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1. Knoxville College President to Speak

Dr. Evelyn Hallman, president of Knoxville College, will speak at the May meeting of the Mechanicsville Community Association.

The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, 546 College Street. "Dr. Hallman will let us know how we can help Knoxville College & share her vision," an MCA member reports.

2. Students to Offer Views on Safety, Pride

How do students in inner city Knoxville think about their own safety?

Do they take pride in their community, and if so, where?

These are questions that neighborhood groups grapple with as well. To get the student take on these issues, you are invited to attend an event this coming Monday morning to hear from 11 elementary and middle school students who participated in focus groups and conducted a healthy living survey in their communities. They will offer advice on what the community can do to enhance safety and community pride.

The event begins with a continental breakfast at 8:30 Monday, May 5, at Vine Middle School, 1807 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue. The program begins promptly at 8:50 a.m. and runs until 10 a.m. This project was sponsored by the Great Schools Partnership, Project Grad, the Knox County Health Department, and the U.T. Department of Public Health.

3. There's More than Bingo at Love Towers Fellowship Association

With its programming being taken to new heights, the longstanding Love Towers Fellowship Association is riding a wave of new energy and community spirit.

When Tom Higens, the current president of the Association, began his tenure, Love Towers' community-building programs consisted of association meetings and traditional bingo games. "Beyond the stale programming," Higens observed, "the social perception of Love Towers was also in need of revamping."

Higens' personal experience in digital media, coupled with his and others' desire to see Love Towers reach its full potential as a community, has led the Fellowship Association to introduce new initiatives like The Chatty Café and The KUKU Radio Knoxville, a mock radio show.

Higens hopes that the programs will breathe new life into the Love Towers community as well as present Love Towers as a progressive place for future residents to live.

Upcoming programs include,

- ** The Chatty Café, every Wednesday in May --1 p.m.
- ** New Resident Meet and Greet, May 20 -- 7 p.m.
- ** Resident Appreciation Day Cookout, sponsored by KCDC, May 23 -- 11 a.m.
- ** Debut Broadcast, KUKU Radio Knoxville, May 24 -- 7-9 p.m.
- ** The newly launched, Love Towers Fellowship Digital Newsletter, available now at <u>www.wizzdom.net/LTNL/index.html</u>

Higens hosts the show under the DJ stage name "T. Crawford-Crawford." He offered the show at Love Towers a few times in the past but then stopped. His fellow residents asked him to resume the show.

On May 24, Crawford-Crawford's "New Bohemian Showcase," will feature oldies but goodies from the '40s, '50s and '60s. Besides music, the monthly programs going forward will include mystery, drama, comedy, coverage of politics and local events, and "interviews with a unique assortment of local and regional characters." Games and call-in contests using cell phones will round out the fun.

Higens is not new to entertainment. He was a DJ on Radio Free Hamptons when he lived in New York and on CROK web radio, the successor to the pirate radio station KFAR here in Knoxville.

For those wishing to attend the KUKU show, a \$3.00 donation is requested individuals not residing at Love Towers. For information and visitor reservations, email <u>LTFellowship@yahoo.com</u>.

Higens records segments of his shows and broadcasts them on the Internet over <u>Podbean</u> <u>Web Radio</u>. If your neighborhood would like to know more about starting your own radio show, contact Higens for more information at 405-3318 or <u>fse@wizzdom.net</u>.

4. NAC, Neighborhood Groups Alter Meeting Dates

Several neighborhood groups have altered the timing for upcoming meetings, as has the Neighborhood Advisory Council. Knoxville City Council has postponed one of two topics scheduled for a workshop next week.

Belle Morris Community Action Group will not meet in May, and they will meet at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of June, rather than their usual time (second Mondays).

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association will not meet the third Thursday of May; instead, the group will meet on Thursday, May 29, at 6:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association will not meet on the fourth Monday of May because of the Memorial Day holiday. Instead, the group will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, May 19, and Carol Evans of Legacy Parks Foundation is the featured speaker.

The **Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)** will take a break for a couple of months, and will not meet in June or July.

The **Neighborhood Advisory Council**, which usually meets on second Wednesdays, will meet next week --- at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 7 --- at the CAC/L.T. Ross building, 2247 Western Avenue. The guest speaker is Mark Donaldson, executive director of the Metropolitan Planning Commission. The public is invited to attend.

