

College Hill Historic District Newsletter

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Maryville College Bicentennial Celebration Plans are Underway



If you have taken a stroll on the Maryville College campus recently, you likely have seen the large signs on the side of many of the buildings advertising the bicentennial celebration. The College is marking its 200th year in 2019 and, since the College Hill Historic District not only borders the college but has also been the place many professors from the college have come home to after their teaching day is over, the school has asked the historic district to help them celebrate this milestone!

The HCHNA is currently collaborating with the Maryville College Bicentennial Committee on developing a home tour that coincides with the bicentennial next year. A committee is currently being formed to assist with ironing all of the details out and ensuring the event is a success. The tour will include homes in the neighborhood that have ties to the college (i.e., professors either built them, lived in them or they have a special connection with the college). If you are interested in volunteering with the committee to plan out the tour or would like to offer your home as part of the tour, please contact Ariane Schratter at ariane.schratter@maryvillecollege.edu.



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Fall Work Day at College Hill Park

As the Board continues to find ways to improve the neighborhood, one area that has been identified is the neighborhood park. Located on the corner of Cates Street and Miller Avenue, this park is a great place for kids to play, dogs to be walked and neighbors to catch up. It should be a place that we all want to use and be proud of since it is in our neighborhood and is therefore a reflection of our community.

In recent years, the flower beds in the park have been taken care of by Nan Taylor and, while she has done a fantastic job of choosing the perfect plants and flowers that will grow in the rocky soil, it is a lot to care for and the Board has decided to host a fall work day at the park on ***Saturday, October 13***, from ***9:00 am-1:00 pm***. This will be followed by our October HCHNA Board Meeting, which will occur in the park following the conclusion of the work day. Please come out and join your neighbors and assist with making the park look more beautiful. Remember, many hands make light work!



Fall Gathering

The fall gathering will be held on Sunday, October 28, from 3-5 pm at the Hasson's home @ 206 Indiana Avenue. This year's edition will include a bounce house for the kids and since it is close to Halloween, please feel free to come dressed up as your favorite spooky ghost or goblin!

Hotdogs and drinks will be provided. We will also be having a chili cook-off so if you are feeling competitive, dust off your favorite recipe and put your culinary skills to the test! There will be a cake walk similar to years past, so if you have special treats/desserts for that, please bring them with you to contribute.

With how warm the summer months have been, let's hope the weather cooperates and there will be a chill in the air alerting us that fall is among us. Please look for an invitation soon for the festivities!

This is an opportunity for the neighborhood to come together and celebrate prior to the busy holiday season and the traveling many in the neighborhood do this time of year. We look forward to seeing everyone on October 28!



Vacation Tales, Costa Rica Style



In June, the McNaughton's and the Luttrell's traveled around Costa Rica. The 10-day trip included stops in San Jose, Arenal (with its volcano and hot springs), Monteverde (cloud forest, coffee, sugar cane and chocolate plantations) and Manuel Antonio (beach on the Pacific side of the country with amazing blue water and mischievous monkeys).

The trip was filled with lots of activities, including hiking to a volcano, zip lining and hanging bridges in the cloud forest) and relaxing on the beautiful beaches.

The trip consisted of a day spent ATVing in the area, with stops at various waterfalls and some really cold springs. Pictures were taken of neat critters, like the aguti and the coati (both pictured below). There was even a sloth sighting!



Notice any Suspicious Activity in the Neighborhood?

If you answered yes to this question, then you are not alone. Many people in the neighborhood have seen an older yellow Mustang (model year 2010-2012) sitting along various roads in the neighborhood. A well-groomed younger man is in the car and has been randomly parking on our streets. He often gets out and approaches people saying he is a Spectrum employee and that he has a work order to fix something in your home/ apartment.

This car has been seen recently on Stanley and Indiana Avenues, on Cates and on Clark.

If you see this car in the neighborhood, please call the police (983-3620) and report the suspicious activity to the Sherriff's Office and ask them to send a patrol car out to canvas the neighborhood. Additionally, please look out for your neighbors and trust your instincts...if something doesn't look or feel right, it probably isn't. Vigilance is the key to ensuring the safety of ourselves and our neighborhood.

If you see any other activity that looks suspicious, please let Hannah Volk know as well (at mhvolk@yahoo.com) so she can send an email out to the neighborhood, alerting them to be on the lookout for anything strange.



Fall is for planting

by Chris Hackler



I have folks ask me often when is the best time to plant trees and shrubs. Here in eastern Tennessee since the ground doesn't typically freeze, the furthest amount of time before the hottest months is the best time to plant. We are also fortunate to be able to plant year around, but fall is the best. The more time the plant has to get established the better it will do. There are two primary reasons fall is the best time. First, we typically start getting

more rain. Second, with the ground not freezing the roots of the plants will continue to grow throughout winter even though the plant is dormant.

