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Published by the City of Knoxville's Office of Neighborhoods to report news important to Knoxville's residential neighborhoods.

1. Island Home Park Launches "Neighbor to Neighbor"

Should neighborhood organizations stick to zoning, cleanups, and neighborhood watch?

The Island Home Park Neighborhood Association --- already active in bringing neighbors together for social occasions --- has taken community-building a step further. The group has formed a "Neighbor to Neighbor" committee to be on the look-out for any resident who needs support, a meal "or just some old-fashioned company." Most recently, the committee organized its members to provide meals for a neighbor during recovery from knee surgery.

According to Island Home's latest newsletter, the idea is "to help each other, be inclusive of all ages, and bring the residents of Island Home closer together."

2. Councilman Grieve Schedules Meeting with Neighborhood Officers

Second District City Councilman Duane Grieve is calling for officers of neighborhood associations in the second district to gather at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 13, to meet with city officials and others on a variety of neighborhood issues.

Mayor Madeline Rogero, Knoxville Police Captain Don Jones (commander of the West patrol district), and neighborhood coordinator David Massey will attend. An official from the Knoxville Utilities Board will provide an update on the upcoming closure of Lyons View Pike, and a representative of Tennova Healthcare will discuss the corporation's possible siting of a new medical facility on Middlebrook Pike.

The meeting will take place at Manor House Assisted Living, 8501 Northshore Drive.

Officers of Second District neighborhood groups should contact Councilman Grieve at ldgfaia@grievearchitects.com or 522-4393 to let him know you will attend and to identify particular neighborhood-related issues that should be addressed.

3. Variety of Activities Planned for Inskip Community Day

The Inskip Community Association and the Knox County Health Department are planning several community projects as part of their "Eat Play Live Inskip Community Day" from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, at Inskip Pool & Park, 4204 Bruhin Road. All are welcome to participate and pitch in.

"Food, T-shirts and all kinds of fun things will be provided for all participating adults," notes Betty Jo Mahan, president of the neighborhood organization. "We will install Inskip Neighborhood signs around the neighborhood and plant cherry trees at the Inskip Pool & Park."

In addition, community members and other volunteers will continue working on the extension of the "Paint the Pavement" project from the elementary school to High School Road, then to Hayes Road and Broadview Drive, ending at Bruhin Road next to the Inskip Park and Pool. The project is designed to alert drivers that they are near the elementary school and should slow down.

East Tennessee Children's Hospital will provide food, activities and entertainment for children ages 5-12 at Inskip-Norwood Recreation Center, 301 Inskip Drive. Parents can drop off and pick up children at the Rec Center. Drop-off starts at 9:40 a.m. and pick-up will begin after the Community Day at Inskip Pool & Park is finished between 2 and 2:15 p.m.

No charges for anything, but please register any adults and/or children to help plan for food and supplies by calling and leaving your name, neighborhood, how many attendees and phone number at 215-5819 or online at www.EatPlayLiveKnox.com.

Similar "Eat Play Live" community days are planned in Lonsdale on Saturday, April 27, and in Mascot in May.

4. Student Videos Tell Their Hopes, Dreams for the Future

Six students from Austin East High School have created digital stories --- videos --- to express their hopes for the future of our region, and how they would like for their communities to grow and change.

Now the general public will get a chance to meet these young people as well as view and discuss their creative and inspirational work. Their videos will be screened on Saturday, April 13, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Community Room of Pellissippi State Community College's Magnolia Avenue Campus. Light refreshments will be served, and everyone is invited.

The event is part of a Digital Storytelling Project sponsored by <u>PlanET</u>, the planning effort in the five-county region of Anderson, Blount, Knox, Loudon and Union counties.

Project team members also include <u>Project GRAD Knoxville</u>, <u>Carpetbag Theatre</u>, and the <u>Knox County Health Department</u>. Coordinated by Mickeeya Harrison, a community organizer, the project is designed to better understand how youth, particularly in East Knoxville, want their communities to look and feel in the years to come.

The event will include a meet-and-greet with the project team and students, and the team will discuss what's in store for the Digital Storytelling Project.

