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UPCOMING UNOE DATES

From the President

Spring.....Spring is finally here....the crocuses are blooming, daffodils are also. My wisteria buds are holding tightly as they await the warmth of the sun.... I have cut down several ornamental grasses with the help of one of my son's. I need to sharpen the tools before proceeding or do I purchase new ones that will cut easier? Always DECISIONS to be made.

The Bylaw committee has been working diligently on updating the

current and future needs of UNOE. They should be ready for the UNOE Board of Directors by April meeting and possibly the first reading for our UNOE April General meeting. The N/A Membership Representatives are your voting personnel. Be sure that your representatives come the UNOE general meetings to vote so your neighborhood association opinions are known. Again, DECISIONS.

The Global Youth Service Day will be the week of April 7 thru April 12. Watch the newspaper, TV, websites from the Mayors office for the listing of events leading up to the Saturday, April 12. There are several schools participating in the city parks. Neighborhood associations and others, will be mulching, cleaning the play equipment, picking up trash and weeding. Which would you like to help with? You can still register to help, call Anne Statham at USI to register or for questions:

www.aastatham@usi.edu 465-1203. Celebrating lunches will be at Garvin and Howell Parks. DECISIONS, are we going to help or not help?

We have speakers for the April and May general meetings but if you know of a group that you think might be speaker material, just call or e-mail this information to the office. We will try to accommodate.

DECISIONS are made all of our lives, there are consequences for all of our DE-CISIONS, some good, some not so good. We just try to make the best DECISION at that time.

Have a great spring.

Spring

Carolyn

WHICH BODY ARE YOU ?

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.



April 16th - Board Mtg. April 24th - General Mtg. April 30th—Travelling City Hall Program May 1st - Parks, Trees & Beautification Cmte. Mtg.

SAVE THE DATE!

2014 RNNC

Regional Neighborhood Network Conference

Sept.11-13, 2014

* CONNECT * * ENGAGE * * INSPIRE *

Richmond, Indiana





"Dasani – Every Drop Counts" Rain Barrel Auction Set for April 26

Beautified barrels have been decorated and will be brought back to Mesker Zoo and offered for sale at a silent auction from 8 a.m. to noon during the "Party for the Planet" Earth Day event on Saturday, April 29. All proceeds from the auction of each rain barrel will go to the group which decorated the barrel.

Protect your home while you are away:

The best way to protect your home from burglars is to be home, but that is impossible with everyone's busy schedules and vacations. However, you can make your home look like someone is there by using a few simple tricks. You can use timers to turn your lights and TV on and off at random. You can also hook an inside light up to an outside motion sensor. If you want to get really tricky, you can purchase an electronic watchdog that will play the sound of a barking dog. It is also important not to post your plans to be away from your house on social media and don't post family pictures until you get home. You are just letting potential criminals know it is O.K. to stop by. One last thing, have a family member or a friend stop by a couple times while you are away. People will think you are home and you also have the added benefit of someone checking on your place.

<u>Save This Date!</u> Michael Homoya presents:

"Wild Ferns of Indiana" Our State Field Botanist tells everything you want to know about our state's native ferns... Saturday April 12, 2014 7:00 PM University of Southern Indiana Mitchell Auditorium 8600 University Blvd. Evansville, IN Open to the public—seating is limited RSVP to Kathy at <u>eicherkel@hotmail.com</u> Hosted by SW Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society

with the USI Botany Class USI Map <u>http://www.usi.edu/visit/map/</u>

Road Closings:

- Parkinson's Smoke Out 4/3 8:00am to 4/6 5:00pm Riverside Drive between Court and Cherry.
- Shoe Shuffle 5K 4/6 7:30-10:00am Green River Rd to Vogel Rd to Tutor Lane to Columbia St to Kimber Lane to Virginia St to Green River Rd
- Heritage FCU Home Show 4/5 9:00am to 4/6 6:00pm Locust St between MLK Blvd and Ninth St.
- Walk MS 4/12 7:30am-1:00pm Downtown Streets but they will stay open.
- Color Me Fun 5K 4/19 7:00-11:00am Franklin St to 12th Ave to Delaware St to Wabash Ave.
- Rise Up and Run 4/19 8:30-10:00am Crossroads Church to Lincoln Ave to Rosebud Lane to Newburgh Rd to Kingswood and back Won't be able to get on Newburgh Rd.
- Funk in the City Art Fest 4/25 8:00am to 4/26 8:00pm Second St between Washington to Jefferson, Adams between Second St and Putnam St.

Evansville Kidney Walk - 4/26 9:00am-4:00pm - Riverside and Main - Will have officer present.

Press on the Goal 5K – 4/26 8:00am-11:00am – Heidelbach Ave from Michigan St to Herndon, Herndon to Richardt Ave, through Garvin Park, Humane Society Rd to Morgan Ave, Morgan Ave to Elsas to Franklin St to Heidelbach Ave to Michigan St. There will be officers for traffic control.



