Memphis Is ‘The Place To Be’ In 2016!

Known for being the home of rock ‘n’ roll, the blues and its famous rubbed barbecue, the city of Memphis also features world-class attractions and Southern hospitality. As Memphis prepares to host the 41st Annual Neighborhoods, U.S.A. Conference May 25 - 28, 2016, attendees can expect an exciting conference featuring networking, informative workshops, neighborhood tours, neighborhood awards, great music, food, and of course - fun! Memphis is truly the place to be in May 2016.

Conference organizers are planning workshops to provide you with the tools and resources needed to inspire and educate fellow neighborhood leaders in their efforts to revitalize and engage their community. Topics include:

• Developing Action Steps for Sustainability
• Grants & Government Programs
• Building a Creative Economy
• Neighborhood Initiatives
• Safe & Engaged Communities
• Senior Boom
• Redefining Neighborhood Stabilization
• Technology
• Youth

Neighborhood tours will give a first-hand view as to why *Kiplinger* named Memphis as one of the Top 5 places for retirees. *Forbes* also published Memphis high on its list of the happiest places in America for job-seeking college graduates, and why nearly 650,000 people call Memphis home.

The early conference registration fee is $200 and the conference hotel rate is $129 a night (not including taxes). The host hotel is the Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel, located on the north end of downtown at 250 North Main Street. The hotel is a stop on the Main St. shuttle line, allowing guests easy and convenient access to downtown dining, as well as the Beale Street entertainment district. Conference and hotel registration opens in February 2016.

The City of Memphis is looking forward to welcoming you to their great city and showing you why the Neighborhoods, U.S.A. Conference in Memphis, TN is “the place to be in 2016.” For more information contact Conference Coordinator Joyce Cox at 901-576-6982 or by email at Joyce.Cox@memphistn.gov.
Established in 2010, the Neighborhood Newsletter Award highlights the importance of a vital communication tool for neighborhood organizations, community groups and local governments. Newsletters may be submitted in two categories: Electronic Format and Print Format. Each entry will be evaluated by a panel of judges for content, layout and overall appearance, and a first, second and third place award will be selected in both the Print and Electronic categories.

To enter the competition, two consecutive issues of a newsletter published in 2015 must be submitted with a completed application and entry fee - $50 for electronic format submissions and $65 for printed format submissions. Submission requirements and application guidelines can be found at http://www.nusa.org. Entries must be postmarked by February 1, 2016 in order to be eligible for consideration.

Winners will be announced during the 2016 NUSA Conference being held in Memphis, TN on May 25-28, 2016.

For additional information contact Anne-Marie Taylor (317-920-0330 x.311) or Hal Barnes (954-828-5065) by phone or by email at AwardsProgram@nusa.org.
Who’s Who Award Recognizes Individuals In America’s Neighborhoods

Neighborhoods, U.S.A. established the Who’s Who in America’s Neighborhoods award as a way to recognize individuals who are neighborhood leaders or who have an obvious and professional dedication to neighborhood issues at the grassroots level and have made their communities better places to live, work and play.

Ideal candidates are individuals whose work exemplifies NUSA’s mission to build and strengthen neighborhood associations, encourage neighborhood involvement in the decision-making process in their local government and work to promote productive communication and collaborations between neighborhood associations, local government and the public/private sector.

Only current NUSA members may nominate an individual for consideration and only one nomination per person is allowed every year. Current NUSA board members are ineligible for nomination.

Nominations must include:

• A description of the nominee’s neighborhood involvement.
• An explanation of how the nominee has proven to be a leader in their community.
• An explanation of why the nominee deserves the Who’s Who award recognition.

Who’s Who award recipients will be recognized during the 2016 NUSA Awards Luncheon held on Friday, May 27th during the 41st Annual NUSA Conference in Memphis, TN.

Who’s Who award submission requirements and application guidelines can be obtained by visiting http://www.nusa.org. All nominations for the Who’s Who award should be postmarked by February 1, 2016, in order to be eligible for consideration. For additional information about this award contact Anne-Marie Taylor (317-920-0330 x.311) or Hal Barnes (954-828-5065) by phone or by email at AwardsProgram@nusa.org.
NUSA Affiliates

NUSA Affiliates are composed of groups of neighborhood leaders/practitioners who actively work to build and strengthen neighborhoods. There is no charge to become a NUSA Affiliate.

**ALABAMA**
- Birmingham: Hands on Youth Activities Program, Inc.
  Killough Springs Neighborhood Association*
- Montgomery: Building our Neighborhoods for Development and Success

**CALIFORNIA**
- Coronado - Third & Fourth Streets Planning Community*
- Long Beach: Belmont Heights Community Association (BHCA)
  California Heights Neighborhood Association
  Century Villages at Cabrillo
  Neighborhood Leadership Program Alumni Support Team*
- Riverside: Riverside Neighborhood Partnership
  RRR-Residents for Responsible Representation*
  University Neighborhood Association
  Wood Streets Green Team*

Southern California Neighborhood Partners

**FLORIDA**
- Florida Neighborhoods Conference, Inc.
- Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations, Inc.
- St. Petersburg - Historic Kenwood Neighborhood Association

**IDAHO**
- Idaho Crime Prevention Association

**INDIANA**
- Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center
- South Bend - Neighborhood Resources Connection

**KANSAS**
- Wichita Independent Neighborhoods, Inc.

**MINNEAPOLIS**
- Northside Residents Redevelopment Council

**NEW YORK**
- Irondequiot - Winona Woods Neighborhood Association*

**SOUTH CAROLINA**
- Columbia Council of Neighborhoods
- Richland County Neighborhood Council
- Rock Hill Council of Neighborhoods

**VIRGINIA**
- Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference, Inc.
- Roanoke - The Urbiculture Foundation

**WASHINGTON**
- Community Council of Tacoma

**WISCONSIN**
- Madison Neighborhoods, Inc.

**INTERNATIONAL**
- Japan Association for Community Policy
- Citizens Crime Watch-Special Task Force (Quezon City, Philippines)

**AB-CANADA**
- Edmonton

**ALABAMA**
- Birmingham
- Hueytown

**ALASKA**
- Anchorage

**ARIZONA**
- Tempe

**ARKANSAS**
- Little Rock
- Osceola

**CALIFORNIA**
- Citrus Heights
- Escondido
- Long Beach
- Monrovia
- Palm Springs
- Riverside

**COLORADO**
- Littleton

**FLORIDA**
- Fort Lauderdale
- Hollywood
- Miramar
- Orlando

**INDIANA**
- Indianapolis

**KANSAS**
- Wichita Independent Neighborhoods, Inc.

**MINNESOTA**
- Minneapolis
- Oakdale

**MISSISSIPPI**
- Hattiesburg

**MISSOURI**
- Gladstone

**NEBRASKA**
- Omaha

**NORTH CAROLINA**
- Raleigh
- Winston-Salem

**OREGON**
- Eugene
- Portland

**SOUTH CAROLINA**
- Aiken
- Columbia
- Richland County
- Spartanburg

**SOUTH DAKOTA**
- Sioux Falls

**TENNESSEE**
- Memphis

**TEXAS**
- Arlington
- DeSoto
- Fort Worth
- Garland
- Houston
- Round Rock

**VIRGINIA**
- Portsmouth
- Roanoke

**WASHINGTON**
- Bellingham
- Kent
- Lacey
- Tacoma

**WISCONSIN**
- Green Bay
- Madison

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If your entity became a member in one of these categories after the publication date, we apologize for not being able to list you in this ad; however, we greatly appreciate your support and value your membership with NUSA. Thank You!