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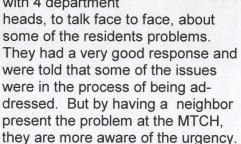
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From the President

I have a home in the Wheeler neighborhood, and we have had several issues from our neighbors. At a Mayors Traveling City Hall in our south sector, the President and Vice

President attended the meeting, where all of the city department heads were in attendance. The leaders from Wheeler NA were able to visit with 4 department



This is also a good time to introduce yourself to Mayor Winnecke and tell which neighborhood that you live in. The mayor is very supportive of UNOF.

The Mayor's Traveling City Hall is held on the last Wednesday of each month from 5:30 -7:00PM in different sectors of the city. Locations are announced in the newspaper, on radio and on TV.

I would encourage you attend one of these sessions, with your questions and concerns so that they can be handled directly and professionally.

Have a great month,

Charleen

THANK YOU TO JOHN STREETMAN OF THE EVANSVILLE MUSEUM

I would like to take this time to pay tribute to John Streetman who has been the director of the Evansville Museum of Art History and Science since 1975.

John retired at the end of 2012. During his tenure, our community has seen the development of the Evansville Museum of Transportation (EMTRAC) and galleries have been established in history and science along with updating the very extensive gallery of art.

I think that many of our residents and residents in neighboring communities, have been able to take advantage of this hidden secret of all that the Evansville Museum has to offer. I have been a docent at the Museum for over 10 years, and have greeted children from all of our families, who have taken field trips to the Museum, and the Planetarium along with EMTRAC. The Museum also goes into schools for presentations.

Thank you, Mr. Streetman, for sharing all of your wonderful talents with the Southern Indiana Region, and we all glad, that you are staying in Evansville.

During the winter months, we also have other Museums of interest, the Reitz Home, the African American Museum and cMoe, The Koch Family Children's Museum

For other suggestions on attractions, you can VisitEvansville.com.

UPOMING UNOE DATES

Feb. 20th- Board Meeting& Board Retreat

Feb. 28th- General Meeting



In January 2013, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke appointed our Past President Chris Cooke to the **Emergency Management Agency** Advisory Council.

At their first meeting in 2013. Chris was elected chairman of the EMA Advisory Council.

Congratulations on your appointment. We know you are up to the challenge and will do a great job!

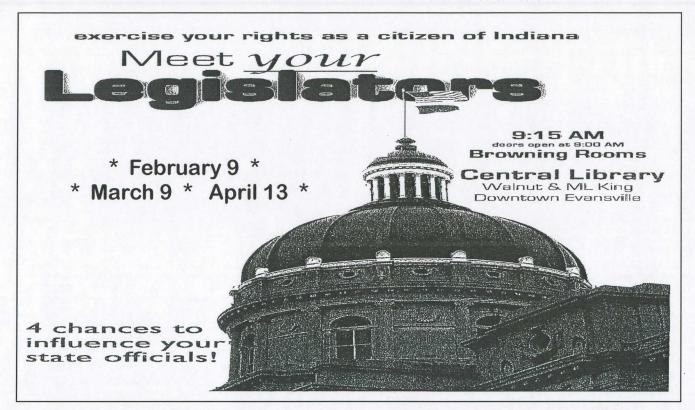
If you have someone in your neighborhood who has won an award or done something to make your neighborhood proud, please send us the name of the person, what neighborhood they are from and what they have done.

Please send your recommendations to the UNOE office by the 28th of each month so we can get it into the newsletter. Thanks!

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD **ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP** FORMS & **DUES**

IN BY MARCH

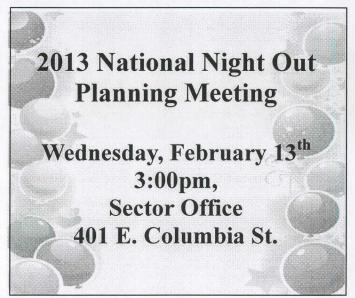




FEBRUARY POLICE INFORMATION:

There are no road closings in February.

The Police Department will soon discontinue using three separate phone numbers for the sector office. The main office line for the Crime Prevention Unit will be 435-6135. The south 435-6034 and east 485-3055 will no longer be used. We will keep the other lines in use for a few more months with voicemail directing callers to use the main line. All CPO phone numbers (desk and cell) will remain unchanged.



The Evansville Police Department is now using the NIXLE notification system. This system allows us to enter important ALERT information and send it to anyone who has signed up for the <u>free</u> notifica-



system.

