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preserve, enhance, and promote
the Evansville and area neighborhoods*

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From the President - - -

TRASH.. Do you pickup trash while you are walking the dog or just walking? It would be great for our city if you would carry a small plastic bag along and pickup items when you are walking. Are you aware that there is a city code that specifies you must pickup after your dog has done his duty? Carry a bag for this.

If you are walking with the kids, teach them to carry a plastic bag for trash pickup. It gets them started in the cleanup mode early. The city of Evansville has a lot of walkers, and a lot of people who pickup after others. It makes for a cleaner city and neighborhoods. I attended a meeting a short time ago and the discussion of how trashy some parts of our city were, and they wanted to call some city department for cleanup. I asked them if they had thought of having their own cleanup and do it themselves. Get others from the neighborhood involved with the cleanup. Helping keep our city clean is a daily routine for our lives, not just once a month or once a year. Please help.

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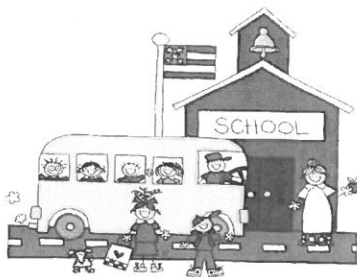
By the time you receive this newsletter, the National Night Out event will be over for another year, but I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the neighborhood associates who volunteered for this event. There are so many people who are behind the scenes that you never see. I want to thank them for their services. United Neighborhoods of Evansville passed out cold wet blue towels for your convenience, whether mopping up a sweaty brow or wiping off a child's face. Let us know if we should continue this service.

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Coming to the August General Meeting will be Shannon Edwards from the Recorder's Office. She will be talking on the "Progress of Digitalizing Records Back to 1818." The date is August 27th, at 6:30 pm, C.K. Newsome Center. On two consecutive Thursdays, September 17th & 24th, UNOE will have Candidates Forum each night. You will be able to hear from each Candidate who will be vying for your vote in November. Please be sure bring a friend. They will each start at 6:30 pm at the C.K. Newsome Center.

Carolyn

***SCHOOL WILL BE STARTING SOON.
BE WATCHFUL OF OUR CHILDREN,
THEY ARE OUR FUTURE!***



UPCOMING UNOE DATES

August 19th - Board Meeting

August 27th - General Mtg

Sept 1st- Sparkplug Com

Meeting

Sept 3rd - Parks, Trees &

Beautification Com Mtg

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



***It's time to turn pictures
into the UNOE office
for the
Sparkplug Banquet.***

2015 RNNC Conference

**October 1-3, 2015
Bowling Green, KY**

The theme is:

***"Neighbors Geared
to Lead: Grow, Equip,
Advance, Renew"***

**20th Annual Sparkplug
Recognition Banquet is
Thursday, October 29th,
Walnut Rooms
Tropicana Conference Center**



Announcing the theme for
this year's banquet:

**"Spotlight on
Safe Neighborhoods"**

Neighborhood Association packets will be going out to all presidents soon with all the information about the banquet and forms for dinner reservations, sparkplug awards and door prizes. The dinner choices are:

CHICKEN CHOICE

GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST
w/ ROSMARY-AJU
WHOLE ROASTED BABY POTATOES
FRESH GRILLED VEGETABLES

VEGETARIAN CHOICE

EGGPLANT CANNELLONI
HERBED ANGEL HAIR PASTA
w/ ROASTED RED PEPPER SAUCE
FRESH GRILLED VEGETABLES

All meals will have:

MIXED GREENS SALAD WITH CHOICE OF 3 DRESSINGS
w/ CHERRY TOMATOES, CUCUMBER, RED ONION & CHEESE
ROLLS & BUTTER
CHEF'S CHOICE DESSERT
COFFEE, DECAF, ICED TEA & LEMONADE

SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY:

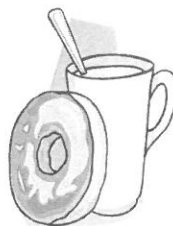
School will be in full swing in just a few short days and our school zones will be full of children trying to cross the streets. Motorists have not had to worry about slowing down in these areas for a couple of months. There are flashing lights and crossing guards in place to help remind motorists to slow down. The Evansville Police Department will also be conducting traffic details.



