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the Evansville neighborhoods*

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From the President

August is the time we think about returning to schoolat least for others, maybe not us. We need to be sure to watch out for the kiddos. They are preoccupied with going to school, what they will wear and making new friends, so that they don't always pay attention to the vehicles on the road. Most of the Evansville public & parochial schools start August 11th. The school bus driver has a thankless job, so don't forget to thank him/her when you put your child on the bus.



Lots being planned in the coming months. RNNC Regional Neighborhood Networking Conference will be held in Richmond, Indiana this year. The people who have signed up to attend will be attending conferences such as "Using NextDoor to Organize" and "Call your Neighborhood Association to Action", "Dealing with Blight, Graffiti and Trash", "Securing Safe Streets and Beyond", and "Helping Kids in Trouble." This is just a sample of the 40 or so workshops available for those attending to participate in. Hopefully, we will have lots of information returned to us by the people in attendance.

Candidates Forum will be held on September 25. There will be 16 candidates attending that you will be voting for in the November election. We will hold the Forum at C.K. Newsome Center at 6:30 pm. Each of the candidates will have 3 minutes to speak and 4 minutes to answer questions from the audience. So you think 7 minutes is not enough ... well, times 16 people and the minutes between each speaker, will total over two hours. The township candidates will not be speaking at this forum.

Sparkplug Banquet will be held in Thursday, October 23rd at the Tropicana Executive Conference Center at 6:00 pm. If you are new to the neighborhood, the Sparkplug award is given out by each neighborhood to recognize a person who has been the spark for their association. This is the greatest night in our neighborhood association year. Be sure to think about who you want to be your "Sparkplug" this year. It is a great feeling to be honored this night.

So you see, there are lots of things to be done yet this year. We are also looking for interesting speakers for the UNOE General Meetings for 2015. If you know of any, call the office 428-4243 or send an e-mail. We want to hear from you.

Carolyn

UPCOMING UNOE DATES

August 20th - Board Mtg.
August 28th - General Mtg.
**Sept. 4th- Parks, Trees &
Beautification Cmte. Mtg.**



Your children will
become who you
are....

So....Be who you
want them to be.

- Author unknown



You have heard some of these
paraphrases before...sure you
have. You forget them, until you
hear them years later. Write them
down and send to us. We will
use as space permits. -cs



**Don't Forget
To Take
Pictures Of Your
Neighborhood
Assn. Activities!**

*It's not too early to turn
pictures into the UNOE
office for the Banquet.*

19TH ANNUAL SPARKPLUG RECOGNITION BANQUET IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23.

**THE ENTREE WILL BE BEEF
MEDALLIONS OR A VEGETARIAN
CHOICE. THE COST WILL BE \$15.00/
PERSON. NEIGHBORHOOD PACKETS
WILL BE GOING OUT AT THE MIDDLE OF
AUGUST.**



**BE THINKING ABOUT WHO YOUR
2014 SPARKPLUG WINNER
IS GOING TO BE FOR YOUR ASSOCIATION!**



Candidates Forum at September General Meeting

United Neighborhoods of Evansville will again sponsor a Candidates Forum to let the neighborhoods hear from and ask questions of the candidates in the fall election.

The 16 candidates running the following offices will be participating: Representative in Congress-8th Dist., State Representative-Dist. 76, State Representative-Dist. 77, State Representative-Dist. 78, County Auditor, County Sheriff, County Commissioner 2nd District, and County Council 3rd District.

Each candidate will be given 3 minutes to speak and 4 minutes for Q&A. Candidates that are not in contested races are welcome to attend but will not be given time to speak.

Unfortunately time constraints don't allow us to invite the township candidates. UNOE encourages the neighborhood associations to invite their respective township candidates to their meetings if possible.

DMD & UNOE Working Together

The Department of Metropolitan Development provides funds from its annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation each year for neighborhood development, specifically for neighborhood associations that lie within targeted census tracts in the city of Evansville. These census tracts, clustered around the central city core, encompass a wide geographic area that stretches from Pigeon creek on the west and north, Riverside drive on the south and Highway 41 on the east, with one census tract not included but that is the main area. The neighborhood associations within those areas decided some years ago, that a monthly organizational meeting among the various leaders would be helpful in planning events and in communication with the city. The Focus Council meets on the first Thursday of the month at the YWCA at noon. Our new specialist, Kolbi Gibson, is DMD's representative to both the Focus Council specifically, but the neighborhoods in general. The city of Evansville and the DMD are proud of the things United Neighborhoods of Evansville (UNOE) and the Focus Council together have accomplished, and we look forward to many years of improving the lives of all our neighbors. For questions about the Focus Council, DMD or any related issue, you can reach us at 812-436-7823.