There are three categories we will send messages under. When you sign up for the service, you will be able to select the categories you want to receive notification from. The categories are:

<u>Alert</u>- Emergency information that needs immediate attention <u>Advisory</u>- Information that is important, but not as time sensitive <u>Community</u>- Things happening in the community and EPD events

To receive the notifications, go to www.nixle.com and create an account. It takes about 2 minutes and is FREE. After creating your account, enter "Evansville Police Department" in the search box and subscribe to our alerts.

GET YOUR 2012 TAXES PREPARED FREE

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program of the IRS offers free tax return preparation for individuals with low to moderate income.

You may qualify if:

You have taxable income of up to \$50,000 with dependents

Appointments are available at the Legal Aid Society on Monday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - February 4 through April 15, 2013. Appointments are made on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Call **435-5173** before 11:30 a.m. to make an appointment for the IRS VITA SITE at the Legal Aid Society in Room 105 of the Civic Center Complex.

PLEASE ARRIVE 15 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT and bring the following with you to your appointment:

Drivers License or Picture Identification Card

Social Security Card for each adult and child

All Wage and Earnings Statements (W-2, 1099, etc.)

Social Security Benefit Statements

Unemployment Statements

All Interest and/or Dividend Statements

Last Year's State and Federal Tax Returns

Landlord Name and Address and the Total Amount Rent Paid

Proof of Real Estate Taxes Paid

Proof of Educational Expenses

Child Care Provider's Name/Address/SSN/TIN# & Amount Paid

Program exclusions may prevent us from preparing more complex returns at this site



Indiana Teens and Adult Youth Workers

We are seeking youth in grades 6-12 and adults who enjoy working with teens. Join us to learn more about Indiana's youth-led movement dedicated to empowering teens to fight back against the deceptive marketing practices of tobacco

companies and working to make our communities healthier!

What: VOICE 101 Training for adults and youth

When: Saturday, February 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Central Time)

Where: The Dream Center, 16 West, Morgan Ave., Evansville, IN 47710

Why: So that you can receive leadership training and participate in community

involvement activities

How: Register by calling 812-303-7378 or emailing itpcsmokefree@hotmail.com



This colorful and fragrant exhibition will take place daily from February 9 – March 16. Visitors will be immersed in AMAZONIA, a lush 75 degree South American climate filled with orchids, animals, native plants, aquatic life, and artifacts. Several new displays and groupings of these unique and delicate plants will be featured at this year's event.

There will be no additional charge for Zoo visitors to enjoy Orchid Escape. Orchid experts from the Botanical Docent program will be on hand during weekends of the event to provide information about orchids and orchid care. People are drawn to the intense and subtle coloration and exotic flower shapes found in the orchid

BEGINS FEBRUARY 9th at MESKER PARK ZOO & BOTANIC GARDEN

family. A selection of orchids will be available for purchase in the Zoo's gift shop. Valentine gift wrapping will be available.

Evansville's Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden is open 365 days a year from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (entry gate closes at 4 p.m.). Special winter rates are currently in place and valid through February 28. Adult admission is \$5.50 and children ages 3-12 are \$4.50. Children under 3 are free. In recognition of their support, Vanderburgh County residents receive \$1 discount. On March 1, regular admission rates will apply. Group discounts and yearly memberships are also available. Please visit www.meskerparkzoo.com for more information.

MAPLE SUGARBUSH & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

March 2nd & 3rd, 2013 Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve 7:00am - 1:00pm



Cost: \$8 adults
(13 and over)
\$5 youth (ages 4-12)
Ages 3 and under free

\$1/person discount for WNS members

Patchwork Central Winter Fundraiser

Thursday, February 28 at noon.

Soup, Salad & Style! is a fashion show, luncheon and silent auction.

Tickets are \$ 40/person or \$ 300/table. Call 424-2735 for more information.

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Live Music

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Bird Count Basics

Dates: Feb. 16, 2013 Time: 12 - 4 p.m.

Location: Wesselman Woods Nature

Center
Cost: Free

The Great Backyard Bird Count is coming...are you ready? The GBBC, scheduled for February 15 - 18, 2013 is an annual four-day event that encourages bird watchers of all ages to count birds and help create a real-time snapshot of where the birds are. It takes as little as 15 minutes a day and bird watchers of all levels of experience can participate. Why count birds? Scientists and bird enthusiasts can learn a lot by learning where birds are. Bird populations are dynamic and no single scientist or team could hope to document and understand the complex distribution and movements of so many species in such a short time. Scientists use data collected during the GBBC and other citizen-science projects to get the "big picture" about what is happening to bird populations. The longer these data are collected, the more meaningful



they become in helping scientists investigate far-reaching questions.

