

**Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory – Vol. 12, No. 12 – Tuesday, March 26, 2019**

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**1. The Neighborhood Conference registration is Now Open!**

The Office of Neighborhoods Conference will be held on Saturday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Knoxville Convention Center.

This FREE event is for anyone who is a neighborhood leader, neighborhood advocate, or anyone wanting to learn more about Knoxville and area neighborhoods. [Register](#) now to reserve your spot.

This conference provides the opportunity to network with neighbors, other neighborhoods, City staff, County departments, non-profits, and local sponsors. There will also be workshops on topics such as celebrating our diversity, engaging neighbors, creating safer streets, and understanding affordable housing.

Did we mention that we also feed you? During lunch, which will be a soup and salad bar, you will get to learn what some of our outstanding neighborhood leaders are doing; and the Mayor will announce the Diana Conn Good Neighbor of the Year Award winner. Neighborhood Achievement Awards will also be announced.

Candidates running for Mayor and City Council are invited to participate in our Candidate's Corner where neighborhood folks will be able to meet with them one-on-one to see who you would like to vote for.

All are invited - don't miss this exciting opportunity to learn, laugh, and be inspired!

If you have any questions about The Neighborhood Conference, please contact Courtney Durrett at [cdurrett@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:cdurrett@knoxvilletn.gov) or 215-3077.

## **2. Fourth & Gill Elects a New Board**

The **Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Association** held elections at their annual meeting on Feb. 11, 2019.

Congratulations to the new Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Board Leadership and general Board Members:

President: Katy Hawley  
Vice President: Brent Waugh  
Treasurer: Joe Miles  
Secretary: Whitney Parson  
Communications: Chris Griffin  
External Relations: Bob Whetsel  
Finance & Budget: Dan Howett  
Neighborhood Center: Jules Warren  
Parks & Beautification: Gordon Coker  
Social: Mike Holden  
Welcoming: Mary Anne Hoskins

Along with the upcoming Historic Home Tour on Sunday, Apr. 28, and Neighborhood Yard Sale on Saturday, Apr. 13, the new board is already busy planning events and activities to engage their neighbors and support the community. Keep up the good work Fourth and Gill!

To learn more about the Fourth and Gill Neighborhood and their upcoming events check out the [Fourth and Gill website](#).

## **3. Spring Cleaning Comes to Knoxville**

Various sections of Knoxville have been coordinating clean ups for March and April. Mark your calendar for the spring clean-up in your area!

West Knoxville held their clean-up on Sunday, Mar. 24, at the Third Creek Greenway.

North Knoxville will host their clean-up on Saturday, Mar. 30, from 10 a.m.-noon at the Sharp's Ridge overlook. Participants will help prepare the ridge for the Veteran Ridge Run.

South Knoxville will work with Keep Knoxville Beautiful to host their annual clean-up on Saturday, Mar. 30. The South Knoxville clean-up will begin at 9 a.m. at Sam Duff Park and end at noon.

East Knoxville will have a clean-up on Saturday, Apr. 13, from 9 a.m.-noon. The East Knoxville clean-up will meet at Eternal Life Harvest Center.

For more information, contact Eden Slater at [eslater@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:eslater@knoxvilletn.gov) or 865-215-2962.

#### **4. Neighbors Gear Up for Yard Sale Season**

With April just around the corner, neighborhoods across Knoxville are planning their annual neighborhood yard sales, as follows:

**-Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Organization:** Saturday, Apr. 13, starting at 7:30 am. Neighbors across the neighborhood will host yard sales, but items sold at 1026 Luttrell St. will directly benefit the neighborhood organization.

**-Oakwood/Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association and Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association:** Saturday, Apr. 27, starting at 8 a.m., the group will hand out maps at the gazebo in Edgewood Park. All participating homes will have a balloon in the front yard.

If your neighborhood plans to host a Neighborhood Yard sale this year, please send your information Eden Slater at [eslater@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:eslater@knoxvilletn.gov). We can help spread the word and get it listed in the [Neighborhoods Calendar](#).

For those who do not have a neighborhood yard sale, or would like another avenue to clear out your stuff and raise money for your neighborhood, check out the [Neighborhood Treasure Hunt](#).

#### **5. Hunt for Treasures and Boost Online Auction**

Office of Neighborhoods (OON) is partnering with Community Television of Knoxville (CTV) and registered neighborhood organizations to present the inaugural Knoxville Neighborhood Treasure Hunt.

Registered neighborhood groups will invite neighbors and neighborhood businesses to donate “treasures” and raise money for their neighborhood organization. Donations can include new items, slightly used items, and antiques. Anyone may donate an item on behalf of a neighborhood group.

Between now and April, neighborhood groups will inventory, approve, and photograph their items to be auctioned.

The Neighborhood Treasure Hunt online auction will launch, Friday, Apr. 12 and begin taking bids. The auction will run from Friday, Apr. 12, through Friday, May 3.

CTV will air a three hour televised special on Friday, May 3, from 6-9 p.m., featuring recorded neighborhood videos and live auction bid updates. Winning bids will be announced at 9:00 p.m.

If you have questions, please contact Kevin Jeske-Polyak at CTV 215-4352 or at [Kevin@ctvknox.org](mailto:Kevin@ctvknox.org).

