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PUT SOME SWAG IN THE RNNC TOTE BAG !

The RNNC Swag Bag Committee has started the process of purchasing and filling the RNNC 2017 Swag Bags to be passed out at registration.

The Committee is looking for sponsors for the following items:

Tote Bag—Sponsorship—\$1,500.00

One color imprint on back of bag of sponsor's logo/name

USB Wall Charger— Sponsorship—\$950.00

one color imprint w/ sponsor's name/logo

We are also looking for candy, snacks, or any other items that may be donated for the bags. We are looking at approx. 400 attendees so we would like 400 of each item if possible.

Please contact Janice at 812-428-4243 or jricketts@unoevansville.org if you can help.



Gearing Up for RNNC Volunteers— We Need You!

Committees are being formed and volunteers are being put in place.

To register as a volunteer, please contact:

Kolbi Jackson

Community Development Specialist

Department of Metropolitan Development

812-436-7808

kkjackson@evansville.in.gov

For more information,
go to

www.rnnc2017.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

**22ND ANNUAL SPARKPLUG
RECOGNITION BANQUET
IS THURS., OCTOBER 26TH,
TROPICANA EXECUTIVE
CONFERENCE CENTER**



From the President

Getting Inside the Millennial Mindset and the Change of Venue



A new element in the community is eluding many of our neighborhoods and community outreach forums alike. Younger faces seem to be missing from many of our forward facing, in person meetings, and some in the community are taking note of it. Millennials have become the target subset group of people in the community that many community leaders are seeking input. I was asked this question in a Promise Zone meeting last month. Where are the Millennials? Their absence may be due to a change of mindset. Social Media and new technologies are playing a key role in changing the traditional meeting grounds of yesteryear. Millennials are taking to Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, Google & Yahoo Groups, and several other tools of technology to get their information out and to “become active” in the community. They are everywhere in cyberspace, but often appear to be nowhere in real life.

From my observations in the community, the mindset of the Millennials includes the idea that face to face, in person meetings are things of the past; that they would rather meet online or through some virtual environment to achieve the same goals. Millennials are task (or project) driven and prefer to often skip over the more menial planning and prep tasks of community projects. They just want to show up on game day, donate time and energy to a project, and then move on. Millennials want to know that their efforts are valued and that they are appreciated. If they feel as though they are unnoticed, they may become disengaged. Millennials may come off as unmotivated; however, they would rather do things on their own terms, often their own way. This doesn’t mean that associations need to completely change their initiatives, but rather provide more options. I know some of these are just generalizations that I am making about millennials, but I know many would agree with me on my perceptions about them. I have heard some neighborhood leaders tell me that the older generations are more responsive to mailed newsletters than to social media or emails. Many of the older generations do not participate in social media outlets or have an email address. Conversely, many of the older generations that I have spoken with are also resolved to “never needing an email address”. How many times have I heard my older neighbors in my own neighborhood tell me, “I am XX years old and I have never needed an email address in the past, and I am not starting now!” Oh my! What exacerbates the problem is the older generations with the strongly held belief and convictions that newsletters must be mailed through the post office (or hand delivered) for their inclusive participation into the neighborhood is also dying with them.

Email, Facebook Groups, Nextdoor.com, and other social media outlets are becoming the norm in getting the word out for many neighborhoods. There are some neighborhoods that have hundreds and even thousands of active online members. They are sharing yard sale, block party events, and neighborhood babysitter ads. Missing cats, dogs, and bikes are being found faster and returned to their owners often in the same day! Videos of criminal activity from security systems are being shared and passed around. Evidence trails are often being established as neighbors share their experiences online. I have seen conversations going in my neighborhood group at 2:30am between neighbors that heard shots fired and were discussing what direction they came from. A lot of collaboration is going on among the neighborhoods online these days that’s never been seen before. And it is becoming the new meeting venue!

Social media is here to stay and a few neighborhood associations are being forced to choose between catering to their older, often more reliable people, or their younger generations, often busier and preoccupied, OR trying to do a mixture of both generations and cater to both age groups. The aging baby boomers and older neighborhood leaders are putting the torch down, or dying off causing some neighborhoods to evolve, go dark, merge, or go completely online to survive. It’s different from neighborhood to neighborhood of what’s going on in Evansville and what each neighborhood is deciding to do to address the evolving membership changes and demands. In next month’s newsletter, I will have a special message regarding other NEW resources that may be available for neighborhoods to grow and evolve with these generational changes. Till then, God Bless!

THE EVANSVILLE AREA TRAILS COALITION, JACOBSVILLE JOIN IN! & DEACONESS PRESENT



SATURDAY • MAY 20 • GARVIN PARK • 11AM – 4PM

GAMES! SPORTS! FUN!

Canoing • Water Zorbs • Bicycling • Roller Skating • Evansville Pedicab
Bubbles Fest • Inflatables • Games • Line Dancing • The Awesome Parade
STAY FOR THE OTTERS GAME • 5PM AT BOSSE FIELD

FOOD TRUCKS! ARTS & CRAFTS!

