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### **NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR**

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

Greetings,

On June 13th, the UNOE incoming president, Carolyn Stagg, other neighbors and myself, attended the 11th Annual Habitat for Humanity Ministerial Breakfast held at Eastminister Presbyterian Church.



It is always so informative to learn of all of the good work that Habitat does in our city. They have given many families a chance to own and live in a new home that was built by many hands. For more information you can contact Habitat for Humanity at <a href="http://www.evansville/habitat.org">http://www.evansville/habitat.org</a>.

The keynote speaker for the Ministerial Breakfast was Mr. Eric Cummings, Executive Director of Community One. This organization assists homeowners with repairs, maintenance and weatherization projects. They use volunteers to do whole house repairs of empty and abandoned homes to improve neighborhoods. Community One services people who own and live in their homes and have a genuine need for help and will also allow volunteers to help with the repairs. Community One's website is <a href="www.Communityl.org">www.Communityl.org</a> and they can give you more information.

We all know of neighbors helping neighbors in many parts of our city. They do small repairs, mow lawns, rake leaves, and clean snow. They interact with each other, by keeping an eye on what is happening on their blocks, as they genuinely care about each other.

WE ARE EVANSVILLE

Have a safe and fun-filled summer, Charleen

### **RNNC 2013 IS PLAYING IN PEORIA!**

The City of Peoria is excited to host the Regional Neighborhood Network Conference (RNNC), which will take place from September 19-21. We hope that you will not only join us for this great event, but also gain valuable ideas that will help you, as a neighborhood leader, drive positive change in your neighborhood!



Let the UNOE office know if you are interested in attending.

#### **UPCOMING UNOE DATES**

July 9th - Finance Meeting
July 11th - Parks, Trees, &
Beautification Meeting
July 17th- Board Meeting
July 25th - General Meeting



Keep Evansville Beautiful's Clean Up will be Saturday, July 13th at 8am until 9:30am, on the riverfront at the Four Freedoms monument on Riverside Dr.

After the clean-up. people will gather on Riverside and Main for a photo shoot of WE ARE EVANSVILLE. All are asked to wear bright colored shirts or WE ARE EVANSVILLE shirts. All of the people will spell out the words WE ARE EVANSVILLE, as the camera will be located on top of the Old National Bank Building. It will then go on YouTube.

COME & BE A
PART OF THIS
GREAT
EVANSVILLE
EVENT!

# Sparkplug Banquet is Coming Speaker is Announced

The 18th Annual Sparkplug Recognition Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 24th, 2013 in the Walnut Rooms of the Tropicana Executive Conference Center (formerly Aztar). Registration is at 5:30 with the meal starting at 6:15pm. The Banquet Committee is working hard to make this the best banquet yet. The theme for 2014 is "*Neighborhoods Growing Stronger*". We are excited that **Mayor Lloyd Winnecke** has accepted our invitation to speak.

The Committee is asking the neighborhood associations to get involved this year. They would like the NAs to make theme baskets to be given away as door prizes. The sky is the limit on the themes a NA can choose: Spa, snacks, hardware, chocolate, summer, holiday, IU, Purdue, picnic, movie night, kids, gardening, etc. The themes are only limited by your imagination. If your neighborhood would like to make a theme basket, please call the UNOE office and let them know that you would like to participate and your theme.

### **UNOE** needs **YOU!**

The UNOE Nominating Committee needs two people from the general membership to help develop a slate of candidates for the 2014 Board of Directors. Most of our work will be done via e-mail and phone, so meetings will be minimal. Your main task as a committee member is to scout potential nominees and suggest people for us to contact. These members will be appointed at the July board meeting.

Speaking of which, if you are interested in serving on the Board, or know of someone you would like to see on the Board, let us know. If you'll provide us a name, we will contact that person to answer questions and gauge his or her interest. In a future issue of *NtN*, we will discuss the responsibilities of a board member and officers.

A common misconception is that you must be a NA president to serve on the Board. You do not. Serving on the board is good training and education and benefits your neighborhood because of your experience. We will need to field a large slate this year with fresh faces, due to term limits and anticipated retirements. So please, give careful thought to your own service and ask others you think would be good leaders. Often we find that people are anxious to serve, but have never been asked directly.

Please contact Janice at the office or me.

