



# GPTN

GREAT PLAINS TRAILS NETWORK

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## Trail Trek 2023 Offers New Experience

BY DENA NOE

Trail Trek 2023 registration is now open and a fun new adventure is included. We will gather to explore the trails of Lincoln on **Sunday, June 25**. The routes are the same as we offered in 2022, but we will be taking them backwards. People say depending on the direction you take a trail you see different things. We think that's true.

Each route will have a fun rest stop which will include donated snacks from Hy-Vee. We'll have entertainment at Holmes Lake, Cortland City Park and at Tierra Park. At Tierra Park we'll have disc golf and face painting for the kids – we've extended your time at the park to make sure everyone has time to enjoy these added features.

All routes will leave and return to Speedway Village. Lunch from Hy-Vee is served 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Pepsi has generously

donated our beverages again this year. We will have entertainment at the finish and have fun prize drawings.

**New Adventure Announcement:** If you've been curious about Wilderness Park and local single-track trails—this is your chance to get your wheels dirty on a fun group ride. Get ready to enjoy some sweet (but tame) jumps, rad berms, tricky turns, and experience cycling off of the paved path. Experienced cyclists will be your guides and all skill levels are welcome to join us.

**Volunteers:** If you love the trails and would enjoy helping us with the event, please visit our volunteer page and check out the many options. Help is always needed.

Come explore the trails with us this summer. Visit [gptn.org](http://gptn.org) to register for Trail Trek today! All proceeds go to build more trails in Lincoln and Lancaster County.



**SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2023**

SPEEDWAY VILLAGE | 345 SPEEDWAY CIRCLE

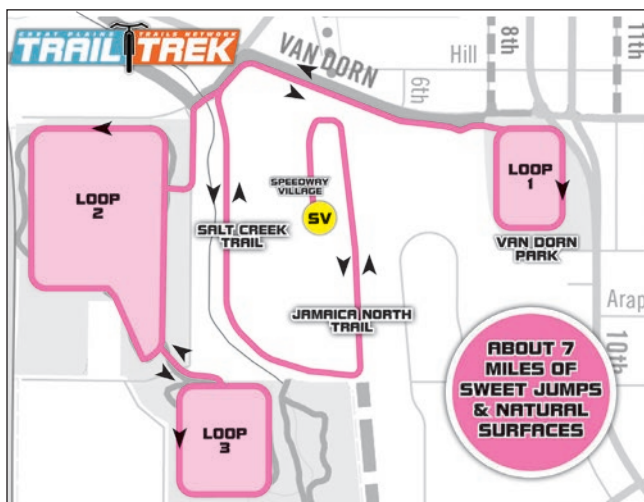
**Early Bird Cost:**  
\$30 Adult, \$10 Student  
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**Packet Pick Up:**  
June 24 & June 25

**Routes:**  
11, 24, 32, 41 miles &  
Natural Surface Single Track Adventure

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New Adventurous 2023 Natural Surface Wilderness Park Route.



L-R: Lisa Henning and Denise Teahon are off to a good start as 2022 Trail Trek begins!



## President's Note

Hello Trail Advocates,

It is an immense pleasure and honor to be the new president of GPTN (Great Plains Trail Network). Over the last few months, I have been asked to reflect on what Lincoln would look like if there were no trails in our city. There is no doubt our trails are now part of the identity of Lincoln. They provide places for us to escape and make sense of our day as well as a place to share friendships as we walk, run, or ride bikes with family and friends. These trails also provide connections to work and some of your favorite places. I believe we all can agree these trails all lead to improving our mental and physical wellness here in our hometown.

The excitement of spring and summer are right around the corner. The warmer weather will mean more events to celebrate our trails. We get to see our work, advocating and fundraising, come to fruition with the start of construction season.

Please start planning now to join us for four of our signature events this summer: Trail-a-Thon, Tour de Lincoln, Trail Trek and The Hub and Soul Concert series. I know our board members have been working hard to make each of these events successful. We are also excited to see work move forward on some of the projects we have been fundraising for: the extension of the trail, past the GPTN Connector bridge in Wilderness Park, and the planning for the Chris Beutler Trail and Park.

We look forward to seeing you out and about on our city trails and at our events. Let's celebrate what we all enjoy and believe to be genuinely great about our city.

