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

1. New Officers Elected in West Hills

Ashley Williams is the new president of the West Hills Community Association, one of 11 individuals elected to officer positions for the coming year.

Williams expressed appreciation for Reuben (Nib) Pelot, the outgoing president who now assumes the newly created "past president" position on the executive committee.

Other officers for the coming year are Chuck Anderton, vice president, programs; Allen & Pam Douglass, vice president, parks; Barbara Pelot, secretary; Clara Hardin, treasurer; A.B. Kliefoth, codes; Lee Hume, newsletter; Holly Williams, traffic; and Ken Knight, zoning.

Members of the West Hills executive committee are Tom Arnhart, Gary Casteel, Richard Clark, Steve Dendrinis, Steve & Brenda Ellis, Donnie Ernst, Erika Fuhr, Joe Fuhr, Caroline Fuller, Laura Golliver, Robert P. Harper, Ellen Keene, Steve Kimberlain, John Lamson, Gael Lott, Bob McLean, Wanda Moody, Jeff Ownby, Betty Patton, Sandy & Al Robinson, John Rosson, Pat Serio, Jean Teague, Bob Smith, George Smith, and Marshall Wilkins.

2. Lyons View Community to Celebrate Improvements

The Lyons View Community Club (LVCC) will hold an "open house" at the Lyons View Community Center and Playground, 314 Sprinkle Avenue, on Sunday, October 27, from 3-5 p.m.

The purpose of the open house is to celebrate recent work on the center and playground and to thank the organization's supporters for the time, labor, materials, and supplies donated to the effort.

In addition to the many neighborhood volunteers, support was also provided by the City of Knoxville, Knox County (especially the Sheriff's Department), Community Design Center, Community Action Committee's (CAC) AmeriCorps program, Dr. James W. and Elizabeth Wall, and others.

A brief 30-minute program will begin at 3:30 p.m. Hot dogs and hamburgers will then be served. Everyone is invited. Please RSVP by Friday, Oct. 25, to LVCC President Mary (Fowler) Brewster at 454-2390 or marylbrewster@yahoo.com, or to David Johnson, Event Chairperson, at dharrisjohnson@aol.com or 235-4153.

3. Recycling Event Planned for Saturday Downtown

Document shredding, art from trash, free recycling bins, water quality information and collection of unwanted medicines are all part of this year's "America Recycles Day" celebration from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Krutch Park Extension across from the Regal Riviera movie theater on Gay Street.

Residents can experience trash in a new way by viewing and creating works of art from recycled goods with Keep Knoxville Beautiful.

Bring in old or unwanted documents to be confidentially shredded and recycled by Goodwill. There is no limit to how many documents residents can bring for secure disposal. Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union will provide free information on how long old documents should be kept and when it is appropriate to dispose of them.

The Knoxville Police Department will collect unwanted and unused medicines, which contaminate the water supply if flushed. Residents can turn in unwanted and outdated prescriptions, over-the-counter medicines, and used mercury thermometers. The mercury thermometers can be exchanged for new, free digital thermometers.

The Knoxville Recycling Coalition will give away home recycling bins while they last.

The Water Quality Forum will answer questions about water quality and the Adopt-a-Stream program. Other groups scheduled to be on site are the City Parks and Recreation Department, Fort Loudoun Lake Association, Waste Connections, and the city and county solid waste offices.

In addition to groups named above, sponsors include Regents Bank, Calhoun's, WVLT Channel 8, Knox County Water Quality Management, WUOT, and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

4. City Schedules Public Meeting on Suttree Landing Park

The City of Knoxville has scheduled a public meeting to present plans for a new Knoxville park, Suttree Landing Park, and new local street, Waterfront Drive, on the South Waterfront.

The meeting --- which will include an opportunity for public comment and suggestions --- will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 6, at South Knoxville Elementary School, 801 Sevier Avenue.

The City's professional engineering design consultant, Cannon and Cannon, Inc., is continuing work on final design plans for the project. Project plans and renderings will be available at the meeting.

The meeting is open to the general public. Anyone needing a disability accommodation in order to attend the meeting can contact City ADA Coordinator Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org.

5. Program Provides Speakers on Disaster Preparedness

Partnering with Knoxville's disaster preparedness organizations, the Office of Neighborhoods offers a speaker series to provide disaster awareness education and hands-on training to neighborhood organizations.

