Thank You for Being Here

Submitted by Jake Lozier

Like many members and attenders of Unitarian services, the inward life of the spirit is often affected by the outward state of the world. I was first compelled to attend the Unitarian Church in Lincoln the Sunday after Election Day, 2016. I first told my spouse, Kelsy Burke, that I am transgender after listening to a podcast where an earnest Glenn Beck told me to be honest about who I am. The ultimate ironic "ah-ha!" It has been a sprint toward transition ever since. I am becoming Jacob Lozier, and as my name tag now says, you can call me Jake.

In a time of great personal change and of constant national distress, having the Unitarian Church as a place of safety, love, and spiritual nourishment is invaluable to our family. I am very grateful for this beginning, here, and for the promise of our church and my place in it.

GREEN CORNER

APPLAUSE

The Green Sanctuary Committee hosted 56 guests from Minnesota in our building August 5-6. Our Minnesota colleagues bussed to Lincoln to participate in the “Give Keystone XL the Boot” march.

Sincere thanks to Curt Donaldson and Linda Brown who led this effort to provide dinner, overnight accommodations, and breakfast for our guests. We appreciate Curt and Kathy Disney for taking the overnight shift. Thanks to all of you who made this possible because you contributed food for meals, worked tirelessly in the kitchen, and provided music Saturday evening! Our Minnesota friends have thanked us repeatedly.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Linda Brown and Becky Seth will present a workshop at Elders for the Earth Retreat, scheduled for October 1-4, 2017, at Mahoney State Park. Check www.Elders4theEarth.com to learn more about the retreat.

You may have read the Lincoln Environmental Action Plan (LEAP), developed by the Mayor's Environmental Task Force. Becky Seth is the Green Sanctuary representative to the Task Force. All are welcome to attend their monthly meetings, held the first Thursdays of each month at noon.

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A Month of Sundays
10:00AM at 6300 A Street

Sunday, Sept. 3 - "Draw the Circle Wide"
“Come, come, whoever you are,” starts one of our well-loved hymns. The commitment to radical hospitality is at the heart of Unitarian Universalism. How do we see this theological understanding reflected in the community we build together?

Worship Leader: Oscar Sinclair
Worship Associate: Christine Starr Davis
Music: One-Hour Choir, Bill Carpenter

Sunday, Sept 10 - “Universalist Unitarians”
Historical Universalism is a faith with rich history and traditions. How does the core Universalist commitment that salvation is not just available, but meant for all speak to us in 2017?

Worship Leader: Oscar Sinclair
Worship Associate: Becky Seth
Music: Elizabeth Grunin, cello/Julie Cross, piano
Share the Care: Finance Committee

Sunday, Sept 17 - “Welcoming Change”
Change is a constant in life, and in religious community. As we continually draw the circle of welcome wider, we are sometimes asked to consider and change long-held beliefs and practices. How can we find courage and understanding to welcome change?

Worship Leader: Oscar Sinclair
Worship Associate: LauraLee Woodruff
Music: Bob Fuson’s Saxophone Quartet
Share the Plate: Clinic with a Heart

Sunday, Sept 24 - “Radical Hospitality”
Worship Associates: Christine Starr Davis, Jamie Radcliffe
Music: Jennifer Buehler, Harp

Happy New Year, so to speak!
Was your summer as fun as mine? Are you looking forward to our new year as a community as much as I am? I hope so!

September music should be lovely. On the 3rd we have our One-Hour Choir, accompanied by Bill Carpenter. Sept. 10 will feature the gorgeous cello solos of Dr. Elizabeth Grunin, and I will accompany her. On Sept. 17, Dr. Bob Fuson will bring his brand new saxophone quartet to our congregation! Splendid! Finally, Jennifer Buehler will present her beautiful harp for our service on atonement and forgiveness Sept. 24.

Choir! We will have a One-Hour Choir at 8:45AM (sharp!) on September 3rd. Music and sound files are available in advance. See me after services or email me at worshiparts@unitarianlincoln.org for more information. All are welcome!!! Our first Adult Choir rehearsal will be September 13th, with rehearsals on the 20th and 27th as well in preparation for Sunday, October 1st. More dates to come.

