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From the President Elect.....

Greetings Neighbors!

Today is a great day to be an active member within a neighborhood association in the river city! I would like to start by thanking the members of the Sparkplug Banquet Planning Committee for their work over the past several months. Through their hard work and leadership we will be presenting UNOE's Annual Sparkplug Banquet on November 14th 2008. This years theme will be "Passing the Torch" in honor of the Olympics that just concluded. The location of our Annual Celebration of Neighborhoods will be the Scottish Rite Community Center, downtown. We hope to have over 350 of you in attendance. In order to accomplish such a goal, we need to encourage reservations and can not do it without your help! Now is the time to approach your members and neighbors regarding this event. Personally, I can't think of a better way to recruit new members and leaders for your association than to invite them to our celebration.

The registration and payment deadline is Friday, October 31st.

For the first time we will be selling ads for the night's program. Advertisements start at \$20 each and the money that is generated from their sales will go back into the funding of the event. If you would like to help us sell or would like to purchase one for yourself, association, or business, please contact the UNOE office.

Additionally, we are actively seeking donations for attendance prizes for the evening. The donation request form can be filled out and returned to the UNOE office with any donation that you receive.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone in advance for their help in making our annual dinner a success. Without you, we could not achieve such lofty goals for 2008 and beyond.

Remember that the strength UNOE and of your NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION lies within each individual member while the strength of each MEMBER is within the neighborhood association! One can't survive without the other!

Chris Cooke, President-Elect
United Neighborhoods of Evansville



WWW.UNOEVANSVILLE.ORG Website

Community Resource Links

- ❖ American Red Cross
- ❖ City of Evansville
- ❖ Courier & Press
- ❖ Disaster Resistant Community Corp (DRC)
- ❖ Evansville City Clerk
- ❖ Evansville Department of Metropolitan Development
- ❖ Evansville Parks and Recreation Department
- ❖ Evansville Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- ❖ Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library
- ❖ Keep Evansville Beautiful
- ❖ Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage
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- ❖ Vanderburgh County Assessor

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September 17th—UNOE Board Meeting

September 25th—Traveling City Hall Program

September 25th—UNOE General Membership Meeting

ZONING AND REZONING, Part III

by Fred Padgett

Previously we discussed Zoning Classifications, Use Groups, Use and Development Commitments and notification to abutting property owners along with other information. Today, we'll look at how the Area Plan Commission members are selected, how the meetings are conducted, and other aspects of this function.

There are 13 APC members, 5 are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Evansville, 3 by the Evansville City Council, 2 by the Vanderburgh County Commissioners, one by the Board of Public Works, one by The Evansville School Board and the County Surveyor is a member by virtual of the office. The Executive Director of the APC is Brad Mills and there is a paid staff to support the APC function. The APC staff is located in Room 312 of the Civic Center Complex.

The APC recommends approval or denial of the subject Rezoning Petition to the City Council or County Commissioners. It takes 7 affirmative votes to recommend approval and 7 negative votes to recommend denial. If there are not seven votes, it goes forward with no recommendation. In the case of subdivisions, the APC is the final authority and requires no action on the part of the City Council or County Commissioners. Presentation of the rezoning request is made by the petitioner or their representative after whom remonstrators are allowed to present their objections, if any, to the petition. All those testifying are sworn in and time limits are usually enforced.

In making their decision concerning a Rezoning Petition the APC members and the appropriate legislative body are to consider the following as contained in Article 15-153-159 of the Municipal Code:

- The amendment (Rezoning Petition) conforms to the comprehensive plan;
- Current conditions and the character of current structures and uses in each district;
- The most desirable use for which the land in each district is adapted;
- The conservation of property values throughout the jurisdiction;
- Responsible development and growth;
- The zoning classification of the property is improper and the amendment will correct the improper classification;
- Major physical, economic, or social changes have substantially altered the area in a manner not anticipated in the comprehensive plan, and the amendment will assist the development of the area consistent with the changes.

In the case of subdivisions where the APC has final authority, recent minutes of the APC meetings indicate state law and the Subdivision Control Ordinance dictate the issues the APC can consider when reviewing a subdivision application. Consideration of a subdivision is limited to whether or not it complies with the standards and requirements of the local ordinance. If the application meets the requirements of the code, the APC must approve the subdivision plat. Indiana courts have ruled that Plan Commissions have no discretion in this regard and that the APC role in reviewing and acting on subdivisions is purely ministerial.

That's plenty for this month, next month we'll continue this series looking at some additional aspects of the APC and other thoughts about appropriate land use. There is much more to the complete process and you can find additional detail at the APC web site www.evansvilleapc.com.

