

Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory – Vol. 8, No. 17 – Tuesday, May 26, 2015

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1. West Hills Group Schedules Annual Picnic

West Hills Community Association's annual potluck picnic will be held Monday, June 15, at the Gazebo in West Hills Park.

The picnic will be held in place of the regularly scheduled monthly neighborhood meeting. Residents should plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. The Knoxville Zoo will have an event for kids beginning at 6:15. Candidates for political office are welcome. Bring a dish to share, and food will be served at 7:00 p.m.

For more, contact Ashley C. Williams at ac.will@yahoo.com or 865-313-0282.

2. Elected Leaders to Hold South Knoxville Forum

Three elected officials in South Knoxville will hold a public forum at Ijams Nature Center at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 4, to update citizens on issues and projects in South Knoxville.

Citizens are invited to hear about ongoing projects and issues, and to ask questions. The hosts are First District Knoxville City Councilman and Vice Mayor Nick Pavlis, Knox County Commissioner Mike Brown, and Knox County School Board Member Amber Rountree.

3. Cumberland Avenue: Free Parking, Free KAT Rides, Free Information

As Vice Mayor Nick Pavlis is fond of saying, Cumberland Avenue is open for business, so don't let the City of Knoxville's Cumberland Avenue Corridor Project prevent you from heading to your favorite restaurant or shop on The Strip.

For one thing, free parking is available through an agreement with Fort Sanders Regional Hospital, whose surface lot at 19th Street and White Avenue can be used for free from 5 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily, except during football games. The same applies to the parking lot at UT Federal Credit Union, 2100 White Avenue.

Moreover, starting June 1, KAT is offering a Fare-Free Zone along all of Cumberland Avenue. This zone will run from downtown all the way to the western end of Volunteer Blvd., creating an easy trip from downtown to The Strip and back at no charge.

KAT will have bright signage distinguishing its Fare-Free stop locations and will also have information at those stops that will allow users to know when their bus is expected to arrive and depart.

Also, here are several ways to keep up to date on the project so that you can successfully navigate your way to and through the area.

*** **App:** The CumberlandConnect app is available online as a free download for Android and Apple devices. It was created by Vaughn & Melton, the City's construction engineering inspections contractor on the project. It includes regular updates, contact information for any questions about the project, and coupons from Cumberland Avenue merchants. (Apps for other devices -- Blackberry, Windows and Kindle - will be available at the end of May.)

*** **On Line:** Vaughn & Melton created a website (www.cumberlandconnect.com), a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/cumberlandconnect), and a Twitter account ([@VisitCumberland](https://twitter.com/VisitCumberland)) to keep everyone posted on the project.

*** **Blog:** Anne Wallace, project manager with the city's Office of Redevelopment, maintains a blog with regular updates at www.cumberlandconnections.blogspot.com.

*** **Project Overview**

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/cumberland/040215_PreConstructionMeeting.pdf

*** **Detour Map**

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/cumberland/040215_TrafficControlPlanPhase1DetourMap.pdf

*** **Traffic Control Plan**

http://www.cityofknoxville.org/cumberland/040215_TrafficControlPlan.pdf

4. Three Properties Added for Sale in Homemaker's Program

The City of Knoxville has recently listed one house and two vacant lots for sale in the Community Development Department's Homemaker's Program.

The house, located at 327 Cansler Street in Mechanicsville, is packaged with an adjacent vacant lot. This is a ranch-style home; 2BR/1BA with 769sf; fireplace; covered front and side porches; built approx. 1946; chain link fencing; and concrete driveway.

The empty lots are located at 3401 Bishop Street and 0 Evans Street in Lonsdale.

Under the Homemaker's Program, the City offers vacant lots and lots with substandard structures for sale to individuals, non-profit organizations and businesses. These properties have been identified by the City for acquisition to further its mission to remove blight, redevelop neighborhoods and provide affordable housing opportunities. The purchaser will be required, in almost all cases, to construct a new dwelling on vacant parcels or rehabilitate existing structures.

Individuals can make an offer on a property by submitting an application. The sales agreement includes a provision that allows the City to take the property back if the new owner fails to make improvements to the property per guidelines.

See <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/development/homemaker/> for a copy of the application, along with other details about the program.

5. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3456.

Visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/> for a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions. See the Community Events Calendar: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/events/events.pdf>

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@cityofknoxville.org or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Tuesday, May 26 --- 2 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)
Knox County Commission
(Fourth Mondays, January-October. Third Mondays, November-December)
www.knoxcounty.org/commission
Agenda: Click on "Information" and then "Commission Agendas"
Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting

Tuesday, May 26 --- 6 p.m.
Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)
Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays)
Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Rd.
Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net

Tuesday, May 26 --- 6:30 p.m.
Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Administration Building, Knoxville Zoo
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, May 26 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>

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

Wednesday, May 27 --- 9 a.m.

Infill Housing Design Review Committee (Fourth Wednesdays)

Re: infill housing in central city neighborhoods with IH-1 overlay

<http://www.knoxmpc.org/zoning/infill.htm>

Jeff Archer, 215-3821, jeff.archer@knoxmpc.org

Wednesday, May 27 --- 9 a.m.

