

Neighbor to Neighbor

United Neighborhoods of Evansville



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Neighborhood Associations
Working Together
to Preserve,
Enhance
and Promote
the Evansville and
Area Neighborhoods

Parks, Trees and Beautification & Your Neighborhood

- ◆ Does your Neighborhood Association have a park within your boundaries?
- ◆ Have any of your members ever expressed concern about the trees in your neighborhood?
- ◆ Have conversations about the effect of litter, clogged storm drain inlets and/or yard waste in the streets ever been a part of your meeting discussions?

If you or other members of your neighborhood can say "yes" to any of those questions above, did you know there's a team that addresses such concerns on the **first Thursday** of each month from **March to November**?



Parks, Trees & Beautification Committee

UNOE's team called the **Parks, Trees & Beautification Committee** (PT&B) exists 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.

The PT&B committee meetings are always open for input/concerns from all neighborhoods or individual neighbors. This team serves as a forum to address and seek resolutions for the input/concerns about the environment in our community.

INTERESTED IN TREES?

This team seeks to enhance the neighborhoods by education the public about proper tree care and other pertinent tree information. Its work also includes assisting the neighborhoods that have tree concerns.

INTERESTED IN PARKS?

The team educates neighborhoods on how to keep **YOUR** parks in good condition and how you can generate more *neighborhood pride* in **YOUR** park. It also provides a forum for your neighborhood to request improvements, wants and needs for your neighborhood parks.

INTERESTED IN BEAUTIFICATION?

The team promotes a sense of self-pride within the community and neighborhoods which will ensure a cleaner and greener community. In addition, this group educates neighbors of all ages on how you can improve your environment through plantings, cleanups and other *green* practices.

Come to the 2020 meetings and reap the benefits of working together to improve the parks, trees and beauty of your neighborhood and our community.

**Parks, Trees & Beautification
Committee Meeting
Thurs., March 5, 2020
4:00pm**

**EVPL Annex, Training Room
320 SE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd**

Parking available in the Annex lot at the corner of Cherry & ML King Jr Blvd.

Enter through the back door, facing Taylor's Body Shop.

Your Leaders for 2020 — Election Results, Continuing Terms & Committee Appointments

Those Elected for Feb. 2020 – Jan. 2021

During our January General Meeting, your UNOE Representatives voted for the officers and members at-large who'll lead UNOE this year.

As **Board President**, **Cathy Davidson**, is entrusted with the oversight of the administration of UNOE. You'll see Cathy facilitating General Membership Meetings and meetings of the Board of Directors. When requested by the Board and/or General Membership, she will be UNOE's representative in community venues and with media interviews. With the exception of the Nominating Committee, the President serves as an ex-officio member of all other committees and is notified of all meetings. Cathy will have the opportunity to appoint up to four community advisory members in February each year for a one-year term and will be available as one of two required signatures on all checks for expenditures. Another one of her roles is to appoint or confirm the Chairs of UNOE's various committees and teams. Cathy is also an officer with **Tepe Park** Neighborhood Association.

Sara Anne Corrigan, our new **Sr. Vice-President**, will act as president during absences and represent UNOE at meetings as directed by the President and/or Board of Directors. She will also facilitate the planning of the annual Sparkplug Recognition Banquet and coordinate UNOE's membership recruitment efforts. She will also be available as one of two required signatures on all checks. Sara is the President of **University South** Neighborhood Association.

Those elected to the new position of **Senior Liaison** will mentor Board Members At-Large, represent UNOE at community events, and serve as a member of a committee. These leaders are...

Brent Jackson—Presidents NA,
Lucy Williams—Glenwood NA and
Larry Samples—resident of the WIA area and has joined **Diamond-Stringtown, Eastview, Jacobsville, Poplar Grove, Reitz Hill, Ross Center, Timber Park and Westside Improvement.**

Those from among member Neighborhoods who were voted in as **Members At-Large** include...

Leonard Collins—Goosetown
Rita (Katie) Coomes—Indian Woods/Windsong,
Pam Grewe—South Dexter
Derek Russ—Lorraine Park
Lindsey Schenk—Helfrich

Those Continuing Their Terms

S. Mercedes Arredondo continues her term as **Treasurer** as she oversees an accurate, up-to-date account of the organization's finances. With the help of UNOE office staff and the Finance Committee, she provides a written monthly report to the Board of Directors and the General Membership as well as making financial recommendations to the Board of Directors, including assistance with the preparation and submission of the annual budget. Mercedes is also available as one of two required signatures on all checks. She is a member of the **University South** Neighborhood Association.

