

## Message from NACEB President

Hi Everyone,

It's here – 2017 – a year for engaging Nebraskans! Always, county Extension boards strategize to grow Extension impact. Let's anticipate and embrace the challenges. Working collectively across our state, we'll strive to make a difference for all Nebraskans.

NACEB advocates for Nebraska Extension, so we look forward to an annual meeting with State Senators on January 20. Importantly, this presents early opportunity to enhance relationships with our senators, and to communicate goals for the year ahead. *Find registration information in this newsletter. FINAL CALL!*

I recall advice from Julie Jacobson a year ago. "Before we meet, please do your homework." Access legislative information: <http://nebraskalegislature.gov/>. You'll also see links listed in this newsletter to access county impact reports, and to participate in Dean Chuck Hibberd's NACEB Briefing. Using these tools, you can prepare for an effective conversation with senators. Select a couple topics that are important to you and your communities. Make your personal story memorable!

Our annual meeting is also an opportunity to recognize youth, volunteers, business partners and support personnel with awards and to hear from our current NACEB scholarship recipients. Note that our 2017-2018 NACEB scholarship application is available online and in recent newsletters. Please encourage potential candidates to apply before March 15.

Finally, thanks to all Extension volunteers and professionals for what you do for Nebraskans. Extension is the way most Nebraskans experience the University of Nebraska - through applied research, knowledge and innovative programming. NACEB is proud to promote and advocate for this most worthy

enterprise. Let's maintain our momentum. We look forward to your full participation on January 20 in Lincoln!

Most sincerely, thank you for advancing Extension!

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## Message from our Advisor

Opportunity is on the horizon! Soon Extension Board members and Extension Educator—Unit Leaders will have a special occasion to have lunch with their respective State Senator(s). It's the Annual NACEB State Senator Luncheon on January 20!

Take advantage of this incredible opportunity to share rich dialogue that tells the story of Extension's incredible statewide network of professionals and volunteers that impact Nebraska youth, families, communities and businesses every day.

So, what is your story? How will you share it in a succinct, meaningful and memorable fashion? **Why** is your story important for Senators to hear? Does your story depict modern Extension? Prepare for this opportunity by pondering, practicing and polishing your story.

I look forward to our collective opportunity to share Extension's many success stories with State Senators. Let's seize the moment. Your story needs to be heard!

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## Message from Dean Hibberd

The next *Chat with Chuck* is scheduled for **Monday, January 9 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm CT** and can be accessed via the following link.

<https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/j/218480388>

The webinar will be recorded and archived for later viewing.

Chuck Hibberd  
Dean and Director  
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## Hosting Senators

All State Senators received an invitation in December and will be receiving either an email confirmation or a reminder in the next few days from Nebraska Extension. We have heard so far from the following Senators from Districts 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 26, 28, 30, 31, 37, 40, 44, 46 and 48 who plan to attend.

Personal invitations from constituents are the key to success in getting Senators to attend, so please plan on following up in the next few days. They will be asked to RSVP to Linda Tempel, Nebraska Extension so we can design seating charts for Senators and Board members.

Educators in your area can help provide you with some key talking points for local impact. Several counties share Senators, so Unit Leaders will be communicating with you and each other about details of the invitations and seating.

## NACEB Annual Meeting

**January 20, 2017 - NACEB Annual Meeting**  
**Mark your Calendars & Plan to Attend!** The

Nebraska Club, 233 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

### Tentative Agenda

8:30-9:30	NACEB Board Meeting & orientation of board members
9:30	Registration
10:00	Welcome by NACEB President
10:15	Extension & Legislative Updates
11:15	New IANR Vice Chancellor Boehm
11:30	Greet Senators
12:00	Lunch with Senators
1:15	Awards Presentation
1:45	NACEB Business Meeting

Severe weather cancellations will be done by 8:00 am Friday, January 20 with an e-mail announcement to Unit leaders. For questions call Nebraska Extension, 402-472-2966.

## FINAL CALL

### Annual Meeting Registration

This year's registration will **only** be by hard copy with payment accompanying the registration form and **Pre-Paid by January 10**. Registration is **\$35 per person**. Registration form(s) with payment (make checks payable to NACEB) are to be sent to:

**Jo Bek, NACEB Treasurer**  
**39565 Hwy 23**  
**Curtis, NE 69025**

For questions contact Jo at:  
Home: 308-367-5523  
[tbek1@unl.edu](mailto:tbek1@unl.edu)

(See Registration form on back page of the newsletter.)

## Important Up-Coming NACEB Dates:

**March 15, 2017 – NACEB Scholarship Applications due -** <https://form.jotform.com/CASNR/naceb>

**June 24, 2017 - NACEB Summer Meeting**  
- Ord, Nebraska. Look for the save-the-date postcard with more information at the NACEB Annual Meeting.

**Special Notice:** That same weekend, several other events predict up to 400 participants converging in the area. NACEB President-Elect, Cilinda Meyer-Scheideler and Unit Leader Kayla Hinrichs encourage early motel reservations.

A "NACEB" block of rooms is reserved at **Cobblestone Inn (308.728.5122)**. Other lodging: Airport Motel (308.728.3649); Shepherd's Inn B & B (308.728.3306). More: Cozy Cabin; Rex & Deb's River Lodge; By-Way Guest B & B; Riverview Cabin Retreat.

## Email it ON!

**Extension Educators, please take a few minutes to email this on to your County Extension Board Members.** It will be a quick way to inform them of our NACEB activities.

**NACEB Teams for Extension Impact!**  
**We support the mission of Nebraska Extension.**

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You are welcome to make hotel reservations for January 19, 2017 at Staybridge Suites, 2701 Fletcher Avenue, Lincoln, NE 68504, Phone: 402-438-7829. Ask for **NACEB Conference** block before **January 5, 2017** to guarantee a room. Room Price: \$89.99

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*Payment: **\$35/person PRE-PAID** (Payment must accompany this form)*

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Curtis, NE 69025

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

My Senator/District is: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Diet or other Assistance Needed?

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