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## NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

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#### From the President .....

The recent snow fall reminded me of being snowed in while we were living in different places on the east coast and in Evanston, Ill.

In the 1960's, we were living in Baltimore, Md. with a brand new baby. We were visiting friends also with a new

baby. Snow started falling and it was 3 days before we were able to get out. This is when breast feeding comes in handy.



### **UPOMING UNOE DATES**

Jan. 8th-Finance Committee
Meeting
Jan.16th- Board
Meeting
Jan. 24th- General Meeting



Fifteen years later, we were in Waukegan, Ill. with continuous snow falling to a total of 7 feet in January. We were living on a busy street, and so whenever we would get shoveled out, the snow trucks would come and block us back in. Once we were able to get out, we had to attach a bicycle flag to our bumper, so others could see us. The snow shovel had a place in the car at all times. The children had snow tunnels all throughout the yard, and an ice rink under the big tree.

And then in 1999, we were living in a condo on Lake Michigan and we had a lake affect snow. Many condo/apartment owners had to park on the street due to the density of the population. So this meant that the snow plows could not clean the streets. One very cold and windy night the police with their loudspeakers announced that all cars had to be off the streets in one hour. The police cars were followed by a parade of wreckers with lights on and they were towing cars to never be found again, for weeks. We were fortunate to have a parking pad with our condo.

During that same snow storm, our son who is a landscaper by summer, and does snow plowing in the winter had the task of clearing hospital parking lots, shopping center parking lots and corporate headquarters parking lots.. He had to drive a payloader as the wet and heavy snow was too much for regular snow plows. He worked during the night time, so the parking lots would be clear by morning. At this time he was the proud owner of 2 border collie puppies, Keagan and Kasey. During these night time cleaning jobs the puppies would ride in the cab of the payloader. They loved it and during the day all would sleep to go out the next night.

So that brings us to the snow storms in Evansville in 2004 and 2012, where we were snowed in, and this time we were prepared. In a Courier and Press article, Hanns Pieper had warned us to be prepared with several gallons of water, canned goods and a good can opener and always a flashlight with charged batteries. And he advised us not to forget our pets.

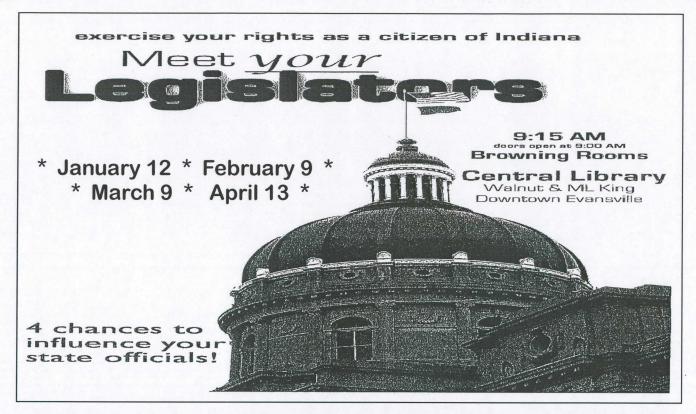
All of our above experiences, taught us to be careful and safe, and not to take any New Year chances when our meteorologists give us warnings.