Submitted by Kelley Coures,
DMD Executive Director

It was voted at the July 16th UNOE
Board of Directors meeting that:

**STARTING JANUARY 2015,
COPIES WILL COST .05/SIDE.**

The cost of printing and paper has
continued to rise. This is the first
increase in over 6 years.

As in 2014, each neighborhood will
receive 2000 free copies after their
UNOE dues are paid in 2015.

Parks, Trees, and Beautification

A Standing Committee of United Neighborhoods of Evansville

Mission Statement: The Parks, Trees, and Beautification Committee's mission is to keep communications open and productive between United Neighborhoods of Evansville, individual neighborhood associations, City Parks Department, City Arborist, and Keep Evansville Beautiful in an effort to better our community.

Sub-committee goals and objectives are as follows:

Trees:

Enhance the neighborhoods by educating the public about proper tree care and other pertinent tree information.

Assist the neighborhoods who have tree concerns.

Parks:

Educate neighborhoods on how to keep their parks in good condition and how they can generate more "neighborhood pride" in their park.

Provide a forum for neighborhoods to request improvements, wants, and needs for their neighborhood parks.

Beautification:

Promote a sense of self pride within the community and neighborhoods which will ensure a cleaner and greener community.

Educate neighbors of all ages on how they can improve their environment through plantings, cleanups, and "go green" practices.

Protocol: The Parks, Trees, and Beautification committee meetings are always open for input/concerns from all neighborhoods or individual neighbors. This committee serves as a forum to address and seek resolutions for the input/concerns about the environment in our community. The committee will meet at the UNOE office on the first Thursday of the months March – November unless other arrangements need to be made.

- July 2014



FINANCE COMMITTEE Mission Statement:

The mission of the UNOE Finance Committee is "to assure United Neighborhoods of Evansville maintains the highest degree of integrity and accuracy in all financial aspects".

- July 2014

Looking for something to do?

Are you 50+ and willing to donate some time to tutoring and mentoring youth?

Well, AARP Experience Corps Evansville is looking for you!

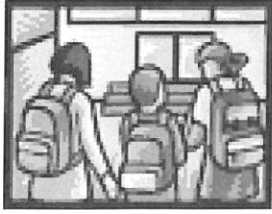
AARP Experience Corps Evansville is looking for Tutors who enjoy working with students in kindergarten through third grade and are willing to work 2-3 days per week for 2-3 hours a day. AARP Experience Corps Tutors will work in the schools assisting students who are struggling with reading and literacy skills.

What an exciting way for you to give back to the community as an AARP Experience Corps Tutor. Becoming a tutor in the AARP Experience Corps Evansville Program hosted by Carver Community Organization is sure to be a rewarding experience for you. Remember, "It takes a whole village to raise a child." Your experience is valuable. AARP Experience Corps Evansville needs you!

If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact Lorinda Taylor or Robin Good at Carver Community Organization the phone number is (812) 402-3170.



Back to School Safety:



School is just around the corner and it is time to start talking to your children about being safe while traveling to school.

Whether your child is walking, riding a bike, or riding a bus, it is important to remember a few safety tips. When walking, Always use a sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, always walk facing traffic so you can see cars coming. Always cross the street at the intersection. Use crossing guards and pedestrian signals when available and always look both ways before crossing the street. When riding a bike, always wear your helmet. Teach your children the rules of the road, especially stopping at all intersections. When riding the bus, teach your children the right way to get on and off a bus. Your child needs to stay at least six feet away from the bus while waiting and should not move towards the bus until it has come to a complete stop and the driver has indicated it is O.K. to approach. Your child should always be able to see the bus driver and the bus driver should always be able to see you child when crossing the street. Finally, travel the route with your children prior to school starting so they will feel comfortable getting to school.



Have a safe and fun school year.

- Lt. Monty Guenin, EPD

THREE DISTRICT TOWN HALLS SCHEDULED AUG. 16

INDIANAPOLIS - State Rep. Gail Riecken (D-Evansville) announced she will host three Town Hall meetings throughout her district on **Saturday, August 16.**

"I wanted to make the Town Hall meetings as convenient as possible, so I've scheduled separate times for three different locations on Saturday, Aug. 16," said Riecken.

"I invite everyone to come and share with me any state government issues they may have, like problems with Medicaid, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, getting business permits, or concerns with any other state agency.

"I also would like to know if people believe our area residents have had the opportunity to gain sufficient training and skills to compete for good-paying jobs, what obstacles there are to getting new or better jobs, and what experience people have had with the Indiana Department of Workforce Development/WorkOne," continued Riecken.



"In addition, I would like to know what local residents think Southwest Indiana can do to better encourage job growth and business investment. Do small businesses need more assistance or state incentives to expand and create additional jobs?

"Concerning education, what are the biggest challenges facing our students today? Are they ready to compete for the good-paying jobs of the future? If not, how can we improve their educational opportunities?" asked Riecken.