Lorraine Park Walk of Pride

The Lorraine Park Neighborhood Association is now selling engraved Red Bricks and Black Granites that will become part of an area known as the Walk of Pride in Lorraine Park it will be located very near the Lorraine Park Pool Entrance. The final design to be determined by the quantity of bricks sold. These Bricks are a great way to show your neighborhood pride. All proceeds from the sale of bricks will go for new playground equipment and other park improvements.

Each 4x8 brick can be engraved with 2 line and 1 logo or 3 lines and no logo for \$35.00.

8x8 red brick can be engraved with 4 lines and 1 logo or no logo and 6 lines for only \$100.

8x8 black Granite can be engraved with 4 lines and 1 logo or no logo and 6 lines for \$250.

16 x16 black Granite call 812-430-2725 or email timturp15@aol.com to discuss options \$500

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Old Evansville Historic Association Spaghetti Dinner

Please join us on Thursday, April 25th for an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner at the Event Gallery, located at 956 Parrett Street. Proceeds benefit the Historic Lighting Project.

Dinner includes salad and beverage--Cash bar and cash desserts available. \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Dine in or carry out Tickets may be purchased in advance at Madeleine's, Old Town Ladies and Gents, Penny Lane, Peephole, AK Pack and Ship, Warren Properties, Fetter Properties. Or contact Amybethhayden @gmail.com Dinner will be presented by Tim Mills of Madeleine's Restaurant Hope to see you there!



Lorraine Park Brick Order Form

Greenway Map



Evansville Arbor Day Celebration

April 22, 2014, 11am @ Swonder Ice Rink

Come help Evansville Celebrate being a Tree City USA and see: Reading of proclamation by Mayor Lloyd Winnecke Announcement of Annual Arbor Day Essay & Photo Contests Remarks by Maria Dowell, KEB, Brad Ellsworth, Vectren, and Shawn Dickerson, Urban Forestry Dept. Tree dedication, and get your picture taken with Evansville Icemen



ANNOUNCING VECTREN PUBLIC FIELD HEARING — LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

INDIANAPOLIS - Now that state regulators have decided to conduct an April 14 public hearing in Evansville on Vectren Energy's proposed rate increase for natural gas customers, State Rep. <u>Gail Riecken</u> (D-Evansville) said today it is important for area residents to register their concerns about the proposal.

Officials with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) announced the agency will conduct a public field hearing on the Vectren request on April 14 at the Old National Events Plaza, 715 Locust St. The hearing will begin at 6 p.m. local time.

"This is our chance to say something about the proposal, since both oral and written testimony will be accepted at the hearing," said Riecken, who requested the field hearing back in February. "All of this testimony will be a part of the record of evidence the IURC is compiling before it makes its decision on the rate hike."

Vectren is requesting the increase to pay for improvements to pipelines and other infrastructure. If approved, customers served by the utility in Southwest Indiana would pay gradually higher gas rates over a period of seven years, starting in 2015. The increase initially would be around \$1 to \$1.50 a month, then increase to around \$13 to \$14 more per month by 2022. Right now, the average customer pays about \$570 a year for gas service.

"I am very concerned about the impact this increase will have on all of us, but my concern is particularly acute for older residents and those people on fixed incomes," Riecken said. "I am pleased that the IURC has decided to come to Evansville to see how this move will affect customers, and I believe it is important for them to see what homeowners and families think about it. While IURC commissioners will not be allowed to answer questions during the hearing, we will have the chance to let them know how we feel.

"The most important thing is for people to take part," she continued. "It would be best to come to the April 14 hearing, but there are other options available for public comment."

Consumers who wish to submit written comments can do so through the Office of the Utility Consumer Counselor's website at www.in.gov/oucc/2361.htm or by mail, email or fax:

Mail: Consumer Services Staff Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor 115 W. Washington St., Suite 1500 South Indianapolis, IN 46204

Email: uccinfo@oucc.in.gov

Fax: 317.232.5923

Written comments received by the close of business on April 21 will be filed with the Commission and included in the formal record. Comments should include your name, address, and a reference to "IURC Cause No. 44429."

Families who fish together create memories that last a lifetime.

At a DNR Go FishIN Family Learn to Fish workshop, parents and children age 6 and older will learn a little fish biology, gain some basic fishing skills, and get to go fishing. All times are 9am to noon. Equipment is provided, but pre-registration is necessary. No license is required on Free Fishing Days: April 19, May 17, and June 7-8.

