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Upcoming Events

- NACO 115th Annual Conference
Lincoln, December 9-11, 2009
- Legislative Meeting
Lincoln, January 15, 2010
- Legislative Meeting
Lincoln, January 22, 2010

NACO'S 115TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Keynote Speakers

Governor Dave Heineman, Opening Session

- The Governor discusses his plans for Nebraska's future

Paul Fell, Opening Session

- Nebraska Cartoonist and author of Huskernutz shares his experiences

David Okerlund, General Session

- The award-winning speaker discusses "Managing the Margins of Greatness"

Not registered?
On-site walk-in registration is available.

Detailed conference information can be found in the [November issue](#) of *CountyLine* Magazine. Click [here](#) to access the conference program, guest program and affiliate agendas online.

Due to the possibility of inclement weather, the Embassy Suites, Holiday Inn Downtown and Cornhusker Marriott Hotel are offering a reduced rate for early arrival on Monday evening and also for staying over on Friday evening. These rates are based on availability and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis and will be honored for those persons who already have reservations at the respective hotel. Below is a list of rates each hotel is offering.

Holiday Inn DT	402-475-1038	\$49
Embassy Suites	402-473-4700	\$49
Cornhusker	402-474-7474 Ext. 7123 - Heather	\$49

Be sure to attend the Friday morning NACO business meeting and Delegation Breakfast buffet.

During the meeting, election of Secretary/Treasurer to the NACO Board of Directors will be held.

Kelvin Wurdeman, Wayne County Commissioner; and LeRoy Janssen, Wayne County Sheriff, have notified NACO of their interest in the position. Bill McLarty has withdrawn his name.

Nominations will be taken until the time the election is held.

An election will also be held to vote on allowing the county attorneys to have a seat on the NACO Board of Directors.

Plan to stay for the Delegation Luncheon following the Business Meeting. The County Official of the Year will be announced.

December 9 - 11, 2009

There is still space available in the guest program. Activities include touring the Holy Family Shrine, SAC Museum, Germans From Russia Museum, a trip to Ashland, the Baker's Chocolate Outlet, as well as shopping at Southpointe. Space is available on a first come, first served basis. To view the full program, click [here](#).

Upcoming Webinars...

Five Star Restoration Grants Webinar, Thursday, December 10, 1-2:15 pm CST

NACO's Five Star Restoration Program provides \$10,000 to \$40,000 grants on a competitive basis to support community-based wetland, riparian and coastal habitat restoration projects that build diverse partnerships and foster local natural resource stewardship through education, outreach and training activities. The program partners are currently accepting applications for the 2010 round of funding. Learn about the application process, key project elements and other helpful information to make your application stand out in the crowd. For additional information, click [here](#).

Wildfire Planning, Inspecting and Insurance Costs, Tuesday, December 15, 1-2:15 p.m. CST

Learn about wildfire risks facing residents and business owners across the country and the importance of undertaking wildfire mitigation measures to reduce the risk of wildfire while at the same time reducing insurance costs. The webinar will explore the role of county elected officials, planners, and fire officials in implementing appropriate mitigative practices and ensuring that affordable and adequate fire insurance is available to all homeowners. For additional information, click [here](#).

Youth Detention Reform: Saving County Dollars and Achieving Results in Tough Times, Thursday, December 17, 1 to 2:30 pm CST

The current economic crisis presents an opportunity to implement youth detention reform strategies that save money without sacrificing public safety. One such effective strategy is the Annie E. Casey's Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI). Learn about savings implications, how county leaders are essential to youth reform, and the great results JDAI has achieved on behalf of justice-involved youth in the past 15 years. The presentation will be given by Bart Lubow, director of programs for high risk youth at the Annie E. Casey Foundation. For additional information, click [here](#).

2010 Directory of County Officials

The order form for the NACO 2010 Directory of County Officials is now available online. The directory is an annual publication that provides names and contact information for elected and appointed county officials in the state. Each directory is \$16 if tax-exempt and \$17 if taxable.

[Online directory order form](#)

Nationwide/NACo Scholarships Available for High School Seniors

Nationwide Retirement Solutions, the administrator of NACO's deferred compensation program, will award four Nationwide/NACo college scholarships - each worth \$2,000 - to four high school seniors whose parent or grandparent participates in NACO's Deferred Compensation Plan. The scholarship deadline is January 31, 2010. For more information about eligibility and application procedures, click [here](#).

News Across the State...

Links are to outside sources and may not be available indefinitely

[Cass County maintenance team earns top air filtration honor](#)

Plattsmouth Journal, 11/24/09

[Christensen: Still no way to refund taxes to Rep. Basin landowners](#)

Kearney Hub, 12/01/09

**Nebraska Crime Commission Grant Announcement
2009 Federal Title II and 2010 State Juvenile Services Funds**

Applications are due to the Nebraska Crime Commission by January 8, 2010. The application and application instructions can be accessed by clicking [here](#) or by going to the Nebraska Crime Commission website, <http://www.ncc.ne.gov>.



If you are aware of any news that may be of interest, please let us know

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