"These all are important issues and questions facing our community and state. That is why I need input from my constituents. **These Town Hall meetings are for listening, seeking opinions and offering help.**"

Here is the schedule for the Sat., Aug. 16 meetings:

- **10:30 a.m. - 12 noon | McCollough Branch Library | 5115 Washington Ave.**
- **12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. | Evansville Vanderburgh Central Library | 200 SE Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.**
- **2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. | Salvation Army | 1040 N. Fulton Ave.**

August:

August 2 at 5:00pm - August 3 at 5:00pm- Mini Street Alive-Main St between 3rd and 4th

August 7th at 12:00 Noon - August 9th at 2:00am- Volksfest- One southbound lane of Fulton Ave in front of the Germania Maennerchor

August 9th- YMCA 5/10 K- 6:30am-10:00am- Riverside between Ohio and Waterworks (both east and west) Veterans from Waterworks east to Hwy 41 south off ramp. (westbound Veterans will be open) Main St between Riverside and 3rd-3rd to Sycamore-Sycamore to Main to John and back up Vine to 6th. Traffic will be opened as runners pass the

Road Closings in

**Vanderburgh County's
tax sale listing is now
available online at
www.sri-taxsale.com.
if anyone is interested.**

*Susan K. Kirk, Treasurer
Vanderburgh County, Indiana*

- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, August 9th, 8:00am-Noon, old Walmart West. For more info, call 436-7800.
- **East Sector Meeting** - Tuesday, August 19th, 6:00pm, McGary School, 1535 South Joyce. For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- **UNOE Board Meeting** - Wednesday, August 20th, 2014, 4:00pm in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- **West Sector Meeting**— Thursday, August 21st, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia Street. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- **UNOE General Meeting** - Thursday, August 28th, 6:30-8:00pm at the CK Newsome Center.
- **UNOE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY - September 1st.**
- **South Sector Meeting** - Thursday, **SEPTEMBER 4th**, 6:00pm, at 315 Taylor Avenue. **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE.** For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, Sept. 6th, 8:00am-Noon, old Walmart West. For more information, contact Solid Waste Management, 436-7800.
- **Budget/Finance Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, September 9th, 9:30am at the UNOE office
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, Sept. 13th, 8:00am-Noon, 4-H Center. For more info, call 436-7800.
- **Electronic Recycling Day** - Saturday, Sept. 20th, 8:00am-Noon, Civic Center parking lot.
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, Sept. 27th, 8:00am-Noon, Evansville School For more info, call 436-7800.

Fitness IN THE PARK

**Saturday, August 16th
9:00 - 11:00 am**

**Garvin Park
Walk/Water Aerobics**

*an Energize
Evansville
initiative*

Mayor's Traveling City Hall Program



**Wednesday, August 20th
6:30pm-8:00pm
SWIRCA Building
16 West Virginia Street**

FRANKLIN STREET BAZAAR

**JUNE 21 - SEPT 20, 9 AM-1 PM
ON THE WEST LIBRARY LAWN,
2000 W. FRANKLIN STREET**

Every Saturday the bazaar will have locally grown produce, art, clothing, flowers and food, jewelry and lots of miscellaneous booths.

Put your walking shoes on, come on out
and have some fun!!

Presented by

Franklin Street Events Association

DOG TOYS NEEDED!

Hey volunteers! The kennel staff has asked for **sturdy** dog toys, like KONGS, Nylabones, large rope toys, etc. Most of the dog toys had been chewed to pieces and had to be thrown away. The dogs really need toys to enrich their lives and entertain them while they are waiting for their forever homes. Please pass this email on to friends and family so they can help us replenish our supply, too. Thanks gang!

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United Neighborhoods of Evansville Mission Statement

Neighborhood Associations working together to preserve, enhance and promote the Evansville neighborhoods.

Did U.N.O.E.?

2014 UNOE Board Officers:

Carolyn Stagg, President
Hilltop Neighborhood

Matt Hanka, Senior Vice-Pres
Greater Lincolnshire Neighborhood

Regional Vice-Presidents

Steve & Susan Harp, East Sector

Kathy Rosa, South Sector

Bob & Jenny Thomas, West Sector

Richard Eich, Secretary
Arcadian Acres Neighborhood

Rene McCormick, Treasurer
South Lincoln Park Drive NA

Charleen Williamson, Past-President
Riverside Neighborhood

2014 UNOE Board of Directors:

Members At Large:

Leonard Collins, Goosetown Neighborhood

Terri 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 Padgett, WIA

Government - Matt Hanka, Greater Lincolnshire NA

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 Padgett, WIA

GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, August 28th

6:30-8:00pm, CK Newsome Center

Program: *"Early Years of Mesker Parks"*

Pat Sides, Willard Library

WeTip

1-800-78-CRIME

Report Crime

Anonymously

