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1. To Apply for Neighborhood Grant, Attend Workshop This Thursday

Neighborhood organizations that wish to apply for a Neighborhood Small Grant must send a representative to the mandatory pre-application workshop starting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, February 5, at the Cansler Family YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street.

The dozen neighborhoods represented at last week's workshop are not required to attend this second workshop. Neighborhood groups not represented at one of the workshops will not be eligible to apply for funding.

Established neighborhood groups and start-up groups can apply for grants ranging from \$250 to \$2,500. Applications are due March 23, and awards will be announced in mid-May for projects starting in July. Please review these documents prior to the workshop:

Grant Guidelines www.cityofknoxville.org/development/neighborhoods/NSGP_Guidelines.pdf

Grant Application www.cityofknoxville.org/development/neighborhoods/NSGP_Application.pdf

If more information is needed beyond the details contained in these documents, contact David Massey at 215-3232.

2. Register Now for The Neighborhood Conference

Registration is now open for The Neighborhood Conference on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the Knoxville Convention Center.

To register, visit <u>www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods</u>. From that page you can download the conference brochure, review the description of the workshops, and secure your spot by registering online. Anyone without access to the Internet may call Brittany at 215-2113 to receive hard copies of the program and the registration form in the mail.

The conference is a gathering of neighborhood advocates and supporters from all across Knoxville and Knox County --- along with anyone else interested in the quality of life in city and county neighborhoods. Because of the number of workshops (32), neighborhood groups are encouraged to bring as many of their members as possible to take advantage of the entire conference.

There is no charge to participate. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m. for a free continental breakfast sponsored by <u>Home Federal Bank</u>. An opening general session will feature welcoming messages from Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero and Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett.

Other features include:

*** Free parking

*** A free box lunch sponsored by Waste Connections.

*** Over 30 workshops and 100 speakers addressing youth issues and concerns, crime prevention, HOA legal issues, landlord-tenant issues and fair housing, blight, neighborhood revitalization, animal control, ways to save on your KUB bill, how to help neighbors in need, neighborhood events and projects.... and much more!

*** Over 50 information booths from a variety of governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations. Registration to secure a booth has been extended until 4:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9. For details, call Griff Ashooh at 215-3456.

*** A chance to hear from and meet members of City Council, County Commission and the Board of Education, as well as senior staff in both city and county governments.

Most importantly, members and leaders of neighborhood groups will be able to meet, compare notes, and learn from one another. Even if you are not a member of a neighborhood group, you will still find plenty to do, much to learn, and many interesting people to meet.

Meanwhile, <u>UT Federal Credit Union</u> has joined the list of organizations that have made generous donations to make the conference possible.

In addition to Waste Connections and Home Federal Bank, other sponsors are <u>Cannon &</u> <u>Cannon</u> Consulting Engineers, the realty company <u>Coldwell Banker Wallace & Wallace</u>, the <u>Knoxville Area Association of Realtors</u>, <u>Knoxville News Sentinel</u>, <u>Prestige Cleaners</u>, the engineering firm <u>Vaughn & Melton</u>, <u>First Tennessee Bank</u>, and Weigel's.

Other sponsorships are available. Call David Massey at 215-3232.

3. Lyons View Celebrates Walter Keith

Lyons View Community Club (LVCC) is celebrating the life and contributions of Walter E. Keith, who died in late January after lingering illness.

"To the Lyons View Community," neighbor Ron Davis said at the funeral service, "Walt was a tireless community organizer and worker. If not for his hard work and the work of others over the past 15-20 years, the Lyons View Community Playground and Center might not exist today."

Mr. Keith was widely credited with helping to revive the neighborhood organization in 2008 after it was inactive for a number of years. "The LVCC recognized him last summer by awarding him a plaque as a "Pillar of the Community" for all the great work he had done," Davis noted. He will be missed.