Thomas Loesch, Jr., Chair, Nominating Committee 812/303-4722 - or- <u>t.loesch@insightbb.com</u>

## The Vanderburgh County Farm Bureau's Farmers Market has been certified by the USDA to accept SNAP

Customers. The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program allows the Local Growers to offer their produce through this program that is funded by the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture). The Market located at Sycamore and Second Streets in Downtown Evansville and is open from 8 AM to 1 PM each Friday thru September. All Produce sold is locally grown in a 75 mile radius of Evansville. Deaconess Health Center gives away shopping bags, recipes and health tips. Vendors products include, local grown produce, with new crops being added each week, hand- made soaps, fresh cut flowers, fresh baked goods, pet treats, kettle korn, elephant ear plants, meats, eggs, jellies and jams, seasoned cooking oils, and BBQ sauce. Each week a different artist is featured by the Arts Council.

### SPEED HUMPS, NOT BUMPS

According to Ordinance G-2013-8 which was approved on June 12th, the definition of *speed humps* is the following:

Speed humps are three inches (or more) high, trapezoidal in cross section, flat topped or cylindrical raised sections of rubber, asphalt, or cement. Typically, they are twelve to twenty-two feet long, running perpendicular to the traffic flow. Their ends are tapered at the curb gutter ends to allow rain water drainage. Due to the flat top of a speed *hump*, a driver does not experience the jarring that is associated with a speed *bump*. Thus, the vehicular rocking motion experienced at 15-30mph is well tolerated; it is more disruptive at higher speeds as intended.

UNOE thought you might want to know.



### Pay Vectren Bill @ CK Newsome Center

People can pay their Vectren bill for free at the CK Newsome Center. The Vectren Kiosk accepts cash and personal checks (no coins- any change

will be credited to their next bill). The kiosk is located on the first floor in the hall to the right of the Atrium. The building is open from 7am-7pm, Monday - Friday.

### WeTip Comes to Vanderburgh County

Two weeks ago, my office introduced a new, anonymous tipline to Vanderburgh County called WeTip. This tipline is designed to give a voice to anybody who has information on crime, without them feeling the pressure of calling the Police directly or having their name next to something in fear of retaliation. Callers can report any time of crime: If they suspect drug activity, if they know where someone with a warrant is living or hiding, if they know of stolen property; anything, call it in.

WeTip has operators standing by 24/7 to take calls. If at any point a caller gives their name, they will be asked to hang up and call back. Operators are trained to extract as much relevant data as possible, and the caller can rest assured they will never be ousted or questioned further. At the end of the call, the caller is asked if their tip leads to an arrest and conviction, if they would like a tip. Tips can lead to a reward of up to \$1,000 based on factors involving the crime, conviction and relevance of the tip.

Crimes don't solve themselves. UNOE has done a great job in giving neighborhoods a voice and through this program, that voice can get even louder. I encourage you to keep this number handy and do all you can to educate your neighborhoods on the WeTip hotline number. Thank you for your support.

WETIP: 1-800-78-CRIME (1-800-782-7453)

Nicholas Hermann, Vanderburgh County Prosecutor

The City Engineer's Office will be enforcing the Illicit Discharge Ordinance with regard to yard waste.

An Illicit Discharge is defined as follows:

"ILLICIT DISCHARGE" means any discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer (MS4) conveyance that is not composed entirely of storm water, except naturally occurring floatables, such as leaves or tree limbs that are not <u>deliberately concentrated</u>. Sources of illicit discharges include sanitary wastewater, septic tank effluent, car wash wastewater, oil disposal, radiator flushing disposal, laundry wastewater, roadway accident spillage, household hazardous wastes, and <u>deliberately concentrated yard waste</u>.

PLEASE TELL YOUR NEIGHBORS NOT TO DIRECT THEIR YARD WASTE TO THE STREETS, DITCHES, CURBS, SIDEWALKS AND/OR STORM DRAINS.



Wednesday, July 24th 8:00 A.M. -10:00 A.M. Donut Bank Lincoln/Hwy 41 location

Members of several different police agencies will be in town for training this week and will be attending this event with our local police department.

Come and hang out!

### **July Road Closings**:

- 1. Shriners Fest-June 28th through July 8th. Riverside is closed between Cherry and Court as well as some of the side streets coming off of Riverside in that area. 2ND Street will remain open.
- 2. Potter's Wheel-July 4th Jefferson Ave between Judson and Governor will be closed from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
- 3. Big Bang 4 mile race- July 4th- Westbound Franklin St between 7th Ave and Pigeon Creek and Grove between Uhlhorn and Louisiana will be closed from 7:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.
- 4. Backstage Beerstube- Main Street between 5th St and M.L. King Jr Blvd will be closed from July 6th at 9:00 A.M. until July 7th at 3:00 A.M.



