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

1. Vestival Offers Music, Crafts, Children's Activities

The 13th Annual Vestival, staged by the Candoro Arts & Heritage Center, will be held this coming Saturday, May 11, from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., on the grounds of the historic Candoro Marble Company, 681 Maryville Pike.

Vestival is a festival for the community of Vestal in South Knoxville --- and for the entire city. There will be a Mother's Day brunch (free to mothers), music, dancing, children's activities, an art exhibit, and over 40 booths offering food, information, and arts & crafts. Entertainment includes Dragonfly Aerial Arts, Humaya Tribal Fusion Belly Dance, and a dozen bands.

Admission is free, but a \$5 donation is requested to help with restoration of the historic Candoro Marble building and grounds. The South Knoxville Neighborhood & Business Coalition will be present to answer questions about neighborhood organizations in South Knoxville. For more, see <http://candoromarble.org/>.

2. South Haven Hosts Housing Fair to Promote Home Ownership

More than a few neighborhoods in Knoxville have seen a decline in homeownership in recent years, and one neighborhood organization has decided to take action to preserve a healthy balance between owner-occupied and rental homes.

South Haven Neighborhood Association (SHNA) is holding a Housing Fair to promote home ownership, inform homeowners of resources for home repairs and accessibility modifications, and help seniors connect with resources to help them "age in place" in their own homes.

The fair will be held 5 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 16, at Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue, South Knoxville. All are welcome to attend.

"Strong cities are made of strong neighborhoods," notes SHNA President Linda Rust. "Homeowners tend to be more invested in the neighborhoods in which they live. They get more involved with neighborhood organizations and their children and grandchildren's schools, and they have more investment in keeping their homes in good repair.

“Our goal with the housing fair is to promote neighborhood stabilization through increasing homeownership among residents of South Knoxville, provide information about resources to help current homeowners, and help our senior citizen neighbors with resources and information to help them ‘age in place’ in their own homes.”

Exhibitors include:

- City of Knoxville’s Community Development Department with information about home repair programs, the Home Maker’s program, rental housing repair program, 311 and Codes
- Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee (CAC) - information from the Office on Aging/Project Live and Housing and Energy department
- Knox Housing Partnership - homeownership and foreclosure prevention
- Neighborhood Housing Inc. – homeownership and housing repair
- Real Estate agents
- Local lenders

For more, contact Linda Rust at 679-9924.

3. Forum Focuses on Access to Affordable, Healthy Food

What personal challenges do you face trying to secure food that is affordable and healthy?

How can our food “system” do better?

What is our most important priority when it comes to food issues?

What solutions would you suggest to better meet our food needs?

These are questions that the Knoxville Knox County Food Policy Council wants to ask anyone who is interested in improving the access to affordable and healthy food in our community.

The Council, in cooperation with the Tennessee Dept. of Health and the Knox County Health Dept., has been holding a series of discussions on these questions since February. The last of these sessions will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. next Thursday evening, May 16, at Pellissippi Community College, 1610 East Magnolia Avenue.

Dinner will be served to those who register in advance with the Community Health section of the Knox County Health Department, 215-5170.

4. Greenways Calendar Keeps Track of Construction, Detours

Knoxville’s Parks and Recreation Dept. has created an online Greenways Construction & Detours Calendar so that greenways users can plan for alternate routes when necessary. Visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/greenways/detours.asp> to view the calendar. If you see problems on the greenways, please dial 311. Emergencies should be reported to 911.

5. City Launches Urban Forestry Web Page

The City of Knoxville has launched www.cityofknoxville.org/trees --- an urban forestry web page, where visitors can access a list of suitable trees to plant in Knoxville, review the city's tree inventory and management plan, access the tree ordinance, find answers to common tree questions, and learn more about the Knoxville Tree Board.

Via a list of Frequently Asked Questions, visitors can also access the National Tree Benefit Calculator and determine the value of trees on your property. You can also find a list of activities that your neighborhood or organization can do to help the urban forest in Knoxville.

6. CTV Can Post Audio Programs for Neighborhoods

Here's an idea for a speaker at your next neighborhood meeting --- and a project to help your neighborhood organization.

CTV, the community television station for Knoxville and Knox County, has launched a new digital audio channel featuring audio recordings that can benefit your neighborhood and your neighborhood organization.

