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preserve, enhance, and promote
the Evansville neighborhoods*

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From the President

Winter Greetings to our neighbors,

This is such a busy season for all of us. Buying and wrapping gifts, sending holiday greetings, and spending time with family and friends.

If you are taking a walk in one of our beautiful parks this holiday season, take along a pair of gloves and a bag to pick up the litter that has been left behind.

We all need to actively support our parks, because if the parks are not clean, it is not because of the park staff, it is due to carelessness on all of our part. Parks reflect our neighborhoods and our surrounding streets. Parks make a good impression on visitors to our community. Let us actively live out the slogan,

NEIGHBORS CARE ABOUT OUR PARKS.

Wishing you a very Happy and Holy Christmas Season,

Charleen



****2014 MEMBERSHIP PACKETS COMING IN JANUARY****

The 2014 ONOE Membership packets will be mailed to all 2013 NA Presidents at the beginning of January. Be sure to fill out all of the paperwork and return the required forms to the UNOE office.

We are asking this year that those of you who would rather receive the UNOE newsletter via e-mail to check the box under your officer information. This will save us not only time but printing and postage. Be sure to keep us updated with any new addresses, phone numbers or emails as we get requests for the latest NA information from the city and other organizations throughout the year.

Also please consider signing up for a committee as they are listed in the packet. There will be more information on the various committees in the January newsletter or you can call the office at 428-4243.

Your cooperation helps the office run smoothly for all of you and the staff!

Please remember
there will be no
UNOE
General Meeting
in December
due to the holiday.
Our next
General Meeting
will be Thursday,
January 23rd, 2014



UNOE OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

**Wed., Dec. 18th
9am - Noon**

**Office will closed
Thurs., Dec. 19th
to
Thurs., Jan. 2nd, 2014**

**Office will reopen
Monday,
Jan, 6th, 2014**



Nominating Committee Report & Nominations

The Nominating Committee is still in the progress of finding nominees for the upcoming election in January 2014. As of December 1st, 2013, the ballot reads:

President - Carolyn Stagg, Hilltop
President-Elect - Matt Hanka, WIA
Secretary - **WILL YOU CONSIDER ??**
Treasurer - Rene McCormick - So. Lincoln Park Dr.
Regional Vice President(s):
 East - Dave Ballew, Culver
 South - Steve & Susan Harp, Oak Hill
 West - Bob & Jenny Thomas, Diamond-Stringtown

Member-At-Large:
 Terri Eich, Arcadian Acres
 Linda Jones, CHAIN
 David Hodges, Downtown
 Lucy Williams, Glenwood
 Leonard Collins, Goosetown
 Vanessa Brown, Wheeler DRIVE

REMEMBER - ONLY NA REPRESENTIVES CAN VOTE AT JANUARY ELECTIONS!

10 Reasons to Be Thankful You Live in Evansville, IN

Evansville, IN, hasn't always gotten the best reputation. To the rest of the world, we are known as the fattest city, the most miserable city and an all around crummy place to be. But, we know better. We know how good we've got it here and we want to show it off!

1 You Can Get a Brain Sandwich Whenever You Darn Well Feel Like It

Hmmm... what do I feel like for lunch? German, Moroccan, Greek or brains? We have so many different types of restaurants here and different types of food to choose from - and yes, there are a few establishments that serve brains on a daily basis.

2 We Embrace Our Uniqueness

You know you are from Evansville when you know (and love) Ski and Grippos. Whether you embrace Ski and Grippos, dance a Polka at the Volksfest or sport a #WeAreEVV shirt, you get it...and you are proud of it! Evansville is also home to various races, colors and creeds - all of which are welcome.

3 A Cool Mayor Heads Up This Place

Mayor Winnecke is a cool guy. And, he's a nice guy who is genuinely passionate about Evansville. If you have never spoken to the Mayor, we would encourage you to flag him down and say hello.

4 We Run with the Big Dogs

Brand new state-of-the-art arena? Check... World-class entertainers booked? Check... Plenty of talent who were born and raised in Evansville... Check... Yep, this is Big Dog country!

