

Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory #228 – Friday, September 13, 2013

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

1. Mechanicsville to Celebrate 8th Annual Homecoming

Mechanicsville Community Association will hold its eighth annual "Homecoming Celebratory Event" and community fair from 10 a.m. until dusk this Saturday, September 14, in Danny Mayfield Park.

The theme this year is "Working Together To Build a Stronger Community, One Neighbor at a Time."

For the second year, there will be a parade starting at 10 a.m. at the corner of East Fifth and University Avenues and ending at the park. The homecoming fair itself begins at 11 a.m. The fair will include crafts and food vendors, prizes, games, music, and a sharing of old and new visions for the community. All are invited to attend and participate.

2. Old North to Host 18th Annual Ice Cream Social

Historic Old North Knoxville will host its 18th Annual Ice Cream Social from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Old North Knoxville Park in the 400 block of East Oklahoma Avenue. Neighbors will enjoy free ice cream and have invited elected officials and political candidates to join them.

Old North Knoxville, Inc. was formed to preserve, promote and protect the historic district. The neighborhood includes the triangle bounded by Woodland, Central and Broadway; as well as the area bounded by E. Glenwood, Sixth Avenue, Cecil, and Broadway.

3. Fort Sanders Sets Neighborhood Homecoming

Former residents of "The Fort" are invited to join current residents and supporters for food and music at the Fort Sanders Neighborhood Homecoming from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, September 22, at James Agee Park, located at the corner of James Agee Street and Laurel Avenue.

In case of rain, the event will be held at the Laurel Theater.

Hosted by Historic Fort Sanders Neighborhood Association (HFSNA) and Knox Heritage, the event is also meant to "help set the vision for the future of one of Knoxville's most beloved

neighborhoods” and to enable participants to “cast your vote for the future of the Fort.” For more, visit the HFSNA Facebook page.

4. City Launches Traffic Calming Web Site; Public Meeting Monday

The City of Knoxville has launched a web site --- www.cityofknoxville.org/trafficcalming --- to help start a community-wide conversation on traffic calming and neighborhood traffic safety.

In addition, the first of five public meetings on traffic calming will be held this coming Monday, September 16, at Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike. Doors open at 5 p.m., and the meeting gets underway at 5:30 p.m.

At this and the other four public meetings, city officials will make presentations about traffic calming and then record the comments, questions, ideas and concerns of city residents and representatives of city neighborhood groups and other organizations.

The city encourages citizens to visit and explore the new web site to become familiar with the concept and the issues. The site includes a policy review timeline, a definition of traffic calming, a list of physical traffic calming devices appropriate for local neighborhood streets, an outline of the city’s current practices with regard to residential traffic safety, a list of web-based resources, results of a survey of how Knoxville’s peer cities in the Southeast handle traffic calming, and results of a telephone poll of Knoxville residents.

In addition, the site offers a variety of ways citizens can provide input. The information collected will be used to consider possible changes in the city’s traffic calming policy, with a follow-up public meeting in early 2014. Whether the city resumes installation of physical devices such as speed humps will depend on several factors, including funding during an era of tight municipal budgets.

A reference desk “hard copy” of all resources on the web site will be available for viewing at the downtown (Lawson McGee) library as well as the Bearden, Burlington, Fountain City, Norton, and South Knoxville branches as soon as possible. Call the Office of Neighborhoods at 215-3232 to find out if the copies are in place.

Here is a list of the public meetings, including date, time and location. If you are unable to attend the meeting closest to you, make plans to attend one of the others.

North Knoxville

Monday, September 16, 5:30 p.m.
Church of the Good Shepherd
5337 Jacksboro Pike

South Knoxville

Monday, September 30, 6 p.m.
Woodlawn Christian Church
4339 Woodlawn Pike

West Knoxville

Thursday, October 10, 6 p.m.

Arnstein Jewish Community Center
6800 Deane Hill Drive

Northwest Knoxville

Monday, October 14, 6 p.m.
Northwest Middle School
5301 Pleasant Ridge Road

East Knoxville / City Center

Tuesday, October 22, 5:30 p.m.
John T. O'Connor Senior Center
611 Winona Street

5. 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/>.

Also see: 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 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.