Jordan Messerer



# Great Plains Trails Network

Since 1988

*dedicated to the goal of developing  
a network of commuter and  
recreational trails within  
Lincoln and Lancaster County*

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# Lincoln Trail-A-Thon Inspires a Goal

BY DENA NOE

In December 2022 I was reading through the fun notes Lincoln Trail-A-Thon (LTA) participants leave us when they submit their form to indicate they finished a route. Some tell us how pretty the trails are, others thank GPTN for the trails and others like to talk about their experience on the trail like "Wow! It was windy". This is part of LTA I didn't expect, but very much appreciate.

As I was reading the comments, I saw this message from Betty Petersen, "Thank you for offering the Lincoln Trail-A-Thon. This was my 3rd year of participating and it was my personal challenge to finish all the trails this year that I turned 80-and I made it! I love all the trails and it was interesting to see different parts of Lincoln and the trails and parks in different seasons. It is a stress reliever, a time for reflection and prayer, and a wonderful opportunity to enjoy God's creation." I thought this was cool



Betty Petersen by the Rock Island Trail sign.

so I contacted Betty to see if she would share her story and inspire other seniors to take the LTA challenge. She said she would help if it meant it would encourage people to get out on the trails. Betty said she's glad she got involved in LTA because it is fun to see all the corners of the city. The LTA challenge encourages us to get out of

our quadrant, to explore trails we haven't been on before and to learn how they connect. Betty shared that she covered all 78 miles walking and she just broke down the trails into short sections. On trails that were long she had her brother come to town and they would park a car at each end. She said, "if I can do it, anyone can do it. LTA gives you a reason to get outside and enjoy the weather."

Along with exploring the trails, Betty talked about the people on the trails. She said, "People are so friendly. I love seeing families." She added, "It's so important for people my age to get moving and to do different things. The trails help me do that."

At GPTN we feel Betty is an inspiration and we hope this will encourage others to set goals and explore the trails of Lincoln. If you haven't signed up for Lincoln Trail-A-Thon do it today by visiting [gptn.org/lincoltrailathon](http://gptn.org/lincoltrailathon).

## GPTN's Annual Meeting – Elaine Hammer's Lasting Legacy

BY GARY BENTRUP

For the first time in three years, GPTN held their annual meeting in-person following COVID-19! This year's theme for the 34th annual meeting was Trails for All Seasons which provided the backdrop for a tribute to Elaine Hammer's legacy.

Over 30 years ago, Elaine Hammer recruited Susan Larson Rodenburg and others to launch the Great Plains Trails Network, and it was fitting that Susan gave a beautiful presentation on the expansive impact that Elaine had on our trails network. Elaine is the key reason that the City of Lincoln has a nationally recognized and award-winning trails system. Susan closed out her tribute with a charge to members and the community to continue Elaine's selfless work on creating a wonderful community asset. As many know, Elaine loved using songs to celebrate the opening of a new trail and keeping with that spirit, Happy Trails by Roy Rogers was sung and led by Rich Rodenburg, Ken Winston and Mary Torell.



Mary Torell, Rich Rodenburg and Ken Winston led audience in a rendition of "Happy Trails" in celebration of Elaine Hammer's Legacy.

Sara Hartzell from Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department provided a comprehensive update on the many exciting trail projects including the Beal Slough Trail from 56th Street and London Road to 70th Street and Yankee Hill Road. This 2.2-mile trail should be constructed in 2024-2025.

GPTN also honored several community members for their contributions to trails and GPTN's mission. Jesse Peterson was recognized with a project award for his redesign of the GPTN logo while Gary Bentrup was noted for his contributions in setting up the donor and member database. Gerry Oligmueller was honored with the Trail Boss award for his administrative leadership in managing the MoPac Trail funding. President's awards were presented to Doug Dittman and Susan Larson Rodenburg for the Hub and Soul Music Series which has raised over \$40,000 for trails. The awards session closed out with GPTN's highest honor, the Trailblazer Award, which was given to Barb Fraser who has worked tirelessly behind the scenes promoting trails and bike/pedestrian issues and infrastructure in Lincoln.



Sara Hartzell presents Lincoln Parks and Recreation's comprehensive project updates.

pedestrian issues and infrastructure in Lincoln.

The 2023 GPTN board of directors was installed with three new members (see *new member article*) and the board is looking forward to an exciting year.

