



# NACO E-News

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## 2009 Officers

**Dennis Kimbrough, President**  
Fillmore County Supervisor

**Pam Lancaster, Vice-President**  
Hall County Supervisor

**Steve Erdman, Sec./ Treasurer**  
Morrill County Commissioner

**Joe Hewgley, Past President**  
Lincoln County Commissioner

## Upcoming Events

### NAWMA Conference

Kearney, September 21-24, 2009

### West Central District Meeting

North Platte, September 24, 2009

### Southeast District Meeting

Mahoney Park, September 28, 2009

### Panhandle District Meeting

Alliance, September 30, 2009

### Register of Deeds Workshop

Kearney, October 7, 2009

### NACO Legislative Conference

Kearney, October 8, 2009

### NACO 115th Annual Conference

Lincoln, December 9-11, 2009

## “Essentials of Recovery Act Reporting” Webinar Rescheduled to September 29

The NACo webinar, Essentials of Recovery Act Reporting, originally scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 17, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. In recent consultation with White House officials about their participation in the webinar, NACo learned that some of the important information about the reporting site, [www.federalreporting.gov](http://www.federalreporting.gov), is not ready or not yet publicly available.

NACo expects to be able to present all of the desired information on Sept. 29.

If you were registered for the program, your registration was transferred to the new date and you should have received an automated notice and confirmation from NACo's GoToWebinar system. To register, if you have not done so, please go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/869565379>. For questions, contact Mike Belarmino at [mbelarmino@naco.org](mailto:mbelarmino@naco.org) or at 202/661-8840.

## “Energy Block Grant Implementation and Reporting” Webinar Scheduled for October 8

More than 450 counties were eligible for direct formula grants from the U.S. Department of Energy under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program (EECBG). In the early fall, counties will begin implementing their energy saving projects. This webinar will explore implementation and reporting requirements for counties receiving direct formula grants.

The EECBG program was funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and counties must therefore adhere to reporting requirements under both ARRA and the Department of Energy. A county case study will demonstrate project implementation. The Department of Energy will use the same case study to demonstrate accurate and complete reporting requirements.

To register: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/119392514>

## Walk For Your Life Challenge 2009...

Reporting from 34 counties, NACO and MIPS shows 688 participants with nearly 82,600 miles for the months of June, July and August for a cumulative average of 120 miles per participant. Perkins County still has the highest cumulative average at 221 miles per participant, with Stanton and Dawson counties following with 197 and 189 miles per participant. A complete summary will be sent to each county contact person. Friday is the last day of reporting for this year's challenge. Great job, everyone!



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**News Across the State...**

*Links are to outside sources and may not be available indefinitely*

[Committee looks for revenue sources for Nebraska's roads](#)  
Lincoln Journal Star, 9/11/09

[New Saunders County jail nearing prisoner capacity](#)  
Omaha World Herald, 9/14/09

[Cass County goes smoke-free](#)  
Plattsmouth Journal, 9/17/09

**2009 Road & Street Program Workshops**

The NDOR & NE-LTAP are offering a series of 90 minute regional workshops:

**Managing County Road and Municipal Street Programs: "Getting Results and Staying out of Trouble."**

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

**Grant Writing & Grant Management Training Opportunities in Nebraska**

The Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA) and Grant Writing USA will present a two-day **Grant Writing Workshop** in Omaha on October 19-20, 2009. Beginning and experienced grant writers will learn how to write winning grant proposals and find grant funders. Tuition is \$425 and includes class workbook and accompanying resource CD that's packed full of tools and more than 200 sample grant proposals.

If your office already receives government grants, then consider the two-day **Grant Management Workshop** presented in partnership with LifePoint by BryanLGH, in Lincoln on November 19-20, 2009. If you don't know what to do, staying in compliance with federal grant requirements can be daunting, however, experienced Grant Writing USA instructors teach attendees compliance steps in an organized, comprehensive, and easy to understand manner. Tuition is \$595 and includes Grant Writing USA's 450-page grant management workbook and reference guide.

Attend both the writing *and* management class and receive \$100 off combined cost of tuition. Multi-enrollment discounts are also available. Seating is limited, online reservations are necessary.

For more information please call 800-814-8191 or visit:

<http://www.grantwritingusa.com/events.html>

**Education Foundation Memorial Gift Program**

A gift to NACO's Education Foundation ensures that the children of county officials and county employees are eligible to apply for scholarships to continue their education at Nebraska's higher education institutions. Whatever their passion – history, art, music, science, education, sports – the NACO Education Foundation will provide them an opportunity to fund their education beyond the K-12 level.

Memorial gifts to NACO's Education Foundation are tax exempt and a lasting legacy in honor of your loved one's commitment to educating the children of Nebraska's county officials and county employees.

For more information about how to make a memorial gift, please contact Jon Edwards at [jon.edwards@nacone.org](mailto:jon.edwards@nacone.org) or at 402-434-5660.

**Directory Updates...**

**Loup County Commissioner**

Donald Brown  
45743 829th Rd., Burwell, NE 68823  
308-346-5451  
(appointed to replace William Weber)

**Garden County Treasurer**

Sheri McCord  
(appointed to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Susan Hattendorf)

**Sioux County Sheriff**

William Roe  
(appointed to fill vacancy created by the resignation of James Costello)

**Open Meetings Act Revisions**

On August 30, 2009, revisions to the Open Meetings Act went into effect. Poster-sized copies reflecting the changes are available through NACO for \$2.00 each plus S&H.



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

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