

# Witherbee Neighborhood Association

Newsletter

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The purpose of our Association is to provide a means that the citizens living in our neighborhood can work together to preserve the low density residential character of our neighborhood; work with other citizens and community organizations groups to make Lincoln a better community; promote a means to meet other neighbors and get acquainted with one another.



### Why Witherbee?

Erasmus Witherbee was deeded the land in 1872 from "O" to Randolph, 40th to 48th Street, or as it was then called, the Northwest Quarter of Section 29. This 160 acres represents the center of our 480 acres of homes and businesses.

### Current Board:

President:	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	
Mike Fitzgerald	Kevin Ward	Darrell McGhghy	Josh Sovereign	District reps board
3794 H Street (10)	3754 H Street (10)	640 S. 40th Street (10)	645 S. 42nd Street (10)	members to be announced
486-4073	730-3100	488-5532	327-9360	

### Recent concern in our neighborhood:

In a 3+ acre area between 40th and 42nd and Randolph and J streets a development referred to as **Randolph Square** as it has been presented would establish a **100 child daycare facility** and two 16 unit apartment/condo buildings for an increase of **32 units** in the neighborhood. Our neighborhood has had several meetings to discuss an alternative to the proposed development. Our major concerns have centered on the effect this would have on the character of the neighborhood, traffic, and the effect on the quality of life our neighborhood has come to enjoy.

## Witherbee Neighborhood Association Annual Dues 2003

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Categories:

Family \$ 5.00  
 Business \$ 10.00  
 Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Mail to:

Josh Sovereign  
 645 S. 42nd Street  
 Lincoln, NE 68510

### What would you like to do to help the neighborhood?

- Serve the Board for my District
- Help with the Newsletter (3 times a year)
  - articles  delivery
- Sell Memberships & Advertising to Neighborhood Businesses
- Help with the Annual Cleanup in April/May
- Plan workshops or other programs
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

*"If you would like to live in a community in which you have pride, then dedicate yourself in a sprit of humility to your responsibilities in that community."*

~Herbert Victor Prohnow

**YOU ARE INVITED TO BE A  
MEMBER OF THE WITHERBEE NA**

**Board meetings will be held at the Steven Carveth Center of the Lincoln Medical Education Foundation campus, 4600 Valley Road**

### Planning Commission Hearings

Three public hearings of interest to residents in the Witherbee Neighborhood Association area are scheduled for the Aug. 20 meeting of the Lincoln/Lancaster Planning Commission. The first is the proposal to build a 16-unit apartment building and two 8-unit apartment buildings on the Randolph Square property. The second is the proposal to also build a 100-child day care facility on the property. WNA residents will attend to speak against these proposals. The third hearing will be about the WNA request for rezoning the area of 37th to 42, J to Randolph from R4 to R2, in an effort to preserve the single-family home character of our neighborhood. Our long-term plan is to seek R2 status throughout the WNA area. Residents from the WNA area are urged to attend the Aug. 20 Planning Commission meeting (1:00 p.m., in the City Council Hearing Room, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.)

A special thanks to the 40th and A Neighborhood Association for their support in our concerns and helping us with the guidelines to getting organized.