# Celebrate National Bike Month with a Tour de Lincoln Bike Ride

BY MARY TORELL

BicycLincoln is a community group that supports and promotes bicycling in the city of Lincoln. Our mission is to provide information and a unified voice for bicycle advocacy in an effort to make cycling in Lincoln more friendly, safe, easy, accepted, and “so that more people bike and bike more often.

Check them out at [bicyclincoln.org/](http://bicyclincoln.org/)

## 2022 Completed Trail Projects

- Salt Creek Levee Trail Resurfacing
- Colonial Hills Trail + Bridge
- Folsom St. Sidepath
- Salt Creek Levee Trail Underpass
- Waterford Trail (2 Sections)
- Wilderness Park Crossing
- Trail Trip Hazard Removal

## 2023 In-Progress Trail Projects

- B Street Bike Boulevard + A Street Sidepath
- Beal Slough Trail
- Chris Beutler Trail
- Fletcher Landmark Trail
- Mountain Bike Masterplan
- Rock Island + Old Cheney Underpass
- Waterford Trail
- West O Sidepath
- Wilderness Park
  - Cardwell Branch Crossing
  - Rock Island + Salt Creek Bridge
  - Rokey Rd + Hwy 77 Bridge
- Yankee Hill Rd. Sidepath

Join GPTN members as we celebrate National Bike Month this May with their annual Tour de Lincoln bicycle rides.

For the past 18 years, GPTN has sponsored Thursday evening bicycle rides designed to take participants to different quadrants of Lincoln. All rides start and end at the Jayne Snyder Trails Center at 228 North 21 Street (21st & Q Streets) Union Plaza Park, beginning at 6:00 pm. Look for Tour de Lincoln (TDL) maps at local bicycle shops and fitness centers.

Members of GPTN’s Board of Directors lead each ride, provide mechanical support and make sure there are no riders left behind. The rides vary in distances from 12 to 16 miles each, and are designed to acquaint cyclists with different trails, conditions and features. Refreshments will be available before the start. People of all ages and families are invited to come out and enjoy the rides. Several riders have expressed positive comments and how much they enjoyed past rides. Many have never ventured out on trails that are not near their residence, so they welcome the opportunity to see where a new trail leads them.

“As we’ve done in past rides, we try to feature different trails when possible, during Tour de Lincoln rides,” said event chairperson Mary Torell. “The most important thing is to expose bike riders to all quadrants of the city and allow them to discover Lincoln’s great trails system. Our network of 134 miles of trails offers something for everyone, and these rides give people an opportunity to see portions of the city and trails they may not have seen or ridden. We encourage people to get out and explore the trails and enjoy!”

No registration fees are required, but participants are required to wear helmets for all GPTN sponsored biking events. There will also be drawings for refreshments from The Hub Café (next to the Jayne Snyder Trails Center).

Weather cancellations will be announced on Facebook and on our website at GPTN.org. Let’s all get out to ride and have fun!

Every Thursday in May at 6:00 pm

**SOUTHWEST**  
THURSDAY, MAY 4  
6:00 PM - 14 MILES

**NORTHWEST**  
THURSDAY, MAY 11  
6:00 PM - 12 MILES

**SOUTHEAST**  
THURSDAY, MAY 18  
6:00 PM - 15 MILES

**NORTHEAST**  
THURSDAY, MAY 25  
6:00 PM - 16 MILES

**TOUR de Lincoln 2023**

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- Las rutas están sujetas a cambios.
- Se proporcionarán refrigerios 15 minutos antes de cada vuelta.
- Para estar pendientes de cancelaciones por el clima - [gptn.org](http://gptn.org)
- No hay tarifa para registrarse, solo preséntese y únase a la vuelta en bici.
- Se requiere el uso de cascos.

EL LUGAR DE ENCUENTRO ES EL JAYNE SNYDER TRAILS CENTER (Calle 21 y la Q) Union Plaza Park. Para más información visite [GPTN.org](http://GPTN.org) o llame a Mary al 402-429-5753. ¡Apoye a GPTN y conviértase en un miembro hoy!