So please be safe, be careful and have a Happy New Year,









## 10 TIPS TO SAVE MONEY, ENERGY & PROTECT YOUR HEALTH DURING WINTER

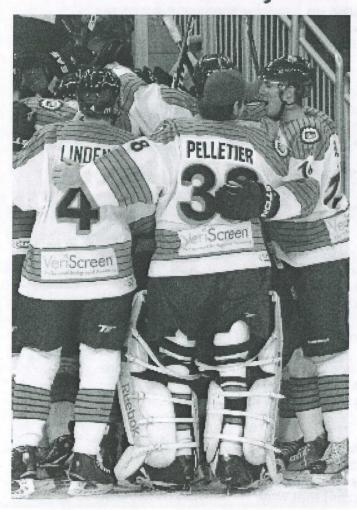
- 1. Check your HVAC system to lower utility bills. Check for dirt in your HVAC systems. Change your air filter at least every 3 months. Arrange an HVAC checkup to make sure your system is operating at peak performance. http://www.energystar.gov/homeimprovement
- 2. Download EPA's free Apps to help protect your health. The AIRNow allow users to get current particle pollution and ozone levels and forecasts, hourly forecast of the UV radiation levels from the sun. The app is available for Apple and Android phones: http://m.epa.gov/apps/index.html
- 3. Decorate for the holidays with Energy Star light strings. Energy Star-qualified light strings use 65% less electricity than incandescent light strings and are now available.
- 4. Lower the temperature in your home and save. Lower your home's temperature while away or asleep by using one of the preprogrammed settings.
- 5. Save Water and save about \$170 per year. The average household spends as much as \$500 per year on their water and sewer bill, but approx. \$170 per year can be saved by installing water-efficient fixtures and appliances. http://www.epa.gov/watersense
- 6. Reduce your food waste. Food is the single largest type of waste going to landfills and incinerators. Americans disposed of approx. 33 million tons of food waste in 2010. That means 214 lbs. of food waste were discarded from every single American in a year. When excess food, leftover food, and food scraps are disposed of in a landfill, they decompose and become a significant source of methane a potent greenhouse gas.
- 7. Look for the Design for the Environment label during cleaning. EPA's Designed for the Environment (DfE) logo differentiates products that use only the safest ingredients to protect people, our pets, and the environment. In 2011 using DfE products cut the use of harmful chemicals by more than 756 million lbs. http://www.epa.gov/dfe/
- 8. Test your home for radon gas. 1 in 15 homes may have elevated levels. Radon, a colorless gas, is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers and levels can increase during colder months. Purchase an affordable kit online or at a local hardware store to determine the level in your home. http://www.epa.gov/radon
- 9. Learn before you burn and reduce firewood use. The Burn Wise program has best burn practices to help better protect your home and your health. Never burn garbage, cardboard, ocean driftwood or wet wood. If you replace an old wood stove with a more efficient one, efficiency can increase by 50%, 1/3 wood can be used for the same heat and 70% less particle pollution indoors and out are produced. http://www/epa.gov/burnwise/
- 10. Prevent Pests. Now is the time when pests such as insects and rodents may try to move indoors. Eliminate sources of food, water, and shelter to reduce pest problems. Prevent pests by using caulk to eliminate cracks, repair water leaks, remove clutter, and clean up crumbs and other food sources. If you decide to use a pesticide, read the label carefully. http://www/epa.gov/safepestcontrol/

GROUP TICKETS 2012-2013





## The Evansville IceMen invite you to:



Sallie Jung
Evansville IceMen / Group Sales Account Executive
812.463.6394 • www.evansvilleicemen.com

Email Orders To: sjung@evansvilleicemen.com Mail Orders To: Evansville IceMen, 530 Main Street, Evansville, IN 47708

> Orders Placed: All orders will be left at Will Call under purchaser's name.

You are invited to UNOE Night with the IceMen! Join us on Wednesday, February 13th, at 7:15pm.

Join in the exciting Fan Experience, Coach's Chalk Talk! Tickets start at just \$10.00! Other seating options available at a discounted rate upon request. Contact Sallie Jung at 812-463-6394 for more information.

Please return order forms to the UNOE office no later than Thursday, January 24.

Chris Cooke, United Neighborhoods of Evansville, Board Member of UNOE, ccooke@unoevansville.org, www.unoevansville.org



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#### VANDERBURGH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## **NEWS RELEASE**

DATE: Thursday, December 06, 2012

SUBJECT: Drug disposal drop box

RELEASE NUMBER: 2012-NR-060

CONTACT: Sheriff Eric Williams
AUTHORITY: Sheriff Eric Williams

#### Medicine drop box

The Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office has installed an "Unused, Expired and Unwanted Medication Drop Box" in the main lobby of the Sheriff's Command Post located at 5607 US Highway 41 North.

Unused and expired medications should be discarded properly and not allowed to remain and accumulate in the home. These medications should not be thrown away with the normal garbage or flushed down the drain. Eliminating those two methods of disposal makes properly disposing of these medicines and drugs difficult.

Maintaining these medications is ill advised for a variety of reasons:

Reduce Drug Abuse and Misuse: Prescription drug abuse and misuse is one of the fastest growing drug issues we face. Most of the abusers

of these drugs, especially teens, get these drugs from friends or relatives, with or without their knowledge. The presence of these drugs in the home increases the temptation for abuse, misuse or them becoming the target of theft.