In the meantime, if you have any aspect of the rezoning process you would like me to address, please let me know.

Citizen's



Academy

Who? Anyone that is interested in learning more about the Evansville Police Department.

What? A free of charge, seven week program to build citizen's awareness on police procedures and policies.

When? Spring and Fall of each year. Held from 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings for seven weeks.

Fall Session: September 9—October 28, 2008

Where? Evansville Police Department, 15 NW Martin Luther King Jr., Boulevard, 47708.

Why? The goal of the Citizen's Academy is to give members of the community an inside look at the various units of the police department and to create better understanding and communication between citizens and the police through education.

The Citizen's Academy provides an opportunity for the citizens of Evansville to know more about the men and women who are protecting their community.

-- PRESENTATIONS --

- Address by Chief of Police
- Hostage Negotiations
- S.W.A.T. Team
- Fire Arms Program
- Criminal Investigations
- Sex Crimes Unit
- Narcotics Unit
- Juvenile Investigations
- Internal Affairs
- Motorcycle Unit
- K-9 Demonstration
- Optional Ride-Along with Motor Patrol
- Crime Scene Unit

All presentations are given by officers specializing in each area.



Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville seeks a volunteer to do counted cross-stitch of simple samplers to present to partner families during the dedication of their new homes. Volunteers are also needed to join the regular Tuesday, Wednesday construction crews. No experience is necessary. Only a willingness to help those in need. For more information, contact Aimee Haas, community resource coordinator, at (812) 423-5623, ext. 33. Or, you may email her at ahaas@evansvillehabitat.com.

HEAVY TRASH COLLECTION GUIDELINES

ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED:

Large items including, but not limited to:

<u>Furniture</u>	<u>Appliances*</u>	<u>Electronics</u>
Sofas	Stoves	Televisions
Tables	Refrigerators	Stereos
Chairs	Washing Machines	
Mattresses	Clothes Dryers	
Box Springs	Water Heaters	

*Limit of two (2) of each appliance per household.

Carpet must be rolled in widths no longer than 4 ft. and no bigger than 2 ft. in diameter.

HEAVY TRASH PILES MUST BE MANAGEABLE.

Building Materials/Construction Debris

- Must be in trash cans, boxes, etc. and of such size that they can be reasonably lifted by two average adults.
- Containers shall be strong enough so that they do not break apart while being lifted even if they are wet.
- No concrete blocks or steel poles.
- Privacy fence sections must be cut in half or smaller manageable size.

ITEMS TO BE EXCLUDED:

- Any trash that Allied Waste would pick up as part of its residential waste collection contract.
- All Automobile Parts/Batteries
- Tires
- Hazardous Materials
- Computers or Accessories

Heavy trash material should be placed where normal weekly pick-up is collected. All items must be set out before 6:00 AM on the scheduled day.

We must stress that if heavy trash does not meet these requirements, it will not be picked up.

After your assigned day has been completed and if you feel you have been missed, you have two (2) days to call in for a possible missed scheduled pick up.

If you have any questions about these guidelines, please call Allied Waste at 424-3345.

HEAVY TRASH PICK UP FALL 2008

#	NEIGHBORHOOD	DATE OF SERVICE
9	Akin Park Neighborhood Association	September 25
7, 10, 11	Alvord Blvd. Neighborhood Association	September 23, 26 & 29
14	Ballard Neighborhood Association	October 2
14	Bellemeade/Bayard Park	October 2
22	Business 41 Improvement Association	October 14
15	CCIA	October 3
19	CHAIN	October 9
4	Cullen/Hoosier Neighborhood Association	September 18
12	Culver Neighborhood Association	September 30
7	Dexter Neighborhood Association	September 23
23	Diamond Stringtown	October 15
8	Eastview Neighborhood Association	September 24
3	Fickas Road Neighborhood Association	September 17
6	Garvinwood Neighborhood Assoc	September 22
12	Glenwood Neighborhood Association	September 30
12	Goosetown Neighborhood Association	September 30
11	Greater Lincolnshire NA	September 29
18	Helfrich Neighborhood Association	October 8
18	Hilltop Neighborhood Association	October 8
16	Howell Neighborhood Association	October 6
4	Iroquois Gardens	September 18
21, 22	Jacobsville Neighborhood Association	October 13 & 14
3	Kathleen/Jeanette NA	September 17
19	Lamasco	October 9
10	Lorraine Park Neighborhood Association	September 26
19	Mount Auburn NA	October 9
24	North Country Club Neighborhood Assoc.	October 16
5	Oak Hill Neighborhood Association	September 19
15	Old Erie Neighborhood Association	October 3
17	Poplar Grove Neighborhood Association	October 7
7	Ross Center	September 23
7	South Lincoln Park Drive Association	September 23
6	Spring Park Neighborhood Association	September 22
20	STAR Neighborhood Association	October 10
13	Tepe Park Neighborhood Association	October 1
5	Timber Park Neighborhood Association	September 19
11	University South	September 29
6	Weinbach Neighborhood Association	September 22
18	Western Terrace	October 8
15	Wheeler Drive Neighborhood Association	October 3
22	Willemette Village	October 14