Finally, are you interested in playing chimes or bells? We have a lovely set of chimes in the music room, and I would love to get an ensemble together. Please let me know if you are interested. Our first performance would be around holiday times in mid-December.

There’s lots of great energy brewing for our upcoming year. I’d love to see our music program continue to grow. If you have a talent and a willingness to share, please come and say hello!
What does it mean to be a people of welcome? This is the central question that we will be talking about in worship this month, looking at the theological, historical, and lived aspects of hospitality in our lives and the community we create together.

Radical Hospitality has been at the center of Unitarian Universalism since our founding. Our Universalist predecessors got their name from the idea of universal salvation— the proposition that all, no matter who they are and what they have done, are destined for salvation. Over time, this became the first principle of Unitarian Universalism, that all people have inherent worth and dignity.

This principle has implications for how we live in the world. If all have inherent worth and dignity, we have a responsibility to treat them as such. When strangers come to the door of our congregation, how do we welcome them in? How do we welcome each other into our lives?

Over the last month, as I’ve started my time here in Lincoln, I have been struck over and over again by the hospitality at the heart of this congregation. Stacie and I have been welcomed into this place with open arms, and I have watched dozens of volunteers turn out to host a group of marchers from Minnesota, who needed a place to stay for the night.

This year most Sunday mornings will follow monthly themes. We begin this week with ‘welcome,’ and over the course of the year will have months where we talk about joy, courage, hope, creativity and many more. I am excited to dig into these topics with you, and look forward to the coming year.

Oscar

Open Circle Sign-ups in September

Open Circles are monthly small group gatherings of less than 10 people that encourage individual growth and interpersonal connection. They are designed to foster friendships among members through deep sharing of personal reflections on religious, ethical, and spiritual themes. Open to members and committed friends of the congregation.

Now is the time to sign up to join a new circle, or to let us know that you will be continuing in an existing circle. One of our Open Circle Leaders will be at a table in the Gallery after Service on Sunday, September 10 and 17 to answer any questions that you may have. There will be forms to fill out that list all of the days and times that are available.
RELIGIOUS GROWTH & LEARNING

Classes Begin September 10th!

Curriculum Descriptions

Preschool
Chalice Children
Based on the premise that children learn best through experience, this program helps nurture spiritual growth, creativity and a sense of community through imaginative activities and rituals such as rhymes, fingerplays and story time. This curriculum includes lessons that introduce children to concepts such as birth and death, dreams and the natural world. Children will be introduced to the basic concepts of Unitarian Universalism (UU) principles as they imagine, create, and play together.

Kindergarten/First Grade
Wonderful Welcome
The Wonderful Welcome curriculum engages and challenges leaders and children alike to explore how and why we are willing to welcome others into our lives. We welcome not only strangers, but family, our peers, our neighbors and even entities that are not people such as our animal friends and nature itself. Children will explore their UU identity as each week they are introduced to a “gift” which life gives. Children will play games, read stories, and create projects together.

2nd/3rd and 4th/5th Grades
Moral Tales
The Moral Tales curriculum brings stories and UU identity to life. Each session has a central story in which participants meet real and fictional and heroines who have displayed moral courage and spiritual greatness. They will hear about characters who have struggled, but who have chosen justice, goodness, and love. The stories in Moral Tales draw upon many of our UU sources, portraying moral dilemmas and paths to goodness and justice through a variety of cultural and religious lenses. Every story resonates with UU principles and purposes, which are intentionally integrated into the sessions. Children will have the chance to participate in activities, discussions, read books together, and do projects. This is a fun curriculum with many opportunities for children to make connections to our UU faith.

Middle School
‘D’Oh God’ and ‘The 5th Dimension’
The animated show The Simpsons is unique in that religion is a dominant theme of this popular show. The family is often seen praying to God, and the show seems to be acutely aware of the significant place religion has in the American landscape.

The show satirizes religion, but is not seen as anti-religious, as the Simpsons themselves are Christian and some are spiritual in nature. Most episodes call for a sensible, tolerant and less fanatical religious devotion.

D’Oh, God! uses episodes of The Simpsons as the basis for in-depth discussions of a wide variety of religious topics. At each class, an entire episode is viewed, a distinct advantage when discussion is the intention. After viewing, the class engages in discussion and activities, designed to encourage deep contemplation of issues.

