5th Annual Legislative Conference

Thursday, October 14th...

Register now for NACO’s 5th Annual Legislative Conference - to be held Thursday, October 14, at the Holiday Inn & Convention Center in Kearney. This year’s speakers include Senators Kate Sullivan and Greg Adams, as well as NACO legislative staff. This is a forum where you will have the opportunity to provide your input into establishing NACO’s platform and legislative priorities.

Registration for the conference is only $30 and includes luncheon, breaks, and handout materials. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn & Convention Center. Rates are $71 single/double. Reservations can be made by calling the Holiday Inn at 308-237-5971. Let them know that you are with the NACO Legislative Conference to receive the special rate.

A complete agenda can be found online at www.nacone.org.

NACO’s 116th Annual Conference

Mark your calendar for NACO’s 116th Annual Conference, to be held December 8-10, 2010 at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel in Lincoln. Tentative agenda information is now available on the NACO website at www.nacone.org. Detailed conference information will be published in the November issue of CountyLine.

County Official of the Year Nominations

Nominations forms must be received by Friday, November 12th, 2010. The nomination form is available by clicking the link below or visiting the NACO website at www.nacone.org.

Disability Inclusion Mini-Grants
Deadline is September 24

ServeNebraska has announced a grant opportunity for community-based non-profit and governmental groups to promote efforts to maximize the involvement of those with disability in the lives of their community. The application deadline is September 24, 2010. For additional information visit www.serve.nebraska.gov.

From the Great Plains ADA Center...

The U.S. Justice Department’s new regulations for titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities act were published in the Federal Register on September 15, 2010. The 2010 Standards for Accessible Design were also published in the Federal Register on September 15th. The effective date for both title II and III is March 15, 2011. Note: In the period between the publication date and the full compliance date, (September 15, 2010 and March 15, 2012) covered entities may choose to use either standard, but they must use one or the other in its entirety. For additional information, visit the ADA Center website here.
Upcoming Web-based Education...

The Price is Right: Using Free Social Media Sites to Stay Connected with your Constituents
**Wednesday, September 29**
1:00 - 2:15 p.m. CDT

Social media tools have made it easier for county officials to connect with their constituents and maintain a 24/7 campaign presence—and best of all, they’re free. This webinar will guide elected officials through several of the more popular social media sites, including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and blogs. Officials will learn how to set up a site, the best uses for each kind of site, the resources needed to maintain the sites and some of the legal and practical issues you’ll need to think about before you dive into the deep end. This is a NACo member only webinar.

Making Rural Roads Safe: Retroreflectivity in Signs and Road Markings
**Thursday, September 30**
1:00 - 2:15 p.m. CDT

Continuing NACo’s Rural Road Safety Webinar Series, this webinar not only will review the current sign retroreflectivity standards (including resources) but will also focus on the new standards related to pavement marking retroreflectivity. Additionally, it will provide some best practices to consider when implementing the standards. To register click [here](#).

Carbon Credits & Conservation Finance: What County Officials Need to Know
**Thursday, October 7**
1:00 - 2:15 p.m. CDT

Learn in this webinar how your county’s green spaces and parks mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon. Learn about emerging opportunities for new revenue streams through carbon markets. To register, click [here](#).

For more information on these, other upcoming and previous webinars, visit the NACo [Web-based Education page](#).

News Across the State...
*Links are to outside sources and may not be available indefinitely*

**Study: Nebraska roads are in good shape**
Journal Star, 9/3/10

**Balanced state budget means higher jail costs for county**
Star Herald, 9/6/10

**Road bond pushes county expenses up**
Gothenburg Times, 9/8/10

**Supervisors adopt no-frills budget**
Fremont Tribune, 9/9/10

**Supervisors put stamp on final budget**
Wahoo Newspaper, 9/9/10

**Lincoln County to spend, tax less**
North Platte Bulletin, 9/13/10

**County budget passes effortlessly**
Washington County Pilot-Tribune & Enterprise, 9/14/10

**Hall County budget approved**
Grand Island Independent, 9/15/10

**Jail now expected to be done on Dec. 22**
North Platte Telegraph, 9/15/10

GIS Day to be held November 17, 2010

In commemoration of GIS Day, a Professional Development Session will be held in Norfolk at the Lifelong Learning Center at Northeast Community College on November 17, from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. This event is free to the public. For those interested in attending contact Michael C. Murphy, GIS Manager, Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District at mmurphy@lenrd.org or by telephone at 402-371-7313.

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