Basic Tree Care Workshop

Date: Thursday, October 2, 2008

Location: Vanderburgh 4-H Center,
Evansville

Agenda:

8:00-8:30	Registration
8:30-8:45	Welcome & Introduction
8:45-9:15	Urban Forestry Benefits
9:15-10:30	Tree ID
10:30-10:45	Break (provided)
10:45-11:15	Right Tree, Right Place
11:15-11:45	Planting the Right Way
11:45-12:15	Lunch (provided)
12:15-12:45	Caring for your Trees
12:45-1:30	Proper Pruning Techniques
1:30-1:45	Break (provided)
1:45-2:45	Risk Tree Assessment
2:45-4:00	Diagnosing Pests & Disease
4:00	Adjourn

Trees give us oxygen, attract wildlife, reduce erosion, increase our property value, and so much more. The list is endless! Trees are an investment, whether it is in our home, land, or our future. Come learn how to take care of that investment!

The Basic Tree Care workshop is for anyone with an interest in trees. Homeowners, park department and street department personnel, tree board members, etc. After attending this workshop, you will look at trees in a whole new way! You will meet local professionals that can answer future questions, and will receive informational pamphlets and publications.

Registration Form

Cost of this workshop is \$30.00 per person and includes lunch and breaks. Registrations must be received by 9/26/08. In the event that we do not have 15 registered participants, the workshop will be cancelled and all monies refunded. For more information, contact April at 317-915-9390 or amurray-clayton@dnr.IN.gov

Please make checks payable to: **Indiana Urban Forest Council**

Mail to:

Attn: April Murray-Clayton
6515 E. 82nd St., Ste 204
Indianapolis, IN 46250-1562

Name (s): _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Do you need a receipt? YES NO

INDIANA ACCESS TO RECOVERY

Access to Recovery (ATR) is a State-funded, client-choice program designed to help people move into and stay in recovery from substance abuse. ATR is a joint project between IN Department of Mental Health and Addictions (DMHA) and the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI).

There are several ATR Providers here in Evansville that offer many types of services to qualified clients, such as:

- ❖ Family and/or Marital Counseling
- ❖ Family Housing Assistance
- ❖ Relapse Prevention
- ❖ Substance Abuse Counseling/Education
- ❖ Individual/Group Counseling
- ❖ Faith-Based Support
- ❖ GED/Educational Services
- ❖ Intensive Out-patient Services
- ❖ Alcohol/Drug Screening
- ❖ Parenting Support
- ❖ Dual Diagnosis Treatment
- ❖ Assessments; and more.....

Clients must be adults, at 200% or below the poverty level and living in Vanderburgh County. ATR targets three populations of adults: (1) those coming out of the criminal justice system, (2) pregnant women and women with dependent children; and (3) adults who are fighting Methamphetamine addiction.

Prospective clients meet with Recovery Consultant Agencies that help them assess their recovery needs, develop an individualized recovery plan and refer them to the Provider(s) of their choice.

Please contact one of the following Recovery Consultant Agencies if you or someone you know is interested in ATR:

Churches Embracing Offenders (Doris Cooper) 422-2226
Grace House – Teen Challenge (Tameka Evans) 428-8448
The Potter's Wheel (Mike Keogh) 401-4440
Volunteers of America (Kim Hinton) 423-1949