The Twilight Zone tackled a diversity of social issues and political statements not seen in shows of its time. Its creator, Rod Serling (himself a Unitarian), believed that controversial messages and dialogues were needed to get a point across, and purposely created a science fiction show to get such messages past corporate censors. The result was five seasons of timeless episodes that resonate as strongly today as they did in the late fifties and early sixties.

The Fifth Dimension uses episodes of The Twilight Zone as the basis for in-depth discussions of a wide variety of topics. At each class, an entire episode is viewed, a distinct advantage when discussion is the intention. After viewing, the class engages in discussion and activities, designed to encourage deep contemplation of issues.

Senior High
Our Senior High leaders will be meeting soon to determine the focus for the Senior High group this year. Often, this group’s direction is dictated by the students themselves.

Peace, Faith and Love,
Chelsea
NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parent and Guardian Orientation

Sunday, September 3 • Gathering Place

All are welcome to come learn about our curriculum descriptions for the year, what a 'typical Sunday' looks like, and what sorts of things happen on Sundays besides classes. Please join Chelsea Kafka, Director Religious Growth and Learning, to learn more.

RGL Registration Form

The RGL Registration form is printed on the back of the inserted calendar. Please complete a Registration Form for each child. You can turn it in to Chelsea Kafka or the Church Office.

Program Council - Facility Cluster

Submitted by Trevor Jones

When you visit the Unitarian Church of Lincoln, we hope that the physical part of your visit is pleasurable, that the grounds are well kept, that the rooms are clean and comfortable, the coffee is hot and plentiful, and that you enjoy the aesthetic feel of the space and the art on the walls. Our church is much more than a physical space, but for most of our members and new visitors, it’s their first exposure to who we are and thus it is important that the building and grounds reflect our values.

It takes a small army of volunteers to maintain the church building and grounds and help ensure that the experience in the building is as good as it possibly can be. These long-time volunteers work mainly behind the scenes and for many members, the only time you know what they do is when something breaks and they arrive to fix it!

The new Program Council Model is designed to help make our facilities operate even more smoothly and help us strategically plan for future needs. The Facilities Cluster consists of the Grounds Task Force, the Building Committee, the Kitchen Clean-up Crew, and the Art Gallery Committee. Inside the building, the Building Committee maintains complex machinery, paints walls, and fixes anything broken. The Kitchen Clean-up Crew coordinates coffee service, cleans and organizes the kitchen, and makes sure that everything is in order for the dozens of outside groups that use our church each year. The Art Gallery Committee coordinates the art shows that brighten our walls throughout the year, and often showcases the work of member artists. Outside of the building, the Grounds Task Force ensures that trees are trimmed, lawns are mowed, and weeds are pulled. Our staff liaison is Jean Helms who helps bring it all together and make sure everyone is on the same page.

As a new member, I’ve learned that the amount of work that goes into these activities is truly impressive. We could always use more help, and if you can do your part and step up to volunteer for a clean-up day or host coffee service, it would be a great contribution to our community. We’re currently looking for someone to manage the Grounds Task Force and coordinate the work of multiple dedicated volunteers. If you’re interested (no experience necessary!) or just want to talk about it, please send me an email at trevorjoneskhs@gmail.com.

SEPTEMBER RGL CALENDAR

Preschool Class and Nursery Care are available every Sunday for younger Pre-K children in the Preschool Room.

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MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATE NEWS

Umbrellas and Greeters and Ushers - Oh My!
Submitted by Judy Hart

What is the Membership Umbrella?

We have expanded our ideas of what our committee can encompass beyond simply focusing on newcomers to our church. Our Membership Umbrella has four sections - four areas of focus we want to share with you

Education: This includes First Sunday Newcomer Chats, pathways to membership classes, "A Chosen Faith" book discussion classes and semi-annual hospitality training.

Engagement: This includes developing an expanded database of interests and talents for newcomers, new members, long-time members and friends; newcomer and new member social events, participation in the volunteer fair and occasionally helping to sponsor all-church events.

Nurturing/Caring: Helping anyone who is willing to become a "welcomer," hospitality training and working in partnership with Pastoral Care Associates to maintain a welcoming and caring presence in people's lives.

Leadership Development: Encouraging members to find their passion within the church and providing the tools, in partnership with other committees and groups, to become effective and engaged leaders.