Please remember to watch your speed. Motorists can become distracted because they are on the phone, listening to music, or late for

work. Children cross the street without looking or at places with no crossing guards so expect the unexpected. Watch out for school buses. They give plenty of warning before coming to a complete stop. Don't try to rush around or beat the bus stop sign before it is extended. Come to a complete stop at all stop signs. You might try taking a different route to work to avoid school zones. If everyone remembers to treat every school zone like their child was crossing the street, the chances of an accident will be greatly reduced. - **Keep our children safe.**

- Lt. Monty Guenin, EPD



Coffee with a Cop
Tuesday, August 17th
5:00pm
Chick-Fil-A @ Cross Point

Check Us Out On Social Media:

Web Page: www.evansvillepolice.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EvansvillePoliceDept

Twitter: @EvansvillePD

YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/EvansvillePolice>

Web page: www.epdfoundation.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EPDFoundation

Twitter: @EPD_Foundation

Evansville Water Will Temporarily Change Disinfection

Beginning August 12 and continuing until September 9, the Evansville Water and Sewer Utility will temporarily change the disinfectant used in the water treatment process. EWSU will be using free chlorine rather than chloramines during this time period.

What is Chloramine?

Chloramine is a disinfectant used in drinking water to remove bacteria and viruses that can make you sick. It is made up of chlorine and ammonia. EWSU has used chloramines as the disinfectant in its water treatment process since 1999.

What is Free Chlorine?

Free chlorine is a slightly stronger disinfectant than chloramines, and may be used to remove more resistant bacteria and viruses that may be found in the water distribution system.

Why would the Evansville Water & Sewer Utility Convert from Chloramines to Free Chlorine?

This brief, scheduled change in disinfectant is a standard water treatment practice to keep water mains clean and free of potentially harmful bacteria throughout the year.

State drinking water guidelines recommend that utilities using chloramines periodically switch to free chlorine for a period of time. The temporary use of chlorine will ensure that a high level of disinfection is maintained throughout the network of water mains and pipes that deliver your drinking water.

Free chlorine is a more aggressive disinfectant than chloramines, and this temporary change in the water treatment process denies bacteria the ability to form resistance to the usual disinfection treatment process.

Switching to free chlorine is a proactive step to ensure that we maintain optimal levels of disinfection in the water distribution system.

As always, the drinking water will be regularly monitored to ensure that the water delivered meets, or is better than, federal Safe Drinking Water Act standards.

Why Does EWSU Use Chloramines Most of the Year?

While chlorine is an effective disinfectant, using chlorine alone creates byproducts, which are regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. We can drastically and cost-effectively reduce byproduct levels through the use of chloramines.

Chloramine is a better long-term choice because it produces lower levels of disinfectant byproducts like trihalomethanes, improves the smell and odor of water (compared to chlorine), and lasts longer in the distribution system to prevent bacterial growth.

Will I Notice a Difference in My Water?

Possibly, some customers may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water. Free chlorine may have a bit of a chemical odor or smell slightly like water in a swimming pool. Each individual customer has his or her own sensitivity level to the taste and/or odor of free chlorine. Many detect no change at all. The mild chlorine taste and smell is normal and poses no health risk.

Are Free Chlorine and Chloraminated Water Safe?

Yes, both forms of chlorine are effective and safe for people and animals for drinking, cooking and bathing, as well as watering the garden, and for all other common uses. However, precautions must be taken to remove or neutralize chloramines and free chlorine during the kidney dialysis process, in the preparation of water for fish tanks and ponds, and for businesses requiring highly processed water. A de-chlorination procedure optimized for chloramine removal will work equally well with free chlorine.

People and businesses that normally take special precautions to remove chloramines from tap water, such as dialysis centers, medical facilities and aquatic pet owners, should continue to take the same precautions during the temporary switch from chloramines to free chlorine.

Most customers will not need to take any precautions as the water remains safe to drink and is treated according to both state and federal standards.

- **Kidney Dialysis** Just like chloramines, free chlorine must be removed from water used in kidney dialysis machines. EWSU has contacted representatives from the medical community to inform them of this temporary conversion. We advise customers who are dialysis patients to call their physicians or dialysis centers if there are any questions.
- **Fish Owners** Like chloramines, free chlorine is toxic to fish. Fish owners need to remove chlorine, ammonia and chloramines from the water before use with tropical fish. Local pet stores carry water conditioners that remove chloramines and free chlorine. If customers have questions, we recommend contacting their pet store for information and detailed instructions.