The students began working with PlanET and other project partners early this year. They explored and formulated their views on issues related to the environment, transportation, housing and neighborhoods, their own health and their community's health, as well as the local and regional economy. Over the course of a weekend in March, the students worked with Carpetbag Theatre to brainstorm ideas and select digital images and sounds that together tell their stories.

For more information about the Digital Storytelling Project, the April 13 event, or PlanET, visit www.planeasttn.org or contact Sherith Colverson, PlanET outreach coordinator, at 215-4396 or sherith.colverson@planeasttn.org

5. How Should We Grow to Accommodate More People and Jobs?

Did you know that within the next 25 years, our region is expected to grow by almost 300,000 people?

Our five-county region of Anderson, Blount, Knox, Loudon and Union counties will also create some 240,000 jobs, but how can we protect those special qualities of East Tennessee and, at the same time, accommodate more people and more jobs?

The opportunity to plan for that growth is at hand.

This Sunday, April 7, is the last opportunity to participate in a series focusing on how the people who live, work, and play here think the region should grow. This is the third round of PlanET community input, since November 2011, to explore community members' priorities and look at potential options for growth as we welcome new people and new jobs to the area.

To participate, please visit http://planet.metroquest.com and share your views.

Visit http://www.planeasttn.org/ for more on the regional planning effort.

6. Water Quality Forum Offers Rain Barrel Workshops

So we may be above normal on rainfall in the first quarter, but August may tell a different story.

Unless you separately meter your inside and outside water, you'll pay a bundle to KUB in both water and sewage fees to keep blooms on your tomato plants during hot and dry months. Solution? Rework one of your gutters to empty into a rain barrel. Free water!

The Water Quality Forum is offering "Make It, Take It" rain barrel workshops on three Saturdays this spring. Advance registration is required and space is limited, so register soon. Rain barrels (55-gallon drums) cost \$35 each. Details:

^{***} April 27, Ijams Nature Center, 10 a.m.-noon.

^{***} May 11, UT Gardens, 11:30-1:30 p.m. (in association with Blooms Day).

*** May 11, UT Gardens, 1:30-2:15 p.m. This session is devoted to learning how to paint a rain barrel.

*** June 1, New Harvest Park, 10 a.m.-Noon.

To reserve a spot, call 215-5861 or email stormwater@knoxcounty.org to reserve your spot. Please include your name and the names of any guest you are bringing, email address, date of the workshop you would like to attend and how many barrels you would like to make when you register. Cash and checks will be accepted at the door but no credit cards.

You must take your rain barrel with you when you leave the workshop. Rain barrels apparently can fit into the trunks of most cars. Visit http://waterqualityforum.org/ for more information.

7. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

All government meetings will be held in either the Large or Small Assembly Room unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions, visit http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Friday, April 5 --- 4-7 p.m.

Community Fair

Free food. Activities for children. Information on housing programs, homelessness prevention, and a wide variety of public services.

Community Development Department, City of Knoxville

Ashley Nicole Playground at Caswell Park, 620 Winona Street

(Rain Location: Cansler YMCA)

Mark Rigsby, Community Development Dept., 215-2120

Monday, April 8 --- 5-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch

(Second Mondays)

CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.

Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, April 8 --- 5:00 p.m.

Knox County School Board - Work Session

(Monday before the regular meeting, except holidays)

First Floor Board Room, Andrew Johnson Building, 912 South Gay St.

For agenda, work sessions, and other items:

Visit http://knoxschools.org/. Click on "Board of Education

Monday, April 8 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (second Mondays)

Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)

Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, April 8 --- 6 p.m.

Vestal Community Organization (second Mondays)

South Knoxville Community Center

Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, April 8 --- 6:30 p.m.

Belle Morris Community Action Group (second Mondays)

City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue

www.bellemorris.com

Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Monday, April 8 --- 7-8 p.m.

Fountain City Town Hall (Second Mondays, September-April)

Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike

Ken Cloninger, 688-6257, kcloninger@comcast.net

Tuesday, April 9 --- 11:45 a.m.

Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission

(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, April 9 --- 5:00 p.m.

Knox County Board of Education

Monthly Meeting (Normally first Wednesdays)

Large Assembly Room, City County Building

For agenda, work sessions, and other items:

Visit http://knoxschools.org/. Click on "Board of Education"

Tuesday, April 9 --- 5:30 p.m.

Public Hearing

2013-2014 Annual Action Plan, Community Development Dept., City of Knoxville

Community Room, Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street

Linda Rust, 215-2120

Tuesday, April 9 --- 6 and 7 p.m.

Norwood Neighborhood Watch - 6 p.m.

Norwood Homeowners Association – 7 p.m.

New Hope Presbyterian Church, 1705 Merchants Road

Lynn Redmon, 688-3136 or 771-6428

Tuesday, April 9 --- 6:30 p.m.

Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)

Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue

Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, April 9 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)

Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street

R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Wednesday, April 10 --- 11:30 a.m.

Community Forum (Every Second Wednesday)

West Knoxville Library, 100 Golfclub Road at Kingston Pike

Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, April 10 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council

(Every Second Wednesday except July and Dec.)

CAC/Luke Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods

David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, April 11 --- 1:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)

http://www.knoxmpc.org

Agenda: http://agenda.knoxmpc.org

Friday, April 12 --- 6:00 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)

Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.

Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Friday, April 12 (4-8 pm) and Saturday, April 13 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)

South Fest – a Celebration of South Knoxville

Live Music, Food, Bike Rides, Circus Entertainment, Sidewalk Sales, Live TV & Radio

Broadcasts, Wellness Corner, Kids' Zone, Sidewalk Sales, and more.

Stages at Emery's 5 & 10 and Disc Exchange/Wee Care

215-4007, http://www.knoxcounty.org/southfest

Saturday, April 13 --- 9 a.m.

Meeting of Neighborhood Leaders in the Second Council District

Hosted by Councilman Duane Grieve...

...with Mayor Madeline Rogero, KPD, and KUB & Tennova representatives.

Manor House Assisted Living, 8501 Northshore Drive

Duane Grieve, 522-4393

Saturday, April 13 --- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

"Eat Play Live" Inskip Community Day

Community Improvement Projects, T-Shirts, Food, Fun

Inskip Pool & Park, 4204 Bruhin Road

Activities for Children 5-12 at Inskip-Norwood Recreation Center, 301 Inskip Drive

All free but register at 215-5819 or www.EatPlayLiveKnox.com.

Monday, April 15 --- 7 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization

Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)

Location Varies

Judith Neff, merlin2@comcast.net

Monday, April 15 --- 7 p.m.

Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association

(Third Mondays except June, July, December)

New Harvest Park, just east of Target on Washington Pike.

All are welcome to attend.

Ronnie Collins, 865-637-9630

Tuesday, April 16 --- 10 a.m.

Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council (Third Tuesdays)

CAC/MLB Building, 2247 Western Avenue

(See http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/food.asp for bylaws, community garden toolkit etc.)

Tuesday, April 16 --- 6 p.m.

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays)

Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Drive

Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, April 16 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays except December)

Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Tuesday, April 16 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil

Agenda: http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf

Thursday, April 18 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)

Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders

Knoxville Zoo, 3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive

Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113

www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, April 18 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp

Thursday, April 18 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays except July)

Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay Street

See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Thursday, April 18 --- 4 p.m.

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)

Small Assembly Room

Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp

Thursday, April 18 --- 6-8 p.m.

Public Forum: How to Insure Access to Affordable, Healthy Food

Food Policy Council, Knox County Health Dept., TN Dept. of Health

Pellissippi Community College, 1610 East Magnolia Avenue

Dinner provided for registered attenders. Call 215-5170.

Thursday, April 18 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)

Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henegar Street

Friday, April 19 --- 8:15 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Fair Housing Conference

Equality Coalition for Fair Housing (ECHO)

Rothchild's Catering and Conference Center, 8807 Kingston Pike

Registration Fee of \$75 includes breakfast, lunch and snacks. Register via www.echoknoxville.com or call Tara Davis, 215-2423.

