

eccco Newsletter

East Campus Community Organization

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Neighbors talking to neighbors

Message from ECCO President Mary Eisenhart

We are in the midst of an exciting year for ECCO, and are convinced that spring is just around the corner! Your Board is busy working on several projects on your behalf – check out the articles detailing of these events. In addition, the city of Lincoln will begin working on Valentino's Idylwild Park and will install a "rectangular rapid flashing

beacon" placed where MoPac Trail crosses 33rd St.

We welcome ECCO members who would like to volunteer for any of our events. Visit our website (<http://www.eastcampus.org>) for contact information or to sign up. We appreciate your help! I want to thank all of our Board members for their dedication! See you around the neighborhood!

Mark Your Calendar

Sat. April 5, 2014

UNL's Big Event

Sat. April 19, 2014

ECCO Easter Egg Hunt

Sat. April 26, 2014

Spring Clean-up

Fri. May 9, 2014

Peter Pan Party

Sat. June 7, 2014

Garden tour and mini-gardening seminars

Second Annual ECCO Garden Tour, June 7

Save the date for another great ECCO garden tour! On June 7th from 9am to 1pm, you can visit seven new gardens in the neighborhood on a 1.7 mile walking loop. A small fee of \$5 will be charged for the tour with all funds raised going toward the ECCO re-treering project.

During the tour, Master Gardeners will hold mini –class sessions on *Tree Care*, *Making Amazing Container Gardens*, *Perennial Selections for Your Yard* and *Composting for a Healthy Garden*. There will also be a representative from the City of Lincoln's Watershed Management division on the tour at the site of one of the rain gardens to provide information on water quality and best management practices.

It will be a great opportunity to get out and discover ECCO, see some amazing gardens, visit with neighbors and learn a little along the way. Watch the website and for another flyer for more information.

Where: Around the neighborhood

When: Saturday June 7 from 9am-1pm

Who: Everyone! ■

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East Campus Community Organization (ECCO) is a organization of neighbors within the boundaries of 33rd and 48th St from Vine to Holdrege.

For further information, visit our website or contact a board member.

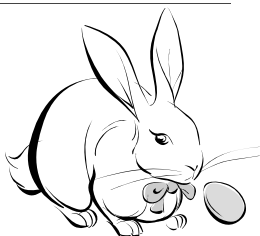
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Yard of the month nominees? With spring, finally the yards and gardens in our neighborhood will start to come alive and some are truly exceptional. Please help us bring attention to and honor those home owners who have gone the extra mile to make our neighborhood beautiful. If you see a yard that deserves a special notice, please let us know where it is so ECCO can honor it with a *Yard of the Month* sign. ■

<http://www.eastcampus.org>

ECCO Easter Egg Hunt, April 19

It's time for the annual ECCO Easter Egg Hunt, and the Easter Bunny will be there to start things off with a wave of his carrot! The annual hunt for candy-filled eggs is sponsored by the East Campus Starrs, a neighborhood women's group, and supported by ECCO. We traditionally have more than 100 ECCO neighborhood children participating, and hope to see you there this year.



As always, children 8 and under are welcome to participate (there will be a special area for children 3 and under), and you'll want to be right on time, because once the Easter Egg hunters are unleashed, it's over pretty quickly. Parents, please let children hunt without your help! The Easter Bunny will be expecting you.

Where: **McAdams Park @ 44th and Y Streets**

When: **Saturday April 19 @ 11:00 AM**

What to bring: **A basket or bag for your goodies**

Who: **Children 8 and under ▪**

Peter Pan Party, May 9

The Community Learning Centers (CLC) of Lincoln, NeighborWorks, and the ECCO, Clinton, and Hartley Neighborhood Associations are joining forces to sponsor an event to be held at Peter Pan Park Friday, May 9, from 6-8 PM – "Peter Pan Party". Hartley and Clinton Elementary Schools' Principals, Jeff Rust and Terry Neddenriep are also actively involved in planning the festivities. This event was planned before the recent park tragedy; it's even more important now, to place a positive focus on this shared neighborhood resource.

Come join the fun! There will be games, prizes, food trucks, informational booths, and more – all residents are invited to join in the family fun! If you haven't been to the park lately, this is a great opportunity to see all it has to offer and celebrate spring with new and old friends. See you there!

Where: **Peter Pan Park @ 33rd and W St**

When: **Friday May 9 @ 6-8pm**

Who: **Everyone!**

Annual Spring Clean-up, Apr 26

Remind your neighbors! ECCO's Annual Spring Clean-up is coming up. This annual event allows you to get rid of your yard clutter, brush, old bikes, old lumber, metal scraps, tires, and other unsightly items. Volunteer will be available to pick-up these items curbside if arranged in advance. Contact Patti Pierson at 402-440-8016 as early as possible to make pick-up arrangements. You are encouraged to haul and drop off items at the church parking lot.

There will be a fee charged for large appliances and tires. *The fees will be waived up to \$50 for paid ECCO members!* You can join on site.

Do NOT bring: leaves, yard clippings, computers, paint, pesticides, solvents, motor oil and other hazardous waste.

Volunteers are needed for sorting recycling items at the roll-offs and volunteers with trucks for curbside pick-ups. If you are willing to help out, contact Patti at 402-440-8016 before April 26. Help us keep ECCO clean and green!

Where: **American Lutheran Church @ 42nd and Vine St**

When: **Saturday April 26, 8am-Noon**

Who: **Everyone! ▪**

ECCO Membership Form

It costs so little and helps so much!

To join, please provide the following information and send a check for \$20 (payable to ECCO) to Roy Maurer, ECCO Treasurer, P.O. Box 4193, Lincoln, NE 68504

Name

Address

Phone

E-Mail