EWSU is committed to providing high-quality water and related services that meet all regulatory drinking water standards in a manner that prevents pollution, enhances the environment, and promotes sustainability. If you need further information regarding this change, please contact the Utility at (812) 428-0568.

Heavy Trash Collection will take place August 24 through October 23. Residents can find their collection date at <http://www.evansvillegis.com/Trash/>

HEAVY TRASH COLLECTION GUIDELINES

ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED:

Large items including, but not limited to:

<u>Furniture</u>	<u>Appliances*</u>	<u>Electronics</u>
Sofas	Stoves	Stereos
Tables	Refrigerators	
Chairs	Washing Machines	
Mattresses	Clothes Dryers	
Box Springs	Water Heaters	

*Limit of two (2) of each appliance per household.

Carpet must be rolled in widths no longer than 4 ft. and no bigger than 2 ft. in diameter.

HEAVY TRASH PILES MUST BE MANAGEABLE.

Building Materials/Construction Debris

- Must be in trash cans, boxes, etc. and of such size that they can be reasonably lifted by two average adults.
- Containers shall be strong enough so that they do not break apart while being lifted even if they are wet.
- No concrete blocks or steel poles.
- Privacy fence sections must be cut in half or smaller manageable size.

ITEMS TO BE EXCLUDED:

- Any trash that Republic Services would pick up as part of its residential waste collection contract.
- All Automobile Parts/Batteries
- Tires
- Hazardous Materials
- Computers or Accessories
- Televisions

Heavy trash material should be placed where normal weekly pick-up is collected. All items must be set out before 6:00 AM on the scheduled day.

If heavy trash does not meet these requirements, it will not be picked up.

After your assigned day has been completed and if you feel you have been missed, you have two (2) days to call in for a possible missed scheduled pick up.

Beautiful Business is Back!

This year for our Beautiful Business awards we want to recognize and commend the neighborhoods that make an effort to be clean, green, and sustainable.

There will be two different categories: One for sustainable/eco-friendly business practices and the other for landscaping. There will be two winners from each category and we will announce the winners at our annual awards breakfast in October.

If your neighborhood association is environmentally friendly, has beautiful landscaping, or has made an effort to become cleaner and greener, please apply today! Self-nominations are encouraged. Please contact KEB to apply! (812) 425-4461 or

sroberts@keepevansvillebeautiful.org

ALL NOMINATIONS DUE AUGUST 14th!



Hot Weather Gardening Alerts!

The hot weather has been causing some unique and annoying problems in the yard and garden. Many gardeners have been complaining about tomatoes not ripening, peppers not setting fruit, and beans either not setting fruit, or growing twisted. All of this can be laid at the feet of the weather. High temperatures will cause many crops to slow their growth, and that includes fruit enlargement and ripening. Some crops, as a response to high temperatures, will stop blooming or setting fruit. Nothing can be done about this until the temperatures cool on their own.

Hot, humid weather is ideal for many fungal diseases, especially powdery mildew. There's a different powdery mildew fungus for each type of plant (the fungus that attacks lilacs cannot attack squash, etc.); however, they all behave the same way. Unlike many of the leaf spot diseases, powdery mildew does not require standing water droplets on the leaves for an infection to occur. Protect your plants by spraying with a fungicide, such as chlorothalonil (Daconil) at the first sight of symptoms.



I've had several reports of "large bees" flying low to the ground in lawn areas. Upon closer examination, these are not bees at all; instead, they are green June beetles (GJB). They are currently in a mating frenzy: the males are flying low to the ground, seeking females. After mating, the females will burrow under the soil surface and lay their eggs. GJB will not sting or bite you; however, they are clumsy flyers, and could smack into you as you go by with your lawn mower.

PROPERTY FRAUD—WHAT'S AT STAKE ?

When you think of someone robbing you, what are the first things you imagine them stealing? Your cash? Your wallet? Maybe your car? Or perhaps you think about your awesome stereo system or iPad or even your mom's silver even? What about your house? Do you think someone could steal your house? Are you picturing someone pulling up to your house in the middle of the night with a great big truck and dragging your house away while you sleep? That sounds ridiculous, and perhaps it is. Unfortunately, stealing your home and property is very possible.