Friday, April 19 – Sunday, April 21

Outdoor Knox Fest

Urban wilderness hikes, fly fishing class, trail runs, bike maintenance clinics, river paddle,

twilight road race, Bikes 'n' Blooms Scenic Ride, golf clinic... and more

Most events are free, but pre-registration required

Benefits the Legacy Parks Foundation Volunteer: volunteer@legacyparks.org

Details: 525-2585 or www.outdoorknoxville.com

Saturday, April 20 --- 10 a.m.

South Haven Neighborhood Association (third Saturdays) Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue\

Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Saturday, April 20 --- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (rain or shine)

Annual Sale (perennials, baked goods, arts & crafts)

North Hills Garden Club

North Hills Park, Kenilworth Lane at Kennington Drive

Search for the sale on Facebook.

Monday, April 22 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)

Knox County Commission

(Every Fourth Monday, Jan.-Oct. Third Mondays, Nov.-Dec.)

www.knoxcounty.org/commission

Agenda: Click on "Meetings" and then "Commission Agendas"

Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting.

Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 23 – 6 p.m.

Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)

Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays)

Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Road

Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net

Thursday, April 25 --- 9 a.m.

Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, Jan.-Oct.)

"Meet with city services that may assist in planning your event."

Civic Coliseum Ballroom, Third Floor

Free Parking available at Civic Coliseum Parking Garage

Office of Special Events, 215-4248

Thursday, April 25 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board

(Last Thursday, Jan.-Oct. First Thursday, Dec.)

Small Assembly Room, City-County Building

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp

Thursday, April 25 --- 5:30 p.m.

Knoxville City Council Workshop

Topic: Community Development Dept.'s 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan

Main Assembly Room

Linda Rust, 215-2120

Thursday, April 25 --- 6 p.m.

Police Advisory and Review Committee (PARC)

[PARC addresses citizen concerns about the Knoxville Police Dept.]

Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Road

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/parc/

Lisa Chambers, 215-3966

Thursday, April 25 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group

(Fourth Thursdays, February through October)

Stanley's Greenhouse, 3029 Davenport Road

Gary Deitsch, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

Saturday, April 27 --- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

"Eat Play Live" Lonsdale Community Day

Community Improvement Projects, T-Shirts, Food, Fun

Lonsdale Park & Recreation Center

Activities for Children 5-12 at Lonsdale Recreation Center

All free but register at 215-5819 or www.EatPlayLiveKnox.com.

Sunday, April 28 --- 1-6 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Home Tour

Tickets can be purchased at Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Avenue Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization

Tuesday, April 30 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil

Agenda: http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf

Monday, May 6 --- 5:30 p.m.

Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)

(First Mondays except holidays)

CAC/Luke Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue

Dave Gartner, 862-2066

Tuesday, May 7 --- 4:30 p.m.

Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)

Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue

Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, May 7 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)

Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street

Charles Wright, 637-1802

Thursday, May 16 --- 6-8 p.m.

Public Forum: How to Insure Access to Affordable, Healthy Food

Food Policy Council, Knox County Health Dept., TN Dept. of Health

Pellissippi Community College, 1610 East Magnolia Avenue

Dinner provided for registered attenders. Call 215-5170.

Monday, May 20 --- 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months) Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike Janice Tocher, 686-6789

Friday, May 31 --- 9:30 a.m.

Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement (Usually held on the Friday following Better Building Board meetings) The PO considers action on violations of city's building codes. Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, June 10 --- 5:30 p.m.

Downtown Residents Quarterly Meeting Central Business Improvement District Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square (Future meetings in 2013: 9/9, 12/9) http://downtownknoxville.org/ Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Saturday, June 29 --- 9-11 a.m.

"Coffee with the Councilman"
(Last Saturday of Each Quarter)
Vice Mayor and First District City Council Member Nick Pavlis
Bring Your Concerns or Stop by to Chat; open to all city residents
Roundup Restaurant, 3643 Sevierville Pike
Nick Pavlis, 579-2055

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