Upcoming Membership Umbrella Activities

September 16 • 9:00AM - Noon
Pathways to Membership - Nuts & Bolts
Breakfast snacks and coffee is provided. Please join us to learn more about the Nuts and Bolts of our church. This is one of the 2 classes that will help you on your pathway to membership into our Lincoln Unitarian Universalist community.

September 24 • following service • Membership Umbrella Meeting

October 14 • 9:00AM - Noon • Hospitality Training

For usher information contact Barb Pearson barbarapearson@neb.rr.com or 402-217-2399
For greeter information contact Judy Hart membership@unitarianlincoln.org or 402-474-2206

There is room for all under our UU Umbrella!

6300 Dinner Club Sign-Up

Are you looking for a way to deepen connections with other members and friends? Do you like to join others for conversation over a meal? One opportunity is 6300 Dinners - meals at someone's home where each person or couple brings a dish to share.

The 6300 Dinner Club sign-up will be every Sunday in September at a table in the gallery space, or via email. It is for adults only, there will be three dinners that happen throughout the church year, with everyone hosting once, and being a guest twice. Singles, couples, newcomers, and old-comers are all welcome. The coordinator is Linda Ager. She can be reached at LindaAger@aol.com.
News & Announcements

Nominations Committee Update
Submitted by Jan Buffum

Members of the Nominations Committee are currently seeking to fill two positions on that committee with terms starting in January, 2018. Interested congregants are urged to self-nominate or nominate another member (with prior consent of the other member) by completing a Nomination Form by October 8 and returning it with a photograph to Amy Birky birkyamy@gmail.com with CC to BOT President Kristi Wamstad-Evans kwamstadevans@gmail.com.

The Nomination Form is available from the church office or on the website www.unitarianlincoln.org, click on “Our Leaders” and then “Church Governance, Policies & Forms”; finally scroll to “Forms.”

The Nominations Committee nominates candidates for the Board of Trustees and for the Nominations Committee. Both open positions are for a 3-year term with meetings held as needed throughout the year. The committee candidates will be voted upon at the winter church meeting in December.

Welcome New Member:
Carrie Holloway

Carrie Holloway likes spending time with her kids, reading, cooking, learning to garden, music, and hanging out with great people. She has three sons - Simon (age 19), Addison (age 15) and Spencer (age 11), and a cat named Oscar.

"I was a member of First Universalist in Denver and when I moved back to Lincoln, I knew I’d find my way here. I'm very glad I did! I became a member because I wanted to be more involved and I wanted to formalize my financial support of the church - I want to give back since the UCL has given a lot to me."

Welcome New Members:
Charles Tibbs & Kasi Darnell-Tibbs

Kasi and Charles have three sons who enjoy coming to church and being involved in all of the fun activities in RGL. A few Sundays a month, you can find Kasi in the Preschool room where she works part time. In addition to working at our church, Kasi also works at the Cooper YMCA while she is finishing up a Bachelors degree.

Charles spends most of the Spring and Summer at Haymarket Park serving as their Director of Food and Beverage. In the past, he has helped make and serve coffee at church. He is an avid bicyclist and enjoys playing guitar. Charles and Kasi decided to start attending UCL about three years ago because they wanted their family to become more involved in the community.

They are grateful to join with such a welcoming and like minded church and look forward to meeting and getting to know everyone better.
NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board of Trustees Update
Submitted Kristi Wamstad-Evans

With school back in session and the Water Communion welcoming members, friends, and visitors complete, the Board is taking stock of the year ahead and moving toward our vision.

This summer, we bid adieu to three senior members of the board (Leslie Ryan, Molly Klocksin, and Reed Maly) and welcomed three new members (Kay Hoff, Michael Reinmiller, and Emily Cameron Shattil).

Minister Oscar Sinclair was welcomed at a Board Meeting his first week and we are all very impressed. Dorothy Ramsey was appointed Vice Treasurer and several task forces were formed to dig into the details of our work. In addition to the established task forces for MicroLoan/MiniGrant and Governance, we created two new groups: the Building Use Task Force and the Audit Task Force. These groups will help work through policy issues that have been identified to offer clear guidance to the Board on the best management of the church.

