Nominees for Good Neighbor of the Year

**Beth Booker** was “a bright light in a sometimes dark and cloudy world” her nominator writes. She worked tirelessly to make her neighborhood, Old North Knox, better by partnering with the City, KKB, and neighbors to clean up First Creek as well as other areas. Beth always had a kind word and gave support to those who needed it. She was one of a kind.

*Beth was nominated by Michelle Ivester.*

**Arturo Cano** is a former board member of the Colonial Village Neighborhood Association, and although he is no longer on the board, he still goes out of his way to help the community. He is always one of the residents that shows up to complete necessary work for the neighborhood, whether it is litter pickup, spreading mulch at the entrance gardens or collecting signatures for traffic studies, Arturo is always ready to work with a smile on his face.

*Arturo was nominated by Gregg Deneweth.*

**Chris Hall**, a neighbor of Sequoyah Hills, exemplifies Knoxville hospitality. He and his wife have become surrogate grandparents to the children who moved in next door, ensuring they feel special and loved. Chris included his new neighbors in social circles and opened his home to them. “Our new life here has been infinitely improved by the kindness, camaraderie, and kinship of our neighbor Chris” writes his nominator.

*Chris was nominated by Adrian Del Maestro.*

**Eric Johnson** is the president of the Vestal Community Association and a member of the South Knoxville Neighborhood and Business Coalition. He continuously looks for ways to improve the quality of life for all those around him. His actions are performed in the spirit of bettering the lives of others. He seeks to fully understand the issues facing his community. If there is a need, Eric will find a way to fill it.

*Eric was nominated by Janice Tocher.*
Nancy Shackelford is a resident of Sherrill Hills, a retirement village with about 150 residents. She is quick to find residents with similar interests or backgrounds and introduces them to each other. She is always ready to provide transportation to residents who need it and is known to grocery shop for those who cannot leave the facility. Nancy organizes a bridge group and leads singing in Sunday night devotions. Nancy’s smile, positive attitude about everyone and welcoming personality truly sets her apart from others. 

Nancy was nominated by Katherine Todd.

Debbie Smith has served as a leader in the West Hills Community Association for many years. She uses her time, resources and energy to make her neighborhood the best it can be. When given a challenge to participate in a Second Harvest Food Bank donation, Debbie jumped in and contacted everyone on the board to donate. She donates pressure washing equipment and services from her company to West Hills Elementary for cleanup days. She and her father can be seen on Sunday afternoons picking up trash. Debbie goes out of her way on a regular basis to make the neighborhood a more welcoming and community-oriented place.

Debbie was nominated by Hope Ealey.