



# Beautiful News



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## 2009 Great American Cleanup

Keep North Platte & Lincoln County Beautiful partnered with several local organizations, groups, and schools to clean up Lincoln County this spring. During the 2009 GAC, 735 volunteers participated in 39 local events. They logged 2461.5 hours of service in 3 Lincoln County communities. They collected 12,706 pounds of litter, junk, and debris. They cleaned 141 miles of streets, roads, and highways, and cleaned 332 acres of parkland and 32 miles of rivers, lakes, and shorelines.

This year, KNPLCB participated in the pilot program 'Keep Schools Beautiful'. North Platte High School, Wallace Public Schools, and Maxwell Public Schools each organized and conducted a litter cleanup event. Between the three schools, 413 volunteers logged 1967 hours of service and cleaned up 1901 pounds of litter and debris. Wal-Mart associates participated in the GAC this year by cleaning up the area between the Wal-Mart store and the river's edge. Thirty-five associates braved a cold and rainy day to clean up 2458 pounds of litter and debris.

KNPLCB partnered with the Downtown Business Association to conduct their annual downtown cleanup. Forty

-five volunteers spent 270 hours cleaning up the area from Front St. to B St. and Willow St. to Poplar St. Volunteers spent the day cleaning alleyways, store fronts, sweeping sidewalks, and removing 3580 pounds of litter and debris from the area.



KNPLCB also partnered with the Original Town Association and groups from Madison Middle School and St. Pat's High School to clean up Cody Park. Sixty-two volunteers spent 248 hours mulching the nature trail, picking up litter, cleaning out flower beds, painting the railroad sign and picnic shelter. All

of the volunteers took personal responsibility for their communities and their efforts help to deter future litter.

We would like to thank everyone who volunteered and participated in our events. We would also like to thank our 2009 National and local Sponsors: University of Phoenix, Solo, Arm & Hammer, Honda, Wrigley, Dow, Pepsi, Scotts-Miracle-Gro Company, Waste Management, Glad, Troy-Bilt, Colgate-Palmolive Company, City of North Platte, Eagles Club, Pro Team Sports, Downtown Association, Adams Bank & Trust, NebraskaLand National Bank, TierOne Bank, Do-It Center, Ace Hardware, Original Town Association, Wells Fargo, and Midwest Screen Print.



**Cigarette butts are the # 1 littered item. Please do not throw your butts on the ground!**

**For a fee pocket ashtray, call KNPLCB at 308-534-8100 or stop by the office at 715 S. Jeffers/ 3rd floor**

### GAC Troy-Bilt Weed Trimmer Raffle

Joe Sculley was the winner of the Troy-Bilt weed trimmer. Congratulations Joe!



# Green Vision Green Thumb Awards

## Now Seeking Nominations!

Do you live near the most beautiful yard in the county? Has your local business gone green by adding recycling programs & keeping their property green & beautiful?

We want to know about it!

Help us honor those that go the extra mile to make our community a BEAUTIFUL place to live.

### Who's eligible?

Any home in North Platte & a 10 mile surrounding area, must not have won in last three years and maintains own yard and landscaping.

Any business in North Platte that demonstrate a 'green' program along with a beautiful, green property. Must not have won in the past 3 years.

Nominations accepted through July 1st.

Judges needed-call us to volunteer.

Nominate Online by visiting...  
[www.keepnorthplattebeautiful.org](http://www.keepnorthplattebeautiful.org)  
or Call us at 534-8100



# We've Expanded!

Keep North Platte & Lincoln County Beautiful has added two addition recycling sites to North Platte.

### The current 24 hour locations are:

Senior Center  
900 E. 10th



First United Methodist Church  
1600 West E



Regional Recycling  
810 E. 7th



First Christian Church  
220 W. Vine



Mid-Plains Community College South Campus  
601 W. State Farm Rd.

The recycling sites accepted the following materials: paper, magazines, newsprint, aluminum, steel/tin cans, plastics 1 & 2, and cardboard.

### Keep North Platte & Lincoln County Beautiful 2009 Board of Directors

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# Cut the weeds!

NORTH PLATTE ORDINANCE 95.04

It shall be the duty of every owner (occupant) of a developed parcel to cut, destroy or remove, or cause to be cut, destroyed or removed, all weeds in excess of 12 inches in height growing thereon and upon 1/2 of any road, street or alley abutting this property.



## GAC Troy-Bilt Backpack Leaf Blower Drawing

Larry Gosnell was the winner of the GAC drawing. Larry participated in the Original Town Cleanup. Congratulations Larry!



## Looking For Large Tin Cans?

The RSVP office has a surplus of #10 tin cans.

These tin cans are great for storage, use for beginning plants, or for protection of young plants in the garden .

If you are in need of or would like this items, contact the RSVP office at 535-6777.

