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1. OLPNA Elects New Neighborhood Board

The **Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association** (OLPNA) elected a new board at their May monthly meeting. Congratulations to Courtney Burchfield-Adkins, Amanda Burns, Sabrina Devault-Greene, Michelle Ivester, Michael Ivester, Jade McCampbell Kloss, Angela Nicholson, Heidi Parunak, Lesley Stark, Sarah Tipton, and Sean Wynne.

The 11 new board members will serve OLPNA for a two-year term, helping the neighborhood plan events, advocate, and work on current and new neighborhood initiatives.

The board elected the following members to serve as officers for the OLPNA neighborhood:

President: Sabrina Devault-Greene Vice President: Michelle Ivester Treasurer: Courtney Burchfield-Adkins

Co-Secretaries: Lesley Starck & Jade McCampbell Kloss

OLPNA held their first meeting with the new board, last night, Monday, June 3, with a Neighborhood Ice Cream Social and Mayoral Candidate Forum.

2. South Woodlawn Elects New Board

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association celebrated Memorial Day honoring men and women who died in uniform, with an event at Sam Duff Park. It was the first year for this event and drew about 35 attendees and included food, music, conversations, and a brief meeting.

At the meeting, the Association: updated community members about current projects, including putting in a bike repair station at Sam Duff Park; holding clean ups for the Wildlife Habitat Certification; and held board elections.

The board elected the following to serve as officers for the organization:

President: Janice Tocher

Vice President: Janine Al-Aseer

Secretary: -Sylvia Woods Treasurer: Debbie Helsley

Additional board members include: Sara Baskin, Andy Blankenship, Melody Moneymaker, Portia Carver, Jill Patterson, and Debbie Sharp.

Board members rolling off the board include: Danny Gray, Hilary Gallegos, and Raymond Aldredge. The board thanks them for their tireless work to improve the neighborhood.

3. Cumberland Estates Annual Yard Sale

The 2019 Cumberland Estates Yard Sale will be held Saturday, June 8 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. throughout the neighborhood.

Each participating house will host their own yard sale in their own yard. Directional signs and/or balloons will be located at street corners to guide shoppers throughout the neighborhood. Yard sales may include, but are not limited to, household goods and clothing.

For more information, text or call Anna Compton at 599-0724.

4. Lonsdale Market Returns

When was the last time you stopped by the Lonsdale International Market? Come out and see what delicious is available!

The Lonsdale Market is a unique neighborhood market featuring the wide range of cultures represented in the neighborhood. It is a celebration of one of Knoxville's most diverse neighborhoods! The next market will be held on Saturday, June 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The popular event is held in the pavilion of the Lonsdale Community Park down from Lonsdale Elementary School; 1317 Louisiana Ave. NW. Vendors typically sell foods such as tamales, stuffed grape leaves, papusas, fruit with chili powder and more!

From now until September, the market will take place every second Saturday of the month. It will be canceled in cases of extreme weather; you can check for updates on their <u>Facebook page</u>.

5. City Council Rep, Singh-Perez, Organizes Recode Workshop

Seema Singh-Perez, City Council Representative for District 3, has organized a workshop on Recode.

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, June 11, at the Knoxville Expo Center on Clinton Hwy beginning at 5 p.m. All District 3 residents are welcome.

Residents will have the opportunity to ask specific questions about the proposed ordinance referred to as Recode, as it relates to their specific property and/or neighborhood. There will also be time to evaluate the current code versus the proposed code. There will be no presentation, to allow for time for questions and answers.

6. City Hosts Public Workshops on Sidewalk Studies

The City is hosting a series of open house workshops to gather feedback and introduce the goals of a 10-month sidewalk system study that will evaluate existing and future pedestrian needs, including sidewalks and crosswalks.

The City will host six open houses over three nights, and attendees may arrive anytime and stay as long as they wish:

Thursday, June 13, 5-7 p.m.

- Deane Hill Recreation Center, 7400 Deane Hill Drive
- Burlington Branch Library, 4614 Asheville Highway

Wednesday, June 19, 5-7 p.m.

- South-Doyle Middle School Library, 3900 Decatur Drive
- Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Thursday, June 20, 5-7 p.m.

- Christenberry Recreation Center, 931 Oglewood Ave.
- Cumberland Estates Recreation Center, 4529 Silverhill Drive

Members of the public will be able to share their ideas on where Knoxville's future sidewalks should go and identify barriers to pedestrian travel.

"This study began this spring and will identify the most needed sidewalk connections for our citizens, whether they're going to the library, the grocery store, a bus stop or to school," said Jon Livengood, City Alternative Transportation Engineer. "These public workshops are an easy way for our community members to highlight the connections that are most useful for their walking needs."

All City residents and any persons concerned with pedestrian safety in Knoxville are encouraged to attend the upcoming meetings and share their ideas.

Results of the study and workshop data will be used to create a citywide strategy for planning, developing and maintaining Knoxville's pedestrian network.

Gresham Smith is the consultant on the project. For more information, contact Jon Livengood at ilvengood@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-6100.

7. ETCDC Hosts "Burlington Vibe" Fundraiser

The <u>East Tennessee Community Design Center</u> will host their 17th Annual Summer Party Fundraiser and Tour on June 13.

Come out to the Gathering Spot, 3906 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., for the "Burlington Vibe." Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and a silent auction, before taking a tour of the Historic Burlington Community. Bob Booker and Jack Neely, two of Knoxville's most famous historians and authors, will be on hand to answer questions at two tour stops. Student Design Studios will display Burlington design ideas from the UT College of Architecture + Design before the event rounds out at the Greater Warner Baptist Church with a special music performance from The Musical Sounds of Burlington.

