

Making Headlines – A Resident's Guide to Local Media

Featured Speaker: Kara Hackett

AUGUST 19 AT 5:30 PM

DOORS OPEN: 5:00 PM
FOOD PROVIDED!

Main Branch, Allen County Public Library / 900 Library Plaza
Room: Old Makers Space



Speaker Bio:

We're excited to have Kara Hackett join us to lead this workshop!

Kara Hackett is Editor and Co-Founder of The Local Fort Wayne (thelocalfw.com), a weekly email newsletter that breaks down the week's top stories and events for readers and seeks to act as a bridge between local news organizations and the community.

She began her journalism career in Fort Wayne in 2013, as the first social media manager for The Journal Gazette, and she also helped launch Input Fort Wayne weekly online magazine in 2018, focused on solutions journalism. She now runs her own media business in partnership with her husband Michael from their home on the Southwest side.

Kara is passionate about bridging the gap between traditional journalism and our current social media-driven moment. She believes accessible information and trust-based relationships are the building blocks of community.

Workshop Overview:

Duration: 90 minutes

Description: For generations, local news outlets have been the primary place that residents, neighborhood groups, small businesses and advocates turn to make their voices heard in their communities. But our news landscape -- and our access to technology -- is rapidly changing how this vital element of our democracy functions.

In this Power Lab Series, Kara and other local newsmakers will break down how the system works, how we got here, and how you can get more plugged into the stories shaping our city's future.

**Dinner will be provided*

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