In August, the Board appointed Kathy Disney to the Nominations Committee to fill the remaining term of Debbie Josiah-Barnes. We thank Debbie for her commitment and wish her well on her retirement journey to Washington state.

You will notice that the Board’s meeting minutes are being posted on the bulletin board to your right as you enter the church. In an effort to be transparent, we are posting both the draft minutes from the most recent Board meeting as well as the approved minutes from the meeting before. Please review and let any of the board members know if you have questions.

Finally, we are looking for members interested in serving on the Governance Task Force and the MicroLoan/MiniGrant Task Force. With shifts in leadership roles over the past year, these two task forces need some fresh faces. If you are interested in the Governance Task Force, please contact Kristi Wamstad-Evans or Rich Little. If you are interested in the MicroLoan/MiniGrant Task Force, please contact Emily Cameron Shattil or Mark Shiffler.

Way Station Concert:
Matthew Michael & Christina Marie
Thursday, September 28 • 7:00PM • Auditorium

A fresh, young duo shooting up from roots in rural Illinois, Matthew Michael & Christina Marie give listeners a well crafted opportunity to pause and harken back to their own experiences. They captivate audiences with vulnerable, thought-provoking lyrics and stories interwoven with varied musical styles in a tender web of voices and strings. Matthew and Christina reopen wounds of the heart with gentle insistence, leaving deposits of hope and healing. “We play music to pause and listen to, and embrace gifts given in the present.”

Project Funway

Fresh Start is seeking designers to enter the Project Funway clothing design competition! Join us on Friday October 13 to show off your one of a kind garment on the runway. More information available on the event page, or contact Aubrey: audreyb@freshstarthome.org
NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wachiska Audubon Annual Potluck

Join Wachiska Audubon for our annual potluck picnic on Thursday, September 14, at the Jayne Snyder Trails Center at Union Plaza, 228 North 21st Street between P and Q streets in Lincoln (just east of the downtown business area). We’ll gather at 6:00PM, where our potluck food will be set up indoors. Participants can either eat indoors where it’s air-conditioned or outside among the native plants. While this is going to be open to the public, we ask everyone coming to bring 1-2 food items to share with everyone. Cold drinks, water, and coffee will be provided as long as you bring your own table service, including cups for hot or cold drinks, plates, silverware. Restrooms are located in this building.

About 7:15PM Mark Canney, Parks and Recreation Planner, will address the group about the park’s design, function, and use of native plants. This short talk is titled “Pollinator Places in our Public Spaces.” Mark will then lead those interested on a short tour of this six-acre park which hosts one of the largest collections of native plants in a public setting in Lincoln. Participants can leave at any time. Everything, including clean-up, should be over by dark.

Beginning in October we will be back at the church on the second Thursday of each month.

Green Sanctuary Movie Night

Saturday, September 23 • 7:00PM • Auditorium

Join us for a free public screening of the documentary “The Age of Consequences” sponsored by Nebraskans for Peace and the Green Sanctuary Committee.

Unlike other climate change documentaries that focus largely on the science, this just-released film zeroes in on the National Security implications of climate change and how hotter temperatures, rising sea levels and extreme weather will exacerbate global social upheaval through water and food shortages, resource wars, refugee migrations and failed governments. The film’s unnerving assessment is not a reason for fatalism - but instead a call to action to rethink how we use and produce energy.

Here’s the official synopsis of the documentary: http://theageofconsequences.com/synopsis

‘The Hurt Locker’ meets ‘An Inconvenient Truth’, THE AGE OF CONSEQUENCES investigates the impacts of climate change on increased resource scarcity, migration, and conflict through the lens of US national security and global stability.

Pentagon insiders make the compelling case that if we go on with business as usual, the consequences of climate change will continue to grow in scale and frequency with grave implications for peace and security in the 21st century.

UU Artists on Display

During September we will have an exciting opportunity to see artwork created by about a dozen artists in our Unitarian Church Congregation. A variety of media and techniques will be displayed. Some of these will be watercolor painting, color photography, mixed media painting, pottery, black and white fine art photography, weaving, quilts, and sculpture. Along with each artwork, the artists have prepared a statement about their artwork or individual piece on display.

Water color by Karen Dienstbier  
Functional Art by Jean Helms
ONGOING ACTIVITIES

The fellowship activities and discussion groups listed below happen on a regular basis and are open to new participants at any time. Please contact the group’s organizer if you have any questions!