<b>SURDESTE</b> JUEVES, 4 DE MAYO 2023 6:00 PM - 13 MILLAS	<b>NOROESTE</b> JUEVES, 11 DE MAYO 2023 6:00 PM - 12 MILLAS	<b>SURESTE</b> JUEVES, 18 DE MAYO 2023 6:00PM - 15 MILLAS	<b>NORESTE</b> JUEVES, 25 DE MAYO 2023 6:00PM - 25 MILLAS
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# Happy Trails!



Lincoln trails make runners jump for joy!

Photo by Jami Lanka.

BY ANN RINGLEIN

The trails in Lincoln make the Lincoln Marathon Class runners jump for joy!

With nearly 150 miles of trails in and around Lincoln, wherever you live there are trails for you to explore on your runs or walks – most likely within a mile of where you live – that’s pretty remarkable!

Being Downtown, for the majority of my life here in Lincoln, I have learned to appreciate the abundance of trails easily accessible from Downtown Lincoln. I can walk out the front door of the Lincoln Running Co and be on a trail in a half mile! Actually, I can be on 3 different trails within a half mile! Not only on a trail – but on a cleared trail – year round. Having that confidence in our trails system makes it much easier to head out the door for a run or a walk.

Sometimes all it takes is one thing, that you might not be certain of, to throw off your training plans. Well, accessible trails is not one of those things. Get yourself one of the handy GPTN Trail Maps and – not only is every trail on there, but also all the bike shops, running stores and drinking fountains. You can plan your route with confidence – and that is a huge benefit on getting out the door.

Signing up for this year’s Trail-A-Thon would be a great way to check out all of Lincoln’s great trails. Participating in Trail-A-Thon will open up new trails you may just love and they may be extremely close to your house or work!

Being able to have the confidence that the trails will be runnable/walkable is what we all need, and Lincoln provides that! Let’s all get out and encourage each other when we meet on the trails!

Check the LTC Website for the 2023 Calendar and other information.

[www.lincolnrun.org](http://www.lincolnrun.org)



Search for:

## "2022 Annual Trail Report, Lincoln, NE"

([www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov) › City › Parks-Facilities › Trails)

Click on the "Annual Report" box to see all the exciting news involving Lincoln’s trail system.



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TO LINCOLN DAY  
MAY 24, 2023



**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

08:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Cost: \$40-50



Pre-registration at [bit.ly/prairie2prairie](https://bit.ly/prairie2prairie) is required.

The Solidago Conservancy, in coordination with the Lincoln Parks Foundation, Pioneers Park Nature Center and Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center, is proud to present the 2nd annual "Prairie to Prairie" - a Run, Bike, Run event that will highlight the beauty of our Native Prairies and the future route of the Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch Trail.

This is a Run-Bike-Run event that can be done as an individual, a 2 person team, or a 3 person team. The event consists of three legs – a 5k run at Pioneers Park Nature Center, a 15-mile gravel bike ride to Spring Creek Prairie, and a second 5k run at Spring Creek Prairie. Individuals can tackle all three legs, or each can be completed by a member of a 2- or 3-person team.

At the conclusion of the race, there will be a celebration onsite at Spring Creek Prairie with food and drink available for purchase. Non-participating friends and family are welcome to attend.

Helmets must be worn during the bicycle portion of this event. • No race day sign up. • Packet Pickup will be at the Lincoln Running Co - Sat., May 20th - 10:00AM -5:00PM.

## Prairie Corridor Project

BY MARY TORELL

Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch is a tallgrass prairie passage and trail that will build on our nationally recognized trail and greenway system. The Corridor will link two of Lincoln and Lancaster County's premier environmental resource and education centers. It will follow the Haines Branch of Salt Creek from the Pioneers Park Nature Center, to the Conestoga Lake State Recreation Area, extend down through the Village of Denton and on to the Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center.

This legacy project began in 2017 and continues today. Your donation will go towards

the continued expansion of the Corridor! Our hope is that future Run-Bike-Run events will include the Prairie Corridor Trail as the passageway for cyclists!

Prairie-to-Prairie is a joint effort between: Lincoln Parks Foundation, Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department, Pioneers Park Nature Center, and Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center.

For further information about the race or to volunteer, contact Sara Hartzell in the Parks Department at 402-441-8261.

For information about sponsorship opportunities, contact Randy Gordon at Lincoln Parks Foundation at 402-441-8258.



Chris Sommerich enters the Spring Creek Prairie property at the Prairie to Prairie 2022 event.



The Toasted Ponies band plays as people relax at Spring Creek Prairie "after race" celebration.