Announcements

- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, September 6th, 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon at Evansville Day School. For more information call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- **Tox-Away Day**—Saturday, September 6th, 9 a.m.—3 p.m., Roberts Stadium Parking Lot. For more information call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- **UNOE Finance Committee Meeting**—Tuesday, September 9th, 9:30 a.m. at the UNOE office.
- **South Sector Citizens Meeting**—Thursday, September 11th at 6 p.m. located at 315 Taylor Avenue. For more information, call South Sector at 435-6037.
- **East Sector Citizens Meeting**—Tuesday, September 16th at 6 p.m. located at 4900 Shamrock Drive, Ste. 105. For more information, call East Sector at 485-3055.
- **UNOE Board Meeting**—Wednesday, September 17th, 4 p.m. at the UNOE office.
- **West Sector Citizens Meeting**—Thursday, September 18th at 6 p.m. located at St. Lucas UCC, 33 W. Virginia Street. For more information, call West Sector at 435-6135.
- **Traveling City Hall Program**—Thursday, September 25th, 5:30—7:30 p.m. at Glenwood Middle School, 901 Sweetser Avenue.
- **UNOE Candidates Night**—Thursday, September 25th from 6:30—8:00 p.m. The meeting will be at the Red Cross Center on Stockwell Road.
- **UNOE Board Meeting**—Wednesday, October 15th, 4 p.m. at the UNOE office.
- **UNOE General Membership Meeting**—Thursday, October 23rd from 6:30—8:00 p.m. The meeting will be at the Red Cross Center on Stockwell Road and will include EVSC Superintendent Dr. Vince Bertram.
- **United Neighborhoods of Evansville 13th Annual Sparkplug Banquet**—Friday, November 14th, 6 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Community Center.



2007

**"Neighborhood Sparkplugs
of the year"**



Tom Dick from Oak Hill Neighborhood Association was recognized as the Sparkplug from his neighborhood.

"Tom Dick, the Vice-President of Oak Hill Neighborhood, goes the extra mile in addressing our neighbors' concerns. Tom has dealt with issues involving our phone services, trees in power lines, security, geese problems, and dam issues. He has handled these issues with neighbors who weren't exactly the friendliest ones on the block. Tom also monitors "earthquake" activity for us and is a member of CERT. Tom brightens his corner and we are proud to declare him our 2007 Sparkplug winner."

Susan Harp ~ Oak Hill Neighborhood

Del & Dorothy St. Clair from South Lincoln Park Drive Neighborhood Association was recognized as the Sparkplugs from their neighborhood.

"Del & Dorothy faithfully attend monthly meetings and have generously provided the place, pool, frying equipment, and cooking services for the Annual Neighborhood Fish Fry. Their voluntary, selfless efforts for this event "Brighten the corner where we are."

Cindy Witmeier ~ S. Lincoln Park Dr. Neighborhood

TOX AWAY DAY

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

SEPTEMBER 6, 2008

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

ROBERTS STADIUM PARKING LOT

MATERIALS TO BRING

Motor Oil & Filters	Oil Based Paints
Auto Batteries & Fluids	Solvents & Thinners
Gasoline	Antifreeze
Household Batteries	Pesticides & Herbicides
Thermometers/Mercury	Aerosol Cans
Household Cleaners	Glues & Adhesives
Photographic Chemicals	Pool Chemicals
Fluorescent Bulbs	Pharmaceuticals

MATERIALS NOT TO BRING

Commercial Waste	Infectious Waste
Industrial Waste	Smoke Detectors
Explosives/Ammunition	Radioactive Waste
Pressurized Containers	Fire Extinguishers
Gas Cylinders	Appliances
Latex Paint	Tires

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838-1613 in Posey County**

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UNOE Officers and Board Members

President:	David Ballew	Culver Neighborhood
President-Elect:	Chris Cooke	Eastview Neighborhood
Vice-President:	Robert Head	Helfrich Neighborhood
Secretary:	Linda Jones	CHAIN Neighborhood
Treasurer:	Dick Tredway	Alvord Blvd. Neighborhood
Past-President:	Jayne Buthod	Westside Improvement

At-Large Board Members

Barbara Boatright	Ballard Neighborhood
Fred Cook	Goosetown/C.O.I.N. Neighborhood
Rene McCormick	South Lincoln Park Dr.
Sam Wentzel	Western Terrace Neighborhood
Lucy Williams	Glenwood Neighborhood

Committee Chairs

Jayne Buthod	By-Laws/Long Range Planning	Westside Improvement Neighborhood
Susan Harp	Parks/Trees/Beautification	Oak Hill Neighborhood
Delores Mason	Marketing	Lorraine Park Neighborhood
Dick McKasson	Personnel	North Country Club Neighborhood
Jim Morgan	Safe Neighborhoods	Jacobsville Neighborhood
Fred Padgett	Finance	Westside Improvement Neighborhood
Carolyn Staggs	Education	Hilltop Neighborhood
Brenda White	Education	Lincoln/Bellemeade Neighborhood

UNOE Staff:

Paul Farmer,
**Neighborhood Services
 Coordinator**

Lori Gardner,
Operations Manager

Janice Ricketts,
Office Manager

Martha Sturm,
AARP Assistant

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 25, 2008

Thursday 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Red Cross Building—29 S. Stockwell Road

Program: Candidate's Night