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### SUMMER OF SWIMMING



Water Aerobics
with YMCA & Bob's Gym



July 20 LORRAINE POOL August 17 ROCHELLE-LANDERS POOL

2399 Adams Ave 701 Lincoln Ave

-- All times 9:00 to 11:00 AM --

Children <u>MUST be accompanied</u> by an adult who is participating in the Energize Evansville activities.

Aqua shoes are recommended for shallow segments.

More Information
Please call (812) 436-4969





Encryize

Schedule local Health Experts to speak to your group or organization!

#### YOU PICK THE TOPIC

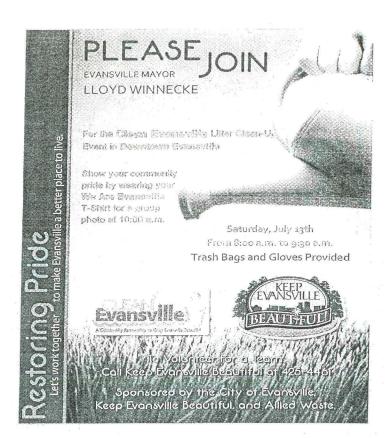
Here are just a few ideas:

- Getting Started with a Proper Fitness Routine
- . Eating Healthier
- Holistic Health
- Weditation & Relaxation
- . Senior Health & Wellness
- « Mental Health & Wellness
- Your Topic Merel

More information ---

Please call (812) 436-4969 to schedule your speaker and for more info!





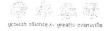














### Announcements

- UNOE Finance Meeting Tuesday, July 9th, 9:30am in the UNOE office.
- Parks, Trees & Beautification Meeting Thursday, July 11th, 4:00pm, UNOE office. NOTE **CHANGE OF DATE!**
- South Sector Meeting Thursday, July 11th, 6:00pm, at 315 Taylor Avenue. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- Recycle Day-Saturday, July 13th, 8am-Noon, old Walmart West. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- East Sector Meeting Tuesday, July 16th, 6:00pm, McGary School, 1535 South Joyce. For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- UNOE Board Meeting-Wednesday, July 17th, 4:00pm, in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- West Sector Meeting- Thursday, July 18th, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia Street. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- Shred Day Friday, July 19th, 10:00am 1:00 pm at Wesselman Nature Center.
- **UNOE General Meeting-**Thursday, July 25th, 6:30pm-8:00pm, at the C.K. Newsome Center.
- Traveling City Hall- Wednesday, July 31st, 5:30-7pm, Holy Redeemer Church, 918 W. Mill Road
- Parks, Trees & Beautification Meeting Thursday, August 1st, 4:00pm, UNOE office.
- NATIONAL NIGHT OUT TUESDAY, AUGUST 6th. 6:00-9:00pm at WESSELMAN PARK



### **Traveling City Hall Program**

Wednesday, July 31st 5:30-7pm

**Holy Redeemer Catholic Church** 918 W. Mill Road

Come meet and talk with the officials of your city government.

The BGNA will host a South Sector neighborhoods meeting on Monday, July 8 at The Meetinghouse, 100 Washington Avenue. A pot luck meal starts at 7 pm, and CPO Sandullo will begin his presentation at 7:30 pm.

CPO Nick Sandullo will present a workshop on Active Shooters, which will address how we can deal with and hopefully emerge unhurt from a mass shooting in a public place. It is a serious but very informative presentation on an aspect of public safety we may not think to prepare for.

All neighborhoods are invited. Please join us!



Saturday, July 13th 7:30am - 2:30 pm 1660 McConnell Avenue



to Benefit the Spirit Medical Fund

Evansville Vanderburgh Animal Care & Control

815 Uhlhorn Street (between Fulton & First Ave south of Diamond Ave)

July 13, Saturday 10 am to 3 pm



Evie Sue

Celebrity Dunking Booth

Bounce House Vendor Booths

Pictures Demonstrations

Glitter Tattoos PAW Print Canvass Raffles and MUCH MORE!!

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

# National Night Out is Tuesday, August 6th 6 - 9 p.m. at WESSELMAN PARK

There will be **free food**, **entertainment**, **games and anti-crime educational materials** to share with the community.

Citizens throughout Evansville are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nation-wide for the "Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. Over 34 million people from all 50 states, and other areas around the world are expected to participate.

National Night Out is designed to:

- 1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- 2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts
- 3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
- 4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

This is a community effort to let the criminals know that crime is not welcomed here!



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Thursday, July 25th, 2013

6:30-8:00pm C.K. Newsome Center

Program: "Prosecutor's Office: New Programs & How They Effect the Neighborhoods" - Nick Herrman, Vand. Co. Prosecutor