

FIRTH MUNICIPAL NEWS

Winter - 2014 Edition

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The purpose of this newsletter is to update you on current issues regarding the Village of Firth and the surrounding community. It is the hope of the Board that this will be a positive communication tool between the local government and you.

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The Village Board is excited to announce that after many months of rebuilding, the new Firth website is up and running! The new site is much more user friendly and will be updated regularly. There is lots of interesting information including Firth history, community activities, Village Board projects, meeting agendas and minutes, various applications and forms, and municipal code, just to name a few. Check it out and visit often!

FACET - Firth Area Community Enrichment Team

FACET (Firth Area Community Enrichment Team) is a newly formed Firth community group and takes the place of the previous community association. The team goal is to enrich many “facets” of Firth living; to envision and implement plans and events to build community spirit, community development, economic growth, etc. The upcoming 2015 community events calendar includes a Valentines Couples Night Out in Firth, Annual Garage Sales, Firth Fun Day/Fireworks, Firth Christmas, and several others in the works.

There are currently 6 members of FACET and they welcome anyone else who would like to be a part of this exciting team. The group is open to anyone with a Firth zip-code. The next FACET meeting will be December 3rd at the Village Office, 311 Nemaha, at 6:30pm. Come join the team! (Contact the Village Office for more information or check out the FACET tab under the Community page at www.firth.nebraska.gov)

FirthNebraska Facebook page

Be sure to “like” the FirthNebraska Facebook page! Get updates on FACET projects and events as well as other important tips and tidbits about life in the Firth Community!

Firth Christmas Event

Everyone is invited! Make plans to join with friends and neighbors for the Firth Community Christmas event on Saturday December 6th from 4:30-6:00pm @ the Firth Community Center. There will be refreshments for everyone, crafts for the kids, caroling and the community tree lighting. Santa will be visiting too! Be sure to bring your camera to get some pics of the kids with Santa!! Both restaurants will be offering dinner specials so plan to spend the evening in Firth. (Sponsored by FACET. See attached flyer for more information.)

Firth Christmas Tree Decorating Contest

Upload a photo of your decorated Christmas tree to the FirthNebraska Facebook page for a chance to win \$25 in Firth bucks. There are two categories: Themed and Overall. The pictures with the most “likes” win. Deadline to enter is December 15. If you don’t have a computer or a Facebook account have a friend upload your photo for you! (Sponsored by FACET. See attached flyer for more information.)

Thank you to Diane Wieskamp

The Village Board is very grateful for the 8 years of outstanding service of Diane Wieskamp as a Village Trustee. Her expertise and servant mindedness will be missed! Thank you Diane for your public service to the Village of Firth!

My Town Photo Project

MyTown, Lancaster County is an event bringing together all the small towns of Lancaster County to discuss the specific challenges and opportunities experienced by small towns in a county dominated by a major city. As the first step in this project, you are invited to collect and share photos that show what you value in Firth – sidewalks, street trees, downtown, unique houses or other buildings, festivals and other major gatherings, trails, parks – the good stuff and the bad. The idea is to identify the strengths and weaknesses and then build on the strengths and correct the weaknesses. Please take some time to look around Firth and think about what you love and what you want to change. Then take some pictures and share them on the My Town Facebook page or e-mail copies to mytown@lancaster.ne.gov. (For more information go to www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/mytown or www.facebook.com/mytownlancaster)

Splash Pad project

The Firth Village Board has submitted an application for a Land Water conservation grant. If awarded, the grant funds would go toward the construction of a splash pad in the main park. Several other grants are being applied for. A fundraising and design team is currently being assembled. This team will include several middle school students. If students have already indicated interest in this civic project they will be receiving a call in the coming weeks about the startup. If you have a middle school student who would be interested in serving on this important committee please have them call or email the Village Office (number and email above.) Any adults who would like to volunteer for this project would be greatly appreciated as well! The splash pad will be a great addition to the Firth park system.

Snow Parking Ordinance

Winter is fast approaching. Please remember:

"It shall be unlawful to park or stand any vehicle on any street or alley in the residential district in the Village at any time within 24 hours after a snowfall of one (1) inch or more has occurred within a 24 hour period unless the snow has been removed within that time. Any person parking a vehicle in violation of this section shall be subject to issuance of a citation by the Sheriff or having such vehicle towed at owner's expense. (Section 3-208 – Firth Municipal Code)

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, December 3 – FACET meeting – 6:30pm at Firth Village Office, 311 Nemaha

Saturday, December 6 – Firth Community Christmas Event with Santa – 4:30-6:00pm at Community Center, 311 Nemaha

Saturday, December 6 – Dinner specials at Papa D's and Homestead Coffee and Eatery

Monday December 15 – Deadline to upload decorated Christmas tree contest photos to the FirthNebraska Facebook page

A Message from the Village Board Chairman, David Hobelman

On behalf of the Firth Village Board, we wish you a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a very Happy and Prosperous New Year! It is our pleasure to serve you!

Sincerely, David Hobelman, Village Board Chairman

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