The "Burlington Vibe" event is focused on bringing awareness to the Burlington area, and raising money for future progress and enrichment in the community.

Visit The Burlington Vibe Fundraiser and Tour to purchase tickets for \$65.00 each.

8. Five Teams Signed Up for Wiffleball Tournament

The Neighborhood Wiffleball Tournament will be on June 29, at Victor Ashe Park with four teams registered: Forest Heights Neighborhood Association, Oakwood/Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association, Timbercrest Neighborhood Association, Westwood Homeowners Association, and West Hills Community Association.

There is still room for more teams. People can contact Mike Rogers at mrog91@gmail.com if you have questions or wish to register a team. Deadline for team registration is June 15.

Players need to arrive by 8:30 a.m., the games will start at 9 a.m., and wrap up around lunchtime. This is a fun filled family event that highlights neighborhood pride.

9. OON Offers Two More NSGP Workshop Opportunities

The Neighborhood Small Grants Program (NSGP) is open for the 2020 Grant Cycle.

If your organization wishes to apply, you must send at least ONE neighborhood representative to ONE of the following mandatory workshops:

*** Wednesday, June 5, 6 to 8 p.m., Public Service Building, 3131 Morris Ave.

*** Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m.-12 noon, Public Service Building, 3131 Morris Ave.

The NSGP is an initiative from the Office of Neighborhoods designed to offer neighborhoods the opportunity to develop and accomplish projects specific to your neighborhood. All registered neighborhoods are eligible to apply for the NSGP, but MUST attend a mandatory NSGP workshop to be eligible for grant funding.

Even if you are unsure if your neighborhood group plans to apply this year, sending a representative ensures that you are eligible to apply. Participation can also assist your group in planning for a 2021 grant application.

For more information on the NSGP, a copy of the application, and application guidelines, visit the <u>Neighborhood Small Grants Webpage</u>.

Contact Eden Slater at <u>eslater@knoxvilletn.gov</u> or 215-2113 to register for one of the workshops.

10. NAC to Discuss New Neighborhood Traffic Safety Component

The Office of Neighborhoods' Neighborhood Advisory Council will meet on Wednesday, June 12, from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.

This meeting will focus on the Office of Neighborhoods' Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program's education piece. Volunteers David Massey and Don Lindsey will present their Anti-Speeding Educational Draft to the Advisory Council for feedback.

This draft was presented at the 2019 Neighborhood Conference on May 18, as part of a traffic safety workshop. Based on feedback from the workshop and the advisory council, the draft will be updated to reflect best practices.

There are two other components to the traffic safety program that will NOT be discussed on June 12. These two components deal with police enforcement and engineering devices. Information for these two components can be found by visiting the webpage on the Neighborhood Traffic Safety Program.

For more information, contact Eden Slater at 215-2113 or email <u>eslater@knoxvilletn.gov</u>.

11. PARC Neighborhood Safety Series – South

Police Advisory Review Committee (PARC) is partnering with the Office of Neighborhoods (OON) and the Knoxville Police Department (KPD) for a Safety Series of workshops in different areas of town.

The next workshop is in South Knoxville on Monday, June 24, from 5:30-7 p.m., at the South Doyle Middle School Library, Decatur Drive.

KPD will present crime analysis data for the South Knoxville area and give tips on how to stay safe in the neighborhood based on the crimes that are prevalent in the area. There will also be time to discuss current issues and learn more about safety in general.

This is the second meeting in a series of four, one for each region. If you have questions, please contact Clarence Vaughn at cvaughn@knoxvilletn.gov.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend this public meeting, please contact Stephanie Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. For an English interpreter, contact Title VI Coordinator Tatia M. Harris tharris@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-2831.

12. TEC Challenges Neighborhoods to Recycle Right

The Tennessee Environmental Council (TEC) is piloting an educational recycling program on Saturday, June 8, called Recycle Right Knoxville.

This pilot educational program from the Tennessee Environmental Council, will be held throughout the City of Knoxville by various volunteers for neighborhoods that register to participate. The program aims to reduce contamination in curbside recycling through education efforts.

To register, call 311, contact Shelby Ward at 615-248-6500, or visit the <u>website</u>. The more neighbors who participate, the better!

Teams of volunteers will record visible contamination concerns and provide recycling education to each participating home. Recycle Right Knoxville volunteers will perform a visual inspection of the recycling bins of consenting homes only. By eyeballing the top layer of these carts for contaminants, the Tennessee Environmental Council aims to find out what materials are being recycled the most and what can be improved to reduce contamination at each residence.

Volunteers will be trained on the program and treated to ice cream! To register as a volunteer, email Shelby Ward at shelby@tectn.gov or visit their website.

13. Planning Commission to Meet on June 13

<u>The Knoxville Knox County Planning Commission</u> will meet Thursday, June 13, at 1:30 p.m., in the City County Building Main Assembly Room, 400 Main St.

42 items are up for discussion on this month's agenda. To see if any of these properties might affect your neighborhood, check out the <u>June 13, Preliminary Agenda</u>. The final agenda will be posted by Friday, June 7.

To learn more about Knoxville Knox County Planning, and how the process works, visit Planning's <u>website</u>. To look up a property in your area, check the status of a property on the list, or see a map-view of developments near you, check out the new <u>Groundbrakers Application</u>.

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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

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