WNS is hosting a demonstration day for folks who are interested in birding or in helping with the GBBC. The activities will be appropriate for all ages, so bring friends and family to take part. Wesselman Nature Society naturalists and experienced bird enthusiasts will be on hand to give tips on bird identification and bird counts in our bird viewing room, some of our resident raptors will be out and about, and there will be hands-on activities for kids in the

nature center lobby. We'll start the day with a bird banding session from 12 - 1:30 PM . The activities are free of charge.

For more info on the GBBC, visit http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/whycount.html. For more information about the Feb. 16 program, call 479-0771.























WINTER WEATHER - in case of EMERGENCY

Winters in Indiana can be beautiful. They can also cause blizzards, heavy snows, ice storms, freezing rain and sleet, as well as causing injuries and damage to your home.

EXTREME WINTER WEATHER;

Are you inside? Stay inside, don't make unnecessary trips outside. Stay informed, Your first line of defense is to stay informed of local weather conditions. Use proper safeguards when using fireplaces, space heaters, etc., to prevent accidental fires and carbon monoxide poisoning. When you do not have heat, close off unneeded rooms, stuff towels under doors and cover windows.

Are you outside? Wear layers of loose-fitting clothing instead of a single thick layer. Wear mittens instead of gloves. Avoid exposure to extreme cold by covering your head and mouth. Stay dry. Avoid overexertion, such as shoveling snow, as this can cause heart attacks. Watch for signs of frostbite and hypothermia including numbness, drowsiness, shivering, stumbling, slurred speech and a pale appearance.

Your auto, winterize your car, maintain a full tank of gas, keep moisture out of the tank.

Keep an emergency kit in your car to help keep you warm, visible and alive if trapped

Drive cautiously. If you don't have anti-lock brakes, pump brakes gently, don't slam on your brakes. If stuck while driving, stay in your car. Start the car and use the heater for 10 minutes every hour. Open windows slightly for ventilation. Leave dome light on when running engine. Have a winter safety kit in your car, including a blanket, snack, water, flashlight and a shovel.

At home, insulate pipes exposed to the cold, remove garden hoses from outside faucets, turn off outside water. Let inside faucets drip during subzero conditions if there is a possibility they might freeze. Open your cabinet door nearest pipes. Install weather stripping and insulation. Check battery powered equipment, carbon monoxide and smoke detectors and fire extinguishers Remember to keep furnace filters clean, change if needed.

Above info taken from updated brochure from Indiana Dept of Homeland Security

2013 UNOE General Membership Meeting Schedule

General Membership Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month for the months of January through September. The meetings are held at the C.K. Newsome Center, 100 E. Walnut Street, from 6:30-8:00 pm.

January 24 February 28 March 28

April 25 May 23 June 27

July 25 August 22 September 26

October 24 - Banquet November - No meeting December - No meeting

Sustainable Evansville - Recycling

"The environmental and economic premise of recycling is sound: re-using natural resources over and over again after they have been extracted from the earth makes good sense. By conserving the dwindling supply of these resources and protecting the few remaining undamaged ecosystems left on the earth, we are preserving them for future generations. Overall, the processes used to make consumer goods from recycled material instead of raw resources is much more energy and water efficient. For example, recycled paper uses 60-70% less energy than virgin pulp and 55% less water. Also, making recycled products reduces greenhouse gas emissions and the need to build landfills." *Source: eco-cycle*



A wide range of recycling programs are available to City of Evansville residents, so there's really no excuse to throw recyclable materials out in the garbage. Recycling programs include:

<u>Curbside Recycling</u> is available to most homes in the City of Evansville. Items accepted include newspapers and inserts; mixed paper; corrugated cardboard; aluminum and metal cans; clear and colored plastic; and clear and colored glass.

<u>Drop-Off Recycle Days</u> are held approximately two Saturdays a month at various locations around town. These will be in the UNOE newsletter monthly under Announcements. Vanderburgh County residents can bring newspaper, mixed paper, magazines/catalogs, cardboard, aluminum cans, metal food cans, #1 and #2 plastic bottles, and glass containers (all colors).

Electronics Recycling Days will held on Saturday, May 11 and Saturday, September These 21 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Civic Center parking lot. Vanderburgh County residents can bring a variety of electronic materials including but not limited to computers and computer related equipment, TVs, DVD players, DVR/TiVo devices, digital cameras and fax machines. Copy machines and appliances, including microwaves, will <u>not</u> be accepted. This program is for <u>households</u> only. Items from businesses will not be accepted.