Linda Jones continues as UNOE's **Secretary**. She assures the maintenance of the records of UNOE, including minutes of the Board of Directors and the General Meetings, per the approved record retention policy of UNOE. Linda also serves in leadership roles with **CHAIN**.

All **Regional Vice-Presidents** have one more year in their current term of attending as many meetings as possible of their sector's Neighborhood Associations, promoting new Neighborhoods, participating with larger projects such as neighborhood cleanups, Traveling City Halls, and working with the city on projects and activities to help their sector's neighborhoods and the city/county region. Those serving in these roles by sector, with their own Neighborhoods noted are
East: Steve & Susan Harp—Oak Hill;
West: Bob & Jenny Thomas—Diamond-Stringtown.

South: This position is open and will be filled through a special election at the next General Meeting.

As **Immediate Past President**, **Dave Ballew** will advise the officers on past decisions of the Board as appropriate and may perform other duties as requested by the President and/or Board of Directors.

Each member supports UNOE's mission statement within the general community: *Neighborhood Associations working together to preserve, enhance and promote the Evansville and area Neighborhoods.*

Your UNOE Board of Directors are volunteer leaders and members of their own Neighborhood Associations, serving alongside you to better our community.

Source: Adapted from the UNOE By-Laws

From the UNOE IT/Technology Team



With the turn of the year behind us, it can be a gentle reminder that we're all getting older and sometimes a bit more forgetful. One way to start this year off on a good foot can be to do yourself a favor: change your passwords. Do we mean those passwords that you have not changed in several years? Yeah, those!

Fraud and phishing attempts occurring daily in the U.S. is unprecedented today. Let's do what we can to win the war against cyber thieves.

Arbitrarily changing passwords occasionally is a best practice. This small action may protect you from hackers and crackers who are seeking to steal from you and your business.

So, here's a first step you can do on your PC or laptop. On your keyboard, press ctrl + alt + del together, and then click on "Change Password." Go through the steps to change your password. It's easy! Remember to record your new password in a safe place (where you'll remember to look when needed).

We recommend that the same be done on any server, online account or other password-protected account, such as QuickBooks, Wi-Fi, Network passwords, email, etc. Any password that has not changed in the last six months is a good candidate to be changed. This simple task can help secure you for 2020!

(Source: Brent Jackson, Member of UNOE's IT/Technology Team & President of Presidents Neighborhood Association)

Coffee with a Cop



Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation



**Tue., Feb. 18
7:00 - 9:00am
Donut Bank
Washington Ave.**

The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve by removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and to get to know each other as people.

Building relationships. One cup at a time.

Help a Fellow Neighborhood Association

Bellemeade Bayard Park NA has been collecting **plastic lids and bottle caps** for a few months. They are saving these in order to eventually have benches made.



If your neighborhood would like to contribute to their projects, **the EVPL East Branch Library is their primary collection site.** The library branch's hours are 10am-6pm Mon.-Wed. and 10am-5pm Fri.-Sat. (closed Thu. & Sun.).

More Info: Contact Stephanie Gibson, BBPNA President 812-459-9644

Ever wondered about this process?
Check out this video on YouTube:

From Caps to Benches - Green Tree Plastics LLC
https://youtu.be/_6SzcFXtUU

Vanderburgh County Recycling

RECYCLE DAY

Saturday, February 8, 2020

8:00am—12:00 noon

4551 University Dr

(old Walmart west)

ITEMS TO BRING

****ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN & SORTED****

- Aluminum Cans
- Steel Cans
- Cardboard
- Newspaper
- Junk Mail
- Catalogs/Magazines
- #1-#7 Plastic Containers
- Bagged Shredded Paper

****NO GLASS, STYROFOAM OR PLASTIC BAGS****



Upcoming Recycle Days

February 15, 2020

4-H Center

200 E Boonville-New Harmony Rd

Vanderburgh County Households Only
FOR INFO, CONTACT THE SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
812-436-7800 | www.evansville.in.gov/recycle

Connect with the EFD

The Evansville Fire Department has assigned a new representative to UNOE. Many of you met him at the January General Meeting:



Kevin Shelley

Deputy Fire Marshal & Public Fire Safety Educator
Fire & Life Safety Educator I
Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist
Office: 550 SE 8th St
Desk: 812-436-4427
Mobile: 812-568-9486
kshelley@evansvillefiredepartment.com

Kevin has set a goal to attend at least one meeting for each Neighborhood each year. He'll be reaching out to NA leaders to set dates. Feel free to contact him as concerns arise as well.

