will take heavy metals, solvents, pesticides and items containing PCB's. This is for household waste only. Call LLCHD at 441-8040 or follow the links on our website for more info. Collection dates are:

**Fri. Sept. 10** Lancaster County Shop Salt Dome, Waverly.  
**Sat. Sept. 11** Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Dept. 3140 O  
**Sat. Oct. 9** Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Dept. 3140 O



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