The speaker series is part of the Neighborhood Disaster Preparedness Program, an effort to encourage neighborhood groups to engage in emergency preparedness at the neighborhood level.

Experts for the Disaster Preparedness Speaker Series are from Knoxville Emergency Management Agency, Knoxville Police Department, Knoxville Fire Department, Knoxville Fire Marshal's Office, Knox County Health Department, and American Red Cross of Tennessee Mountain Valley.

The series is designed for maximum flexibility: Presentations can be tailored to a neighborhood's special needs and interest, a neighborhood group can invite speakers in any order, and inviting one speaker does not commit you to the whole series.

Details on each of the available programs can be found in the [Guest Speakers Guide](#) published by the Office of Neighborhoods.

For a hard copy of the Guide or for additional information about the Neighborhood Disaster Preparedness Program or the speaker series, contact Natalie Crone at 215-3456 or NCrone@cityofknoxville.org.

6. American Red Cross Launches Preparedness Apps

The American Red Cross (ARC) has introduced a new way for citizens and their families to be disaster ready and receive up-to-the-minute emergency news.

ARC has released several applications (apps) that enable smart-phone users to stay informed about emergency events and utilize expert preparedness advice. These apps include First Aid, Wildfire, Shelter Finder, Hurricane, Tornado, and Earthquake. There is also a volunteer application app. All apps are free and are available for Apple and Android phones.

The various apps allow the user to monitor and receive location-based NOAA weather alerts, track storm or disaster conditions, prepare family and home, find help, let others know you are safe with the "I'm Safe" feature, access TN 511 traffic information during evacuations, locate American Red Cross shelters, and much more.

To download an American Red Cross app to your mobile phone, dial **REDCROSS (**73327677). The Red Cross will text a link to download the iPhone / Android app. Or visit [iTunes](#) or [Google Play](#) app stores.

For more information, contact, John Jarrard with the Tennessee Mountain Valley Chapter of the Red Cross at (865) 584-2999.

7. Free Disaster Kit Supplies Available at Halloween Event

Families with and without young children are invited to participate in a Halloween event at Knoxville Center Mall --- and receive disaster preparedness items as well as candy.

The event is sponsored by Allstate Foundation, whose “Good and Ready Station” will allow families to trick or treat AND become disaster prepared. Families will be able to assemble their own emergency preparedness bags and learn disaster tips. The event runs from 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. at Knoxville Center Mall, 3001 Knoxville Center Dr., just off Exit 8 on Interstate 640.

There is no charge for supplies. Volunteers will assist in the disaster kit assembly and offer disaster preparedness education. An Allstate disaster vehicle will also be present as an interactive display.

For more information, or to volunteer to help out at the event, contact Marie Alcorn at United Way of Knoxville at alcornm@unitedwayknox.org or 679-3048.

8. 20 Residential Properties Slated for Blight Review

Twenty residential properties are on the agenda for the City’s next Public Officer Hearing at 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 1.

The Public Officer --- David Brace, director of the Public Service Department --- will hear testimony on buildings that inspectors contend are in violation of the city’s building codes. Testimony can also be made by the property owners, neighbors, neighborhood groups, and other stakeholders, such as lien holders.

The Public Officer then decides whether to issue an order requiring that the violations be addressed in a certain period of time. Failure by the owner to cure the problem may result in the boarding or demolition of a structure, or the cleanup of a dirty or overgrown lot, with costs billed to the owner. A property owner may appeal the Public Officer’s decision to the Better Building Board and ultimately to Chancery Court.

The properties that have been approved to be heard for repair/demolition orders are: 5615 Crestwood Drive, 3713 Decatur Drive, 2731 Hillside Avenue, 5708 Jacksboro Pike (plus accessory structure), 1022 Melbourne Avenue, and 404 Midlake Drive, 5717 Mondale Road, 1212 Murray Drive (Pool only), 6902 South Northshore Drive, 131 Pruett Place, 2839 Selma Avenue, 308 Shasta Drive (plus accessory structure), 3322 Shaw Drive (plus accessory structure), 1516 Tennessee Avenue, 3817 Wayne Drive (plus accessory structure), 2530

Wilson Avenue (plus accessory structure), and 3714 Whittle Springs Road (plus accessory structure).

The property that has been given emergency repair/demolition orders and is now to be confirmed is 5304 Mohawk Drive.