We wish Mike Doran the best in his other duties & have appreciated his partnership with UNOE. Thanks so much, Mike!

Speaker Resource

Looking for a speaker for a Neighborhood Association meeting?



SWAT Pest Management provides educational programs to schools, clubs and civic organizations free of charge.

If these topics would interest your members, find contact information below.

- Pest control basics
- Identifying different insects/pests
- Q&A regarding pest control

CONTACT: Matt Pressley 812-760-0742
matthew@swatpest.com

Exercise with the Mayor

Sat., Feb. 15, 2020
9:00-10:00am
CK Newsome
Community Center
100 Walnut



Program: Zumba
More Info: 812-435-6162

Report Crime Anonymously



1-800-78-CRIME

or online at <https://wetip.com/submit-anonymous-tip-2/>

Tree Advisory Board Meetings

The Evansville Tree Advisory Board handles permits for pruning or removal of trees on public property. Those that remove or prune trees without a permit are subject to fines. The Evansville Tree Pruner's Licensing program is the responsibility of the board, which helps increase professionalism of tree work in the community and reduce topping and other unprofessional tree work activities.

The board consults with other government bodies regarding tree work on public properties in the city and makes recommendations for tree removals in public areas for safety, and tree plantings and species for public areas for sustainability and increase canopy cover. They also work with nonprofits and other organizations to improve the health of the community by assisting with tree planting efforts. The board seeks input from the public for tree-related issues throughout the city and advises residents on the concerns brought forth.

Questions and input from the public are welcome. Meetings are recorded, broadcasted live and archived meetings can be viewed online via AccessEvv.

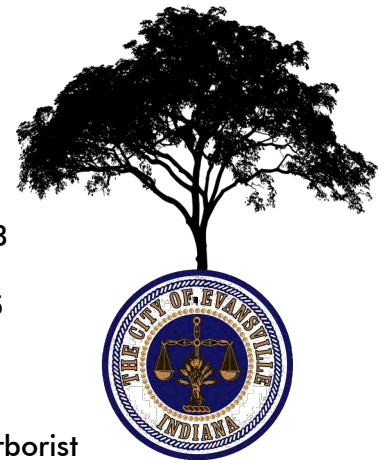
2020 MEETING DATES

**8am in Room 307
Civic Center**

January 2	July 2
February 6	August 6
March 5	September 3
April 2	October 1
May 7	November 5
June 4	December 3

CONTACT:

Shawn Dickerson, City Arborist
(812) 436-5752 sdickerson@evansville.in.gov



Metro Planning Organization



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Feb 13 Mar 12
Civic Center Complex

10:00am—**Technical Committee**, Room 318
4:00pm—**Policy Committee**, Room 301

Learn more at www.evansvillempo.com

Dates Updated for Summer Program

Shortly after the **Splash into Summer** dates were published in the January newsletter, we received the list of updated dates noted below. Please adjust your calendars for the 2020 Pool Cookouts.



Splash into Summer

Donation Day
Fri., May 29, 2020
6:00am—6:00pm
Walmart East & West

Pool Cookouts

June 13	Helfrich Pool
June 20	Lorraine Pool
June 27	Rochelle Landers Pool
July 11	Hartke Pool
July 18	Mosby Pool

More Info
812-435-6141
dpr@evansville.in.gov

2020 Membership Packets

The 2020 UNOE Membership packets were mailed and emailed last month. If your neighborhood leaders haven't received a packet, please contact the office. Or, the entire packet can be downloaded from our website on the Membership page:

www.unoevansville.org/membership

Be sure to fill out all paperwork, sign the Registration Form and return the required forms (including any changed bylaws or maps) to the UNOE office by Mon., March 2, 2020.