Home theft is more of a crafty crime than a crime of brute force. It's done through what is often called property fraud. The IRS calls it Real Estate Fraud and the FBI calls it Mortgage Fraud. Either way, fraud is theft and your home can be stolen right out from under you without your knowledge until long after it has taken place. Like so many things, most of us like to think it will never happen to us. However, according to the FBI Financial Crimes Report 2010-2011, "Mortgage fraud SARs (Suspicious Activity Reports) have increased from 6,936 in Fiscal Year 2003 to 93,508 in Fiscal Year 2011."² You may also be interested to know that zip code 47201, Columbus, Indiana ranked 10th in the highest annual fraud risk in 2014.³ That statistic hits a little close to home doesn't it?

So, who commits these types of fraudulent activities? According to the IRS, "The perpetrators of these schemes range from mortgage brokers looking to make a fast buck to drug dealers laundering their ill-gotten gains." As for mortgage fraud, the FBI categorizes two types of mortgage fraud; fraud for profit and fraud for housing. The latter "...typically represents illegal actions conducted solely by the borrower, who is motivated to acquire and maintain ownership of a house under false pretenses...." Those are menacing words: "Ill-gotten gains" and "false pretenses." How does it actually happen?

To start with, it is important to understand that there is no specific national legislation for recording real estate documents. However, most local governments have a Recorder or Register of Deeds who record mortgages and deeds for the purpose of establishing a chain of title and for proof of ownership of a property. Unfortunately, property thieves gain access to your property through these very legal public channels; channels that are in place to protect your ownership. However, they manipulate that system by falsifying documents. Because this is not an article on "how to steal someone's home," I won't go into details as to how they alter the records. What I will tell you, though, is what you can do about it.

First, always be aware of the status of your deed. Not unlike your credit report, you need to periodically check on your property records including your mortgage. Always know where your deed is and who is holding your mortgage. Your local Recorder's office is a great place to find this information. Here in Vanderburgh County, we have public computer stations where you can search all of your records for free (including liens, powers of attorney, surveys, and other documents).

Second, contact your local Recorder about programs they have in place to aid you in protecting your property. Again, in Vanderburgh, we have a free service called Property Fraud Alert. This system is in place to notify you by phone or email anytime ANYTHING is recorded in your name. If someone attempts to record a lien against your home, you will know within 24 hours of that recording. If someone files a power of attorney or other legal document in your name, you will know. Keep in mind, this will not prevent the document from being recorded, BUT it will give you an immediate notice that something is being done with your property, and you have the chance to act promptly rather than after your house has already been transferred, sold, or well, *stolen*.

In summary, we all know that crime has always been around us and always will be. But few forms of theft will go after your biggest, and likely most valued, possession – your home. It is my hope, though, that you now feel safer knowing how you can take just a few steps to keep your property where it belongs...under your feet.

If you would like to sign up for Property Fraud Alert, please visit www.propertyfraudalert.com or contact Shannon Edwards at sedwards@vanderburghgov.org or 812-435-5215. You may also stop by the Vanderburgh County Recorder's office in the Civic Center Building, Room 231.

By: Shannon Edwards
Chief Deputy Vanderburgh County Recorder



¹ <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Real-Estate-Fraud-Investigations>

² <https://www.fbi.gov/stats-services/publications/financial-crimes-report-2010-2011/financial-crimes-report-2010-2011#Mortgage>

³ <http://mortgagefraudriskreport.com/hot-spots.htm>

EVANSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN'S ACADEMY

FALL SESSION 2015

- INFORMATION -

WHO? Anyone interested in learning about the Evansville Police Department. However the target group is ages 15 to adult. Content of some presentations may be inappropriate for younger children.

WHAT? A 10 week program offered FREE OF CHARGE to participants to build citizens' awareness of police procedures and policies.

WHEN? This Fall on Tuesdays nights from 6-9 pm.

SEPTEMBER 8—NOVEMBER 10

WHERE?

Evansville Police Department
15 NW Martin Luther King Jr Blvd.
Evansville, IN 47708

WHY? The goal of the EPD Citizen's Academy is to give members of the community an inside look at the various units of the police department and to create a better understanding and communication between citizens and police through education.

- PRESENTATIONS -

- K-9 DEMONSTRATIONS
- S.W.A.T. TEAM
- FIREARMS PROGRAM
- GANG TASK FORCE
- SEX CRIMES UNIT
- NARCOTICS UNIT
- DRUG INTERDICTION K-9
- BOMB DOG
- INTERNAL AFFAIRS
- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT
- ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WITH CHIEF, MAYOR AND PROSECUTOR
- CRIME SCENE UNIT
- RIDE-ALONG WITH MOTOR PATROL (OPTIONAL)

AND MUCH MORE!!!!