2014 Family Learn to Fish Workshops in Indiana

April 19: Indianapolis, Evansville, Now Albany May 17: Indianapolis, Avon, Fort Wayne, Terre Haute June 7: Carmel June 8: Blosmington, Edinburgh To find out more info, contact Division of Fish and Wildlife Education

> Call: 317-234-8440 Email: dfwed@dnr.in.gov Web: GoFishin.IN.gov



SHRED DAY

APRIL 11th 10:00am—1:00pm Wesselman Park



TIRE RECYCLING DAY APRIL 26TH 8:00AM—NOON CIVIC CENTER PARKING LOT



Heavy Trash Pickup has begun For your day of collection or for more information, call <u>Republic Services</u>: (812) 424-3345.



Wanted! Blighted Houses

Help Clean Up Your Neighborhood

Indiana's Hardest Hit Fund-Blight Elimination Program

Blighted, vacant and abandoned homes are a serious issue for Evansville. The goal is not simply to demolish abandoned homes, but to stabilize property values in your communities.

The partnership between IHCDA and Indiana municipalities would allow communities to demolish blighted properties and offer a variety of end uses for the newly cleared properties including green space and redevelopment. General information needed are the Owner's name and possible end uses. Some acceptable end uses are green spaces, combining parcels and community spaces.

If you know of a property that you would like to have considered for demolition, contact Ron Beane or Sherry Schapker.

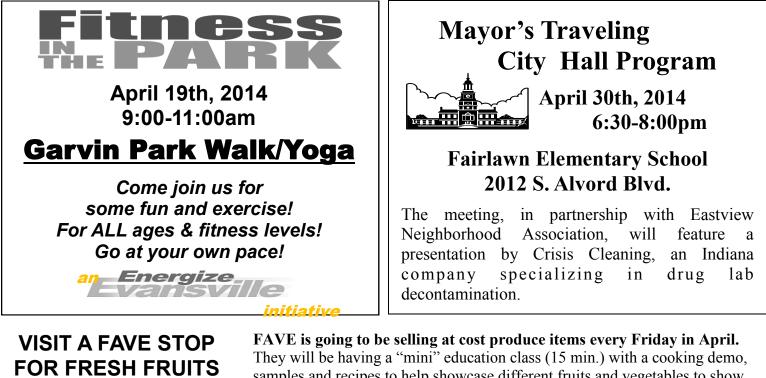
> Call Ron or Sherry (812) 436-7887



- Recycle Day— Saturday, April 5th, 8:00am-Noon, old Walmart West. For more information, contact Solid Waste Management, 436-7800.
- UNOE Board Meeting Wednesday, April 16th, 2014, 4:00pm in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- West Sector Meeting- Thursday, April 17th, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia Street. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- **UNOE General Meeting -** Thursday, April 24th, 6:30-8:00pm at the CK Newsome Center.
- Parks, Trees & Beautification Cmte. Mtg-Thursday, May 1st, 4:00pm at the UNOE Office.
- Recycle Day-Saturday, May 3rd, 8:00am-Noon, old Walmart West. For more information, contact Solid Waste Management, 436-7800.

GUNS & HOSES - April 12th @ 7:00pm Ford Center

911 Gives Hope covers the expenses of the event and every dollar after that goes to improve the lives of children and people with disabilities in the tri-state. The board members, volunteers, and fighters donate 100% of their time.



AND VEGETABLES !!



samples and recipes to help showcase different fruits and vegetables to show ways of cooking and preparing them.

They will be able to accept cash or credit card. (No checks or SNAP/EBT)

We will be on site at the following locations each Friday: Glenwood Learning Academy: 10:30 am- 12:30pm Kennedy Tower: 1pm-2:30pm CK Newsome Center: 3-4pm





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Matt Hanka, President-Elect Westside Improvement Neighborhood

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Charnika Baltzell, Secretary Glenwood Neighborhood

Rene McCormick, Treasurer South Lincoln Park Drive NA

Charleen Williamson, Past-President Blackford's Grove Neighborhood

2014 UNOE Board of Directors: Members At Large:

Leonard Collins, Goosetown Neighborhood Teri Eich, Arcadian Acres Neighborhood David Hodges, Downtown Neighborhood Linda Jones, CHAIN Neighborhood Lucy Williams, Glenwood Neighborhood

Committee Chairmen:

Disaster Preparedness - Jayne Buthod, WIA Finance - Fred Padget, WIA Government - to be announced Parks/Trees/ Beatification - Susan Harp, Oakhill NA Pub. Rel./Marketing - Melanie Stagg, Western Terrace NA Personnel - Bill Currie, Plaza Park NA Technology - Brent Jackson, Presidents NA Zoning - Fred Padget, WIA



GENERAL MEETING Thursday, April 24th 6:30-8:00pm, CK Newsome Center Program: "Better Neighborhoods Through Working Together" Monty Fetter & Chris Cooke

WeTip

1-800-78-CRIME Report Crime Anonymously