Meet with City Officials



Traveling City Hall

**Wed., Feb. 26, 2020
5:30—6:30pm**

The Mayor and city department heads will be present to talk one-on-one with citizens about any issue involving local government.

Check the "Upcoming Events" section of the City of Evansville website for more information
www.evansville.in.gov

Survey Tool & Resources Available

Has your Neighborhood Association ever wondered about the interests, experience, strengths or other traits and/or opinions of your neighbors? Have you considered conducting a survey or asset mapping?

For 2020, UNOE has access to SurveyMonkey.com, through which your questions can be designed into a survey for your use within your neighborhood. Your residents would be able to take the survey online or in print. Someone from your NA could enter the responses on paper through the online link. Then, UNOE can pull the results into a report that would provide you with graphs, statistics and a summary of the responses.

In addition, if you'd like to learn a bit about best practices in writing survey questions, we've been in contact with some staff from USI who are willing to offer some basic tips on creating great surveys.

Contact the office if this idea interests your neighborhood association: 812-428-4243 or office@unoevansville.org.

Clean with the Mayor



Please join
EVANSVILLE MAYOR LLOYD WINNECKE
for
CLEAN Evansville

First Avenue and Mill Road
Saturday, February 1, 2020 • 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Trash Bags and Gloves Provided

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

CLEAN Evansville
A Community Partnership to Keep Evansville Beautiful

KEEP EVANSVILLE BEAUTIFUL

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

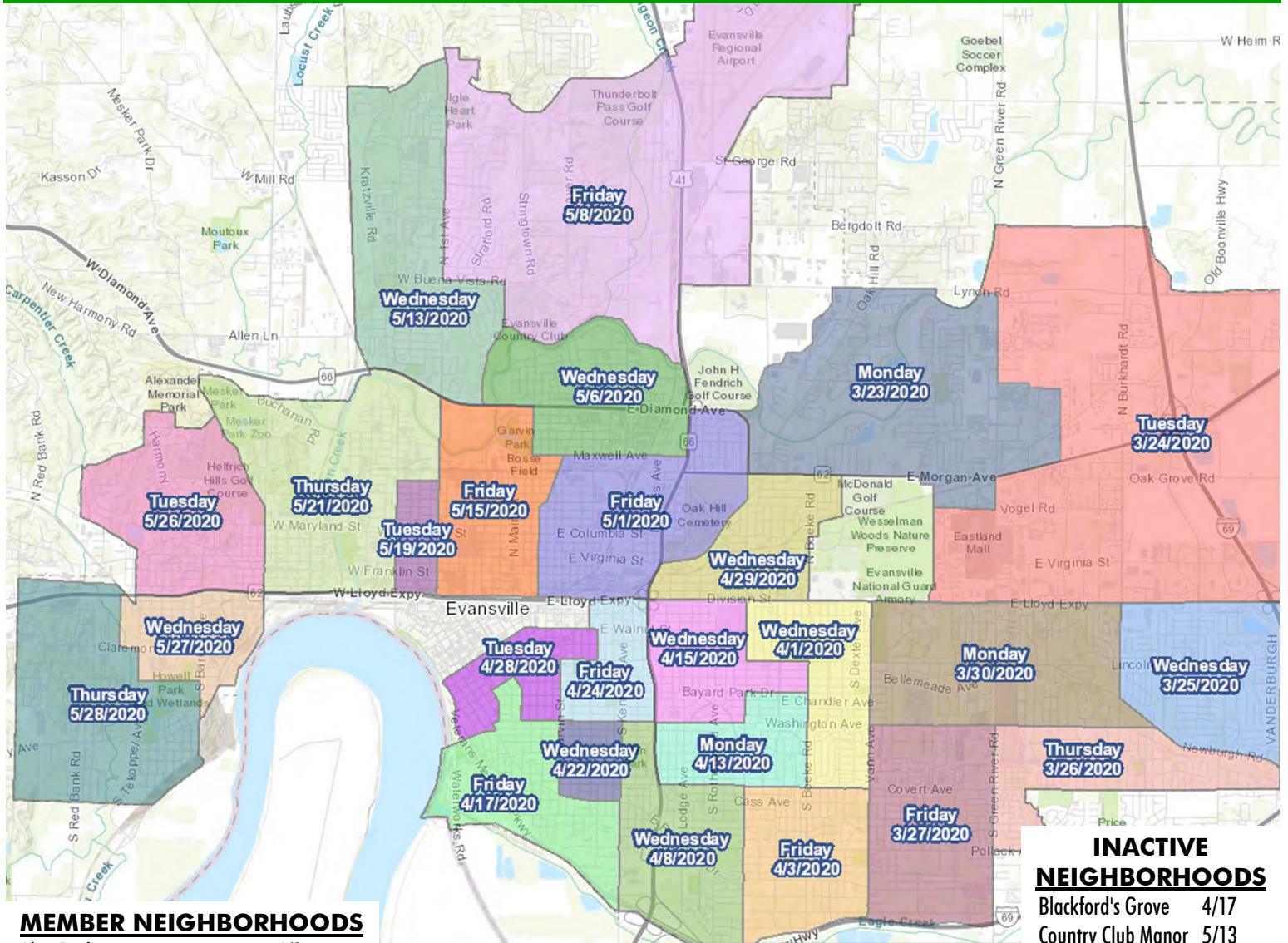
Sponsored by the City of Evansville,
Keep Evansville Beautiful, and Republic Services.