# Mountain Bike Master Plan

LINCOLN PARKS AND RECREATIONS UPDATE

Trails Have Our Respect (THOR) has been partnering with the Parks and Recreation Department for the past four years to provide a single track facility in Van Dorn Park. This park has experienced increased usage and there appears to be interest in making improvements to this facility as well as developing mountain bike facilities in other parts of the City.

The Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department began a mountain bike facilities master planning process in September of 2022. A survey was sent out to the City to gather initial information about mountain biking interests (survey report on website). A Working Group of 15 people representing mountain biking interests was assembled and met four times between October 2022 and February 2023. This group reviewed public input, analyzed potential facility sites and discussed mountain biking goals for the community.

The Working Group developed a recommended Level of Service goal for the community. Level of Service, or LOS, is a means of determining the extent of facilities needed to serve the full community. There are several different models that can be used and the Department often draws upon data from other communities to help determine the LOS for Lincoln.

The recommended LOS for Mountain Bike Facilities is a three-tiered model. Mountain Bike Facilities Master Plan website: [Mountain Bike Facilities Master Plan – City of Lincoln, NE](#). This website includes a report of a September survey, a virtual open house video and interactive map, and the goals for the project.

**Tier 1** is a Major Bike Park located on the site of the N. 48th Street Landfill. This landfill is nearing the end of its life and its End Use Plan includes a bike park of approximately 200 acres.

**Tier 2** is the development of one single-track facility in each of the four quadrants of the City (NW, NE, SW, and SE) The Working Group recommended a Primary Priority and Secondary Priority in each of these quadrants after extensive analysis and on-site visits. Primary Priorities would be the sites that would be the highest priority where Secondary Priorities could serve as an alternative.

**Southwest:** Van Dorn Park existing single-track, which is recommended to continue at least in the near future. Secondary, Densmore Park where existing facilities, parking, amenities and trail connection provide an ideal location.

**Northwest:** Arnold Heights Park where “Tanker Hill” provides not only awesome vistas of the downtown skyline, but a great opportunity for development of downhill tracks. A secondary location of Highlands South was identified for good potential single-track to parallel existing concrete trail.

**Northeast:** Stevens Creek/Burns Park (N. 98th and Adams St) was the preferred location. It has excellent topography and the area around the creek is heavily wooded. Secondary, Seacrest Park area south and east of East High School.

**Southeast:** Jensen Park, south of Moore Middle School, has two ball fields and a small parking area currently, but is planned for full development into a community park. Secondary: Holmes Lake Park East, north of the Rickman’s Run Dog Facility parking area. This unused area includes heavy tree cover and good slopes along the drainageways.

**Tier 3** Neighborhood Mountain Bike Features. These could be anything from a small rock garden adjacent to a trail, a piece of single track off to the side of a commuter trail, a small skills park, or other features that are located in neighborhood parks, wide ROW of existing trails, or in other larger parks. The scale of these facilities would be intended to serve the surrounding neighborhood and not to draw in users from outside the area.

The Working Group also discussed the need for continued cooperation between Parks and Recreation and sponsoring organizations such as THOR. The role that the Lincoln Parks Foundation can play in fundraising assistance was also discussed. The Parks and Recreation Department has



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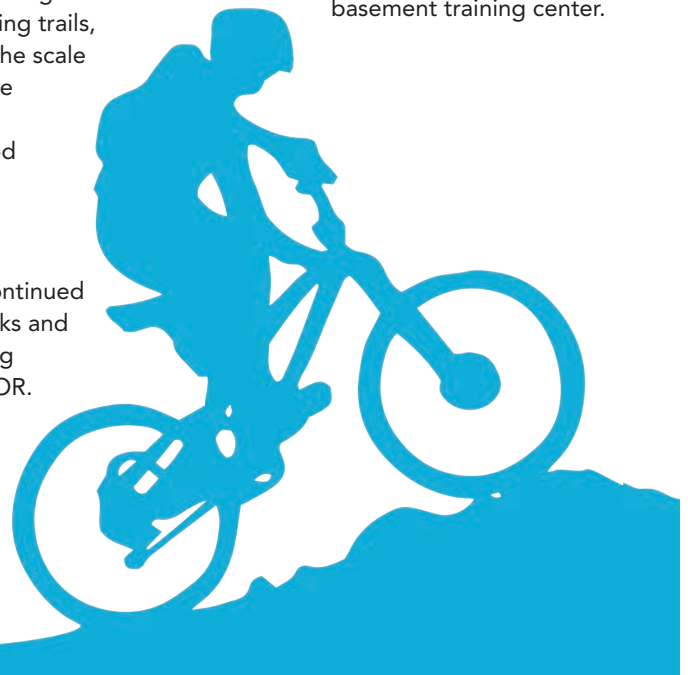


