



**To: Interested Stakeholders**  
**From: Cathie Petsch and Lea Ann Johnson**  
**Re: Lincoln Community Learning Centers Initiative**

**January 2005 Update**

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- Saturday morning, January 29 CLC School Neighborhood Advisory Committees and Neighbors Working Together will host a discussion with Dr. John DeFrain about the Family Strengths model. Community Conversations III starts at 8:30 am at Huntington Elementary with a hot breakfast. Mayor Coleen Seng, Superintendent Susan Gourley and Saratoga Principal Dave Knudsen will as serve as facilitators as neighborhoods focus on the CLC goal of strengthening families. Over 90 participants are registered to attend this SNAC summit developed in partnership with COPC/University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
- We wish Jill Walahoski well in her new position as State 4-H Extension Educator with UNL and welcome Anna Hunnicutt, who has been hired by the YMCA as the new CLC site supervisor at Lefler Middle School. Anna is a recent UNL graduate in Consumer and Family Sciences and can be reached at [ahunnicutt@ymcalincoln.org](mailto:ahunnicutt@ymcalincoln.org).
- Lea Ann Johnson will be representing Nebraska at the National Convening of Afterschool Networks in Santa Anna Pueblo, New Mexico February 1 -3.
- The Greater Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Foundation will be presenting a check for \$5000 to the Lincoln Community Learning Centers initiative at the Chamber's 2005 Mardi Gras Gala February 18. Accepting on behalf of the CLCs will be Leadership Council member Barb Bartle, Co-coordinator Lea Ann Johnson and Site Supervisors Ryan Mohling, Kathie Phillips, and Sherry Pawelko.
- When Lincoln Board of Education Vice-president Kathy Danek takes part in the plenary presentation at the 2005 National Forum of the Coalition for Community Schools March 9-11 in Chicago there will be plenty of familiar faces in the audience. The Lincoln conference team includes Family Service Executive Director Barry Gourley, Shara Ryba and Marti Beard from Cedars Youth Services, Principals Margaret Walker of Clinton and Cindy Schwaninger of Hawthorne, CLC Site Supervisors Angie Komenda and Sherry Pawelko, CLC Leadership Council member Mary Jo Pankoke of Nebraska Children & Families Foundation and CLC Co-coordinators Lea Ann Johnson and Cathie Petsch.
- The web pick of the month is our newly relaunched site [www.lincolnclc.org](http://www.lincolnclc.org). Thanks to Dave Polson, Barb Pederson and Rob Rothe at Sterling Communications. When you check it out be sure to see the interactive CLC site map.

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