

B.U.I.L.D. Minutes
October 7th, 2008

Thought for the day:

“When witches go riding, and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers, 'tis near Halloween.”

- **Unknown**

Members and guests present: Terri Scholting, Dee Arias, Andy Mixan, John Harrington, Mike Krambeck, Ronda Anderson, Kathy Copple, Rick Setchell, Mandi Chubb & Gary Nashleanas.

President Terri Scholting presided over the meeting. The minutes from the September 9th, 2008 meeting were read by the group. They were unanimously approved.

Spotlight Business of the Month – Kid's Place, Inc.

Christina DeBrie represented Kid's Place at the meeting. Kid's Place is licensed for 39 children, and currently have 32 children enrolled. Rebecca Huss is the new owner of Kid's Place, and they currently have 5 caregivers on staff. They will accept children from a range of 6 weeks old up to 13 years of age. Kid's Place has the same food program and meal requirements as Louisville Public Schools. They also offer Title 20 services (a subsidy of Nebraska Health & Human Services) for lower income families. You can reach Kid's Place at 949-0043.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer John Plucknett

The BUILD account balance is currently \$8,327.11. After analyzing our current financial situation, BUILD was able to donate \$7,500 to the Main Street holiday lights project.

Old Business:

- Holiday Lights

BUILD was able to secure grant money from the City of Louisville in the amount of \$10,000, and the BUILD group has pledged \$7,500 towards the project. The remaining balance needed to pay for the bid from Unlimited Visions, LLC is currently being raised by Main Street businesses.

Most of the supplies to begin the project have arrived, and are in the shop. The new lights are in, and work has begun bringing the old lights down from off of the buildings. Eight buildings have been completed so far.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome/Membership Committee: Ronda Anderson (chair)

BUILD is currently looking for community members who wish to take an active role in BUILD. Out of all of the surveys filled out recently, only one person marked that they would be willing to volunteer for BUILD.

Events Committee: Committee Chairs TBD per event

Ring In The Season – Mandy Chubb

- ***There are a full slate of events for this year's Ringing In The Season. The event takes place on December 6th. Some of the events will include:***
- Christmas Tree Lane & the luncheon will be held at the Louisville Senior Center.
- Santa will once again be at the Fire Hall and available for pictures from 12 - 4 pm.
- Carriage Rides will be available and departing from the Fire Hall from 11:30 - 3 pm.
- Stop and shop in the upstairs of the American Legion Hall. There will be baked goods and fresh evergreen wreaths for sale as a BUILD fundraiser.
- Mrs. Claus will be holding a story time at the Library at 11:30 am.
- There will be a quilt show at the Care Center.

Scarecrows Among Us – Nancy McManis & Nancy Kratky

- There are expected to be around 25 scarecrows showing up on Main Street at the end of this week. Anyone with entries will need to register their scarecrow from 3 - 6pm on Friday or from 9 - 12pm on Saturday. Judges will be critiquing the entries over the weekend.

Economic Development Committee: John Plucknett (chair)

No report.

Presentation Committee: Kathy Copple (chair)

Covered in Holiday Lights discussion. Checking on holiday flags for Main Street.

Marketing Committee: Nancy McManis (chair)

KGOR radio, Discover magazine & Country Lanes magazine will be advertising this year's Ringing In The Season.

A Nebraska Wesleyan marketing class will be meeting with ambassadors from Louisville to discuss a marketing plan for the community. This is part of a marketing class for the university. Similar case studies have been done with other communities in the area.

Fundraising: Jared Plucknett (chair)

No report.

New Business:

Local Business Buy In is a program that would increase economic activity in Louisville. By encouraging folks to shift a small percentage of spending within our community it would help the local economy.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 4th, 2008 at the Assisted Living Facility. It's not only election day for the USA, we will also have our annual election of officers.