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1. BWK Announces Ride with Elected Officials

May is <u>Bike Month</u>! To celebrate, <u>Bike Walk Knoxville</u> (BWK) will kick off their Bike and Walk Summer Tours with Elected Officials on Thursday, May 24.

Everyone is invited to join the ride at 6 p.m. at Caswell Park, 620 Winona St., where the ride will begin and end. The route follows neighborhood streets and greenways to Edgewood Park in North Knoxville, including the new section of First Creek Greenway.

After the ride, join the group at Last Days of Autumn, 808 E Magnolia Ave., for a beverage and conversation. This could be a great time to engage with City Council members who are attending. <u>Coldwell Banker Wallace and Wallace</u> is the sponsor.

2. First Mandatory Grant Workshop this Saturday

The Office of Neighborhoods has launched the 2019 season for the Neighborhood Small Grants Program (NSGP).

To apply for a grant under the NSGP, your organization must send a representative to ONE of the following mandatory workshops:

- *** Saturday, May 26, 10 a.m.-12 noon
- *** Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m.-12 noon
- *** Thursday, June 14, 6-8 p.m.

Even if you are unsure whether your neighborhood group will apply this year, sending a representative ensures that you are eligible to apply. Participation can also assist your group in planning for a 2020 grant application.

Contact Debbie Sharp at <u>dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov</u> or 215-4382 to register for one of the workshops. When you register, you will receive the location of that workshop.

Copies of the NSGP Guidelines and Application can be found <u>on this city web page</u>. Note that the Application is a fillable PDF file. Proposals are due July 30 and will be judged on a competitive basis. Submit proposals on or before July 23 to have staff review your application for completeness.

3. Honor Fountain City Day Turns 43 on Monday

Fountain City Town Hall will host the 43rd annual Honor Fountain City Day event on Memorial Day, Monday May 28, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in Fountain City Park.

Open to everyone, the event will feature plenty of activities for children. In addition, live music will include the bands Nostalgia and Brandywine in the morning, and River's Drift and Tennessee Wind Symphony in the afternoon. Food and drinks will be sold on site, and local craft vendors and exhibitors will be set up around the park. Door prizes will be offered, with tickets sold at the Covered Pavilion.

The Community Awards Ceremony begins at 3 p.m. with guest speaker Carol Evans, executive director of Legacy Parks Foundation, followed by Town Hall's recognition of six individuals and one business:

*** The Commercial Restoration Award will be presented to McAlister's Deli on Tazewell Pike for their restoration and reuse of a commercial building.

*** The Residential Restoration Award goes to Chad Kiser, homeowner of 412 Midlake Drive, for restoration and beautification of a residential property.

*** The Town Hall Chairman's Award will honor Bill Dohm and Patty Cooper, owners of Savage Garden on Garden Drive, for their contribution to the community.

*** The Friend of Fountain City award, which recognizes an individual who, although living outside of Fountain City, makes tremendous contribution to the area will be presented to Vice Mayor and At-Large City Councilman Finbarr Saunders.

*** Awards for Fountain City Man of the Year and Fountain City Woman of the Year will also be awarded to recipients to be announced at the event.

WBIR Anchor John Becker will speak at the Memorial Day Ceremony beginning at 3:30 p.m., followed by singer Lynn Bennett, who will perform pieces in honor of veterans, fallen soldiers, and active duty service members. The event will conclude with the Honor Guard final salute and playing of taps by the East Tennessee Veteran's Honor Guard.

4. Town Hall East Elects Officers, Board Members

David Lee, vice president of **Town Hall East** (T.H.E.), was elected president of the organization at its annual election of officers last week.

A retired German professor at U.T., Lee replaces Doug Toppenberg. Other newly elected officers and board members are:

*** Vice-President: Sharon Davis is a realtor with Hammontree Real Estate and a past president of T.H.E. She heads the Parks Committee and was very active in the effort to establish Tank Strickland Park.

*** Secretary: Kim Raia is an Environmental Consultant for UT's Institute for Public Service who works with counties and organizations throughout East Tennessee as part of the Institute's County Technical Assistance Service.

*** Treasurer: Rachel Ray Honeycutt is a realtor with Trotta Montgomery Real Estate and a board member for Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee.

*** Board Member: Clint Waddell is a project manager at Partners Development, a real estate development firm. Before moving with his wife and three children to Holston Hills, he served as president and vice president of the **Park Place Homeowners Association** in the Park Ridge Community.

*** Board Member: Sam McKenzie is an operations manager for ORNL. From 2008 to 2016 he served on the Knox County Commission as the representative from District 1.

*** Board Member: Kim Trent has recently stepped down after 15 years as executive director of Knox Heritage. She works as a realtor with Coldwell Banker and as an independent consultant through her firm Kim Trent Preservation Strategies.

5. Next Week: Waste Connections Runs Regular Schedule

Waste Connections, the hauling company that holds the city contracts for picking up garbage and recyclables from city residents, will run its regular routes on Memorial Day next Monday, May 28.

Downtown trash and recycling pickups will also run on regular schedule throughout the Memorial Day weekend.

The City's recycling centers will be open for recycling use only. The Goodwill attendant will not be available for household donations on Monday, May 28.

The City's Solid Waste Management Facility located on 1033 Elm Street will be closed on Saturday May 26, and Monday, May 28.

6. Lanes Closed... Jackson Ave... Jobs To Go... Trash Run... Vehicle Sale

*** **Lane Closures**: Due to utility maintenance, KUB closed traffic lanes on N. Middlebrook Pike Lane, Millertown Pike, Neubert Springs and State Street from today through Friday. <u>Learn more</u>. *** **W. Jackson Avenue**: On Thursday morning, May 24, Mayor Rogero will cut a ribbon to celebrate the more than \$2 million in streetscape upgrades along West Jackson Avenue in the Old City, between North Broadway and North Central Street. The event will take place at 118 W. Jackson Ave. <u>Read more</u>.

*** **Jobs to Go**: The City of Knoxville's Save Our Sons initiative is partnering with Change Center's Jobs Initiative, and Johnson Family Restaurants to host a Jobs To-Go information meeting and hiring event Sunday, May 27, at 2 p.m. at Overcoming Believers Church, 211 Harriet Tubman Street.

For more information about the Jobs To-Go event, contact Nicole Chandler at 865-961-1567, or Tatia Harris at 865-215-2831. <u>Read more</u>.

*** **Keep Knoxville Beautiful**: Keep Knoxville Beautiful (KKB) will host a Trash Run in East Knoxville on Thursday, May 31. Check-in will begin at Last Days of Autumn Brewing at 808 East Magnolia Avenue at 5:30 p.m. and the run will start at 6 p.m. This is a non-competitive fun run and litter pickup for runners/walkers of all ages. KKB will provide maps, gloves, bags, safety vests, and litter-pickers. <u>Get the full scoop</u>.

*** **Sale of Impounded Vehicles**: Vehicles impounded by the City of Knoxville Police Department or Codes Enforcement will be sold at public auction. The sale will be held at the Vehicle Impound Lot on Vice Mayor Jack Sharp Road (formerly BMX Blvd) beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 4. <u>See a list of vehicles</u>.

7. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (clickable to online calendar)

Call 215-4382 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 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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