Transportation Planning Organization ([TPO](#)) Executive Committee

(Fourth Wednesdays, Jan.-Oct., and Third Wednesdays, Nov.-Dec.)

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Agenda: <http://www.knoxtrans.org/meetings/execagen.htm>

Dori Canon, 215-2694, dori.canon@knoxmpc.org

Thursday, May 28 --- 9 a.m.

Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, January-October)

“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

Friday, May 29 --- 9:30 a.m.

Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement

The PO considers action on violations of city’s building codes.

Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Cheri Hollifield, 215-2119, chollifield@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, June 1 --- 1:00 p.m.

East Knoxville Community Meeting (First Mondays)

Burlington Branch Library, 4614 Asheville Highway

Michael Covington, 865-274-7958, mdecov@hotmail.com

Monday, June 1 --- 4 p.m.

Love Towers Fellowship Association (First Mondays except holidays)

Love Towers Community Room; 1171 Armstrong St.

Bill Jackson, 221-4402

Monday, June 1 --- 6:30 p.m.

Parkridge Community Organization (First Mondays except holidays)

Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.

David Anderson, (803) 259-6289, dander19@utk.edu

Monday, June 1 --- 6-8 p.m.

Wesley Neighbors Community Association

(First Mondays, even-numbered months)

West Knoxville Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Rd.

John Heins, 297-7045

Monday, June 1 --- 7 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association (First Mondays)
Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Ave. at Henegar St.
Bill Hutton, 773-5228, s_wlhutton@yahoo.com

Tuesday, June 2 --- 4:30 p.m.

Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Ave.
Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, June 2 --- 6 p.m.

Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)
Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora St.
Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, June 2 --- 6-7 p.m.

Norwood Neighborhood Watch – 6 p.m.
Norwood Homeowners Association – 7 p.m.
Monthly on a Tuesday: Jun 2, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sep 8
New Hope Presbyterian Church, 1705 Merchants Road
Lynn Redmon, 688-3136

Wednesday, June 3 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m.

East Towne Area Business & Professional Association (First Wednesdays)
Neighborhood Residents and Leaders encouraged to attend
New Harvest Park Community Building
Chair, Justin Sterling, JSterling@simon.com

Thursday, June 4 --- 6 pm

Cumberland Estates West Neighborhood Watch
(First Thursdays, even-numbered months)
Cumberland Estates Recreation Center, 4529 Silver Hill Drive
Anna Compton, 599-0724, amcompto@gmail.com

Thursday, June 4 --- 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

South Knoxville Open Forum
Get an update on issues and projects in South Knoxville
Hosted by City Councilman Nick Pavlis, County Commissioner Mike Brown and
School Board Member Amber Rountree
Ijams Nature Center. 2915 Island Home Avenue

Monday, June 8 --- 1:30 p.m.

Montgomery Village Residents Association (Second Mondays)
4600 Joe Lewis Rd. #175
Ronnie Thompson, 604-6492

Monday, June 8 --- 3 p.m.

Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)
Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Rd.
David Wildsmith, 219-0417

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

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.

Michael Meadowview: Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Cold Springs: Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, June 8

Fountain City Town Hall (Second Mondays)

Board Meetings: 6 p.m. Monthly

General Membership Meetings: 7 p.m., April, September, November

Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike

Daniel Dunn, 387-6390, daniel.dunn06@yahoo.com

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

Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)

Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Ave.

Mary Brewster, 454-2390

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

Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)

South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Old Maryville Pike

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

Downtown Residents Meeting

(Second Monday, First Month of Each Quarter)

Knoxville Chamber, 17 Market Square

Central Business Improvement District (CBID)

<http://www.downtownknoxville.org/>

Michele Hummel, 246-2654, mhummel@downtownknoxville.org

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

Community Potluck

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)

Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Ave.

Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, lizupchurch1@gmail.com

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

Historic Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)

St. James Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway

Andie Ray, 548-5221

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

Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)

City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Ave.

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Belle_Morris

Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Tuesday, June 9 --- 9 a.m.

Transportation Planning Organization ([TPO](#)) Technical Committee

(Second Tuesdays)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building
Agenda: <http://www.knoxtrans.org/meetings/techagen.htm>
Dori Canon, 215-2694, dori.canon@knoxmpc.org

Tuesday, June 9 --- 11:45 a.m.
Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, June 9 --- 2 p.m.
Western Heights Resident Association (Second Tuesdays)
Building to the right of the mail boxes when you enter Western Heights
Jamesena Nolan, 237-5558

Tuesday, June 9 --- 4-5 p.m.
City of Knoxville Greenways Commission
(2nd Tuesdays, even-numbered months)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/greenways.asp>
Lori Goerlich, Parks & Recreation Dept., 215-2807

Tuesday, June 9 --- 6 p.m.
Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Ave. Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Ave.
Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, June 9 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Wednesday, June 10 --- 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
City Business Breakfast
Helping local businesses "do business" with the City of Knoxville
More Info: http://www.cityofknoxville.org/Press_Releases/Content/2015/0519.aspx
Register online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015Business-Breakfast>
Knoxville Civic Coliseum, 500 Howard Baker Jr. Ave.
City of Knoxville, Purchasing Department

Wednesday, June 10 --- 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Food Policy Council
(Second Wednesdays but check website for confirmation)
Knox County Health Department, 140 Dameron Avenue
<http://www.knoxfood.org/>; info@knoxfood.org

Wednesday, June 10 --- 11:30 a.m.
Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Road
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

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

Neighborhood Advisory Council, City of Knoxville
(Second Wednesdays except December)
CAC / L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Ave.
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

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

Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, June 11 --- 6 p.m.

Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Community Building, 1956 Goins Dr.
Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, June 11 --- 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Greenwood Heights Neighborhood Watch (Second Thursdays)
Corner of Buttercup Circle and Sundrop Dr.
Alice Wershing, awershing@aol.com

Thursday, June 11 --- 7-8 p.m.

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association
(Second Thursdays except December and January)
South Knoxville Church of God, 5623 Magazine Road
Terry Caruthers, 579-5702, t_caruthers@hotmail.com

Friday, June 12 --- 7:45 a.m. and 8 a.m.

North Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Second Fridays)
Breakfast at 7:45 am, Meeting at 8 a.m.
Open to North Knoxville Residents, Neighborhood Groups, Business Owners
Meeting location varies. Check Website for location. <http://northknoxvillebpa.org/>
Becky Dodson, becky.dodson@hma.com, 545-6750.

Friday, June 12 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Community Room, Solid Waste Transfer Station, 1033 Elm St.
Natasha Murphy, 936-0139

Saturday, June 13 --- 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Lonsdale Multicultural Community Market (Second Saturdays)
Pavilion, Lonsdale Park, 1317 Louisiana Avenue
Latino Task Force and **Lonsdale United for Change**
Emma Cosigua, 201-207-8801, or Rosie Noriega, 865-405-0931

Sunday, June 14 --- 2 p.m.

Historic Sutherland Heights Neighborhood Association
(Second Sundays, even-numbered months)
Marble City Baptist Church, 2740 Sutherland Avenue
John Yates, 865-588-8883, john.a.yates1950@gmail.com

Monday, June 15 --- 6 p.m.
Annual Potluck Picnic
West Hills Community Association
The Gazebo, West Hills Park, 7624 Sheffield Dr.
Ashley Williams, 313-0282, ac.will@yahoo.com

Monday, June 15 --- 7 p.m.
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)
"Birdhouse"/Fourth & Gill Center, 800 North Fourth Avenue
Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, lizupchurch1@gmail.com

Tuesday, June 16 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lonsdale United for Change (Third Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Ave.
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, June 16 --- 7 p.m.
Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays, except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail
<http://edgewoodpark.us/>

Wednesday, June 17 --- 12 Noon
Eastport/Lee Williams Neighborhood Watch (Third Wednesdays)
Lee Williams Senior Center, 2240 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave
Sylvia Cook, 206-3433, sylviacook5901@comcast.net

Wednesday, June 17 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association (Third Wednesdays)
Graystone Presbyterian Church, 139 Woodlawn Pike
Kelley DeLuca, 660-4728, kellydeluca@gmail.com

Thursday, June 18 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m.
East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Meeting location varies
Doug Minter, Dminter@knoxvillechamber.com, Knoxville Chamber, 637-4550
<http://www.eastknox.org/>

Thursday, June 18 --- 8:30 a.m.
Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>
Kaye Graybeal, 215-3795, kaye.graybeal@knoxmpc.org

Thursday, June 18 --- 12 p.m.
KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays, except July)
Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay St.
See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

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

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building
Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp>

Thursday, June 18 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group
(Third Thursdays, January-November)
South Knoxville Elementary School Library, 801 Sevier Avenue
Gary Deitsch, 573-7355, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

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

South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Ave.
Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Saturday, June 27 --- 9 a.m. until last person is heard

“Coffee with the Councilman”
(Usually the 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, 454-7216

Tuesday, July 21 --- 6 p.m.

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch
(Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, July, September and November)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Dr.
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Monday, July 27 --- 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association
Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays)
Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike
Shelley Conklin, 686-6789

Monday, August 17 --- 7 p.m.

Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association
(Third Mondays except June, July, December)
All are welcome to attend.
New Harvest Park, 4775 New Harvest Lane
Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Saturday, September 19

10th Annual Mechanicsville Homecoming
10 a.m. – Community Parade from Fifth Avenue and University Avenue
11 a.m. – Celebration at Danny Mayfield Park
Mechanicsville Community Association (MCA)
Contact MCA to participate in parade or reserve booth space.
David L. Gillette, Celebration Chair, 356-1179, dgillette33@gmail.com

Monday, November 9 --- 7 p.m.

Town Hall East

(Second Mondays in November, January, March and May)

Fellowship Hall, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 409 Asheville Highway
Eston Williams, 406-5412

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