Today through Thursday, September 19
EARLY VOTING
Primary Election, City of Knoxville
Knox County Election Commission
215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Saturday, September 14 --- 10 a.m.- Dusk
Mechanicsville Homecoming
Parade begins at 10 a.m. at University & Fifth Avenues
Fair begins at 11 a.m. in Danny Mayfield Park
Mechanicsville Community Association
David Gillette, 254-7319

Monday, September 16 --- 9 a.m.
Dr. Lee L. Williams Tenant Association (Third Mondays)
Recreation Center, 317 McConnell Street
James Grant Chandler, 200-8697

Monday, September 16 --- 5:30 p.m.
Traffic Calming Public Meeting (North Knoxville)
Voice your views on residential traffic safety.
City of Knoxville
Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike
David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, September 16 --- 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, 637-9630

Monday, September 16 --- 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

Tuesday, September 17 --- 6 p.m.

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

Tuesday, September 17 --- 7 p.m.

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

Tuesday, September 17 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, September 19 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, September 19 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>

Thursday, September 19 --- 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, September 19 --- 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, September 19 --- 6:00-7:30 p.m.

18th Annual Ice Cream Social
Historic Old North Knoxville
Old North Knoxville Park, 400 block of East Oklahoma Avenue

Thursday, September 19 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)
Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henagar Street

Saturday, September 21 --- 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Emergency Preparedness Fair
Classes, demonstrations, info booths, presentations
Emergency services (KPD, KFD, Red Cross, etc.) all participate.
Host: Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

Saturday, September 21 --- 10 a.m.
South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue
Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Saturday, September 21 --- 4 p.m.
A Place at the Table: A Documentary Film about Hunger in the U.S.
Viewing to be followed by question-and-answer session with local panel.
University of Tennessee
Room 241, Carolyn Brown Memorial University Center, 1502 W. Cumberland Ave.

Sunday, September 22 --- 4-7 p.m.
Fort Sanders Homecoming
Food, Music, Visioning the Future of the Neighborhood
Historic Fort Sanders Neighborhood Assn. and Knox Heritage
James Agee Park (shine) or Laurel Theatre (rain)
<http://www.wherevent.com/detail/Historic-Ft-Sanders-Fort-Sanders-Neighborhood-Homecoming>

Monday, September 23 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)
Knox County Commission
(Fourth Mondays, Jan.-Oct. Third Mondays, Nov.-Dec.)
www.knoxcounty.org/commission
Agenda: Click on "Commission Agendas"
Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting.
Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Monday, September 23 --- 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
Janice Tocher, 686-6789

Tuesday, September 24
ELECTION DAY
Primary Election, City of Knoxville
(Five City Council seats)
Knox County Election Commission
215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Tuesday, September 24 – 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, September 24 --- 6:30 p.m.

Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Tiger Top at the Zoo, 3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Thursday, September 26 --- 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, September 26 --- 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, September 26 --- 5:30 p.m.

City Council Workshop
Topic: Small Business Ordinance
Main Assembly Room, City-County Bldg.

Thursday, September 26 --- 7 p.m.

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

Friday, September 27 --- 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, September 28 --- 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, 454-7216

Sunday, September 29 --- 2 p.m.

Notable Tree Bike Tour
Led by City Arborist Kasey Krouse
Starting Point: The Birdhouse, 800 North Fourth Avenue
Sponsor: SOCM (Statewide Organizing for Community Empowerment)
Tour is free but space is limited.
Contact Katie Greer, 865-249-7488 or katie@socm.org

Monday, September 30 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County School Board – Work Session
(Monday before the regular meeting, except holidays or holiday weeks)
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, September 30 --- 5:30 p.m.
Pembroke Condominium Association (Last Mondays except May and December)
Lobby of Pembroke, 508 Union Avenue
Jessie Brown, 525-6500

Monday, September 30 --- 6 p.m.
Traffic Calming Public Meeting (South Knoxville)
Voice your views on residential traffic safety.
City of Knoxville
Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike
David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, September 30 --- 6 p.m.
Public Meeting: East City Sector Plan (first of two)
Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC)
Jacobs Building (second floor) at Chilhowee Park, 3301 Magnolia Avenue
Jeff Archer at 215-2500 or at jeff.archer@knoxmpc.org

Tuesday, October 1 --- 6:30 p.m.
Parkridge Community Organization (First Tuesdays)
Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.
Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, October 1 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)
Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street
Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, October 1 --- Times Vary
National Night Out
Neighborhoods hold special crime-prevention events across the city

Wednesday, October 2 --- 5 p.m.
Knox County Board of Education (First Wednesdays, except holiday weeks)
Large Assembly Room, City County Building
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education”

Thursday, October 3 --- 4 p.m.
Montgomery Village Resident Association (First Thursdays)
4600 Joe Lewis Rd. #175
Tonja Warren, 577-5555

Thursday, October 3 --- 6 p.m.
Public Meeting: East City Sector Plan (second of two)
Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC)
Washington Pike United Methodist Church, 2241 Washington Pike
Jeff Archer at 215-2500 or at jeff.archer@knoxmpc.org

Monday, October 7 --- 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, October 8 --- 11:45 a.m.

Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, October 8 --- 6 p.m.

Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Avenue Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Avenue
Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, October 8 --- 6:30 p.m.

Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, October 8 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street
R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Wednesday, October 9 --- 11:30 a.m.

Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golf Club Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, October 9 --- 1 p.m.

100 Block Association (Second Wednesdays)
Dewhirst Properties, 123 S. Gay Street
Jody Freeman, 525-1554

Wednesday, October 9 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council
(Every Second Wednesday, except December)
Venue to be determined
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, October 10 --- 1:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, October 10 --- 6 p.m.

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

Thursday, October 10 --- 6 p.m.

Traffic Calming Public Meeting (West Knoxville)
Voice your views on residential traffic safety.
City of Knoxville
Arnstein Jewish Community Center
6800 Deane Hill Drive
David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Thursday, October 10 --- 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, October 10 --- 7-8 p.m.

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association (Second Thursdays)
South Knoxville Church of God, 5623 Magazine Road
Paula Gumpman, babyouzo@hotmail.com, 300-4401

Friday, October 11 --- 7:45 a.m. and 8 a.m.

North Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Second Fridays)
Breakfast at 7:45 am, Meeting at 8 am
Location varies
Contact: Becky Dodson, becky.dodson@hma.com, 545-6750.
www.nkbpa.org

Friday, October 11 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.
Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Saturday, October 12 --- all-day event

Centennial Conservation Expo
Celebrating 100th anniversary of 1913 National Conservation Exposition
and a century of conservation in East Tennessee
City of Knoxville and Partners
Chilhowee Park
www.knoxconservationexpo.com

Saturday, October 12 --- 1-5 p.m.

Tour of Homes: The Barber Houses of Parkridge
Open Homes and Walking Tour
\$10/person. Children 12 and under, free.
More details later.
Susan Koelzer, 865-809-4190

Monday, October 14 --- 3 p.m.

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

Monday, October 14 --- 5 p.m.-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.
Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, October 14 --- 6 p.m.
Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, October 14 --- 6 p.m.
Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)
Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Avenue
Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, October 14 --- 6 p.m.
Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)
South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, October 14 --- 6 p.m.
Traffic Calming Public Meeting (Northwest Knoxville)
Voice your views on residential traffic safety.
City of Knoxville
Northwest Middle School, 5301 Pleasant Ridge Road
David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, October 14 --- 6:30 p.m.
Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)
St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway
Lauren Rider, 964-3905

Monday, October 14 --- 6:30 p.m.
Community Potluck
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)
Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Avenue
Judith Neff, 567-7980

Monday, October 14 --- 7 p.m.
City Council Candidates Forum
League of Women Voters and Participating Neighborhood Organizations
Cansler Family YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street
Theresa Pepin, pepin05@comcast.net or 865-382-4226

Monday, October 14 --- 7 p.m.
Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Wednesday, October 16 through Thursday, October 31
EARLY VOTING
General Election, City of Knoxville
Knox County Election Commission
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Thursday, October 17 --- 6 p.m.
Police Advisory and Review Committee (PARC)

[PARC addresses citizen concerns about the Knoxville Police Dept.]
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/parc/>
Lisa Chambers, 215-3966

Tuesday, October 22 --- 5:30 p.m.
Traffic Calming Public Meeting (East Knoxville/ City Center)
Voice your views on residential traffic safety.
City of Knoxville
John T. O'Connor Senior Center, 611 Winona Street
David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Tuesday, November 5
ELECTION DAY
General Election, City of Knoxville
(Five City Council seats)
Knox County Election Commission
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Tuesday, November 5 --- 6 p.m.
Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue
Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Monday, November 11 --- 7 p.m.
Town Hall East
(Second Mondays in September, November, January, March and May)
September Topic: City Council Candidates
Fellowship Hall, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 409 Asheville Highway
Mac Goodwin, 524-9954

Monday, December 9 --- 5:30 p.m.
Downtown Residents Quarterly Meeting
Central Business Improvement District
Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square
(Future meetings in 2013: 12/9)
<http://downtownknoxville.org/>
Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Saturday, March 8, 2014 --- 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
The Neighborhood Conference
Knoxville Convention Center

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