Lancaster Composite is a part of the Nebraska Interscholastic Cycling League, a state-wide youth development program aimed at building strong minds, bodies, character and communities throughout Nebraska.



developed guidelines for the construction and maintenance of mountain biking features, the role volunteers can play, and the regular maintenance required called the [Single Track Trails: Improvements and Features, 2022 Edition](#).

The full draft master plan will be available for review and comment from March 3 – April 13 on the website. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be holding a public meeting, taking comments, and potentially taking action to endorse on May 11 at 4 pm at the Parks and Recreation office 3131 O St, in the basement training center.



# Event CALENDAR

## MAY

- 4 Southeast Tour de Lincoln 15 miles
- 11 Northeast Tour de Lincoln 16 miles
- 18 Southwest Tour de Lincoln 14 miles
- 21 Prairie to Prairie • Run-Ride-Run
- 24 Give to Lincoln Day!
- 25 Northwest Tour de Lincoln 12 miles

## JUNE

- 20 Hub & Soul
- 25 Trail Trek

# Chris Beutler Trail Update



Planning + Design: In Progress  
 Construction: 2024-25  
 Project Lead: Lincoln Parks and Recreation

Trail project located in the planned new South Haymarket Park. Trail alignment will generally fall between J Street and N Street east of the railroad, serving as the connection between the north terminus of the Jamaica North Trail, the west terminus of the N Street Cycle Track, and the Haymarket Trail - exact alignment still to be determined.

# New GPTN Board Members



JESSICA CORMAN

**Why do you want to serve on the GPTN Board?**

Help support the amazing trail system in Lincoln, and grow new connections

between the trail system and the Lincoln community.

**Favorite trail in the Lincoln/Lancaster County area?** Rock Island - I use it every day to commute!

**Fun information about you.** When I'm not riding my bike on the weekend, it's because I am making sourdough bread or canning. I have a sweet dog named Hunter who loves exploring Wilderness Park. And, I am an occasional XC skier, thankful for any winter we get more than 2" of snow.



DEB LEE HART

**Why do you want to serve on the GPTN Board?**

I'm born and raised in Lincoln. I grew up on Professor Row East Campus exploring the

railroad tracks, now the Mopac trail. When the railroad transformed into the trail I was introduced to a new freedom and connected to new parts of my hometown. That was magic and now being a part of it will be exciting.

**Favorite trail in the Lincoln/Lancaster County area?** It's hard to pick just one. They each have their sparkly parts. I currently love running under the Sheridan Penny bridge. There something about how the air changes there and transplants you somewhere outside the city but peacefully brings you back.

**Fun information about you.** I'm a creative nerd, mom of three with two on earth, a runner, an artist and graphic designer. Mama to three pups. My creative work is housed at Debleehart.com. My favorite race was my first ever run and my forever favorite - The LincolnMarathon!!

Excited to be here!!!



DALE MINTER

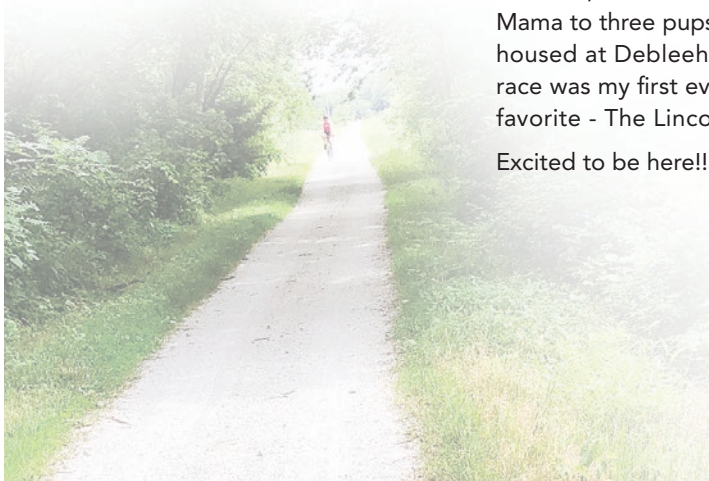
**Why do you want to serve on the GPTN Board?**

I love the network of trails in and around Lincoln. Few cities have such nice (if any) networks

of trails available for its residents. I've always been impressed with how GPTN and the city work together to enhance the quality of life in Lincoln. I thought this would be a good opportunity for me to contribute and give back to the community in which I live.

