#### Volume 21 Issue 1 **Neighbor to Neighbor A Publication of United Neighborhoods** of Evansville, Inc. office@unoevansville.org **United Neighborhoods of Evansville Neighborhood Associations** Working Together to Preserve, Enhance and Promote the Evansville and Area Neighborhoods 320 SE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Ste B, Evansville, IN 47713 www.unoevansville.org 812-428-4243

### Letter from the President of UNOE

Dear Evansville neighbors,

This past year, the pandemic put a "pause button" on most of our lives. Most were staying home and putting daily routines on hold for the good of everyone. As a probable result, the COVID-19 crisis didn't become a worst-case catastrophe. I will do all in my power to be sensitive to it as we move forward.

U.N.O.E. consists of Evansville residents who regularly organize activities throughout the city and within your neighborhoods. We do this because you and your neighbors deserve the right to live in a clean, safe and enjoyable neighborhood. We are so lucky to have the hard-working members and employees of U.N.O.E. who continue into 2021.

I would love to see this organization reach every resident of Evansville. We need every neighbor to move together into a joint future. We can serve your neighborhood by listening to you, work as a group, and by leveraging the talent that each of us brings.

My goal is to leave U.N.O.E. larger and ready for the future when my time of leadership is finished in 2023. I am so grateful to have been elected President of United Neighborhoods of Evansville. Thank you for trusting me with this position.

Sincerely,

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### We're Back In Business

June 2021

The office of United Neighborhoods of Evansville, or UNOE, has reopened! The UNOE office is now open by appointment every <u>Monday through Thursday from 9:00am until</u> <u>3:00pm.</u>

The General Meetings have also restarted. They will be held the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:30pm at the C.K. Newsome Center, in either the gym or the recreation room.

The UNOE membership offers your neighborhood association free or low-cost printing of documents, assistance, and access to technology and to community members, and connection to local community resources.

If you have any questions or need more information, please call our staff members, Joe Ballard or Josh Wanner at 812-428-4243 or email us at office@unoevansville.org or admin1@unoevansville.org. We hope to hear from you.

#### UNOE Office Hours are Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm Or by Appointment Please call 812-428-4243

All guests are required to wear masks and keep social distancing. Thank You!

### Black Nurses of Evansville School Supply Blitz







The Black Nurses of Evansville are looking for donations for their school supply blitz. Donations needed, include school supplies and personal care items like tissues, earplugs, and hand sanitizer. A complete list can be found at the EVSC site.

They are also accepting monetary donations at

#### https://giv.li/lesgdp

For more information please contact Arlinda at

513-340-8786 or Arlinda.payne49@gmail.com

### **RECYCLE DAYS**

**Upcoming Dates:** 

June 19, 4-H Center

July 10, Old Walmart West

August 7, Old Walmart West

All Hours are:

8am—12 noon

Items must be cleaned and sorted. No Glass, Plastic Bags, or Styrofoam.

Liaison Help Needed, Contact Zach Garcia if interested at, zach@wesselmanwoods.org



### Great Evansville Cleanup Event

June 17th 2021

For more information contact

Keep Evansville Beautiful at:

keepevansvillebeautiful.org

812-425-4461

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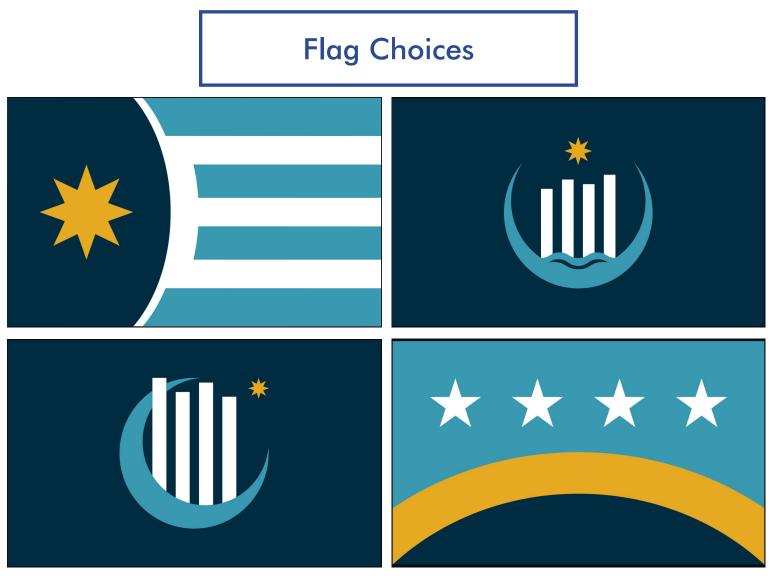
Check the "Upcoming Events" section of the City of Evansville website for more information www.evansville.in.gov on date changes/cancellations.