4. We're Switching to Tuesdays

This "almost weekly" newsletter is switching to Tuesday publication, at least for the next several weeks. Beyond that, we'll see. Let us know what you think. For now, the deadline for calendar items and articles is 5 p.m. Mondays.

5. City Seeks Candidates for the Neighborhood Advisory Council

Are you interested in the health and vitality of Knoxville's residential neighborhoods? Would you enjoy grappling with city-wide issues that impact neighborhoods? Are you active in a neighborhood group now?

If so, please consider serving on the Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC). The city's Office of Neighborhoods is seeking expressions of interest from leaders and participants in neighborhood organizations who may want to serve on the NAC.

Appointed by the Mayor, the NAC provides insight and advice to the city administration on a wide variety of neighborhood-related issues. These include neighborhood projects, blight, the city budget, sidewalks, the neighborhood conference, leadership training, and policies of the Office of Neighborhoods.

NAC is composed of two neighborhood leaders from each of the six City Council districts and at least three at-large members. Four NAC seats are up for appointment or reappointment for three-year terms starting in April. The seats, areas covered, and current occupants are:

Seat 2-B (West Knoxville) – Dennis Owen Seat 4-B (parts of East and North Knoxville) – Robbie Arrington Seat 5-A (parts of North and Northwest Knoxville) – Steve Ritter At Large Seat C – Mickeeya Harrison

Appointees to the district seats must live in that particular City Council district, whereas appointees for at-large seats can live anywhere in the city. To be considered for one of these positions, interested persons are asked to fill out this application form: www.cityofknoxville.org/development/neighborhoods/AdvisoryCouncilApplication.pdf.

Applications are due by Monday, March 9. To learn more, or to obtain a hard copy of the application form, call David Massey, neighborhood coordinator, at 215-3232.

Visit <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/development/neighborhoods/advisory.asp</u> to learn more about the NAC, the duties of an NAC member, and details about the appointment process.

6. 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 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Tuesday, February 3 --- 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>

Tuesday, February 3 --- 4:30 p.m. **Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch** (First Tuesdays) Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Ave. Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, February 3 --- 6 p.m. **Mechanicsville Community Association** (First Tuesdays) Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora St. Charles Wright, 637-1802

Wednesday, February 4 --- Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. Meeting - 8 a.m. East Towne Area Business & Professional Association (First Wednesday) Neighborhood Residents and Leaders encouraged to attend New Harvest Park Community Building Chair, Justin Sterling, <u>JSterling@simon.com</u>

Wednesday, February 4 --- 3:00-6:30 p.m.

Sign Up for Health Insurance Coverage under the Affordable Care Act Trained volunteers will be available to help with the enrollment process. South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Maryville Pike For appointment or best walk-in time, call (844) 644-5443. For more, call 311 or visit www.cityofknoxville.org/affordablecareact/

Thursday, February 5 --- 1:30 p.m.-2 p.m.

Restoration of the Lloyd Branson House Knox Heritage and the City of Knoxville will make an announcement about the culturally significant Lloyd Branson House, which was on the Fragile 15 list. 1423 Branson Avenue Todd Morgan, Knox Heritage, 865-685-5958, toddmorgan@knoxheritage.org

Thursday, February 5 --- 5:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Small Grants Program (for city neighborhood groups) Pre-Application Workshop (mandatory for all applicants) Cansler Family YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street See <u>Guidelines</u>. See <u>Application</u>. David Massey, 215-3232, <u>dmassey@cityofknoxville.org</u> Thursday, February 5 --- 6 pm

Cumberland Estates West Neighborhood Watch (First Thursdays of EVEN Months) Cumberland Estates Rec Center Anna Compton, 599-0724, amcompto@gmail.com

Saturday, February 7 --- 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sign Up for Health Insurance Coverage under the Affordable Care Act Trained volunteers will be available to help with the enrollment process. Pellissippi State - Magnolia Campus, 1610 E. Magnolia Avenue For appointment or best walk-in time, call (844) 644-5443. For more, call 311 or visit www.cityofknoxville.org/affordablecareact/

Sunday, February 8 --- 2 p.m.

