Volume 21 Issue 5 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 Home Owner Associations vs Neighborhood Associations

In this month's issue we would like to take a look at the difference between Home Owner Associations (HOA) and Neighborhood Associations (NA). While both can exist in the same

Membership is based on the property and not the resident or owner. All property in a

increasing the aesthetic of the neighborhood. These rules can be enforced with fines.

area, the development, structure, and purpose of each type of organization is quite

different. We will first take a look at the characteristics of a HOA and then a NA.

certain area or neighborhood is automatically a member of the ruling HOA.

HOAs are typically found in newly developed areas or communities.

Membership is voluntary and open to all residents, including tenants.

The association has the ability to create rules over your property with the aim of

- The goal of a NA is to form a cooperative relationship, support general advocacy, and host beneficial community events.
- NAs are typically found in older, more established neighborhoods however any neighborhood can join or form a Neighborhood Association, even those in a HOA.

If you would like to learn more about Neighborhood Associations and discover if there is a neighborhood association in your area, join us at <u>www.unoevansville.org</u>, or scan the QR code below.



Home Owner's Associations (HOA)

Neighborhood Associations (NA)



October 2021

UNOE Website

Updated COVID-19 Resources

We have updated the list of resources available on the UNOE website to better meet the needs of the community. The resources include assistance with housing, bills, and food. We have also included a built-in COVID-19 Self-checker. You can access these resources at

www.unoevansville.org/covid-19/. Please share with others in your community.



Fall Leaf Pickup

Evansville Water and Sewer Utility will be hosting the annual Fall Leaf Pick-up, **Nov. 1st - Dec. 10th** this year. The service is available to all City residents who pay for trash service. Apartment complexes, mobile homes communities, and commercial property are not eligible.

The leaves must be placed in biodegradable plastic or paper bags. The filled bags should be placed in the regular trash pick-up area before 6:00am on normal trash pick-up day.

November								
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Leaves not placed in biodegradable bags will not be picked up. In this case, residents will be notified to rebag their leaves and they will be picked up the following week. If you have any questions reach out to Republic Services at (812) 424-3345.

Volunteer Opportunity HELP NEEDED!

- Are you a highly organized person?
- Do you find joy in putting objects in a specified location?
- Are you familiar with file hierarchies?
- Specifically on the Microsoft Platform?
- Want to give back to your community?

Well we have an opportunity for you. UNOE is looking for someone to help organize our OneDrive. The opportunity will require the creation of new files, moving files, and renaming files. The goal is to create an organized file system, which is easy to use and maintain. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity please email us at admin1@unoevansville.org or give us a call at (812) 428-4243.

NOCO Park

NOCO Park will be hosting a Cultura Fest on October 15th to celebrate Latin American food and culture. 163 S 3rd Ave. 5-9pm.



Invasive Species

Resparking Neighborhoods

The Vanderburgh SWCD is renting tools to residents to assist in the removal of invasive species on their property.



They have the following tools available for rental:

- Pullerbear Tool to help remove invasive shrubs that are difficult to remove by hand.
- Battery Operated Mini-chainsaws to aid in removing thicker invasive vines that are too difficult with loppers.
- Loppers—To remove smaller vines and shrubs.
- Battery Operated Weed Trimmer
- Backpack Sprayer For areas needing chemical treatment.

These tools are available for rent with a deposit and a waiver form that needs to be filled out before you leave the office with any tools.

Learn more about invasive species: <u>www.in.gov.dnr/nature-preserves/heritage-</u> data-center/invasive-plant-species

If you are interested in renting any of these tools, please contact Erin Shoup at 812-423-4426 x3.

Report Invasive Species

You Can Help Stop the Spread of Invasive Species in Indiana!



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 - 8:00pm, in the community meeting room adjacent to the gym at:

C.K. Newsome Community Center

100 E. Walnut St.

The event will be informal and open to 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.



Coffee With A Cop



On the first Wednesday in October, **National Coffee with a Cop Day** brings men and women in uniform together with their communities to connect over a cup of joe.

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION.

FOOD AND DRINK PROVIDED BY

Donut Bank & Chick-fil-&





Clean Evansville 8:00am - 10:00am November 6 - Washington Square Mall December 4 - Diamond/Stringtown For event confirmation and specific meeting location contact KEB at 812-425-4461 or keb@keepevansvillebeautiful.org

Recycling Days 8:00am - 12:00pm

October 23rd - 4-H Center

November 6th - Old Walmart West

November 27th - 4-H Center

December 4 - Old Walmart West

December 11 - 4-H Center

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.

Carver / AmeriCorps Seniors

You're Invited to the

Annual Veteran Recognition and Vendor Resource Fair

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Doors open at 10 AM, Program begins at 11 AM

> National Guard Armory 3300 E. Division St., Evansville Indiana

This is a FREE event for all veterans and is open to the public. Lunch, door prizes and gifts for each veteran! A \$5 donation is requested from all non-veteran guests.



RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED! Call (812) 402-3170



Vendor tables and sponsor opportunities available

Vanderburgh County Health Department



OLD NATIONAL[®] Events Plaza



Ascension

St. Vincent





Composting

Meagan Diss, Urban Agriculture Educator, Purdue Extension

Fall frosts can lead to a lot of work to clean up gardens or yards but instead of getting rid of the yard waste, it can be turned into composting treasure. While composting is a naturally occurring process that helps break down organic materials into a great soil amendment, it also can provide soil structure and add certain nutrients. For successful composting there a few basic ingredients such as organic materials and microorganisms with a proper balance of carbon, nitrogen, water, and oxygen.

When it comes selecting plants for composting, there are a few guidelines that could help speed up the composting process. The smaller the size, the faster the organic materials will be able to break down. A few options for plants to add to a compost would include end-of-the-season garden plants, pulled weeds, grass clippings, tree leave and plant trimmings. Kitchen waste such as vegetable and fruit scraps or coffee and tea grounds should be buried in the middle of the compost to limit the number of animal visitors stopping by.

In order to begin the decomposition, there a few elements that need to be present in the correct ratios. Nitrogen is required for microbes to break down and utilize the carbon in organic materials. If the ratio of carbon to nitrogen is too low, the decomposition will be slow but if the nitrogen ratio is too high, ammonia gas can be given off. Water must also be present to



promote efficient microbial action as well as uniform heating. The last element that is necessary is oxygen because decomposition will slow and produce foul odors if there is not enough oxygen present.

Because decomposition produces heat, it will need to be turned a few times a month in order to promote uniform heating and adequate oxygenation. During the decomposition process, small amounts of organic materials can be added but be careful not too make the compost too tall. Once compost is finished composting, which may take up to a year depending on size, it should appear similar to potting soil with no recognition of what originally went into the pile.

For more information on composting, check out Purdue University Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture's ID-182 or vermicomposting, Purdue Extension Home & Environment's HENV-104.

Purdue University if an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action institution.

Scheduling Heavy Trash Pickup

Evansville Water and Sewer Utility is offering a faster and easier way for customers to schedule a heavy trash pickup. You can request heavy trash service <u>online anytime</u>.



Handling an Extra-bulky Item

Bulky items that cannot be reasonably lifted by two people or will not fit inside the collection truck, such as a swing set, are considered a special collection and will not be accepted. Customers may ask Republic Services or another disposal service provider for a quote on the cost of removal.

Who's Eligible for Heavy Trash Service

Heavy trash services is available to City residents who pay for trash service with their water bill. Apartment complexes, mobile home communities, business and commercial customers, and County residents are not eligible.

Image by Greg Reese from Pixabay

How it Works

Go to ewsu.com on your computer or smartphone.

- 1. Click the button Schedule Heavy Pickup.
- 2. Complete the Heavy Trash Pickup Request form and click submit.

3. A Republic Service's Customer Service' Representative will contact you in 1-2 business days to confirm a pickup date.

4. The day before your schedule pickup, place your item where you normally place your trash and recycling.

5. Ă collection truck will pick it up.

Customers still have the option to call the Republic Services Customer Resources Center at 800-886-3345 to schedule a heavy trash pickup. Customers can schedule pickups as often as every two weeks, up to 26 pickups a year.

What's Allowed and What's Not

One item is accepted per pickup, except for items that are usually a pair, such as a mattress and a box spring or a table and chairs.

Allowable items include:

- Appliances Such as a stove, washer, dryer, water heater, and refrigerator or freezer with refrigerants removed and tagged by a certified professional and meeting the City's safety guidelines regarding disposal.
- Carpet One rolled section that is less than 4ft long and 2ft around.
- Electronics Stereo, radio, etc.
- Furniture Sofa, table, chair, mattress, box springs, dresser, or bookcase.
- Household items and tools Like a rake or shovel.
- Limited construction and building material In one container; no boxes, bags, loose piles or stacks.

Items not allowed include:

- Auto parts Like batteries and tires.
- Electronics TV, computer, computer parts or accessories.
- Construction materials Such as concrete blocks, bricks, steel poles or privacy fencing.
- Hazardous materials Any materials that are hazardous to humans or animals.

C.K. Newsome Center Events



AT THE CK NEWSOME COMMUNITY CENTER 100 E Walnut St. Evansville Parks and Recreation

October 2021

Chi Chi Fit with Chelsea—Dance Exercise Tuesday & Thursday 5:30-6:15 \$10 pay at the door First class is FREE

Cornhole, Table Tennis, and Shuffleboard

Wednesday 3:00-6:00 pm and Thursday 8:30-11:30 am All equipment provided - Cost is donation

Beginner's Line dancing

Instruction with Judy Fortune-Herr Tuesday's 1:00—2:00 pm - Cost is donation

Youth Chess Tournaments ages K-8

Saturday's Oct 9th and Oct 23rd 10-2 \$15 early registration and \$20 at the door - Contact Logan to sign up <u>coachloganchess@gmail.com</u>

Pickleball Mon/Wed/Fri 8:30-11:30 am \$7 per play or \$35 for six plays

Indoor Volleyball League Sign your team up by Oct 7th! League begins Oct 18th.

