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Outdoor showing of October Sky set to cap first night of SouthFest

Knoxville, Tenn. — If you mention the movie "October Sky" in or around Knoxville, chances are that you'll hear someone say they have friends, relatives or neighbors who appeared in the film. Thanks to the Knox County Public Library, the community has a chance to check out the movie on the big screen once again, this time outside as part of SouthFest on Friday, April 12.

The movie will be shown at 8:30 p.m. in the parking lot adjacent to the Knox County Public Library's South Knoxville Branch, which is located at 4500 Chapman Highway. Pre-show entertainment will begin at 7:30 p.m.

"SouthFest is going to be an exciting event, and the outdoor showing of 'October Sky' is a great way to wrap up the first day of the festival," said Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett. "I hope everyone in Knox County will come to South Knoxville during SouthFest to enjoy the movie, various events and to support the businesses that have been impacted by the Henley Street Bridge closure."

SouthFest is a two-day, festival-like event organized by Mayor Burchett's office in an effort to encourage people to visit South Knoxville and the businesses there. Among other things, the event will include live music and entertainment, a United Healthcare Kids Zone, a wellness corner, Tour de South guided bicycle tours and circus-style entertainment from the Shriners. Onsite shuttles will also be provided by the Community Action Committee, so the public can park at a business and ride to various locations. More SouthFest information can be found at http://www.knoxsouthfest.com, on Twitter at @TimBurchett and @KnoxGov, and on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/knoxcashmob.

More information about the Knox County Public Library can be found at http://www.knoxlib.org.