Historic Sutherland Heights Neighborhood Association (Second Sundays, even-numbered months) Marble City Baptist Church, 2740 Sutherland Avenue John Yates, 865-588-8883, john.a.yates1950@gmail.com

Monday, February 9 --- 1:30 p.m.

Montgomery Village Residents Association (Second Mondays) 4600 Joe Lewis Rd. #175 Ronnie Thompson, 604-6492

Monday, February 9 --- 3 p.m.

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

Monday, February 9 --- 5-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays) Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays) CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy. Michael Meadowview: Marian Bailey, 525-5625 Cold Springs: Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, February 9

Fountain City Town Hall (Second Mondays) Board Meetings: 6 p.m. Monthly General Membership Meetings: 7 p.m., February, April, September, November Church of the Good Shepherd, 5337 Jacksboro Pike Daniel Dunn, 387-6390, <u>daniel.dunn06@yahoo.com</u>

Monday, February 9 --- 6 p.m.

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

Monday, February 9 --- 6 p.m. **Vestal Community Organization** (Second Mondays) South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Old Maryville Pike Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, February 9 --- 6:30 p.m.

Community Potluck **Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization** (Second Mondays) Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Ave. Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, <u>lizupchurch1@gmail.com</u>

Monday, February 9 --- 6:30 p.m. **Historic Old North Knoxville** (Second Mondays) St. James Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway Andie Ray, 548-5221

Monday, February 9 --- 7 p.m. **Belle Morris Community Action Group** (Second Mondays) City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Ave. <u>http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Belle_Morris</u> Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Tuesday, February 10 --- 11:45 a.m. Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission (Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting) Small Assembly Room, City County Building

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

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

Tuesday, February 10 --- 6 p.m. **Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch** (Second Tuesdays) Hoitt Ave. Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Ave. Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, February 10 --- 6-7 p.m.
Norwood Neighborhood Watch – 6 p.m.
Norwood Homeowners Association – 7 p.m.
Monthly on a Tuesday: Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 7, May 5, Jun 2, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sep 8
New Hope Presbyterian Church, 1705 Merchants Road
Lynn Redmon, 688-3136

Wednesday, February 11 --- 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Food Policy Council (Second Wednesdays but check website for confirmation) Knox County Health Department, 140 Dameron Avenue www.knoxfood.org; info@knoxfood.org

Wednesday, February 11 --- 11:30 a.m. **Community Forum** (Second Wednesdays) Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Road Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, February 11 --- 4:30 p.m. Neighborhood Advisory Council, City of Knoxville (Second Wednesdays except December) CAC / L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Ave. <u>http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods</u> David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, February 12 --- 1:30 p.m. Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays) <u>http://www.knoxmpc.org</u> Agenda: <u>http://agenda.knoxmpc.org</u>

Thursday, February 12 --- 6 p.m. **Lonsdale Homes Resident Association** (Second Thursdays) Community Building, 1956 Goins Dr. Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, February 12 --- 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Greenwood Heights Neighborhood Watch** (Second Thursdays) Corner of Buttercup Circle and Sundrop Dr. Alice Wershing, <u>awershing@aol.com</u>

Thursday, February 12 --- 7-8 p.m.

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association (Second Thursdays) South Knoxville Church of God, 5623 Magazine Road Terry Caruthers, 579-5702, <u>t_caruthers@hotmail.com</u>

Friday, February 13 --- 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. Check Website for location. <u>http://northknoxvillebpa.org/</u> Becky Dodson, <u>becky.dodson@hma.com</u>, 545-6750.

Friday, February 13 --- 6 p.m.

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

Saturday, February 14 --- 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sign Up for Health Insurance Coverage under the Affordable Care Act Trained volunteers will be available to help with the enrollment process. Mount Calvary Baptist Church, 1807 Dandridge Ave. For appointment or best walk-in time, call (844) 644-5443. For more, call 311 or visit www.cityofknoxville.org/affordablecareact/

Sunday, February 15 --- 6-8 p.m.