Register to WIN one of 6 BICYCLES from Patchwork's Bike Shop

#GoPlay



LIVE MUSIC!

Boom Squad • Patriotic Soul Band • River City Revue Band • Soundproof Quartet

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WorkOne Southwest Youth Program

“WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT”

WorkOne Southwest assists young people, ages 16-24, who are struggling with education and/or employment by providing resources and support to reach their employment goals. **Employment Specialists** are available to help youth - obtain their high school equivalency, explore careers, prepare for interviews and employment, or prepare for college. **Funding \$\$ is also available** to help eligible youth with post-secondary education expenses or short-term training such as: Welding; Dental Assisting; Industrial Technology; Pharmacy Tech; Certified Nursing Assistant; Heavy Equipment Operator; CDL-Truck Driver and many more. Participants will also have access to **Hiring Events and Job Fairs, Career Exploration opportunities (can be paid \$\$\$), online trainings** and college visits.

To move on with your training and employment plans, please contact:

Nancy Schroering at (812) 827-1917 or **Jennifer Smith** at (270) 293-2461.

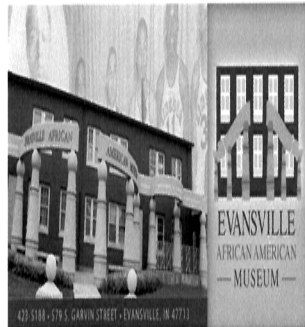
OPPORTUNITY

Program offers:

- Assistance with completing the high school equivalency test (TASC)
- One-on-one personal counseling; career exploration and career planning
- Workshops that focus on employability skills- interview skills, resume writing
- Work Experience – a paid opportunity to work for a local company and learn from professionals in the field and build a work history
- Assistance in developing a professional resume
- Information on local hiring events and job fairs
- Tuition assistance for short term training in demand occupations



Mission Statement:
Diverse Servant Leaders Transforming Community



Evansville African American Museum Visioning

Tuesday May 16, 2017	Saturday, May 13, 2017
5:30 pm Refreshments	1:30 pm Refreshments
Session 6:00 – 8:00 pm	Session 2:00 – 4:00 pm
C. K. Newsome Center	Central Library
100 E Walnut St.	Browning Room
	200 SE MLK, Jr. Blvd

RSVP: 812-423-5188 or lporter@evansvilleaamuseum.org

As the Evansville African American Museum celebrates its 10th Anniversary of opening their doors to share, preserve and celebrate the African American experience and culture with the Evansville community and the Tri-State region, we invite you to share your voice to help shape its future. On Saturday, May 13th and Tuesday, May 16th, with the help of Leadership Evansville and volunteers, EAAM will bring together all members of our community in facilitator-led group discussions to capture, draw out, and carry forward a broad range of ideas and visions for our future. These sessions allow for fun and inspiring conversations about the hopes and dreams we have for the Museum, our neighborhood, and our community. We will ensure that all opinions will be shared, documented, and made available to the public. This is a chance for you to take part in creating a desired future for the Museum. It takes all of us!

Leadership Evansville



The Annual	Youth Leadership Program	40 th Anniversary Celebration
Tropicana	The Barn Abbey, New Harmony	Haynie's Art District
7:30 am	June 13-15	5-9 pm
Tuesday, May 23		Saturday, October 14

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Spring Safety Tips from the Evansville Fire Department

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With spring comes a feeling of renewal. Families everywhere begin cleaning out their basements and garages. Windows are opened, flowers bloom and the days grow longer. This is a good time to review a safety check list for your home.

Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms save lives. You should test them monthly and replace the battery at least once a year, according to the National Fire Protection Association. If the alarm makes a "chirping" sound, replace it immediately. Smoke alarms should be located in every bedroom and in the common areas on each floor of a home. Mount them at least 10 feet from the stove to reduce false alarms, less than 12 inches from the ceiling and away from windows, doors and ducts.

Three out of every five home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms, according to NFPA.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Carbon monoxide (CO) is an invisible, odorless gas, and it can kill you. Anything in the home that burns fuel can potentially become a source of carbon monoxide. CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each bedroom and on every level of the home. The safety tips for CO detectors mirror those of smoke alarms: change the batteries and test them.

Family Emergency Plan

Spring is a great time to review your plan with family members to make sure they know what to do. The emergency plan should include:

- A communications plan as to how your family members will contact one another if they are not in the same place and where you should meet if it's safe to go outside

- A shelter-in-place plan if outside air is contaminated; FEMA recommends sealing windows, doors and air vents with plastic sheeting


- A getaway plan including various routes and destinations in different directions

Have a home and car emergency kit. The Federal Emergency Management Agency says an emergency kit should include one gallon per day of water for each person, at least a three-day supply of food, flashlight and batteries, first aid kit, filter mask, plastic sheeting and duct tape, and medicines. Visit the FEMA website for a complete list.

