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1. Tour Fourth & Gill Homes on Sunday

The Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization's 27th Anniversary Tour of Homes will take place from 1-6 p.m. this coming Sunday, April 23. All are invited.

The tour begins at Central United Methodist Church (CUMC), 201 Third Avenue. Tour guests can take a leisurely walk through the neighborhood to visit homes --- or guests can ride a trolley, with a Fourth & Gill resident acting as tour guide, from point to point.

This year's tour features six neighborhood homes, CUMC, and the Greystone Mansion. The work of five neighborhood artists will be displayed at the Artists' Village. In celebration of CUMC's 90th birthday, guests can visit the sanctuary at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. for an organ concert. In addition, three neighborhood gardens are on the Dogwood Arts Open Gardens and Walking Trails tour, and they will be open for viewing.

You can purchase tickets <u>online</u> now for \$10 (free for kids 12 and under). Tickets purchased on tour day cost \$12. Information about the event and tickets is available on the Fourth & Gill <u>website</u> and on the Facebook <u>neighborhood</u> and <u>event</u> pages. Check Facebook daily for spotlights on the featured homes and sponsors.

For more information, contact Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization President and Tour of Homes Co-Chair Jenny Wright at 865-386-1170 or imatthewswright@gmail.com.

2. Are You a Renter? Attend the "Rent Smart" Workshop on May 2

If you rent a house or apartment and wonder if you are being treated fairly by your landlord, an upcoming workshop can help you decide what to do and who to call for assistance.

All tenants have rights regarding the property they wish to rent or are renting. And they also have responsibilities. "Rent Smart" --- a tenant rights workshop --- will cover the ins and outs of the landlord-tenant relationship.

Sponsored jointly by the City of Knoxville's <u>Office of Neighborhoods</u> and the <u>Parkridge Community Organization</u>, the workshop will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, at O'Connor Senior Center, 611 Winona St. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend and participate.

Please reserve your spot in this workshop by calling 215-3077. Parents may use this number to request child care. Leave your name and number, please.

Help us promote this workshop. See the flyer.

The speakers for this workshop are:

- *** Christina Magrans-Tillery is a staff attorney with <u>Legal Aid of East Tennessee</u>, which represents tenants whose landlords have violated the state's Landlord Tenant Act.
- *** Tracey Berry and Cheri Hollifield work for the City of Knoxville's <u>Neighborhood</u> <u>Codes Enforcement Office</u>, which enforces the City's housing code.
- *** Saadia Williams, a staff member at the <u>Tennessee Human Rights Commission</u>, works on behalf of clients who have been discriminated against with regard to housing.
- *** Jackie Kittrell and Tim Howell represent the <u>Community Mediation Center</u>, which (among other activities) helps mediate disputes between tenants and landlords.
- *** Mark Rigsby, the assistant community development administrator for the City's Community Development Department, will serve as moderator.

For more information, contact David Massey at 215-3232.

3. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (clickable to online calendar)

Call 215-4382 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in this Google calendar.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a City of Knoxville public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. For an English interpreter, contact the City Law Department at 865-215-2050.

Other Calendars

Here are several other online calendars that cover events outside of the neighborhood realm:

- Arts & Culture Alliance (There's More to Knoxville)
- Arts & Fine Crafts Center Classes (City of Knoxville)
- Birdhouse Community Center
- City of Knoxville General Calendar
- Knoxville Mercury (weekly community paper)

About This Newsletter

- ** This Advisory is produced on most Tuesdays of the year.
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