



In February, 26 Nebraska LEAD Program Fellows from across the state of Nebraska attended a three-day seminar in Lincoln. The educational seminar addressed political processes and provided an opportunity to meet with political leaders.

Several LEAD Fellows from the 44th legislative district attended this seminar.

In addition to meeting with their state senators, the group spent time on the campus of Union College where they attended presentations on world religions.

The highlight of the seminar was a legislative breakfast sponsored by the Nebraska Bankers Association followed by guest speakers including the Honorable Dave Heineman, Supreme Court Justice Kenneth C. Stephan, Secretary of State John Gale, Attorney General Jon Bruning and State Auditor Mike Foley.

Capitol Tourism Supervisor Roxanne Smith met with the group presenting information about the state capitol's history. The seminar included an informal meeting with Nebraska Farm Bureau representatives Rob Robertson, Steve Nelson and Jay Rempe who spoke on the Farm Bureau organization's structure and the lobbying process.

Before leaving Lincoln, the group toured the state penitentiary learning about the state's prison system.

The Nebraska LEAD Program is under the direction of the Nebraska Agricultural Leadership Council, a non-profit organization in cooperation with the University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. It is supported by Nebraska colleges, universities, businesses, industries and individuals throughout the state.

The mission of the Nebraska LEAD Program is to prepare and motivate men and women in agriculture for more effective leadership.

Applications are being accepted for Nebraska LEAD Class 33 which will begin in September.

To request an application contact the Nebraska LEAD Program, Room 318 Biochemistry Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 68583-0763 or visit their website www.lead.unl.edu or call 402-472-6810.