COMING SOON...Senior Exercise Classes and Walks in the Parks!

https://www.evansvillegov.org/parks Call Holly for information 812-435-6162

















CareSource Rides for Food



Rides for FOOd

At CareSource, we care about you. We know that there is more to health and well-being than just great health care. That's why our benefits and services go beyond basic care.

As a CareSource member, you get free rides to and from any covered doctor or health care visit if you need transportation. Did you know you also get free rides for a food pick-up? This is available at **no cost to you**.

Rides can be to and from:

- Food banks
- Food pantries
- Food clinics
- Grocery stores (curbside pickup only)

Setting up rides for a food pickup is easy! Call Member Services at **1-844-607-2829** (TTY: 1-800-743-3333 or 711) and tell them you are scheduling a food trip. Here are some helpful tips:

- Schedule a ride at least 2 days before you need the ride.
- Round trips for food are limited to 5 per month.
- If you need to cancel for any reason, please call us right away and let us know.

Call for a free ride. It's easy!



Want to find a food pantry near you?

Visit: https://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/food-assistance-availability-map Call: Indiana 211 by dialing 2-1-1 or 1-866-211-9966

More Resources for you!

CareSource is excited to offer an interactive tool to help connect you to local resources. The MyResources online tool connects you with local low-cost and no cost programs and services. You'll find access to:

- Food
- Shelter
- Health care

- Work
- Financial support
- And more

Try it today by logging into your secure online My CareSource[®] account to learn more. This tool gives you 24/7 access to your personal, private online health information. Visit **MyCareSource.com** to get started. Call Member Services at **1-844-607-2829** (TTY: 1-800-743-3333 or 711) if you have any questions. We are open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET.



4C of Southern Indiana, Inc



<u>4C of Southern Indiana</u>, Inc is a great resource for finding safe childcare, paying for childcare, and for helping others with their childcare needs.

On October 1st, <u>4C of Southern Indiana</u>, a resource for finding safe childcare, assistance with childcare costs, for helping others with their childcare needs, will be the Intake Agent for the <u>Child Care Development</u> <u>Fund (CCDF) Program</u> for Vanderburgh County. Jackie Sutherland will be the Director for Vanderburgh County and will be located at the main office in Evansville, Indiana.

The CCDF Program provides financial assistance to eligible families who are in need of childcare services to continue employment, education or participation in a <u>TANF-IMPACT</u> activity. The purpose of CCDF is to increase the availability, affordability, and quality of childcare.

4C of Southern Indiana, Inc has been the intake agent for the Child Care Development Fund in previous years. Celebrating our 49th year, 4C of Southern Indiana, Inc. is a well-established social service agency working on behalf of children and families in Indiana. Currently, we provide child and family social services in 28 countries throughout Indiana.

Effective October 1, 2021, 4C of Southern Indiana, Inc will operate from 414 SE 4th Street, Evansville, IN 47713. The phone number will be 1-812-641-5880.

They look forward to continuing to offer quality services to the children and families in this Region.



Safe Walk Paths



Sidewalk Capital Policy



Do you have an uneven or crumbling sidewalk abutting your property? Does it cause tripping hazards for you and other residents? Is it not just your property but the whole block? Sidewalk repair and installation is the responsibility of the property owner, however under the Evansville Sidewalk Capital Policy the City will split the cost of repairing or replacing the sidewalk. Once approved the City will pay 50% of the cost and the property owner will pay the other 50%. Before moving forward let's define the two types of repair categories under Code 12.05.050 subsection A, <u>sidewalk spot repair</u> (replacement of less than a full block face) and <u>full block face replacement</u> (replacement of one side of a street-sidewalk from intersection to intersection). Let's take a look how to work through this process to get a sidewalk repaired or replaced.

First, you will need to print and sign a petition to have Board of Public Works consider the repair or replacement. The petition form can be found here:

www.evansvillegov.org/egov/apps/document/center.egov?view=item;id=55.

Next, talk to your neighbors on the same side of the street as your property; they might be interested in having the sidewalk abutting their property repaired or replaced as well. If they are interested they will need to sign the petition as well. **Note**: According to Code 12.05.050 subsection D part 2 "In the case of a full block replacement, abutting owners of over 50% of the lots contiguous to the full block sidewalk replacement area shall submit a signed petition to the Board of Public Works.

After all interested parties have signed the petition it will need to be mailed to the City Engineer's Office at the below address.

City Engineer's Office Civic Center Complex, Room 321 1 N.W. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Evansville, Indiana 47708

Then, the Board of Public Works will review, classify and prioritize the petition. You can learn more about the classification categories and priority criteria here:

www.codepublishing.com/IN/Evansville/html/Evansville12/Evansville1205.html#12.05.050.

If the sidewalk meets the criteria for repair or replacement, the property owners are notified and given an approximate cost of the project. If the owners want to continue, the project is bid out to contractors. Under the Barrett Law Process, see right, there are several ways the owner can pay their portion of the cost.

Once the bid is awarded the sidewalk construction will begin. In a matter of time you will have a safe sidewalk for you and your neighborhood. **Neighbor to Neighbor United Neighborhoods of Evansville** 320 SE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Suite B Evansville, IN 47713

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