#### Volume 21 Issue 3 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 320 SE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Ste B, Evansville, IN 47713 www.unoevansville.org 812-428-4243

## Sparkplug Save The Date

It's been a long year since the cancelation of the 2020 Sparkplug banquet and it's not over yet.

The UNOE Board has determined that, while a banquet is still not practical, or possibly even safe, it is important to have some event.

We are currently developing plans to host a "Resparking the Neighborhoods" reception Oct. 28, 6:30 to 8pm., in the community meeting room adjacent to the gym at the C.K. Newsome Community Center 100 E. Walnut St.

The event will be informal and open to the officers and two voting representative members of each neighborhood association. Light hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served. UNOE is picking up the entire tab.

The highlight of this event will be introducing our commemorative UNOE Journal. This 18-month project will showcase our 25 year history in Evansville plus individual neighborhood profiles and lots of photographs. Each participating neighborhood will be given a copy of the journal; additional copies will be for sale for \$10 apiece.

We will be sending out invitations as the date approaches; RSVPs will be required.



The Neighborhood Day at Franklin Street Bazaar will be Saturday August 21st from 8:45am until 1:00pm. Neighborhood Associations will be able to be part of the UNOE booth or have a separate booth next to the UNOE booth. This will allow us to create awareness for your neighborhood. More information about the August 21st date will follow as we get closer. If your neighborhood is interested in participating please contact the UNOE office at 812-428-4243 or email us at office@unoevansville.org or admin1@unoevansville.org to RSVP.

# **Black Nurses of Evansville School Supply Blitz**



August 7th



August 2021

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



Mychelle Christian Speaking at the August General Meeting

Mychelle is the Active Transportation Liaison for Evansville Trails Coalition and will be speaking about Complete Streets Initiatives. The goal of these initiatives are to bring more transportation options to vulnerable users, spur economic development, reduce traffic fatalities and injuries, provide more recreation options for people, and improve public health outcomes. Join us on August 26th at the C.K. Newsome Center to learn more.

# NOCO PARK

NOCO Park (North Of Court) turned a vacant lot into a magical place with flavors and fun for every fancy. They feature a rotating lineup of food trucks. The park also includes beer, wine, games, and art installations. There are several events each weekend.

The park is open Fri-Sun until Sept. 26th

Friday (4pm-9pm), Saturday (12pm-9pm), and Sunday (12pm-8pm).

Tickets are needed to enter. Prices range from \$0-\$20 depending on the event. For tickets or more information visit, <u>nocopark.com</u>.

UNOE would like to thank Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) for volunteering to assist with the creation of the newsletter. To learn more go to <u>carverorg.org/rsvp-volunteer-program</u> or call (812) 402-3170 ext. 2104







- Clean Evansville August 7th, Wesselman Park 8am 10am
  Anti-litter Campaign, Gloves and Trash Bags will be provided.
- Recycle Day August 7th, Old Walmart West 8am 12pm

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

## • Tox-Away Day - October 2, Civic Center Parking Lot 9am - 1pm

Get rid of oil-base paint, pesticides and household chemicals for free.

Load items into your trunk or truck bed for safety. Please wear a mask.

### City-Wide Heavy Trash Collection

Call Republic Services at (800) 886-3345 to schedule a pickup for a specific day. This service applies to City residents who pay for trash service with their water bill.

# **National Night Out CK Newsome Center**

Tuesday, August 3 • 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Make sure to drop by the UNOE booth.

- Children's Firefighting Challenge Course • Bomb Squad
- Rope Rappelling

• K-9

- SWAT Team
- 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.