Properties listed for boarding approval are: 2823 Tecoma Drive and 3714 Whittle Springs Road (plus accessory structure).

If any of these properties are in your neighborhood, you might wish to consider sending a representative of your organization to the meeting to submit testimony about the impact of the property on the neighborhood.

The full agenda for the November 1 with details on each property will be available at www.cityofknoxville.org/plansreview/agenda_poh.pdf by close of business today.

9. 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 sccook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Today through Thursday, October 31
EARLY VOTING
General Election, City of Knoxville
Knox County Election Commission
215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Sunday, October 27 --- 3-5 p.m.
Open House
Lyons View Community Center and Playground, 114 Sprankle Avenue
Lyons View Community Club
David Johnson, Event Chairman, 865-235-4153, dharrisjohnson@aol.com

Monday, October 28 --- 5:30 p.m.
Pembroke Condominium Association (Last Mondays except May and December)
Lobby of Pembroke, 508 Union Avenue
Jessie Brown, 525-6500

Monday, October 28 --- 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.

Tuesday, October 29 --- 6:30 p.m.
Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Tiger Top at the Zoo, 3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, October 29 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, October 31 --- 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, November 1 --- 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, November 4 --- 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

Monday, November 4 --- 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."

Tuesday, November 5 --- 6 p.m.
Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue
Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, November 5 --- 6:30 p.m.
Parkridge Community Organization (First Tuesdays)
Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.
Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, November 5 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)
Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street
Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, November 5 --- 8—8 p.m.

ELECTION DAY

General Election, City of Knoxville
(Five City Council seats)

Knox County Election Commission

For locations and necessary documentation:

215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Wednesday, November 6 --- 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”

Wednesday, November 6 --- 6 p.m.

Public Meeting

Plans for Suttree Landing Park and Waterfront Drive

City of Knoxville

South Knoxville Elementary School, 801 Sevier Avenue

Dawn Michele Foster, 215-3035

Friday, November 8 --- 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

Fulton High School,

Becky Dodson, becky.dodson@hma.com, 545-6750.

www.nkbpa.org

Friday, November 8 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)

Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.

Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Friday, November 8 --- 8:30 a.m.—3 p.m.

Equity in East Tennessee: Why Health Equity Matters

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Adewale Troutman (American Public Health Assn.)

Lunch Provided

Sponsors: PlanET, Knox County Health Dept., University of Tennessee

Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue

Ashley Brooks, abrook33@utk.edu

Monday, November 11 --- 3 p.m.

Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)

Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Road

David Wildsmith, 219-0417

Monday, November 11 --- 5 p.m.-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.

Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)

Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.
Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)
Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Avenue
Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.
Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)
South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, November 11 --- 6:30 p.m.
Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)
St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway
Lauren Rider, 964-3905

Monday, November 11 --- 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, November 11 --- 7 p.m.
Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

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

Tuesday, November 12 --- 11:45 a.m.
Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, November 12 --- 6 p.m.
Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Avenue Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Avenue
Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, November 12 --- 6:30 p.m.
Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, November 12 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street

R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Wednesday, November 13 --- 11:30 a.m.
Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golf Club Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, November 13 --- 1 p.m.
100 Block Association (Second Wednesdays)
Dewhirst Properties, 123 S. Gay Street
Jody Freeman, 525-1554

Wednesday, November 13 --- 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, November 14 --- 1:30 p.m.
Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, November 14 --- 6 p.m.
Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Community Building, 1956 Goins Drive
Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, November 14 --- 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, November 14 --- 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

Saturday, November 16 --- 10 a.m.
South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue
Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, November 18 --- 7 p.m.
Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association
(Third Mondays except June, July, December)
All are welcome to attend.
Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Monday, November 18 --- 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, November 19 --- 6 p.m.

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

Tuesday, November 19 --- 7 p.m.

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

Thursday, November 21 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Speaker: Representative Joe Armstrong, District 15
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, November 21 --- 8:30 a.m.

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

Thursday, November 21 --- 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, November 21 --- 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, November 21 --- 6:30 p.m.

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

Monday, November 25 --- 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, November 26 --- 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

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

Thursday, December 12 --- 6 p.m.
Burlington Homeowners & Residents Association
Next Meeting: January 11, 2014
Burlington Library, Asheville Highway
Kimberley Fowler, ccfp@comcast.net, 524-7094

Saturday, December 28 --- 8 a.m. till Last Person is Heard
"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

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

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