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Upcoming Events

- Legislative Committee Meeting**
Lincoln, January 16, 2009
- Legislative Committee Meeting**
Lincoln, January 23, 2009
- County Board Workshop**
Kearney, February 11-13, 2009

Annual Conference Well Attended

Ninety counties were represented by 738 county officials and employees who were in attendance at the 114th Annual Conference held at the Cornhusker Marriott in Lincoln on December 10-12.

County Official of the Year...

Cass County Treasurer Richard Wassinger was honored as the County Official of the Year during the Awards Luncheon held on Friday afternoon.

Quarter of a Century Awards...

Outgoing county board members who have held office for 25 years or more were recognized for their years of service. Six county board members received an Admiralship issued by Governor Heineman.

NACO will be updating their database with the year in which each county official was elected. This will allow us to calculate the length of time officials have served in county government. It is NACO's intent to recognize those leaving office who have accumulated 25 elected years of service.

If you are aware of anyone that did not receive recognition at the conference who will be leaving office with more than 25 years of elected service, please contact the NACO office.

See full conference highlights in the January issue of *CountyLine*.



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**The NACO & MIPS offices will be closed
on the following dates:**

December 25th & 26th

January 1st

E-News will resume on January 9th

**Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year**

from the NACO & MIPS staff

2009 Directory of County Officials

The order form for the NACO 2009 Directory of County Officials is now available online. The directory is an annual publication that provides names and contact information for elected and appointed county officials in the state. Each directory is \$16 if tax-exempt and \$17 if taxable.

[Download the directory order form](#)

Update to NDOR's Local Projects Webpage

NDOR has added an Emergency Relief Info link to their local federal-aid projects webpage. There you will find links to NDOR Emergency Relief for Federal Aid Routes guidelines and procedures, as well as the FHWA Emergency Relief Manual.

<http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/gov-aff/index.htm>

New County Board Handbook

A newly revised edition of the County Board Handbook is now available. Copies can be purchased for \$80 plus shipping and handling. To get your copy, download and complete the [order form](#) on our website. Pre-order for pickup at the County Board Workshop in Kearney on February 11-13 and save shipping and handling charges.

County board members elected in November 2008 will receive a handbook as part of their registration if they attend the County Board Workshop and the special session for new board members.

News Across the State...

Links are to outside sources and may not be available indefinitely

[State lowers weight limit on two bridges](#)

McCook Daily Gazette, 12/09/08

[Bridge work kick starts rebuilding](#)

News Press, 12/12/08

[A 'worn out' jail](#)

Beatrice Daily Sun, 12/13/08

[Federal mandate to change size of road, street signs](#)

Aurora News-Register, 12/15/08

[State panel to consider mandating continuing ed for law enforcement](#)

Omaha World Herald, 12/17/08

[Utter huddles with county supervisors](#)

Hastings Tribune, 12/17/08

[Grants will help sheriff's office update equipment](#)

North Platte Telegraph, 12/18/08

Reminder...

Effective January 1, 2009, the standard mileage rate as established by the Internal Revenue Service will be **\$0.55** per mile, a decrease from the current \$0.585 per mile.



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