

Gearing Up for RNNC 2017!

UNOE and the Department of Metropolitan Development are hard at work planning the Regional Neighborhood Network Conference, coming up October 5th, 6th and 7th at the Old National Events Plaza! Currently we are planning our workshops and looking for sponsorship opportunities.

Please visit <u>www.rnnc2017.com</u> for more information. We have electronic forms for our workshop presenters as well as printable forms that can be mailed to the UNOE office or dropped off. We also have sponsorship contracts available online and at the office.

We will also need many volunteers for this event! Be thinking about how you'd like to help out. Many of you have already volunteered to help and we thank you for that.

If you know someone who would make a great workshop presenter or would be interested in sponsorship, please let them know about this excellent opportunity!



For more information WWW.rnnc2017.com Email: kmckinney@unoevansville.org bjackson@unoevansville.org

Sponsor Follow the **Regional Neighborhood RNNC 2017!** Network Conference Wanted on Facebook! Golden RNNC Platinum www.facebook.com/ Neighborhood **RNNConference** 2017 Community \$5,000 Workshop Follow #rnnc2017 on social media for Presenters updates. Bronze Silver Brick We'll be posting to the House UNOE Instagram and \$500 \$1,000 Twitter too!

From the President

My God! Look at all of those cameras!

Last month, I took the opportunity to introduce myself to you. I want to expand on that introduction a bit. Growing up in Evansville, I attended a Southern Baptist church which ingrained into me the fear of God at an early age. Fire, brimstone, and revivals were all a part of my youth. I was taught that upon my death, I would stand trial with God himself presiding over it. That all of my sins would be played out before my own eyes, like watching my life on the big screen in a movie theater. God as my judge, I would be condemned to hell for all eternity or I would be granted a pass into the celestial Heaven. Today, I am still praying for option #2.



Now, if you know me, you know that I don't go around preaching the word of God to everyone. You might even be surprised to be reading a piece from me talking about the

word of God here and now in this publication. You might even be wondering what this has to do with UNOE or presiding over it, but just bear with me. I learned early on in life that not everyone fears God. And the ratio of the nonbelievers over believers seems to grow every year. Nonetheless, I have additionally discovered that people who do bad things fear being recorded on video cameras. They don't fear God, they fear video cameras? What a revelation it was to me. The number of people and ratio of people who fear being recorded seems to be growing at the same rate as those who no longer fear God. Maybe it's just my perception? I digress and I will stand down from my pulpit.

In my own life in my own neighborhood, here in Evansville on the Southeast side of town, I have suffered through many break-ins, vandalisms, and thefts over the last couple of decades. I had some ideas of who might be vandalizing my home and who was breaking into my garage and stealing some of the nice lawn and garden equipment, but had no proof. So, I started placing security cameras up around my house. Some of my neighbors noticed me doing this and the bad neighbors started mocking me. I call them "bad neighbors" because I always seemed to have trouble out of them. Noisy, up all night, sleep all day, and seemingly no job? But, that's none of my business.... They very well could have been the vandals and thieves that I sought, or maybe it was the kind of friends they attracted? This group of bad neighbors had clustered out in the middle of the street adjacent to my house while I was installing my security cameras on one Saturday afternoon. They were calling me names, mocking me, and used the opportunity to cast me as the freak in the neighborhood. They tried to demonize me for playing the role of "Big Brother." The first day/ week the cameras were installed, some of them took turns walking up to one of the cameras and flying the birdie! Ha!

That was 7 years ago. Today, all of the aforementioned "bad neighbors" moved out of the neighborhood within a few months of placing my cameras up. I didn't turn any of them in for anything that they had done, just the threat of having the cameras around seemed to do the job. The noise died down and the midnight (drug?) traffic seemed to disappear. Today, I get a knock on the door every few months from my "good neighbors" wanting to look at my videos to determine who vandalized their car or who stole their yard ornament last night. When new neighbors move into the neighborhood, word usually gets out pretty fast that they are being recorded 24/7 by the "Neighborhood President." The neighborhood kids know it too and when there is a fight or an incident, it's amazing how truthful kids can be when they know I have everything on camera. The best thing about having security cameras is never needing to really go look at them. Just their presences are a game changer in a neighborhood.

Using these cameras in this fashion as a private citizen, I'm not playing the role of Big Brother, I am your neighbor, simply seeking a piece of mind. I will leave you this month with my own favorite quote, "If you go through life believing that you are being recorded by God's camera, then you should fear no other camera that comes before you."

God Bless!

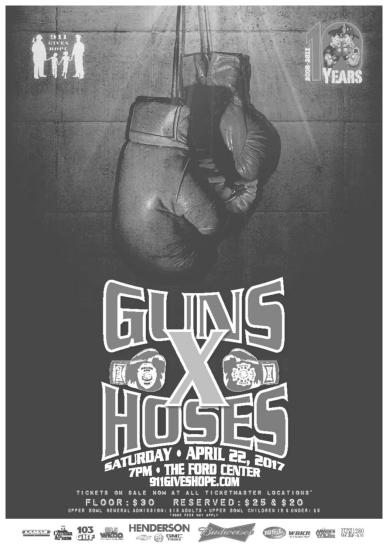
Brent Jackson President

Uniting Evansville



An evening of conversation among citizens and Police Officers of the Evansville Police Department

> 4/5/2017 6:30pm @ CK Newsome Center 100 Walnut Street Evansville, IN 47713



Summer Food Service Program

is a creation of and funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and is administered by the Indiana Department of Education. Previously schools were targeted as summer feeding sites, but recently there has been a decline in participation.

