

COMING SOON to your LCNFC...

- XL's Concert and Fundraiser (11-3)
- YES Comedy—Mike Armstrong (11-21)
- Thanksgiving Day Dinner (11-22)
- Christmas Day Dinner (12-25)

What's Goin' On in October?



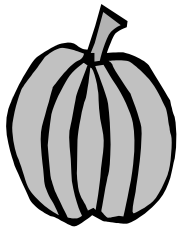
FREE WINTER COATS!

Saturday, Oct. 6, 9 a.m. to Noon, Lincoln Elementary gym. Children and adult sizes – all FREE! Thanks to The Living Room for coordinating!

FAMILY NIGHTS!

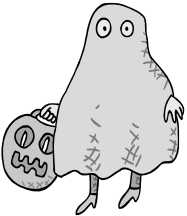
Math Family Night with Beacon and Title One – Thursday, Oct. 11, 6 p.m., at Lincoln. GAMES and PRIZES!

Pumpkin Painting – Thursday, Oct. 25, 6:00 p.m. at Lincoln. Paint-your-own-pumpkin to take home!



TRICK-OR-TREATING!

Wednesday, Oct. 31, 5 to 8 p.m., LCNFC Office (1039 Sycamore Street). Bring your ghosts and goblins for FREE treats!



GRAB your



Walk and Talk

with Mayor Fred Armstrong
and the City Department Heads!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16
6:00 until 6:30 p.m.

Meet at City Hall... then take a walk with the Mayor to discuss any important issues you might have!

Rudy's Soap Box...

So-Called Twenty-Dollar Words

I must state the reason why I pepper my writing with what the layman would call "twenty dollar" words. In articles past I have used words that most people would find pompous. I use such words to ensure getting my point across, as well as show the breadth of my complex mind. Examples of such words like "sentient" (meaning "responsive to or conscious of sense impressions") and "raison d'être" (which means "reason of being" in French) were used in a previous article (Rudy's Soap Box Dec. 06, Untitled). I rarely ever use them in speech, except when I'm around those who are familiar with such words. When I use them in my column, however, I don't feel guilty of using language beyond the eighth-grade level. Almost everyone and their dog (or cat or parakeet, whatever have you) has a dictionary. Most people hardly read anymore (I myself am slacking), so cracking open that book you use to level the love seat now and again will earn you some Cub Scout points. Whenever you come across the aforementioned (there goes another one of them, that one's a Tommy Jeans of a word) "twenty-dollar" words in the future, think back about what I said. Again, I'm not doing it to sound pompous or whatnot, I am using them for a very important effect. I'm trying to pull a Babe Ruth, hitting for home.

And let's not stop there with my reaping benefits. I suggest you consider it a treat for yourself when learning these words. You may need to use these words someday, whatever format and situation you may use them in. But do be aware of the set and setting, as well as word meaning and intent for using the words. Careless misuse, as in the case of using them when unnecessary, would be like milking an elephant just because you need butter. ~ Rudy Minton

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