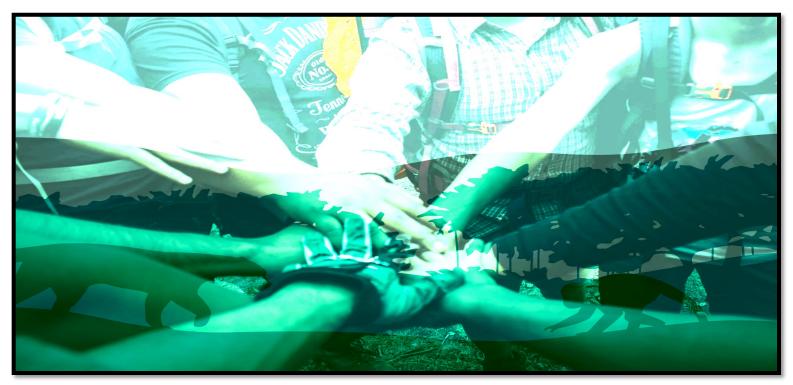
Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden offers a membership discount for families participating in the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP).

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:

meskerparkzoo.com/community-membership-program



## **VOLUNTEERS of UNOE**

One of the unique characteristics of United Neighborhoods of Evansville is its nature as a **volunteer-led** community advocacy nonprofit organization.

#### LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Every member of UNOE's Board of Directors is a volunteer. In addition, each board member has also held or currently holds a leadership role within their own Neighborhood Association.

At the start of each year, member Neighborhood Associations have the opportunity to nominate and vote on those who will lead this agency that serves as an umbrella organization to assist and support the work of preserving, enhancing and promoting the Neighborhood Associations throughout Evansville and Vanderburgh County.

#### PLANNING VOLUNTEERS

A major part of UNOE's work of supporting/serving Neighborhood Associations is done through **Teams or Committees**. The Chair of each planning team is appointed by the UNOE President and holds a seat at the Board's table each month, sharing updates on the efforts, plans and progress of each team. Members of these planning teams come from Neighborhood Associations and community members who support the work of neighborhoods.

#### **PROJECT VOLUNTEERS**

UNOE engages volunteers from Neighborhoods and various community partners for office tasks and other projects that support member Associations. Not only is the **cost of staff time saved** for such tasks as folding/ taping closed newsletters and flyers, but the interaction among Volunteers, Board/Neighborhood members/ leaders and staff has proven to **raise awareness of the work of UNOE** as well as help volunteers to **better connect with their own Neighborhood Associations**. Look for emails called "Volunteer Opportunities," or contact the office to let staff know that you'd like to be called or emailed when help is needed.

#### **EVENT VOLUNTEERS**

When UNOE is invited to participate through an informational table or booth or by hosting a float at community events, volunteers who **understand neighborhood work** are needed. The Marketing Team will be offering simple tools to equip those who **enjoy meeting people** and **speaking casually or formally** of the great work of Neighborhood Associations.

## Get Involved with a Committee

Transform your skills and interest into actions and ideas to better ALL the neighborhoods in our city and county. Consider joining a committee or team listed below and in the 2021 Membership Packet.

#### **Connecting Externally with the Community**

- Disaster Preparedness/Safety Awareness Team— Communicate awareness, information and training opportunities offered by EMA/CERT, Red Cross & other related agencies
- Government/Zoning Team—Stay aware and advise of issues that impact neighborhoods and means to communicate w/government
- Parks, Trees & Beautification Committee—Work cohesively with the city and other community organizations in these matters



#### Handling Internal Organizational Matters

- Finance Committee Attend bi-monthly meetings and guide the UNOE budget
- Grant Writing Team Find, co-write and process grants
- IT/Technology Team Maintain, suggest and acquire technology used at the office, at UNOE events and borrowed by Neighborhoods
- Marketing Team Promote the mission and work of UNOE throughout the community
- Personnel Committee Foster healthy and lawful employee relationships
- Sparkplug Banquet Committee Plan & coordinate the annual banquet
- Strategic Planning Committee Coordinate long-range planning for the organization to benefit Neighborhoods

For more information on the different teams or committees, call the office at (812) 428-4243 or email office@unoevansville.org

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are the hands of the volunteer.

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**UNOE General Membership Meeting** 

C.K. Newsome Community Center

Thursday, August 26, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Speaker:

Mychelle Christian from Evansville Trails Coalition

Speaking about Compete Streets