CTV will help you post audio recordings that include storytelling (e.g., a grandson interviewing his grandfather about times gone by), multi-cultural issues and vignettes, panel discussions, news reports, the history of your neighborhood, an issue or challenge facing your organization, and more.

"We are interested in creating collaborations that will result in a collection of audio files shedding light on the unique history, characteristics and issues of our Knoxville neighborhoods," noted David Vogel, CTV's general manager.

"We are looking for current and former residents who would enjoy talking about how their neighborhood 'used to be', as well as how it is now," Vogel continued. "We are interested in establishing protocols to encourage neighborhood associations and residents to share audio recordings, current discussions pertaining to important issues of the day, and other special neighborhood events."

CTV will encourage individuals and organizations to submit the digital audio recordings, which would then be presented on the Internet on a particular day and time... and then be archived on the web site.

Anyone interested in pursuing the idea should contact CTV's Kevin Jeske at kevin@ctvknox.org or 215-8848. Kevin is available to speak to your next neighborhood meeting, and he can convey the basic message in just five minutes.

In addition to the new audio channel, CTV offers community-based video programming and airs and archives many public meetings, including City Council and County Commission. It airs on Comcast 12, Charter 6, Knology 6, and AT&T 99.

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, May 10 --- 7:45 a.m.-9:00 a.m.
North Knoxville Business & Professional Association
Monthly membership meeting. Neighborhood leaders and other visitors are welcome.
Breakfast provided by Fulton Alumnae Association.
Speaker: Adena Chumley
Tennessee Career Center, 1610 University Avenue (location varies each month)
Becky Dodson, 865-545-6750.

Saturday, May 11 --- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Computer & Computer Peripherals Recycling Event
Unloading help will be provided.
Goodwill Industries, 5412 Pleasant Ridge Road
Liz Nother, 588-8567

Saturday, May 11 --- 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
13th Annual Vestival
Live Music, Dragonfly Aerial Arts, Humaya Tribal Fusion Belly Dance, Arts, Crafts, and
Mother's Day Brunch
Historic Candoro Marble Company, 681 Maryville Pike, Rain or Shine
\$5 suggested donation
<http://candoromarble.org/>

Saturday, May 11
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: "Make it, Take it" Rain Barrel Workshop
1:30 p.m.-2:15 p.m.: How to paint a rain barrel
Sponsor: Water Quality Forum in association with Blooms Day
UT Gardens
\$35/barrel. More info: <http://waterqualityforum.org/>
Space limited. Register at 215-5861 or stormwater@knoxcounty.org

Monday, May 13 --- 5 p.m.-6 p.m.
Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch
(Second Mondays)
CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.
Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, May 13 --- 3 p.m.
Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)
Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Road
David Wildsmith, 219-0417

Monday, May 13 --- 6 p.m.
Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, May 13 --- 6 p.m.
Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)
South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, May 13 --- 6:30 p.m.
Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)
St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway
Lauren Rider, 964-3905

Monday, May 13 --- 6:30 p.m.
Potluck Picnic
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)
Fourth and Gill Park
Judith Neff, 567-7980

Monday, May 13 --- 7 p.m.
Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Tuesday, May 14 --- 11:45 a.m.
Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, May 14 --- 6:00 p.m.
Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Avenue Baptist Church, 2121 **Hoitt Ave**
Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, May 14 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, May 14 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street
R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Tuesday, May 14 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, May 16 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.
East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Locations vary
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, May 16 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)

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

Thursday, May 16 --- 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, May 16 --- 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, May 16 ---- 5 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Housing Fair

Information on services & programs for homeowners and renters, including:

Home repair, accessibility modifications, "aging in place," city services, etc.

Hosted by South Haven Neighborhood Association

Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue

Linda Rust, 679-9924

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

Cumberland Estates Neighborhood Watch

Speaker: Kasey Krouse, City Arborist

Cumberland Estates Recreation Center

Anna Compton, 599-0724

Thursday, May 16 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association

MPC will be presenting the Central City Sector Plan.

Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)

Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henegar Street

Thursday, May 16 --- 6 p.m.-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 attendees. Register at 215-5170.

Saturday, May 18 --- 9:00 a.m.

Old North Knoxville Neighborhood Yard Sale

Taking place house to house throughout the neighborhood.

Start and end times vary from sale to sale.

Sales will be advertised on Craigslist and the in the News Sentinel.

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

Saturday, May 18 --- 10 a.m.