**Adult Game Night**

*Still on hiatus*

If you would like to host future Adult Game nights, please contact the church office.

**Bridge Groups**

**Intermediate Group**

*Every Tuesday • 2:00PM*
*6300 A Street • Gallery*

**Advanced group**

*Every Wednesday • 1:00PM*
*6300 A Street • Gallery*

Want to join us? Contact Coordinator Corine Simon samondp@neb.rr.com
402-435-0225

**Coffeehouse**

*4th Friday • September 22 • 7:00PM 6300 A Street • Gallery*

Board games for adults and kids. Open to all individuals. Preceded by PFLAG/UU Potluck at 6:00PM. Contact Deb Hope debra.a.hope@gmail.com

**Men’s Potluck**

*2nd Monday • September 11*
*6:30PM • 6300 A Street*
*Gathering Place*

All men are invited to attend to enjoy good food and conversation. Table service will be provided. Contact Bruce Raymer 402-475-7875 bruce.raymer@gmail.com

**Newcomers First Sunday Chat**

*Sunday, September 3 • 11:15AM*
*6300 A Street • Library*

Meet with visitors and friends in the Library to watch and discuss a 10-minute film. Contact Shelly Fowler seeshells@mac.com

**PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)**

*4th Tuesday • September 26*
*6:30PM • 6300 A Street • Gallery*

The LGBT Welcoming Committee sponsors PFLAG which meets at our church. Confidentiality at each meeting is very important. Please join us or visit us at: www.pflagcornhusker.org

**Tai Chi**

*Every Wednesday • 6300 A Street*
*Gallery • 5:30PM Beginners, 6:30PM Intermediate*

All UU Members and Friends are invited. No experience necessary.

Contact Reed Maly 402.570.3841

**UMDOC “Unitarian Men Discussing Over Coffee”**

*(previously known as Men’s Discussion Group)*

*2nd Tuesday • June 13 • 10:00AM*
*BRAEDA (33rd & Pioneer)*

New participants are welcome any time. Discussion topics vary. No meetings in July and December. Visit us for more details or contact Duane Polzien duaneep2000@yahoo.com

**UU Meditation Sangha**

*2nd & 4th Wednesday • 7:00PM*
*6300 A Street • Music Room*

We gather at 7:00PM and begin a short meditation promptly at 7:15PM. Then discussion time followed by a longer meditation period. Contact LauraLee Woodruff holybear47@gmail.com

**UU Women Gathering**

*1st Saturday • September 2*
*2:00PM • UU Church Gallery*

Topic: Healing the Mother Wound, Facilitator: Jen Smith
For info: Contact Marilyn 402.730.9483
Revdiva1@hotmail.com

**Women’s Book Group**

*Every three weeks • 10:00AM*
*6300 A Street • Gallery*

For more information, contact Diane Richards dianemn2@gmail.com

September 16  *Find Me Unafraid: Love, loss and hope in an African slum, by Kennedy Odede and Jessica Posner*

October 7  *LaRose by Louise Erdrich*

October 28  *Born to Run by Bruce Springsteen*

**Zen Meditation**

*Every Thursday • 7:00PM*
*6300 A Street • Music Room*

We are a small group of UUs who meditate at church each week in the Music Room.

Contact Norm Simon 402-435-0225
nsimon1@neb.rr.com
THANK YOU...

From Harry Heafer, Building Committee Chair: Thank you to the several people who helped spruce up our building last month washing windows, dusting off window sills, and removing cobwebs inside and out. My apologies for not getting everyone’s name for a personal thank you.

From the Church Office: Thank you to the Welcoming Umbrella and all who volunteered to set up or clean up for the All Church Potluck after Water Communion.

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Lincoln Environmental Action Plan

LEAP is “Lincoln’s community blueprint for actions needed to create a healthier environment.” A draft form of LEAP was announced by city officials on July 11, 2017. The public was invited to provide input until August 7. If you haven’t seen the plan, it is worth a read. Access a copy at http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/mayor/energy/leap.htm. Watch for additional information about LEAP in the October Newsletter.
OUR COMMUNITY

“We need beauty because it makes us ache to be worthy of it.”
—Mary Oliver

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