Reduce Accidental Poisonings or Overdoses: Medicines left in the home are potential hazards, especially to our children, seniors and pets. Getting the unused medicines out of the home reduces the potential for accidental poisonings and overdoses.

**Protect the Environment:** Flushing medicines can potentially damage our water supplies and environment. Placing then in the garbage and having them go to the landfill can have an adverse impact on the environment plus they may be found or picked up by someone and become a hazard that way.

Members of the public may drop off unused or unwanted medications in this drop box at any time. We do not accept liquids or sharps.

Surrendering these unused, unwanted or expired medications this way or to other similar drug take back programs is the best and only recommended way to get rid of them safely. The Sheriff's Office will make sure the surrendered unused, unwanted or expired medications or drugs are safely and properly disposed.



## Announcements

- Holiday Recycling— Saturday, January 5th, 8am-Noon, Civic Center Parking Lot. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- UNOE Finance Committee Meeting-Tuesday, January 8th, 9:30am, in the UNOE office.
- South Sector Meeting-Thursday, January 10th, 6:00pm, at 315 Taylor Avenue. For more information, call the Sector office at 435-6135.
- Recycle Day— Saturday, January 12th, 8am-Noon, Walmart West. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- East Sector Meeting—Tuesday, January 15th, 6:00pm, at McGary School, 1535 South Joyce. For more information, call the Sector office at 435-6135.
- **UNOE Board Meeting-**Wednesday, January 16th, 4:00pm, in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building. Contact the UNOE office for further information.
- West Sector Meeting—Thursday, January 17th, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia Street. For more information, call the Sector office at 435-6135.
- UNOE General Meeting-Thursday, January 24th, 6:30pm-8:00pm, at the C.K. Newsome Center.
- Traveling City Hall– Wednesday, January 30th, 5:30pm-7:00pm, at Greater St. James Baptist Church, 1215 N. Boeke Road.
- Recycle Day— Saturday, February 2nd, 8am-Noon, Walmart West. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.



## **Mayor's Traveling City Hall**

Wednesday, January 30, 2013 Greater St. James Baptist Church 1215 N. Boeke Road 5:30pm - 7:00pm

#### **FREE Playgroups for Young Children!**

Calling all grandparents, parents, family friends and babysitters of young children! Are you looking for something fun to do with the young children you care for? Join us at one of these FREE playgroups located all around Evansville!

4C of Southern Indiana, Inc. is proud to host 4C Play & Learn, a series of FREE playgroups for children age birth-five and their special adults. 90 minute sessions include plenty of time for adult and child to play together, a chance for children to interact with other children and a place for adults to meet others who care for children. No registration is required so plan to join us soon!

Contact Patti at (812) 463-3184 or <a href="mailto:pwright@child-care.org">pwright@child-care.org</a> for more information.

#### Join us at one of these five great 4C Play & Learn locations!

Day	Time	Location	Address	
Mondays	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Media Ministries Dream Center	16 W. Morgan Avenue	
Tuesdays	9:30-11:00 a.m.	St. Paul's UCC	2227 W. Michigan Street	
Wednesda ys	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Good Shepherd Assembly of God Church	4330 N. Burkhardt Road Just north of Lynch Road	
Thursdays	9:00-10:30 a.m.	Eastminster Presbyterian Church	5501 Washington Avenue   Just east of McCullough Library	
Fridays	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Oaklyn Branch Library	3001 Oaklyn Drive Just south of Oakhill and Lynch Roads	

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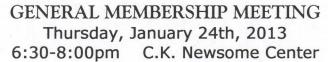
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## Did U.N.O.E.?

# 2013 UNITED NEIGHBORHOOD OF EVANSVILLE MEMBERSHIP PACKETS ARE COMING TO YOUR MAILBOX SOON !!

Fill out and return your neighborhood packet by March 1st and receive 500 FREE copies

Have ??? - call the UNOE office at 428-4243.



Program: Explaining The New Cart Program by Ed Ziemer, Deputy Director of Operations, Evansville Water & Sewer Utilities