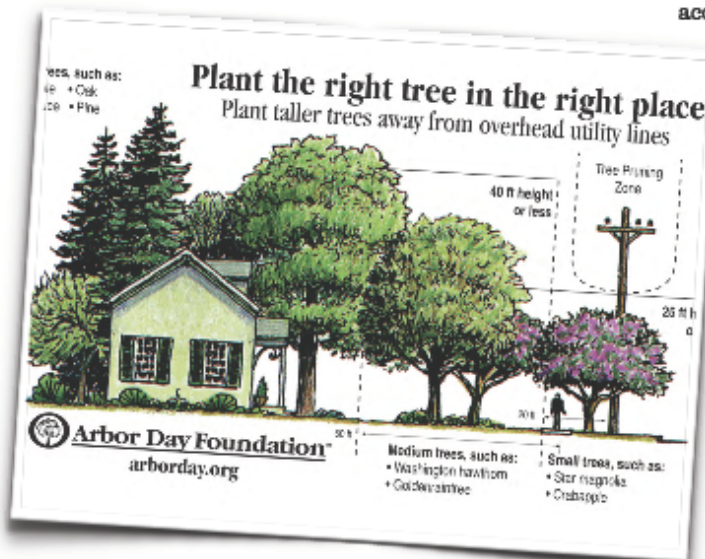
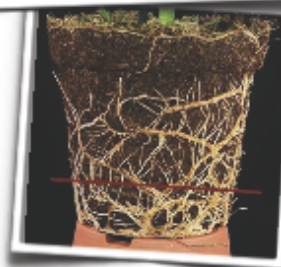
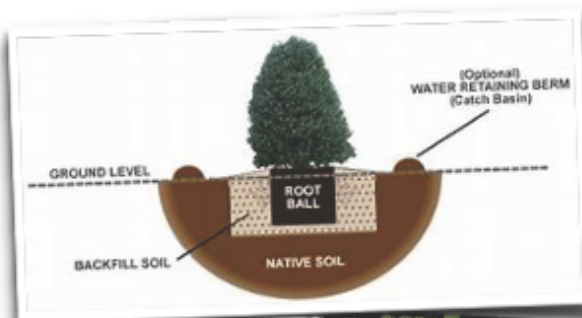
The more roots you can get to grow the better established and less sensitive the plant will be to potential drought

and heat during summer. For a little added boost make sure you use a fertilizer that promotes root growth only as well as make sure you plant in the right place. Be sure to google search the plant to find out it's mature size and place it

accordingly.

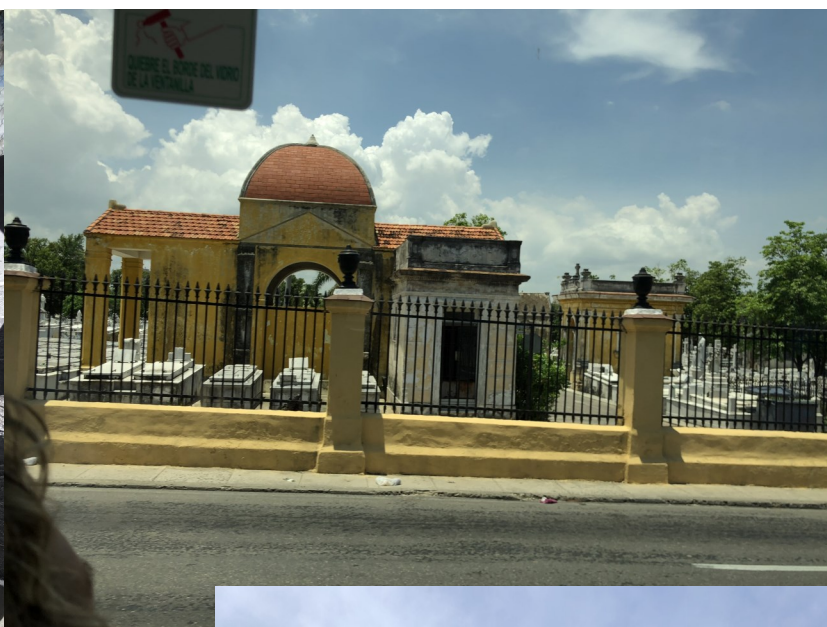
By taking these extra steps you can save a lot of time and labor from not having to trim and prune as much and also getting the plant off to a great start.

For more detailed information check out these websites: <https://extension.tennessee.edu/Summer/Pages/Horticulture-Lawn-and-Garden.aspx>



Vacation Destination...Can you name that place?

Todd and Laura Hasson also took a trip this summer...can you guess from the pictures below their destination? Hint: They probably indulged in some mojitos and great sandwiches!





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Upcoming HCHNA Activities

- **Revitalization of the College Hill Park— Saturday, October 13; 9:00 am—1:00 pm (HCHNA Meeting to follow for Board Members and interested residents)**
- **Fall Gathering— Sunday, October 28, from 3:00-6:00 pm; Hasson's (216 Indiana Avenue)**
- **November HCHNA Board Meeting— Monday, November 5, 2018 @ 7:00 pm; McNaughton's (103 Stanley Avenue)**
- **December HCHNA Board Meeting— Monday, December 3, 2018 @ 7:00 pm; TBA**
- **Luminary Assembly— Sunday, December 16, 2018 @ Hasson's (216 Indiana Avenue); time TBA**

The College Hill Historic District and the surrounding areas are home to many businesses. While ads or articles may occasionally appear in the newsletter about these businesses, the College Hill Historic Association does not officially endorse them.

The Neighborhood Newsletter is a quarterly newsletter compiled by the College Hill Historic District. If you have any questions, comments, suggestions, or submissions for either the newsletter or the website, please contact Chrissy McNaughton at chrissy.mcnaughton@gmail.com



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