www.cleanevansville.org

LOOKING AHEAD...

Sat., Mar. 7, 2020 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Clean up is set for the **Vann-Pollack Park area**
(Corner of Vann & Pollack Avenues)

Spring Heavy Trash Pickup Dates by Neighborhood



MEMBER NEIGHBORHOODS

Akin Park	4/8	Lorraine Park	4/13
Alvord Boulevard	4/1,13,15	Midtown	4/1
Arcadian Acres Civic	3/26	Mt. Auburn	5/21
Ballard	4/24,28	North Country Club	5/8
Baltz	4/8	Oak Hill	3/23
Bellemeade/Bayard Park	4/24	Old Erie	4/28
Bluegrass/Pigeon	---	Plaza Park	3/25
Business 41 Improvement	5/1,6	Poplar Grove	5/27
CCIA	4/28	Presidents	4/13
CHAIN	5/21	Reitz Hill	5/27
Culver	4/17	Riverside	4/17,28
Diamond-Stringtown	5/6,15	Ross Center	4/1
Downtown	4/28	South Dexter	4/1
Eastview	4/3	South Lincoln Park Area	4/1,15
First Avenue West	5/13	Southeast Side	4/3
GBC (Gum-Bayard Park-Chandler)	4/15	STAR	5/19
Glenwood	4/17	Tepe Park	4/22
Goosetown	4/17,28	Timber Park	3/23
Greater Lincolnshire	4/15	University South	4/15
Helfrich	5/26	Wesselman Park	4/29
Indian Woods/Windsong	---	Western Terrace	5/26
Jacobsville	5/1,6,15	Westside Improvement	5/21,26,27,28
Lamasco	5/21	Willemette Village	5/1

INACTIVE NEIGHBORHOODS

Blackford's Grove	4/17
Country Club Manor	5/13
Crystal Court/Conlin	4/8
Cullen/Hoosier	3/30
Hilltop	5/26
Howell	5/28
Iroquois Gardens	3/30

Heavy trash should be placed wherever garbage is normally collected from the home, whether at the curb or in the alley.

All heavy trash items **must** be set out before **6:00am** on the scheduled collection day.

For a **list of items allowed** in heavy trash, visit the City website www.evansvillegov.org and search for "Spring Heavy Trash."

Items that will NOT be picked up: auto parts, auto/Household batteries, tires, TVs, computer equipment or hazardous materials.

Search for a particular address with the map at www.evansvillegis.com

More Info

Republic Waste Services 812-424-3345

Dates are based on the City/GIS map available at time of printing.

Go Take a Hike! Meet Other Trailblazers!



2020
Trailblazer

EVANSVILLE
TRAILS
COALITION

Urban Hikes

The Evansville Trails Coalition is partnering with the Evansville Department of Parks and Recreation in bringing the **2020 Trailblazer Urban Hike Series** in winter and spring!

The Trailblazer Urban Hike Series is designed to encourage community members to participate in outdoor physical activities year-round and are family and pet-friendly walks that will be held on a different trail, or park on **Saturdays at 10:00am** and **Sundays at 2:00pm**. These hikes are **free** in and everyone is welcome!

