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Upcoming Events

NWCA Conference

North Platte, February 9-10, 2010

County Board Workshop

Kearney, February 10-12, 2010

West Central District Meeting

North Platte, February 18, 2010

Central District Meeting

Grand Island, March 18, 2010

Northeast District Meeting

Norfolk, March 19, 2010

Panhandle District Meeting

Gering, March 23, 2010

Southeast District Meeting

Mahoney Park, March 26, 2010

NWCA Spring Training

Hastings, March 30-31, 2010

County Board Workshop... February 10th—12th

Our goal is 100 percent county attendance...

Issues that affect all 93 Nebraska counties will be discussed at the 2010 County Board Workshop, to be held February 10-12 at the Kearney Holiday Inn and Convention Center. Presenters will cover many topics that have a current and future impact on our counties statewide. Board members will also get the chance to discuss their ideas for current and future legislation and have an open discussion with Executive Director Larry Dix.

So far, county Board members from 76 counties across the state have registered. The full [agenda](#) and [online registration](#) are available for viewing on our website www.nacone.org.

County Board Handbooks

The County Board Handbook and the 2009 Supplement order form is available online. Pre-order for pickup at the County Board Workshop and save shipping and handling. To download the order form, click [here](#) or visit our website.

NACO Institute of Excellence

NACO and the University of Nebraska proudly announce the NACO Institute of Excellence is now open to all elected and appointed county officials. Registrations for the 2010 Institute are currently being accepted. Listed below are links to the Invitation Letter, Informational Brochure and Application Form.

[Letter of Invitation](#) [Informational Brochure](#) [2010 Application Form](#)

For questions or additional information, contact [Jon Edwards](#).

**The NACO/MIPS offices
will be closed
Monday, February 15th
for the observance of
President's Day**

2010 NACO Scholarship Applications

Nebraska high school seniors who are the children or stepchildren of county officials or employees are encouraged to apply for one of twelve \$1000 scholarships. Additional information and the downloadable [application](#) can be found under the 'Services' tab on the NACO website.



Stay Ahead of the Story: Media Relations Strategies for County Officials in Tough Times Webinar—Thursday, February 4, 1:00-2:35 CST

Tough times mean counties are under increasing scrutiny. Are you prepared to handle tough media inquiries and respond to critics? Are you doing all you can to communicate the essential and effective services your county provides? With a little planning, you can stay ahead of the story, respond to critics and be an effective leader and promoter of county government. Webinar panelists will discuss effective media relations tools and strategies; whether social media such as Facebook and Twitter are right for you; and tips on how to make the most of your NACO participation and out-of-county conference travel.

For more information on this and other upcoming webinars, click [here](#).

NACO Legislative Conference

NACO's 2010 Legislative Conference kicks off March 6, 2010 at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. NACO's annual Legislative Conference focuses on federal activity that affects county governments.

Click [here](#) for more information and to register for NACO's 2010 Legislative Conference.

NACO launches Employee Marketplace as new member benefit program

NACO is pleased to announce the online Government Employee Marketplace as a new NACO member benefit. The Marketplace Web site, available to public employees and retirees, aggregates various government employee discount programs, features pre-negotiated discounts with major suppliers and collects other discounts and limited offers.

For more information, click [here](#).

Nebraska Crime Commission Grant Deadline

Reminder: Applications are due to the Nebraska Crime Commission by 5:00 p.m. Central time on February 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>.

2010 Directory of County Officials

The NACO 2010 Directory of County Officials is now available. 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](#)



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

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