## **Evansville Flag Project**

Evansville Residents are eligible to vote for the new City flag. Voting began on June 7, 2021, and will run through Wednesday, June 30, at 11:59 p.m.

There are four ways to vote for the city's next flag:

- Go to the <u>Evansville Flag Project website</u> to submit a vote electronically https://evansvilleflag.com/
- Visit the Evansville Museum or any Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library location to submit your vote by hand beginning Monday, June 7, 2021
- Click the PollUnit link in Facebook on the <u>Evansville Flag Project page</u> https://www.facebook.com/evansvilleflagproject/
- Vote through the <u>official direct PollUnit website</u>. https://pollunit.com/en/polls/evansvilleflagproject



### **Evansville Fire Department Hot Takes**

Summer is a great time to enjoy family and friends. Grilling is a great way to spend time outdoors. Here is some information and safety tips about how to keep yourself and your family safe while using gas or charcoal grills. Sixty-four percent of all households have at least one outdoor BBQ, Grill, or Smoker.

The following information is taken from the National Fire Protection Association website <u>NFPA.org</u>. May, June, July, and August are the peak months for grilling. An average of 19,700 people each year visit the emergency room as a result of injuries involving grills. 9,500 of these injuries were thermal burns. An average of 2,000 children under 5 years of age will visit the emergency room from injuries sustained by a grill.

Gas Grills were the point of origin in an average of 8,900 home fires, 22% were caused because of gas leaks or breaks. Charcoal or other solid fuel grills were the cause of 1,300 home fires per year.

#### Safety Tips:

- 1.) Always use grills outdoors, well away from the home, deck railing, out from under eaves and overhangs, and overhanging branches
- 2.) Keep a 3-foot perimeter around the grill to protect children and pets
- 3.) Keep the grill clean, remove all grease buildup from the grill and grease trap
- 4.) Never leave the grill unattended

#### Gas Grills:

- 5.) Keep the lid open before lighting
- 6.) Make sure the grill and tank are turned off when you are finished grilling

#### **Charcoal Grills:**

- 7.) Starter fluid is only to start charcoal, never attempt to add starter fluid or any other flammable liquid to the fire
- 8.) Keep starter fluid out of the reach of children
- 9.) Other start options are electric starters or chimneys which use newspaper to start the charcoal
- 10.) Make sure the fire is completely out when you have finished grilling



Your Safety is Your Responsibility

Kevin M Shelley Fire and Life Safety Educator kshelley@evansvillefiredepartment.com 812-436-4427



# National Night Out CK Newsome Center Tuesday, August 3 • 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

- Children's Firefighting
  Challenge Course
- Rope Rappelling

• K-9

- SWAT Team
  - Bomb Squad
  - Narcotics Unit
  - Crime Prevention Unit

Family, friends and neighbors are invited to come out for a going away party for crime! Enjoy FREE food, games and fun for the community.



## Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden offers a membership discount for families participating in the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP).

Family Membership benefits for two named adults + children under 18 (members must be at the same household). The Community Membership Program will offer a deeply discounted family membership (current rate \$65) for \$5 annually to recipients of the federal SNAP program. Benefits include:

- Free general admission for one full year
- Free admission to special events during regular zoo hours
- Free tram rides for one full year
- Discounted admission to Boo at the Zoo and Breakfast with Santa events
- Zoo Member Only "Member Appreciation Event"
- Free subscription to e-newsletter and Zoo Lovers Online magazine
- Discounts for Birthday Parties
- Priority registration and discounts for Zoo Camp
- Discounts or Free Admission to over 172 zoos and aquariums



For more information on Eligibility and Support, call 812-435-6143 or visit: <u>meskerparkzoo.com/community-membership-program</u>









## WE'RE MAKING IT EASIER TO GET YOUR VACCINATION!

The Vanderburgh County Health Department will be at the following locations and times to administer *FREE* COVID-19 vaccinations, beginning May 5, 2021 through June 24, 2021.

## TUESDAYS:

Lawndale parking lot in front of Ruler Foods | 8:30a—10:30a Potter's Wheel at 333 Jefferson Ave. | 11a—1p Simpson's Supermarket in Covert and Lodge Shopping Center | 1:30p—3:30p

## WEDNESDAYS:

Hartke Pool at 201 North Boeke Road | 9a—3p (Feed Evansville Distribution Site)

## THURSDAYS:

Howell Park at 1101 South Barker Ave. | 8:30a—10:30a Grocery Outlet at 1200 North Fulton | 11a—1p

Mets Main Terminal at 103 NW 6th St | 1:30p-3:30p

The vaccines currently available have been shown to be safe, and highly effective at preventing COVID-19. Please get yours!



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#### **UNOE** General Membership Meeting

C.K. Newsome Community Center Thursday, June 24, 6:30pm-8:00pm Speakers: Archie Carter, Booker T. Washington Center

Andrew Backes, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern Indiana

