

**Thursday Prairie Rib**  
A Village Plaza & Bar, 430 E. 12th St. Monday - Saturday  
11:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. \$12.95 (includes 1/2 lb. ribs, baked potato, bread & butter)

**Halloween in the Park**  
Halloween in the Park will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 9, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the park. The event is free and open to the public. There will be a costume parade, a pumpkin carving contest, and a haunted house. The event is sponsored by the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln Park Association.

**School board plans for public input at Wednesday meeting**  
Competency grading up for discussion  
**RATING**  
Exceptional  
Exceeds Expectations  
Meets Expectations  
Needs Improvement  
Unsatisfactory

**Fair association annual meeting set for Oct. 17**  
The Fair Association will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m. at the Lincoln Convention Center. The meeting will discuss the association's budget and plans for the upcoming year. The meeting is open to all members and is free of charge.

**County approves fighting prairie chicken listing**  
A resolution was passed by the Board of Commissioners to support the removal of the prairie chicken from the list of endangered species. The resolution was passed by a vote of 4-2.

**School financing**  
City to discuss adding 1/2-cent sales tax for school expansions to ballot for public approval at today's meeting  
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**Sen. Moran blasts VA for spending a half-million dollars on art**  
Sen. Bob Moran (R-Kan.) has criticized the Veterans Affairs (VA) department for spending half a million dollars on art. He says the money should be used for veterans' healthcare and benefits.

**Kan. defends school funding decisions before court**  
The state of Kansas is defending its school funding decisions in court. The state argues that its funding formula is constitutional and that the federal government's lawsuit is unfounded.

**Silver Lake man dies in riding mower accident**  
A man from Silver Lake died in a riding mower accident on Sunday, Oct. 6. The man was 65 years old and was working in his yard when the accident occurred.

**Family: Man who set self on fire was mentally ill**  
The family of a man who set himself on fire in a public place says he was mentally ill. The man was 35 years old and was in a public place when he set himself on fire.