



The Neighborly Notice – Vol. 14, No. 35 – Tuesday, September 28, 2021

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Published by the City of Knoxville's Office of Neighborhood Empowerment, we report news important to Knoxville's residential neighborhoods. Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232. News deadline: 12 noon on Fridays.

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1. OLPNA Wins Annual Wiffleball Tournament

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association (OLPNA) won this year's Wiffleball Tournament for the second year in a row!

The annual event was cancelled last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and it was great seeing neighbors come out this year to compete.

The following groups participated in the event this year:

- **Forest Heights Neighborhood Association**
- **Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association**
- **Parkridge Community Association**
- **West Hills Community Association**

Thanks to all the folks who came out in support of their neighborhoods! Everyone had such a blast, and we are already looking forward to next year!

2. Neighborhood Hosts Picnic in the Park

Anyone interested in learning more about the First Creek Park Vision Plan designed by the East Tennessee Community Design Center (ETCDC) is encouraged to attend the neighborhood picnic in the park hosted by **Old North Knox Inc.**

The neighborhood picnic will take place on Thursday, Oct. 7, from 5:30-7 p.m. at First Creek Park, at the end of Pratt St.

Please bring your own dinner, dessert, and a picnic blanket or chairs so that everyone can socially distance. **Old North Knox Inc.** will provide hand sanitizer, water, and hot dogs for the children who attend the event.

In the case of rain, the event will be rescheduled to Tuesday, Oct. 26, from 5:30-7 p.m.

The neighborhood asks that you RSVP to the event if possible by contacting Margareth Olsson at margaretholsson@gmail.com. If you are unable to RSVP, the group would still love for you to attend.

See you there!

3. Register For National Night Out

National Night Out (NNO) is one month away! Due to the high level of the COVID-19 virus in our community, City officials encourage neighborhood groups wanting to participate to host outdoor events, or, indoor events with attendees physical distancing and wearing masks.

If your neighborhood group plans to hold an event or show support in another way, please register with KPD's Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Officer John Morgan at jmorgan@knoxvilletn.gov along with Neighborhood Coordinator Debbie Sharp at dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov by Friday, Oct. 8, including the following information:

- Neighborhood Name
- Contact Name
- Contact Email
- Contact Phone #
- What activities your neighborhood plans to do

- Location
- Start and End Time
- Do you want a Drive Through by Police and/or Fire?

NNO is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. This annual, neighborhood-based observance is a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive, non-emergency circumstances and to build relationships and mutual understanding between neighbors and public safety officers. It is also a great opportunity to recognize all first responders in the area for all the work they do for the community.

If you would like to also [register](#) with the national NNO organization, visit the [National Night Out website](#).

All neighborhoods are encouraged to participate in one way or another!

4. BBB and POH Meet This Week

The [Better Building Board and Public Officer Hearing](#) will meet this week.

The **Better Building Board** will meet this Thursday, Sept. 30, in the Small Assembly Room, 400 Main St and via Zoom at 3:30 p.m.

If you plan to attend via [Zoom](#) (passcode: 974117), please register in advance with Cheri Burke at 215-2867 or cmburke@knoxvilletn.gov. Also, if you would like to speak about a property, whether in person or via Zoom, you must register in advance with Cheri Burke as well.

The one property on the agenda is a Certificate of Blight for 2005 Maplewood Dr.

The **Public Officer Hearing** will be held on Friday, Oct. 1, in the Small Assembly Room, 400 Main St. and via Zoom at 9:30 a.m.

If you plan to attend via [Zoom](#) (passcode: 371977), please register in advance with Cheri Burke at 215-2867 or cmburke@knoxvilletn.gov. Anyone who would like to speak to one of the properties, whether in person or on Zoom, must register in advance with Chery Burke.

There are two properties up for demolition orders: 4717 Santala Dr., including accessory structure, and 2906 White Oak Ln., including accessory structure (Confirmation of emergency repair/demolition order)

There are four properties on the agenda for Boarding Approvals: 4522 Asheville Hwy, 105 East Depot Ave., 820 Hollywood Rd., and 2738 Jefferson Ave.

5. Special Events Seeks Volunteers

The silver screen is coming back to Chilhowee Park this fall with Drive-In at the Midway! The City of Knoxville is pleased to collaborate with the Knox County Public Library to present four free, family-friendly movies on Fridays in October.

The City's Office of Special Events is in need of volunteers to help with parking the attendees. If you are available to help, they ask that you sign up with [Volunteer East Tennessee](#).

The movies being shown are:

Friday, Oct. 1: Karate Kid (2010, PG)

Friday, Oct. 8: Raya and the Last Dragon (2021, PG)

Friday, Oct. 22: Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (2019, PG-13)

Friday, Oct. 29: Coco (2017, PG)

Gates open at 6 p.m., and the movie starts at 7:30 p.m. Volunteers are asked to be on site by 5:30 p.m. and will need to stay until all cars have exited, which should be no later than 9:45 p.m.

Volunteers who sign up for these shifts will be allowed to bring in one (1) car, loaded with any family/friends in it; however, you would not be able to stay with them during the entire event. Once the movie gets started, you will be able to join them and enjoy the movie. Parking attendants will have to resume duties at the conclusion of the movie to ensure exiting is handled properly.

If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Frank at efrank@knoxvilletn.gov.

6. Knoxville-Knox County Planning to Study a Section of Alcoa Highway

Knoxville-Knox County Planning staff will soon study a portion of Alcoa Highway and have planned two public meetings.

This study follows a design charrette held by the East Tennessee Community Design Center in 2019. In 2020, the City of Knoxville and Knox County each approved resolutions for Planning to undertake a study to develop an approach and policies to envision and manage development along the highway.

The final recommendations will look at land uses along the corridor, considering specific changes needed to spur that redevelopment and encourage retail, commercial and increased housing.

Both meetings -- one virtual and the other in person -- are on Thursday, Sept. 30. The virtual meeting is at 12 p.m. via Zoom. There will be a short presentation followed by time for questions. You may register by following this [link](#).

The second meeting is at 5:30 p.m. at Sevier Heights Baptist Church North Campus, 2939 Alcoa Hwy. The meeting will start with a short presentation followed by an open house.

All are welcome to attend.

7. Early Voting Begins Mid-October

The early voting period for the 2021 City of Knoxville, City Council General Election begins Wednesday, Oct. 13, and runs through Thursday, Oct. 28.

City voters will elect five members to the nine-member City Council. Candidates are running for open seats in District 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6.

The City of Knoxville, General Election Day is on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

If you would like more information on candidates for City Council and election schedules, visit GoVoteKnoxville.com and/or KnoxVotes.org.

If you would like to register to vote for this election, visit the GoVoteTN [website](#) and register before Oct. 4.

8. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (click link for online calendar)

Call 215-3232 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in [this Google calendar](#).

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Other Calendars

Additional online calendars that cover events outside the neighborhood realm include:

- [Arts & Culture Alliance](#) (There's More to Knoxville)
- [Arts & Fine Crafts Center Classes](#) (City of Knoxville)
- [City of Knoxville General Calendar](#)
- [Parks and Rec Community Programming](#)

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