MORE INFO:

www.WalkBikeEvv.org/activities 812-319-3496

SCHEDULE

DAY	MON	DATE	TIME	PLACE	DISTANCE	MEET
SUN.	FEB.	16	2pm	N. Main St Trail, 1600 N Main St	1.0 mi	Bosse Field parking lot
SAT.	FEB.	22	10am	State Hospital Grounds, 3400 Lincoln Ave.	1.6 mi	First gravel parking lot
SUN.	FEB.	23	2pm	Garvin Park to Heidelberg Canoe Launch, 1600 N Main	1.0 mi	Bosse Field parking lot
SAT.	FEB.	29	10am	Hi-Rail Trail, 1200 E Riverside	2.5 mi	U-Haul parking lot, near Gilbert St

Invitation from Vanderburgh Co SWCD

Vanderburgh Co. Soil & Water Conservation District
79th Annual Meeting

Wed., Feb. 19, 2020 6:00pm

Vanderburgh Co. 4-H Center, Banquet Hall

COST: FREE with **Reservation** or \$10 at the door

Reserve your seat by Feb. 11th
by calling 812-423-4426 x 3

MEAL: Catered by Hornville Tavern

SPEAKER: Ellen Jacquart — highlighting the new
Indiana Terrestrial Plant Rule

Beginning 4/18/20, no one may sell, gift, exchange, distribute, transport or introduce any of the 44 species without a permit from the IN Dept of Natural Resources, Division of Entomology and Plant Pathology. The full text of the rule is posted at

https://www.in.gov/nrc/files/lsa18316_proposed.pdf

Looking Back at Neighborhood Contests

Each year during the Christmas season, two of our member Neighborhood Associations hold a decorating contest. Here's a glimpse at some of the winners.

Helfrich Neighborhood Association



Best Classic: 724 Wessel



Best Youth: 724 Bell Ave

Western Terrace Neighborhood Association



Best Animated



Best Traditional

What special programs or events does your neighborhood do? Send your photos to the UNOE office to share with others: office@unoevansville.org or drop by Mon. to Thu. between 9am and 3pm.

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UNOE Neighborhoods
app for your
Android device.

More info at
www.unoevansville.org/unoecapp



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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Recycling Day — Sat., Feb. 8, 8am-12noon, 4551 University Dr (old Walmart west); MORE INFO: 812-436-7800
- Meet Your Legislators — Sat., Feb. 8, 9:15am, EVPL Central Library, Browning Rooms (Last for 2020: March 14)
- **UNOE Marketing Team — Wed., Feb. 5, 5:30pm**, EVPL Annex, Training Room, 320 SE MLK Blvd
- Recycling Day — Sat., Feb. 15, 8am-12noon, 4-H Center, 200 E Boonville-New Harmony Rd; MORE INFO: 812-436-7800
- **UNOE Board Meeting — Wed., Feb. 19, 4:00pm**, EVPL Annex, Training Room, 320 SE MLK Blvd

February General Meeting — Thu., Feb. 27, 2020 — 6:30pm
C.K. Newsome Community Center, 100 Walnut St.

PROGRAM:

Shaping Our Community's Future

DMD Seeks Input on the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan

GUEST
SPEAKER:

Kolbi Jackson
Community Development Coordinator
Department of Metropolitan Development

- ♦ Learn about the nature of the plan.
- ♦ Have an opportunity to ask questions.
- ♦ Share your thoughts about the path ahead.



PARADE! DASH! COSTUME CONTEST! FEB 22ND!



MARDI GRAS PARADE!

Join the fun as part of the UNOE float in the Franklin Street Events Association's **Annual Mardi Gras Grand Parade** on Saturday, February 22, 2020.

Line up begins around 2:00pm and the parade starts at 4:00pm.

Wear your Mardi Gras attire. (Prepare for cold weather too.)
All neighborhoods are invited to join in!

Sign up ahead of time to *ride* the float. Those who show up the day of the parade will need to be prepared to walk.

For more information about day/time/location of decorating the float and the parade lineup or to let us know you'd like to participate, contact Susan Harp at 812-455-5292 or lablady13@aol.com or the UNOE office at 812-428-4243 or office@unoevansville.org.

For more information about the parade, go to the Facebook event: "Mardi Gras Grand Parade" or facebook.com/FranklinStreetEventsAssociation.