<u>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days</u>, or "Tox Away Days," will be held Saturday, June8th, 9:00am-2:00pm at the Central High School parking lot. for Vanderburgh County and Posey County residents only. This popular program offers residents a safe disposal option for household hazardous chemicals as well as an opportunity for them to learn about ways to properly store, handle and dispose of these materials.

<u>Tire Recycling Days</u>, or Tire "Amnesty" Days, will be offered to Vanderburgh County residents on Saturday, April 27th this year. At the Civic Center parking lot from 8:00-Noon. These programs provide an environmentally proper method of disposal of used tires so that they are kept out of the landfill and are not illegally dumped. The first four car and light truck tires are accepted at no charge; a \$1 per tire fee applies thereafter. Semi tires are \$10 and tractor tires are \$25. Tires from businesses are not accepted. The District accepts an unlimited number of tires free of charge from neighborhood associations and other civic groups who collect unwanted tires from alleys, roadsides and ditches.

<u>Shred Days</u> are scheduled for 2013 on April 12th, July 19th, and November 8th from 10:00am - 1:00 pm at Wesselman Park. Up to 10 pounds of paper will be shredded for free.

- **Recycle Day** Saturday, February 2nd 8am-Noon, old Wal-mart West. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- Parks, Trees, & Beautification Meeting-Thursday, February 7th, 4:00pm, in the UNOE office.
- **UNOE Board Meeting-**Wednesday, February 20th, 4:00pm, in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building. Contact the UNOE office for further information.
- West Sector Meeting

 Thursday, February 21st, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia Street. For more information, call the Sector office at 435-6135.
- Recycle Day— Saturday, February 23rd, 8am-Noon, 4-H Center. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- Traveling City Hall- Wednesday, February 27th, 5:30pm-7:00pm.
- UNOE General Meeting-Thursday, February 28th, 6:30pm-8:00pm, at the C.K. Newsome Center.
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Mayor's Traveling City Hall

Wednesday, February 27th 5:30pm - 7:00pm Place to Be Announced

"Coffee with a Cop"

Tuesday, Feb. 19th
7:00-9:00am
St. Joe Donut Bank
212 N. St. Joseph Avenue

This is a chance for the public to meet with Chief Bolin and his staff

to discuss public safety issues.

2013 CLEAN EVANSVILLE March is Realtor's Month

Saturday, March 2nd

S. Green River Rd./Washington Ave. area

Individuals interested in joining or

forming a team should contact Mike McGarrah at 425-4461.

Building Commission Available for Neighborhood Meetings

Ron Beane is the deputy building commissioner. Ron or his staff would like to come to your neighborhood meetings, so that they can introduce themselves. A member of the building commission is responsible for each section of the city and they want the neighborhood associations to have direct contact with them when problems arise.

Please call Ron Beane at 812-436-7884 or you can e-mail him at rbeane@evansvillegov.org so that a representative can be scheduled to attend one of your monthly meetings.

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Saturday, February 16th C.K. Newsome Community Center 8:00 to 10:00 am

Join Mayor Lloyd Winnecke and the Energize Evansville team for a FREE work out!

Come for any portion of the event.

Call Marianne Cox at 436-4962

for more information or e-mail her at mcox@evansville.in.gov.

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Did U.N.O.E.?

NOW GET 1000 FREE COPIES TO HELP GET THE WORD OUT

A newsletter, flyer or postcard can go a long way in spreading the word about current events to your neighborhood or even the community of Evansville. The UNOE Board recognizes this importance and has voted to give all neighborhood associations 1000 free copies in 2013.

One copy equals one side of an $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$ sheet of paper which costs 3 cents to print if being paid for. If both sides are printed on, it will cost a total of 6 cents. An 11×17 sheet of paper consists of four (4) $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$ sides. Four (4) postcards can be printed on one piece of cardstock. Front and back of one sheet costs 6 cents or $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cents for each postcard for printing.

A minimum of 200 pieces of mail is needed to use bulk mail postage. At the end of January 2013, the rate will be .119 cents for local (zip codes starting in 477, 476 and 424) and .178 cents for "out of area" zip codes.

A bulk mailing can be as small as a post card, and as large as a 12 page newsletter. A single sheet needs to be trifolded with 2 mailing seals. Two pages or more can be half-folded with 2 mailing seals.

The UNOE office would be glad to help each neighborhood association get the word out in their neighborhoods.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Thursday, February 28th, 2013 6:30-8:00pm C.K. Newsome Center

Program: "ARE YOU READY FOR A SMOKE FREE COMMUNITY?"