South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)

Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue

Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, May 20 --- 9 a.m.

Dr. Lee L. Williams Tenant Association (Third Mondays)
Recreation Center, 317 McConnell Street
James Grant Chandler, 200-8697

Monday, May 20 --- 7 p.m.

West Hills Community Association – General Meeting
Speakers: City Parks & Recreation Director Joe Walsh and
a representative of Tennova Healthcare re proposed hospital.
Church of the Nazarene on Vanosdale Road
Reuben Pelot, 693-0454

Monday, May 20 --- 7 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)
Contact Judith Neff for Location
Judith Neff, merlin2@comcast.net, 567-7980

Monday, May 20 --- 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

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

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association
Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays)
This month's program: Annual Seed and Plant Swap and Kasey Krouse, City Arborist
Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike
Janice Tocher, 686-6789

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

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Drive
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, May 21 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Thursday, May 23 --- 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, May 23 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group
(Fourth Thursdays, February through October)
Stanley's Greenhouse, 3029 Davenport Road
Gary Deitsch, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

Monday, May 27
Memorial Day (City offices closed)

Monday, May 27 --- 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Honor Fountain City Day
Live Music, Children's Activities, Community Awards & Memorial Day ceremonies
Speakers include Eddie Mannis, John Becker and Congressman John J. Duncan, Jr.
Fountain City Town Hall
Fountain City Park (Rain Venue: Lion's Club Building)
www.fountaincitytownhall.org
Tyler Pavlis, 405-1567

Tuesday, May 28 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)
Knox County Commission
(USUALLY 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, May 28 – 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

Tuesday, May 28 --- 6:30 p.m.
Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Tiger Top at the Zoo, 3500 Knoxville **Zoo** Drive
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, May 28 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, May 30 --- 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>

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

Saturday, June 1 --- 10 a.m.-Noon

“Make it, Take it” Rain Barrel Workshop
Sponsor: Water Quality Forum
New Harvest Park, just east of Target on Washington Pike.
\$35/barrel. More info: <http://waterqualityforum.org/>
Space limited. Register at 215-5861 or stormwater@knoxcounty.org

Monday, June 3 --- 5 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, June 3 --- 5:30 p.m.

Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)
(First Mondays except holidays)
CAC/L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue
Dave Gartner, 862-2066

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

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

Tuesday, June 4 --- 6:30 p.m.

Parkridge Community Organization (First Tuesdays)
Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.
Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, June 4 --- 7 p.m.

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

Wednesday, June 5 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County Board of Education
Monthly Meeting (First Wednesdays)
Large Assembly Room, City County Building
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education”

Thursday, June 6 --- 4 p.m.

Montgomery Village Resident Association – Monthly Meeting
Speakers: Mayor Madeline Rogero and KCDC Executive Director Alvin Nance
Montgomery Village Boys & Girls Club, 4530 Joe Lewis Road
Tonja Warren, 577-5555

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

Wednesday, June 12 --- 11:30 a.m.
Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golf Club Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, June 12 --- 1 p.m.
100 Block Association (Second Wednesdays)
Dewhirst Properties, 123 S. Gay Street
Jody Freeman, 525-1554

Wednesday, June 12 --- 4:30 p.m.
Neighborhood Advisory Council
(Every Second Wednesday, except July and Dec.)
CAC/L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, June 13 --- 1:30 p.m.
Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, June 13 --- 2 p.m.
Western Heights Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Building to the right of the mail boxes when you enter Western Heights
Jamesena Nolan, 237-5558

Thursday, June 13 --- 6 p.m.
Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Community Building, 1956 Goins Drive
Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Friday, June 14 --- 6 p.m.
Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.
Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Monday, June 17 --- 7 p.m.
Annual Potluck Picnic
West Hills Community Association
Candidates and office holders will be present.
Children's Activities: Knoxville Zoo animals and Fire Dept. Trucks
West Hills Park at the Gazebo
Reuben Pelot, 693-0454

Thursday, June 20 --- 5 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
11th Annual Downtown Loft Tour and Fundraiser
(Focusing on Market Square)
Tour starts at Design Studio, 500 S. Gay Street
Food, refreshments, silent auction
Community Design Center
<http://www.CommunityDC.org>

Monday, June 24 --- 5:30 p.m.

Pembroke Condominium Association (Last Mondays except May and December)
Lobby of Pembroke, 508 Union Avenue
Jessie Brown, 525-6500

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