## **6. Neighborhood Challenge... Who Won!?**

Wednesday, Mar. 13, five local breweries donated \$1 for each pint sold to the 2019 Neighborhoods Conference and raised \$920!

Neighbors from North, South, East, West, and Downtown Knoxville came out to the local brewery in their area to show support for their neighborhood. With 386 pints sold, West Knoxville and Abridged Beer Co. raised the most funds!

North Knoxville and Hexagon Brewing Co. came in second with 221, and South Knoxville and Printshop Beer Co. pulled in at third with 133.

The Office of Neighborhoods would like to say a huge, "Thank you," to all those who came out to support and to the five participating breweries for donating their time and money to the Conference:

- Abridged Beer Co.
- Hexagon Brewing Co.
- Printshop Beer Co.
- Last Days of Autumn Brewing
- Pretentions Beer Co.

With these funds raised, and generous donations from local sponsors, the Neighborhoods Conference can continue to be a free event for all Knoxville residents.

## **7. Neighborhood Conference Receives Sponsorships**

This year's Neighborhood Conference is being sponsored by some generous businesses:

Platinum Level (\$5000): Waste Connections

Silver Level (\$1500): Coldwell Banker Wallace & Wallace and Home Federal Bank

Bronze Level sponsors (\$500): Cannon & Cannon, First Tennessee Bank, Hatcher Hill, Knoxville Area Association of Realtors, Realty Executives Associates, and UT Federal Credit Union.

We appreciate the support of these sponsors for this important community event and are still accepting sponsorships. For more information, please contact Debbie Sharp at [dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov) or 215-4382.

## **8. Neighborhood Achievement Award Application Closing Soon**

The Office of Neighborhoods is now taking applications for the 2019 Neighborhood Achievement Awards until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 5. Neighborhood projects carried out during 2018 are eligible for the award. Whether your organization is large or small, well established or brand new, your group is encouraged to apply. The awards will showcase accomplishments by neighborhood groups during calendar years 2018. [Here is the application.](#)

The **Neighborhood Achievement Awards** recognize the work of the city's neighborhood organizations in improving, protecting and enhancing their neighborhoods. Awards will be presented at [The Neighborhood Conference](#) that will be held Saturday, May 18, 2019, at the Knoxville Convention Center. Winners will receive a cash award of \$75.

For more, contact Debbie Sharp at [dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov) or 215-4382.

### **9. Call for Neighborhood Photos**

The Office of Neighborhoods is looking for photos of neighborhood meetings, events, and gatherings to feature at the 2019 Neighborhood Conference. Photos will appear in a slideshow during the Neighborhood Awards Luncheon.

Help us make the Conference better and brighter, with actual neighborhood footage! Submit photos to Hannah Freeman at [hfreeman@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:hfreeman@knoxvilletn.gov) by Thursday, Apr. 25.

For more, contact Hannah Freeman at the e-mail above or 215-3456.

### **10. BBB to Discuss One Property on March 28**

The Better Building Board (BBB) will meet at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Mar. 28, in the City County Building Small Assembly Room, 400 Main St.

This week's [agenda](#) will address an appeal for one property, 1863 Riverside Dr.

The BBB hears appeals from properties judged at the Public Officer Hearing. If this property is in your neighborhood, you or a representative may want to be present to speak on the impacts it has to your neighborhood.

For accommodations, contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or [scook@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:scook@knoxvilletn.gov). For translation services, contact Tatia Harris at 215-2831 or [tharris@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:tharris@knoxvilletn.gov).

### **11. Meeting Set for Chapman Highway Implementation Plan**

Knoxville-Knox County Planning invites you to attend the community workshop for the Chapman Highway Implementation Plan, on Tuesday, Apr. 16, from 5-7 p.m., at South Doyle Middle School, 3900 Decatur Drive

A list of proposed projects for the section of Chapman Hwy. between Blount Ave. to just past Governor John Sevier Hwy. have been developed based on analysis of data and input received from the previous workshop and the online survey.

Feedback on the proposed projects is important for priority setting. This meeting will be set up as an "open house" where you can arrive at any time during the event. More details about this project, [here](#).

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## **12. Safety Series North, This Thursday**

Do you live in the North Knoxville area? The Office of Neighborhoods (OON), Police Advisory and Review Committee (PARC), and Knoxville Police Department (KPD) are partnering up for a workshop and conversation about keeping neighborhoods safe.

This workshop will be the first of four, each featuring a different Knoxville region. The North Knoxville workshop will be held on Thursday, Mar. 28, at 6 p.m., at the Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 5409 Jacksboro Pike. Other areas of Knoxville will be the focus in the upcoming quarterly meetings.

Neighbors will learn more about OON, PARC, KPD, and crime issues in their part of town. Best practices for community safety, crime prevention, and safety awareness will be shared.

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## **13. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar** (click link for online calendar)

Call 215-3232 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](mailto:scook@knoxvilletn.gov) or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. For an English interpreter, contact Title VI Coordinator Tatia M. Harris at 215-2831.

### **Other Calendars**

Here are 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)
- [City of Knoxville General Calendar](#)

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