5 It's Prime Water-Front Property

Though I wouldn't eat anything that came from it, the Ohio is vessel of commerce, transportation and even down-home redneckery.

6 You Are Cared For When You Are in Need

Working in media, you are aware of every charity that comes down the pike - mainly because they need your support. Be proud that you live in a place with so many passionate and giving people. From the West Side Nut Club Fall Fest and 911 Gives Hope for the Holidays to Holly's House, Race for the Cure and all the humane societies, we take care of our own.

7 It Takes Less Than 30 Minutes to Get Anywhere in Evansville

Okay, if you are going from the Eastside Walmart to USI at 5 PM during Christmas season, you won't get there in 30 but generally it doesn't take hours (and a ton of gas to get where you are going).

8 We Are There When the World Needs Us

There's an old rumor that Evansville was on Hitler's hit list perhaps because Evansville was the highest producing LST shipyard in the nation. Not sure if it's true but even now we are home to hundreds of military personnel and manufacturing plants that distribute worldwide.

9 We Are Smack Dab Right in the Middle of Fun Places to Visit

Nashville, Indianapolis, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati and a plethora of small and medium-sized towns are only a few hours by car. You get the best of everything by living here!

10 We are Homegrown

There's no Saks Fifth Avenue around and we might not all have "black tie attire" to wear to the formal galas but you know someone is always going to be someone else rockin' a pair of blue jeans. That's just who we are and know it and embrace it. Be thankful that you live in a place where friendly people and friendly smiles are commonplace and you can be who you are...

HOLIDAY SHOPPING SAFETY

The holiday shopping season is a time when people are busy, stressed out and can become victims of theft and other holiday crime. The Evansville Police Department would like to remind you of some simple common sense shopping tips:



Look confident, purposeful and alert to your surroundings.
Thieves will look for the easiest target.

Don't walk or shop while talking on your cell phone or listening to your Ipod. Again, thieves will look for someone who is distracted and not paying attention. This is particularly true when walking through the parking lot to your car.

Get your keys out of your purse before leaving the store and walking through the parking lot. Thieves will be looking for someone burdened down with packages and digging through a purse to find keys. If you aren't paying attention, the thief could walk up on you before you realize what is happening.

Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason. Con artists try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking money or belongings. If you get bumped and someone tries to engage you in a conversation, this is a red flag.

Don't leave your purse or wallet unattended. Don't leave it in your shopping cart while shopping, or while loading packages into your vehicle. If possible, leave your purse at home and keep a credit card or small amount of cash in your coat pocket.

When shopping online, go directly to a store website. Don't click on links from unsolicited e-mail. This could be a trick to direct you to a fraudulent site created to look like a real store webpage.

Always check your credit card statements for unauthorized purchases.

For those of you brave enough to battle the Black Friday crowds, don't get caught in a mob! Stay on the sidelines and be a good witness. Don't get involved in the fight. No purchase is worth getting hurt over!

Never park in an unlit area, even if more convenient.

Hide your packages in the trunk of your car if you are not going directly home. Don't make yourself an easy target!

**The Evansville Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit
wishes all of our citizens a very safe and fun holiday season!**

December Road Closing:



12/14- Jingle Bell Run-
8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

Route: Main at Riverside to Locust,
Locust to 4th, 4th back to Riverside.
Riverside between 2nd and Water-
works.

Next Coffee with a Cop

Tuesday, December 17th

7:00 - 10:00am

Donut Bank

Lincoln Ave & Hwy 41 location



**Come and have a cup of coffee
or even hot cocoa!**

Wish a cop Happy Holidays!

Hopes & Wishes: *A Community Flag Project Celebration*

We invite *everyone* in the community to participate in celebrating the **grand opening** of the renovated and expanded Evansville Museum.

The Hopes & Wishes Project invites community members to decorate small cloth flags (either by sewing, drawing, painting, or a combination of techniques) highlighting what the city of Evansville means to them

Inspired by the Boston Museum of Fine Arts “To Boston with Love” installation, this project will be a celebration of the community, Evansville and the grand opening of the “new” Evansville Museum.