## Final Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Successful

The final Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event was successful despite the bad weather. This event yielded nearly 5000 pounds of electronics, 6760 pounds of paint, 960 pounds of pesticides, 1300 pounds of batteries, 520 pounds of recyclable material, and 100 gallons of oil dropped off by nearly 400 attendants. This event was evident that people are beginning to utilize the new permanent hazardous waste collection building due to over half of the paint collected was retrieved from the building.

This event would not have been possible without our volunteers and sponsors. KNPLCB would like to thank the City of North Platte and its employees as well as the 35 volunteers from RSVP, St. Pat's High School, and KNPLCB board members. We would also like to thank Roger's Fine Food for their donation of coffee, SOLO Company for their donation of

"bare" products, Troy-Bilt for their donation of a backpack blower and trimmer, GLAD for their donation of ForceFlex trash bags, and Pepsi for pop and water. We would also like to thank the media for their generous coverage of these events over the past 11 years.

This event was funded by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality's Waste Reduction and Recycling Program. Red Willow County HHW and Electronic Recyclers provided contracted help.

Residents of

Lincoln County can continue to use the permanent HHW collection building located at 1308 N. Sycamore. An electronics storage shed was also erected and is now available at the same location for residents to recycle their electronic items. Both buildings are open the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is a disposal fee of \$.25 per pound for electronics.





# CURRENT RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES



**ALUMINUM:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
1st United Methodist Church, 1600 W. E  
Senior Center, 900 E. 10th  
First Christian Church, 220 N. Vine  
MPCC S. Campus, 601 W. State Farm Rd.  
M&W Salvage, 2401 E. Railroad St.

**APPLIANCES:**

M&W Salvage, 2401 E. Railroad St.

**BATTERIES:**

**Car Batteries:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
Wal-Mart, 1401 S. Dewey  
Cohagen Battery Store , 532-8656,  
320 S. Dewey,  
Household Hazardous Waste Facility,  
1308 N. Sycamore, 2nd & 4th  
Thursdays of the month from  
7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Ni-Cad Batteries:**

Cohagen Battery Store, 532-8656,  
320 S. Dewey

**CARDBOARD:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
1st United Methodist Church, 1600 W. E  
Senior Center, 900 E. 10th  
First Christian Church, 220 N. Vine  
MPCC S. Campus, 601 W. State Farm Rd.

**COMPUTERS & ELECTRONICS**

**(Fee Charged):**

Staples, 1000 S. Dewey, 532-1990, Call  
for more information.

Electronics Shed @ Household Hazardous  
Waste Building, Coming this  
spring, contact KNPLCB for  
further details.

**INK JET CARTRIDGES:**

Household Hazardous Waste Building,  
1308 N. Sycamore, 2nd & 4th  
Thursdays of the month from  
7 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
KNPLCB, 715 S. Jeffers, 3rd Floor  
Senior Center, 900 E. 10th  
UPS Store, 410 E. Leota Ste 5

**MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPER, OF-  
FICE PAPER:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
1st United Methodist Church, 1600 W. E  
Senior Center, 900 E. 10th  
First Christian Church, 220 N. Vine  
MPCC S. Campus, 601 W. State Farm Rd.

**METALS:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
M&W Salvage, 2401 E. Railroad St.

**OIL (Small Amounts):**

Household Hazardous Waste Building,  
1308 N. Sycamore, 2nd & 4th  
Thursdays of the month from  
7 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Transfer Station, 3320 W. North Lake Rd

**PLASTIC FILM CONTAINERS:**

Wal-Mart, 1401 S. Dewey

**PLASTICS 1&2:**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
1st United Methodist Church, 1600 W. E  
Senior Center, 900 E 10th  
First Christian Church, 220 N. Vine  
MPCC S. Campus, 601 W. State Farm Rd.

**STEEL (TIN):**

Regional Recycling, 810 E. 7th  
1st United Methodist Church, 1600 W. E  
Senior Center, 900 E 10th

**SALVAGE APPLIANCES:**

M&W Salvage, 2401 E. Railroad St.

**TELEPHONE BOOKS:**

Regional Recycling, 801 E. 7th

**CELL PHONES:**

KNPLCB, 715 S. Jeffers, 3rd Floor  
Household Hazardous Waste Building,  
1308 N. Sycamore, 2nd & 4th  
Thursdays of the month from  
7 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Senior Center, 900 E. 10th

**GOOD USED CLOTHING/  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS:**

Thrift Connection, 422 E. 6th, 534-7634  
Thrift Center, 218 W. 4th, 534-3514  
Bargain Bin, 421 E. 3rd, 534-9121  
General Store, 1616 W. Front St,  
534-0317  
Goodwill Industries, 102 William Ave,  
532-6221

The mission of Keep North Platte & Lincoln County Beautiful is to educate and interact with the public encouraging beautification, a litter free environment, and waste reduction through recycling.