Therefore, the Indiana DOE is currently seeking alternate sites such as libraries (summer reading), sports camps, or churches (Vacation Bible School). Anyplace where kids gather in the summer could be eligible for summer feeding. Tri-State Food Bank is looking for alternate sites to sponsor SFSP 2017. If you have an area or site that can be used this summer, please contact the Tri-State Food Bank at 812-425-0775.

Many thanks.

Kathy Hollenbacher, Coordinator Child Hunger & Outreach Program





There are several neighborhood associations who have not turned in their UNOE membership paperwork.

PLEASE TURN IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Without current information, we cannot relay information to the correct people in the neighborhoods. We also want to get you registered with the city\county for 2017. If you need help, please contact the office.

SAFETY TIPS FROM THE EVANSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT



Frequently Asked Questions About Carbon Monoxide

1) WHAT IS CARBON MONOXIDE (CO)?

- Carbon Monoxide is a colorless, odorless and tasteless poison gas that can be fatal when inhaled.
- It is sometimes called the "silent killer."
- CO inhibits the blood's capacity to carry oxygen.
- CO can be produced when burning fuels such as gasoline, propane, natural gas, oil or wood.
- CO is the product of incomplete combustion. If you have fire, you have CO.

2) WHERE DOES CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) COME FROM?

- Any fuel-burning appliance that is malfunctioning or improperly installed.
- Furnaces, gas range/stove, gas clothes dryer, water heater, portable fuel-burning space heaters, fireplaces, generators and wood burning stoves.
- Vehicles, generators and other combustion engines running in an attached garage.
- Blocked chimney or flue.
- Operating a grill in an enclosed space.

3) WHAT ARE CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) POISONING SYMPTOMS?

• Initial symptoms are similar to the flu without a fever and can include dizziness, severe headaches, nausea, sleepiness, fatigue/weakness and disorientation/confusion.

4) WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) EXPOSURE?

- Common Mild Exposure Slight headache, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, flu-like symptoms.
- Common Medium Exposure Throbbing headache, drowsiness, confusion, fast heart rate.
- Common Extreme Exposure Convulsions, unconsciousness, brain damage, heart and lung failure followed by death.
- If you experience even mild CO poisoning symptoms, immediately consult a physician!

5) ARE THERE ANY STEPS I CAN TAKE TO PREVENT CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) POISONING?

- Properly equip your home with carbon monoxide alarms on every level and in sleeping areas.
- Never use a gas range/stove to heat the home.
- Never leave your car idling in a closed garage or use fuel-powered appliances or tools in enclosed, attached areas such as garages or porches. Carbon monoxide can seep into your home through vents and doors.

6) DO I NEED A CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARM? WHERE SHOULD IT BE INSTALLED?

- Every home with at least one fuel-burning appliance/heater, attached garage or fireplace should have a carbon monoxide alarm.
- An alarm should be installed on every level of the home and in sleeping areas.
- Place the alarm at least 15 feet away from fuel-burning appliances.



Coffee with a Cop

Tues., March 21st 7-9 am Chick-Fil-A Cross Pointe

Mayor's Traveling City Hall Program



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Wednesday, March 22nd 5:30-7:00pm

U of E Campus, Ridgeway Center Eykamp Hall, Room 252

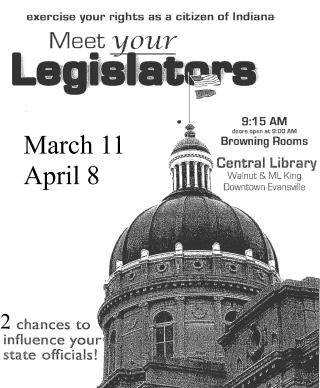
Program will be on Bike Sharing.





National Night Out

It will be on August 1, 2017 at Wesselman's Park from 6-8:30pm. We are making plans now. Please put the date on your calendar!



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United Neighborhoods of Evansville Mission Statement

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

DATES TO REMEMBER !

- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, March 4th, 8:00am-Noon, old Wal-mart West. More information, call Solid Waste Management at 812-436-7800.
- South Sector Meeting—Thursday, March 9th, 6:00pm at CK Newsome Center.
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, March 11th, 8:00am-Noon, 4-H Center. More information, call Solid Waste Management at 812-436-7800.
- UNOE Finance Committee Meeting—Tuesday, March 14th, 9:30am in the UNOE office.
- UNOE Board Meeting—Wednesday, March 15th, 4:00pm, Third Floor Conference Room, Hulman Bldg.
- West Sector Meeting—Thursday, March 16th, 6:00pm at the CPU Office, 401 E. Columbia St
- **East Sector Meeting**—Tuesday, March 21st, 6:00pm at McGary School.
- UNOE General Meeting— Thursday, March 23rd, 6:30pm at the CK Newsome Center. Program: To Be Announced