Donaldson will go over details of two proposed ordinances, one that would regulate group living facilities in Knoxville and another that would provide for small day care centers in residential neighborhoods. The two ordinances can be found as PDF documents on the MPC Website. Browse to <u>http://agenda.knoxmpc.org/index.htm</u> and click on "Agenda Package Archives" at the bottom of the page. Click on the April 2014 agenda, then on items 6 and 7. Both of these items were postponed to later MPC meetings.

Because MPC postponed consideration of the group living facilities ordinance, **Knoxville City Council** dropped that topic from its previously scheduled Council Workshop next week. The workshop will still occur starting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8. The sole topic will be proposed regulations governing donation drop boxes for clothing and other goods that are donated to charity.

5. Multicultural, Citywide Baccalaureate Service Set for Sunday

Do you know African American students or other students of color who are graduating this spring or summer (or graduated last December) from one of Knoxville's high schools or post-secondary schools?

If so, encourage them to register to be part of Knoxville's first Multicultural Citywide Baccalaureate Service at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 4, at Chilhowee Hills Baptist Church, 4615 Asheville Highway. Grammy-nominated gospel, hip hop, and Christian music artist Canton Jones will perform.

A Baccalaureate is a special service held to congratulate and speak blessings over graduates who wear cap and gowns (or other attire representing their vocational training). The ceremony is a service of worship in celebration of and thanksgiving for lives dedicated to learning and wisdom.

Register graduates at <u>www.thevillageofknox.com</u> (open the RSVP link).

Sponsors encourage community members to attend even if they don't have a graduate in their families: "Please plan to join us to celebrate this milestone in the life of these young

people. This is bigger than each of us. This collaborative effort is about our children who are not celebrated nearly enough for academic success."

Organizations represented in the planning of this event include Knox County Schools, Project Grad, Pellissippi State Community College, University of Tennessee, Knoxville Area Urban League, First AME Zion Church, and Overcoming Believers Church.

6. Knox Heritage, MPC to Host Window Restoration Workshop

Knox Heritage and the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) are partnering to host "Old Windows Aren't a Pane: A Workshop on Window Restoration & Weatherization" on Saturday, May 31, at recently restored Historic Westwood, the new home of Knox Heritage on Kingston Pike.

Bob Yapp, author and nationally known "old house expert," will be the instructor for this workshop, made possible by a Preservation Fund Grant from the Tennessee Historical Commission and the National Park Service.

Over the course of the day, two learning formats will be offered. The morning workshop (10 a.m.-noon) will be a free-of-charge classroom session in which participants will learn cost-effective ways to repair/restore old windows and make them just as energy-efficient or more so than new replacement windows.

The afternoon workshop (1-5 p.m.) will be a hands-on opportunity to participate in the art of historic wood-framed window repair. The fee for this session is \$20. Students will learn sash removal, safe paint and glass removal, epoxy repair, glazing putty application, rope and pulley repair, weather-stripping and sash installation.

This field workshop will be helpful to homeowners as well as contractors interested in learning about window restoration. Participants may bring their own windows to the workshop, or work with materials already on site.

Space is limited for the afternoon workshop. Register with Hollie Cook at <u>hcook@knoxheritage.org</u> or 865-523-8008. Box lunches will be available. Checks for the \$20 registration fee should be made out to Knox Heritage.

7. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

Visit <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/</u> for a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions. See the Community Events Calendar: <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/events/events.pdf</u>

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 <u>scook@cityofknoxville.org</u> no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Monday, May 5 --- 4:00 p.m. Love Towers Fellowship Association (First Monday) Love Towers Community Room; 1171 Armstrong St. Tom Higens, 206-8908

Monday, May 5 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County Board of Education – Work Session (Monday before the regular meeting and the third Mondays, except holidays or holiday weeks) First Floor Board Room, Andrew Johnson Building, 912 South Gay St. For agenda, work sessions, and other items: Visit <u>http://knoxschools.org</u>. Click on "Board of Education."