All presentations are given by officers who specialize in their area

For questions about Academy contact Debbie Baird at 812-436-4948 or dbaird@evansvillepolice.com

- REGISTRATION -

FULL LEGAL NAME:

FIRST MIDDLE LAST

DOB: SEX

ADDRESS: STREET/APT

CITY

STATE ZIP

CONTACT PHONE:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

EMPLOYER:

EMPLOYER ADDRESS:

EMPLOYER PHONE:

PLEASE READ: Your signature on this form indicates you are granting permission for the EPD to conduct a criminal history check on you prior to your participation in the Citizen's Academy. If the criminal history reveals any convictions of a criminal nature, the EPD may, at their discretion, disallow your participation in this program.

Signature:

Date:

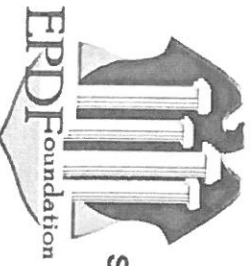
Return form to:

EVANSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
15 NW ML KING, JR. BLVD., ROOM 129

EVANSVILLE, IN 47708

Phone: 812-436-4948

FAX: 812-436-4957



Sponsored by the EPD
Foundation

- **Parks, Trees and Beautification Committee Meeting** Thursday, August 6th, 4:00pm, UNOE Office
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, August 8th, 8:00am-Noon, old Wal-mart West. For more info, call 436-7800.
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, August 15th, 8:00am-Noon, 4-H Center. For more info, call 436-7800.
- **UNOE Board Meeting** - Wednesday, August 19th, 4:00pm in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- **West Sector Meeting**— Thursday, August 20th, 6:00pm, at 401 E. Columbia St. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Office at 435-6135.
- **UNOE General Meeting**—Thursday, August 27th, 6:30pm-8:00pm at the CK Newsome Center, 100 E Walnut St.
- **UNOE Sparkplug Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, September 1st, 4:30pm in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Hulman Building.
- **Parks, Trees and Beautification Committee Meeting** Thursday, September 3rd, 4:00pm, in the UNOE Office.



Due to high water in July, the River Sweep is rescheduled for:

**SAT., Sept. 19th
8:00am-11:00am
Four Freedoms
Monument**

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET

**Tuesday afternoons 3:00-6:00pm
Friday mornings 8:00am-1:00pm**

Fruit, veggies, food, etc.

**Come see what they
have to offer!!**



FRANKLIN STREET BAZAAR

**NOW until SEPT 19th
9 AM-1 PM**

On the WEST LIBRARY LAWN

2000 W. FRANKLIN STREET

Presented by

Franklin Street Events Association

Traveling City Hall



**Wednesday, August 26th
5:30—7:00pm
Cedar Hall Community School
2100 N. Fulton Avenue**

WeTip

**1-800-78-CRIME
(1-800-782-7463)**

Report Crime Anonymously

Fitness IN THE PARK

AQUA AEROBICS

With BOB's GYM

August 8th, 9am—11am

Hartke Pool

201 N. Boeke Road

Free exercise for all ages!



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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.?

2015 UNOE Board Officers:

Carolyn Stagg, President
Hilltop Neighborhood

Chris Cooke, Sr. Vice President
Eastview Neighborhood

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Susan & Steve Harp, East Sector
Kathy & Rocky Rosa, South Sector
Jenny & Bob Thomas, West Sector

Richard Eich, Secretary
Arcadian Acres Civic Neighborhood

Rene McCormick, Treasurer
South Lincoln Park Drive NA

2015 UNOE Board of Directors:

Members At Large:

Leonard Collins, Goosetown Neighborhood
Nancy Currie, Plaza Park Neighborhood
Terri Eich, Arcadian Acres Neighborhood
David Hodges, Downtown Neighborhood
Linda Jones, CHAIN Neighborhood

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Finance - Fred Padget, WIA
Government - Chris Cooke, Eastview NA
Parks/Trees/ Beatification - Susan Harp, Oakhill NA
Personnel - Bill Currie, Plaza Park NA
Pub. Rel./Marketing - Melanie Stagg, Western Terrace NA
Technology - Brent Jackson, Presidents NA
Zoning - Fred Padget, WIA



GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, August 27, 2015
6:30-8:00pm, CK Newsome Center
Program:

"Progress of Digitalizing Records Back to 1818"
Shannon Edwards, Vanderburgh County Chief Recorder

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Anonymously