



OTOC Issues Café - January 2016 @ Urban Abbey !!



Join OTOC leaders and speakers for lively and informative discussions on key issues at the Urban Abbey (10th and Jackson)

OTOC is Urban Abbey's community partner in January, 2016!! UA will contribute 10% of everything you buy from the coffee counter and 50% of every bag of coffee you buy during January to OTOC to support our work. Learn more about OTOC's work on vital issues and help OTOC prepare for 2016 by coming to these lively discussions:

Wed. Jan. 6 at 7:00 p.m. –Death Penalty in Nebraska

Meet with Alternatives for the Death Penalty Executive Director Steve Griffith and OTOC leaders to learn about the death penalty and the 2016 referendum attempting to repeal Unicameral's 2015 decision to end the death penalty in Nebraska.

Sat. Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m. Mexican Bingo Night at the Abbey

Join us for an entertaining evening of Mexican Bingo (Lotería), great Mexican food buffet and good times with OTOC leaders and community friends. For a donation of \$10, you get to eat and play Mexican Bingo to win great prizes and big surprises. Beverages are available for purchase from Urban Abbey including coffee, tea, smoothies, and more.

Wed . Jan 13 at 7:00 p.m.—Organizing a smart energy future

Join us for a frank discussion of the reasons why the OPPD Board pushed through their rate restructuring plan despite enormous public opposition and what can be done to organize for a smart energy future in Omaha.

Thur. Jan. 14 at 7:00 p.m. - Winning with our neighborhoods

Help monitor the Omaha Land Bank, promote strong Housing Code Enforcement, and update tax foreclosure law in the Unicameral. OTOC's work on the Vacant Property Registration Ordinance helped persuade the City Council to vote unanimously for it in spite of considerable push-back against it. Learn how vacant property should be maintained, where and how to file a complaint, and what happens after a complaint has been filed.

Wed. Jan. 20 at 7:00 p.m. – Refugees in Omaha

Learn more about why and how refugees come to Omaha and talk to refugee leaders about their experiences that have led them to come to Omaha. Learn how we can make Omaha a more welcoming place for new refugee families.

Thur. Jan. 28 at 7:00 p.m. – Environmental Bills in the Nebraska Legislature

With leaders from the OTOC Environmental Action Team, learn about environmental bills that will be before the Nebraska Legislature in 2016. Learn what you can do to influence future decisions.