What Else Should You Do This Spring?


NSC recommends you take unwanted or expired medicines to a prescription drop box or take-back event near you, update your first-aid kit and, most of all, get outside and have fun!





SATURDAY, MAY 20

2017 EPDF SWAT CHALLENGE

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EPD FOUNDATION SWAT CHALLENGE



5K OBSTACLE COURSE IN DOWNTOWN EVANSVILLE, INDIANA
Open to ANY ONE, ANY AGE, who is ready for a challenge!
For information and registration - www.epdfoundation.org



US 41 Bridges and Pavement Rehabilitation

Project Limits:

- Projects located from just south of the US 41/I-69 Interchange in Evansville, IN to just north of Stratman Road in Henderson, KY

Preliminary Project Schedule:

- May 8, 2017 Project Begins
- May 2017 Installation of Temporary Bridge & Shoulder Widening Southbound Lanes
- June 2017 Traffic Camera Installation
- Mid July 2017 Southbound Main Span Work Begins (Right Lane)
Traffic shift to 3 lanes on northbound Main Span, 35 M.P.H. limits, No Trucks
- Late August 2017 Southbound Main Span Work Continues (Left Lane)
- October 2017 Southbound Main Span Work Complete
Lift Traffic Restrictions on Main Spans
Complete Temporary Bridge & Shoulder Widening Southbound Lanes
Traffic shift to 4 lanes on northbound side of road
- Nov 2017-Dec 2018 Construct Northbound US 41 (address all northbound Bridges)
Traffic shift to 4 lanes on southbound side of road
- Jan-July 2019 Construct Southbound US 41 (address all southbound Bridges)
Traffic shift to return to normal traffic patterns
- August 2019 Remove Temporary Bridge
- October 2019 Project Complete

Bridge Locations:

- North and Southbound Eagle Creek Bridges – south of the US 41 and I-69 Interchange
- North and Southbound Ohio River Overflow Bridges
- North and Southbound Cheatam Slough Bridges
- Ohio River Bridges – Southbound Main Span Only

Driver Information:

- Except for periodic nighttime closures, lane shifts will allow two lanes to remain open in each direction during construction.
- Wide and heavy load trucks to be detoured.
- No left turns between Waterworks Road and Shawnee Drive for both north and southbound lanes.

Stay informed:

- INDOT will be providing project updates through traditional and social media. Information can also be found on the project website at <http://FixFor41.indot.in.gov>.

INDOT Vincennes District Customer Service Center at (800) 279-5758 or swincommunications@indot.in.gov.



General Announcements

Coffee with a Cop



Tues., May 23rd
7:00-9:00 am

Donut Bank
St. Joe Ave Location



Don't Forget

**Take Pictures Of Your
Neighborhood Assn.
Activities!**

Mayor's Traveling City Hall Program



Wednesday, May 24th

5:30-7:00pm

The Potter's Wheel
333 Jefferson Ave.

Program:
**Soda Blaster Graffiti
Removal Demo,**
Kool-Aid with a Cop

Save the Date!

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!

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAYS

May 4 & 5, 10 am – 4 pm
May 6, 8 am- 12 noon

C&I Electronics,
1700 N Lafayette,
812-423-9166

Fee charged - TVs \$20 each/
Projection TVs \$40 each

RESTORING PRIDE
Let's work together to make Evansville a better place to live.

Please join
EVANSVILLE MAYOR LLOYD WINNECKE
for
CLEAN Evansville

Howell Park • 1015 S. Barker Ave.
Saturday, May 6th, 2017 • 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Trash Bags and Gloves Provided



To Volunteer For a Team:
Call Keep Evansville Beautiful • 812-425-4461
Evansville Parks and Recreation • 812-435-6164

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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, May 6th, 8:00am-Noon, old Wal-mart West. More information, call Solid Waste Management at 812-436-7800.
- **UNOE Finance Committee Meeting**—Tuesday, March 9th, 9:30am in the UNOE office.
- **South Sector Meeting**—Thursday, May 11th, 6:00pm at CK Newsome Center.
- **Recycle Day**—Saturday, May 13th, 8:00am-Noon, Evansville Day School. More information, call Solid Waste Management at 812-436-7800.
- **East Sector Meeting**—Tuesday, May 16th, 6:00pm at McGary School.
- **UNOE Board Meeting**—Wednesday, May 17th, 4:00pm, Third Floor Conference Room, Hulman Bldg.
- **West Sector Meeting**—Thursday, May 18th, 6:00pm at the CPU Office, 401 E. Columbia St.

**UNOE General Meeting—Thursday, May 25th, 6:30pm
at the CK Newsome Center**

Program: “Who Owns That?”

Jay Young, Investigative/Data Editor, Courierpress

Recycle Day—Saturday, June 3rd, 8:00am-Noon, 4-H Center. More information, call Solid Waste Management at 812-436-7800.