Share your hopes and good wishes or let us know what you love about our City and the Evansville Museum of Arts, History and Science.

We look forward to seeing the creativity of families, schools, church groups, book clubs, and all types of teams and organizations in our community.

School art classes are invited to participate, as are community and civic groups, nursing home residents, scouting groups, our sister cities, area artists, families, or individuals - **anyone and everyone who lives in or just loves Evansville!**



The 9.5 inch high by 8.5 inch wide flags will be strung together and displayed in the Museum during the grand opening celebration.

**Flags will be accepted
November 29 through January 20.**

Completed flags can be dropped off at:
Evansville Museum;
Old National Bank, Lakeside Commons;
Old National Bank, West Franklin Street;
Old National Bank, University Square;
Old National Bank, Bell Oaks.

For more information, including a flag template and suggested colors, visit: www.emuseum.org/events or call
Jennifer Roll @ (812) 499-6212
or Karen Malone @ (812)425-2406

**The UNOE staff is making a flag for United Neighborhoods.
How about one from your neighborhood association?**

The more flags, the bigger the impact.

**Mayor's Traveling City
Hall Program
There will be no program
in December**

**WeTip
1-800-78-CRIME
Report Crime Anonymously**

- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, December 7th, old Wal-mart West, 8-Noon. For more information, call the Solid Waste District at 436-7800.
- **MERRY CHRISTMAS - Office will be closed December 19th-January 5th.**
- **UNOE Office open for business January 6, 2014**
- **UNOE Finance Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, January 14th, 9:30 am in the UNOE office
- **UNOE Board Meeting** -Wednesday, January 15th, 4:00pm, in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- **UNOE General Meeting** - Thursday, January 23rd, 6:30-8:00pm at the CK Newsome Center.

Clean Evansville Targets Areas in Ward 3 and 4 for Monthly Clean-up

Clean Evansville volunteers will target areas around the city's busiest traffic interchanges during the monthly trash pick-up on Saturday, December 7, from 9 to 11 a.m. The teams will gather at locations near the Lloyd Expressway and U.S. 41 to collect litter along service roads and through some neighborhoods south and west of the interchange. Teams will start at the intersection of East Franklin and Canal streets. Other teams will start at the intersection of South Kerth Avenue and Sycamore Street.

The teams will move from the interchange west toward Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. They will meet at the parking lot behind the Civic Center adjacent to the CK Newsome Community Center to deposit trash collected during the clean-up. Clean Evansville has partnered with Allied Waste to dispose of all trash.

Keep Evansville Beautiful coordinates volunteers for the monthly clean-ups. Anyone interested in joining for forming a team should contact Mike McGarrah at 425-4461.

***Register now for
cMoe's Gingerbread
Workshop
on Saturday,
December 14th!***



Four Session Times: 9:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am, and 2:00pm. Learn how to build and decorate a gingerbread house (all materials included) for only \$5.00! Enjoy holiday music, hot chocolate, and a visit from "Millie Claus" at cMoe! Groups are welcomed.

Reservations required: Call (812) 464-2663 ext. 230

U.N.O.E. members - support the EPD and "Like" them on their new Facebook page which can be found at:

EPD Crime Free

Multi-Housing Program.

Fitness IN THE PARK

December 14th

Swonder Ice Arena

Fitness Center

209 North Boeke Rd.

9:00am - 11:00am

***an Energize
Evansville***

initiative



Happy Noon Year's!

10:00a.m.-3:00p.m., Tues., Dec. 31st

Kids can't stay up until midnight? No problem! Bring them to cMoe, where we'll ring in 2014 at noon with a ball drop, confetti, and bubble wrap! We'll also have a dance party, magic show, and more!

18 months and over-\$8, Members are Free.

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Did U.N.O.E.?

Happy Holidays



*From the Officers, Board & Staff
Of United Neighborhoods of Evansville*

There will be
NO GENERAL MEETING
In December
Have a wonderful Holiday!
See you in 2014!