**Favorite trail in the Lincoln/Lancaster County area?** I enjoy and ride on many of the trails in Lincoln, as well as venturing outside the area on occasion. I don't have a favorite trail, but I do enjoy trails like the Mopac, and the Jamaica North/Homestead that offer a little more nature on the trek. But I must admit, the aroma as you past behind the Fireworks Restaurant on the Billy Wolff Trail is worth the ride.

**Fun information about you.** Being a freelance graphic designer, I have a flexible schedule which I try to turn into as much outside time as possible. I like to bike, kayak, golf or just walk while listening to "The Moth Radio Hour." I played soccer up until last year - I thought 65 was a good time to retire while I still had a few body parts that hadn't been injured yet. I've participated in the National Bike Challenge for the last 5 years or so and I try to get in about 500 miles each summer. It's fun, because Lincoln and Nebraska do so well in that national challenge.





# Take the Trail-A-Thon Challenge



Lincoln Trail-A-Thon is a fun challenge to **GIVE** back, **EXPLORE** new trails and **CONQUER** a common goal. While Trail-A-Thon is a self-directed, family friendly event, once you complete all 92 miles you will feel like you have conquered the challenge, and you won't be alone. We will do it together. All proceeds go to building trails in Lincoln. Visit [gptn.org/lincolntrailathon](http://gptn.org/lincolntrailathon) to learn more.

When you register you'll receive a Lincoln Trail-A-Thon pair of socks. After you complete 1/2 the routes you'll receive a second pair of socks. Note: kids will receive a bike bell and bike reflector when they register.



## Ride. Share.

That's what the Great Plains Bike Club is all about. We actively promote bicycling with rides for all levels of riders in and around Southeastern Nebraska.

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Hammering training rides | Trail rides

We sponsor the Spring Fling ride in April and Heatstroke 100 in August. We also promote bicycling safety through community-sponsored events. For more information and an on-line application to join the club, go to [greatplainsbikeclub.org](http://greatplainsbikeclub.org).



## BIKE WALK NEBRASKA

Bike Walk Nebraska cultivates and supports safe and accessible active transportation across our state by leading sound policy and advocating for best practices. We work across sectors in partnership with elected officials, municipalities, and organizations to ensure that biking and walking - whether for transportation or recreation - works for all Nebraskans.

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## LOWER PLATTE SOUTH NRD



Keep adventuring on the LPSNRD trails!

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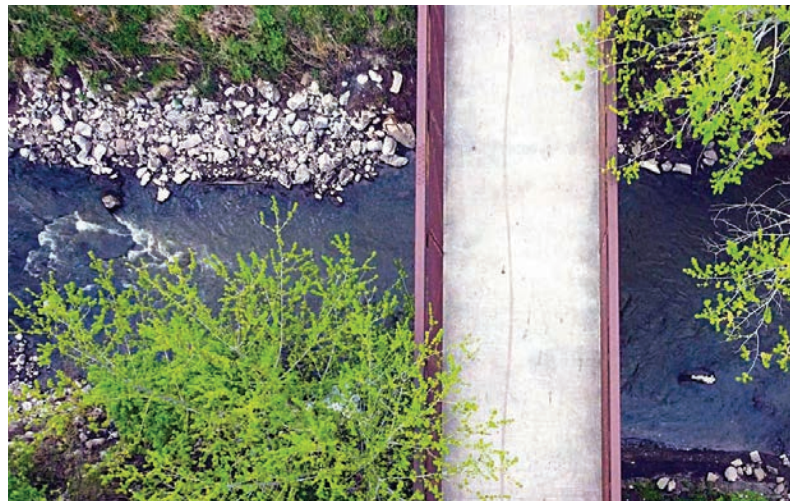
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