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March 27 Energy Affordability Symposium in Omaha

Lincoln – Learn about home energy affordability in Nebraska at the March 27 symposium sponsored by the Nebraska Energy Assistance Network (NEAN). The symposium will be held at the Scott Conference Center, 6450 Pine St., Omaha, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with check-in from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m.

“We want leaders from community-based organizations, local/state government and utility companies to attend,” said Judi Martin, NEAN president. “We’ll talk about community efforts underway to bring about a more focused approach to addressing challenges faces by Nebraskans who struggle meeting their energy needs. These are not just utility issues, they’re community-wide concerns requiring community-wide involvement.

Jerry Deichert, director of the Center for Public Affairs Research at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, will open the symposium by reviewing a study funded by an Energy Savings Potential grant from Omaha Public Power District. This study was launched to help identify needs and solutions, with the collaboration and support from all NEAN members.

Roger Colton, Fisher, Sheehan and Colton, Public Finance and General Economics of Belmont, MASS, authors the “Annual Home Energy Affordability Gap” report and we will hear how Nebraska compares and rural vs. urban differences-similarities.

Keynote speaker David Carroll, president of APPRISE Inc. of Princeton, NJ, will talk about integrated solutions to energy affordability problems.

Registration costs \$25 for NEAN members or \$35 for non-members. Go to <http://www.nebraskaenergyassistance.org> to register by using your credit card until March 24.

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