"I Love the Birdhouse" Membership Roll-Out Party Potluck Supper: Bring a Dish. A free and family-friendly event. Come celebrate this lively community space. Live Music. Art Exhibit. The Birdhouse, 800 North Fourth Avenue www.birdhouse.com and www.facebook.com/birdhouse.knoxville Gerry Moll, 480-239-0506

Monday, February 16 --- 7 p.m. Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January) "Birdhouse"/Fourth & Gill Center, 800 North Fourth Avenue Liz Upchurch, 898-1809, lizupchurch1@gmail.com Monday, February 16 --- 7 p.m. Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association (Third Mondays except June, July, December) All are welcome to attend. New Harvest Park, 4775 New Harvest Lane Ronnie Collins, 637-9630 Monday, February 16 --- 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, February 17 --- 6 p.m. **Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch** (Third Tuesdays) Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Dr. Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102 Tuesday, February 17 --- 6:30 p.m. Lonsdale United for Change (Third Tuesdays) Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Ave. Steve Ritter, 973-0877 Tuesday, February 17 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays, except December) Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail <u>http://edgewoodpark.us/</u>

Tuesday, February 17 --- 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, February 18 --- 12 Noon Eastport/Lee Williams Neighborhood Watch (every 3rd Wednesday) Lee Williams Senior Center, 2240 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave Sylvia Cook, 206-3433, <u>sylviacook5901@comcast.net</u>

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

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

Thursday, February 19 --- 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, February 19 --- 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, February 19 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group (Third Thursdays, January-November)

South Knoxville Elementary School Library, 801 Sevier Avenue Gary Deitsch, 573-7355, <u>garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net</u>

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

Monday, February 23 --- 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 "Information" and then "Commission Agendas" Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m. Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Tuesday, February 24 --- 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, <u>bettymahan@knology.net</u>

Tuesday, February 24 --- 6:30 p.m.

Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays) Administration Building, Knoxville Zoo Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Thursday, February 26 --- 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, <u>chollifield@cityofknoxville.org</u> Thursday, February 26 --- 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

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

Monday, March 2 --- 1:00 p.m.

East Knoxville Community Meeting (First Mondays) Burlington Branch Library, 4614 Asheville Highway Michael Covington, 865-274-7958, <u>mdcov@hotmail.com</u>

Monday, March 2 --- 4 p.m.

Love Towers Fellowship Association (First Mondays except holidays) Love Towers Community Room; 1171 Armstrong St. Tom Higens, 206-8908

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

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

Saturday, March 7 --- 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

The Neighborhood Conference Workshops, Awards, Information Booths, Networking Knoxville Convention Center Office of Neighborhoods David Massey, <u>dmassey@cityofknoxville.org</u>, 215-3232

Monday, March 9 --- 7 p.m.

Town Hall East

(Second Mondays in November, January, March and May) Fellowship Hall, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 409 Asheville Highway Eston Williams, 406-5412

Monday, March 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 Shelley Conklin, 686-6789

Saturday, March 28 --- 9 a.m. until last person is heard "Coffee with the Councilman" (Usually the 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

Monday, April 6 --- 6-8 p.m.

Wesley Neighbors Community Association (First Mondays, even-numbered months)

Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Rd. John Heins, 297-7045

Saturday, April 25 --- 1 p.m. Boright Area Neighborhood Watch (Quarterly) 3004 Boright Drive Lola Alapo, 525-1520, <u>BorightGroup@gmail.com</u>

- ** This Advisory is produced on most Tuesdays of the year.
- ** Ideas and contributions are welcome. We reserve the right to edit submissions.
- ** Deadline for news & calendar items: 5 p.m. Mondays
- ** May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood e-mail lists and newsletters.
- ** See past issues at our Website: <u>www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods</u>
- ** Don't have Internet access? Call 215-3232 if you need a copy of a particular document.