Tuesday, May 6 --- 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

KNOX COUNTY PRIMARY Knox County Election Commission, 215-2480, <u>http://knoxcounty.org/election/</u>

Tuesday, May 6 --- 11:45 a.m.

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

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

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

Tuesday, May 6 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Community Association (Special Call Meeting) Guest Speaker: Dr. Evelyn Hallman, president of Knoxville College Clinton Chapel, AME Zion Church, 546 College Street Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, May 6 --- 6:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday, May 7 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council, City of Knoxville (Usually Second Wednesdays except December) CAC / L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Ave. <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods</u> David Massey, 215-3232

Wednesday, May 7 --- 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 <u>http://knoxschools.org/</u>. Click on "Board of Education"

Thursday, May 8 --- 1:30 p.m. Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays) <u>http://www.knoxmpc.org</u> Agenda: <u>http://agenda.knoxmpc.org</u> Thursday, May 8 --- 5:30 p.m. City Council Workshop Topic: Donation Drop Box Regulations Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Thursday, May 8 --- 6 p.m. Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays) Community Building, 1956 Goins Dr. Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, May 8 --- 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Greenwood Heights Neighborhood Watch (Second Thursdays) Corner of Buttercup Circle and Sundrop Dr. Alice Wershing, <u>awershing@aol.com</u>

Friday, May 9 --- 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 Meeting location varies Becky Dodson, <u>becky.dodson@hma.com</u>, 545-6750.
www.nkbpa.org

Friday, May 9 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays) Community Room, Solid Waste Transfer Station, 1033 Elm St. Natasha Murphy, 936-0139

Saturday, May 10 --- 11-7 p.m.

14th Annual Vestival (South Knoxville's Arts & Heritage Festival) Live Music, Carpetbag Theatre, Dragonfly Aerial Arts, Circle Modern Dance, Arts, Crafts, Mother's Day Brunch Historic Candoro Marble Company, 681 Maryville Pike, Rain or Shine \$5 suggested donation http://candoromarble.org/

Monday, May 12 --- 3 p.m.

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

Monday, May 12 --- 5-6 p.m.

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

Monday, May 12 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays) Magnolia Ave. Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia Ave. (Harrison St. Entrance) Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, May 12 --- 6 p.m.

Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays) Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Ave. Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, May 12 --- 6 p.m. Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays) South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Old Maryville Pike Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, May 12 --- 6:30 p.m.

Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays) St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway Andie Ray, 548-5221

Monday, May 12 --- 6:30 p.m.

Community Potluck

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays) Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Ave. Liz Upchurch, 898-1809

Monday, May 12 --- 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, May 13 --- 2 p.m.

Western Heights Resident Association (Second Tuesdays) Building to the right of the mail boxes when you enter Western Heights Jamesena Nolan, 237-5558

Tuesday, May 13 --- 6 p.m.

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

Tuesday, May 13 --- 7 p.m.

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

Wednesday, May 14 --- 1 p.m.

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

Thursday, May 15 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m. East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays) Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders Meeting location varies Doug Minter, <u>Dminter@knoxvillechamber.com</u>, Knoxville Chamber, 637-4550 <u>http://www.eastknox.org/</u>

Thursday, May 15 --- 8:30 a.m. Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays) <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp</u> Kaye Graybeal, 215-3795, kaye.graybeal@knoxmpc.org

Thursday, May 15 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays, except July) Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay St. See <u>www.kub.org</u>. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Thursday, May 15 --- 4 p.m.

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays) Small Assembly Room, City County Building Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511 http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp

Thursday, May 15 --- 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Film and Follow-up Discussion on Food Deserts Film: "Food Access 2012: Food Insecurity" Coalition on America's Poor Health and Poverty (CAPP) Morningside Heights Community Center, 1617 Dandridge Avenue De'Ossie Dingus, ipledgecapp@gmail.com, 865-332-2677, www.ipledgecapp.org

Saturday, May 17 --- 10 a.m.

South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays) Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Ave. Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, May 19 --- 5 p.m.

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Monday, May 19 --- 7 p.m.

Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association (Third Mondays except June, July, December) All are welcome to attend. April Meeting Only: Alice Bell Baptist Church, 3305 Alice Bell Road Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Monday, May 19 --- 7 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January) Contact Liz Upchurch for Location Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, <u>lizupchurch1@gmail.com</u>

Monday, May 19 --- 7-8:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association Bi-Monthly Meeting (usually Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays) Speaker: Carol Evans, Legacy Parks Foundation Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike Shelley Conklin, 686-6789

Monday, May 19 --- 7 p.m. West Hills Community Association (Third Mondays)

Executive Committee: January, March, April, July, August, September, November, December. General Meeting: February, May and October First Church of the Nazarene, 538 Vanosdale Rd. Ashley Williams, 313-0282 Tuesday, May 20 --- 6 p.m. Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays) Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Dr. Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102 Tuesday, May 20 --- 6:30 p.m. Lonsdale United for Change (Third Tuesdays) Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Ave. Steve Ritter. 973-0877 Tuesday, May 20 --- 7 p.m. Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays, except December) Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail http://edgewoodpark.us/ Wednesday, May 21 --- All Day City Council Budget Hearing Presentations by city departments begin at 8:30 a.m. Public Hearing begins at 5 p.m. Large Assembly Room, City County Building Wednesday, May 21 --- Noon - 1 p.m. Eastport / Lee Williams Neighborhood Watch (Third Wednesday) Lee Williams Senior Center 2240 M. L. King Jr. Ave Sylvia Cook, sylviacook5901@comcast.net or 237-6940 Monday, May 26 MEMORIAL DAY Tuesday, May 27 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.) Knox County Commission (Fourth Mondays, January-October. Third Mondays, November-December) 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, May 27 --- 6 p.m. Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip) Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays) Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Rd. Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net Tuesday, May 27 --- 6:30 p.m. Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays) Administration Building, Knoxville Zoo Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, May 27 --- 7 p.m.

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

Thursday, May 29 --- 9 a.m.

Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, January-October) "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 29 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board (Last Thursday, January-October. First Thursday, December) Small Assembly Room, City-County Building Agenda: <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp</u> Cheri Hollifield, 215-2119, chollifield@cityofknoxville.org

Thursday, May 29 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays, usually) Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Ave. at Henagar St. Bill Hutton, 773-5228, <u>s_wlhutton@yahoo.com</u>

Friday, May 30 --- 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 Agenda: <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp</u> Cheri Hollifield, 215-2119, chollifield@cityofknoxville.org

Monday, June 2 --- 6:30 p.m.

Wesley Neighbors Community Association (First Mondays, even-numbered months) Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Rd. Donnie Ernst, 207-9355

Monday, June 2 --- 7 p.m.

Belle Morris Community Action Group (Usually Second Mondays) City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Ave. <u>www.bellemorris.com</u> Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Thursday, June 5 --- 8:30 a.m.

City Tree Board (First Thursdays) Ijams Nature Center, 2915 Island Home Ave. <u>www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/treeboard</u> David Vandergriff, Tree Board Chair, 215-2340, <u>dgriff@tennessee.edu</u>

Thursday, June 5 --- 2 p.m.

Montgomery Village Residents Association (First Thursdays) 4600 Joe Lewis Rd. #175

Ronnie Thompson, 604-6492, or Wendy Cavazos, super1mommie@gmail.com

Thursday, June 5 --- 7 p.m.

Čedar Heights Residents Association (First Thursdays) 5316 Cedar Heights Rd. Jessica Abrahamson, <u>Jabrahamson2012@gmail.com</u> or 765-1047

Monday, June 9 --- 6:00 p.m.

Central Business Improvement District Downtown Residents Meeting Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square <u>http://downtownknoxville.org/</u> Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Tuesday, June 10 --- 4-5 p.m.

City of Knoxville Greenways Commission (2nd Tuesdays every two months) August 12, October 14, December 9 <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/greenways.asp</u> Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail Lori Goerlich, Parks & Recreation Dept., 215-2807

Saturday, June 28 --- 9 a.m. until 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

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

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesday, First Month of Each Quarter) Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College St. Rev. Dr. John A. Butler, 617-2603, johnanthonybutler@gmail.com

** This Advisory is produced on most Fridays of the year.

** Ideas and contributions are welcome. We reserve the right to edit submissions.

** Deadline for news & calendar items: 9 a.m. Friday.

** May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood e-mail lists and newsletters.

** See past issues at our Website: <u>www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods</u>

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