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## McMillan Proposes Change In Policy

By Focus Staff

Mike McMillan, East Knox County's member of the Board of Education, has proposed a change in policy for reading materials.

Recently a parent complained about a book on a reading list at the Hardin Valley Academy. "Robopocalypse" has stirred a mild controversy with some who feel the book is not appropriate reading material for students. A committee, which included two parents and a student, disagreed and gave the book a thumbs up, causing the parent to file an appeal.

McMillan, who is the only former classroom teacher to serve on the Board, sent a letter to his colleagues on the Board proposing to place a ratings system on books to be read by students.

"Ultimately, I think parents should be involved in these decisions," McMillan said. "There are ratings on movies and those ratings are supposed to serve as a guide for parents, so parents can determine if a movie's subject matter is suitable for their own children."

McMillan said more "mature" themed books could have a rating to let parents know the subject matter. McMillan is proposing that parents sign off on the books their children read for classes if the subject matter is more adult in nature.

McMillan sent a copy of his letter to Superintendent James McIntyre, but was quick to point out the Board retains the responsibility for adopting policy, not the Superintendent.

"I really don't like the idea of the Superintendent trying to decide everything," McMillan stated. "Appeals are made to the Board and we have to decide those appeals and I think my proposal serves several purposes."

"First of all, there really shouldn't be any future appeals if parents will involve themselves in their child's schooling before the fact. Secondly, it will encourage parents to be truly involved."

"Lastly, I think it will resolve a process that is less complicated and better for parents, students, teachers and the Board," McMillan explained.

McMillan's proposal will be reviewed by the Knox County Board of Education next month.



Tennova President and CEO Michael Garfield presents Emerald Youth Executive Director Steve Diggs with the deed to the headquarters building. Pictured are (from left) Sister Martha Naber, Tennova Mission Liaison, Garfield, Diggs and Doug Kennedy, Chair of the Emerald Youth Board of Trustees.

## Tennova Marks 24-Year Friendship with Gift of Building

Tennova Healthcare, owner of the 22,000 square foot building at 1718 N. Central Street where Emerald Youth Foundation resides, has made Emerald Youth a gift of the deed to the building this fall.

That means the nonprofit Emerald Youth Foundation, which provides outreach to more than 1,200 inner city youth each year through a network of 21 churches and organizations, now wholly owns

the facility it has occupied since 2000.

"This generosity is typical of the support Emerald Youth has received from Tennova and its predecessors, St. Mary's Health System and then Mercy Health Partners," said Steve Diggs, Executive Director of Emerald Youth Foundation since its incorporation in 1991.

Tennova Healthcare President and CEO Michael Garfield said he is happy to celebrate

the medical center's 24 year-old friendship with Emerald Youth with the gift of the deed. "We are looking forward to staying involved with Emerald Youth, a progressive group that is critical to our urban youth locally," he said.

It's all part of a story of neighborly love that began in 1988 in the Oakwood/Lincoln Park community. At a time when the neighborhood was changing and many residents were

moving to the suburbs, Emerald Avenue United Methodist Church, 1620 N. Central St., made a key decision to stay committed to the neighborhood and its families and start a youth ministry.

The church hired new Maryville College graduate Steve Diggs to start a summer ministry to children and teens in the economically mixed area. Diggs, who began by leading kickball games in the

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## The pies have it

By Sarah Baker  
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Slow Food Knoxville hosted its Second Annual Pie Party and Bake-Off on Thursday, October 11 at Redeeming Hope Ministries. The event raised \$238 for Food in the Fort, a program that feeds hundreds of underprivileged and homeless people each month.

About 40 people participated and entered about 25 pies in the bake-off. The winner of the sweet pie category was Lydia Pulshiper with her rhubarb pie. Cassie Watters won the savory pie category with her Moroccan egg plant with tomato pie. The crowd pleaser of the night was Jessica Hammond's chicken and gravy pie.

Slow Food Knoxville is the local chapter of Slow Food USA. Their mission is to use education, dialogue, and example to create healthy, clean, and fair food for all by supporting local growers, encouraging sustainable practices, and preserving "artisanal methods by cultivating the creating and enjoyment of food in the Tennessee Valley region."



PHOTO BY SARAH BAKER.

Mary Rogers and Casey Self register Jean Davis James for the Slow Food Pie Bake-Off.

"I wanted to participate (in the bake-off) for a long time," said Anna Compton. "I really appreciate them bringing attention to local food and getting us away from the freezer section." Jessica Hammonds, winner of the people's favorite pie award, exclaimed "I like pie!"

Slow Food and Food in the Fort have been promoting "food justice" in Knoxville for nearly a year and regularly lead workshops to show others how to cook healthy meals at a low cost. For more information visit [www.slowfoodknoxville.com](http://www.slowfoodknoxville.com).

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Survey conducted October 11, 2012.

\* Focus Weekly Polls are conducted by an independent, professional polling company.

## Focus Poll Queries State of the Economy

By Focus Staff

More than 500 likely voters in Knoxville and Knox County were asked the question, "In your opinion, is the US Economy better today than it was four years ago?"

A small number of voters said the economy is in fact better than it was four years ago. Interestingly, that opinion seemed to be confined to areas inside the City of Knoxville; voters outside the corporate limits of Knoxville by large majorities said they do not believe the economy is better than it was four years ago.

Voters inside the First District, which is largely centered in the African-American community, were the only folks inside Knox County who believe the economy is better with almost 52% sharing that opinion. More than 48% of voters inside the First District don't believe the economy is better than it was four years ago.

The Second District, which is also inside the City of Knoxville, posted the second highest number of respondents who believe the economy is better than it was four years ago, although more than 60% of voters inside the Second District don't believe the economy is better.

The numbers start to drop rapidly in the Third and Fourth Districts; only slightly more than 27% of voters in the Third District feel the economy has improved in the last four years.

The district where voters most strongly felt the economy hasn't improved was

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# Second debate crucial for Obama



By Richie Beeler

Barack Obama has his back to the wall. Never mind those polls that say more than 50% of Americans believe the President will be re-elected, regardless of their preference. Never mind the vast fortune of campaign money he is reported to possess. And never mind the cool, calm confidence he always seems to display in public. Obama is in trouble.

I'm certainly not making this assertion to try to fire up support for Mitt Romney. That would be like preaching to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir about the virtues of Brigham Young. Romney has no worries here in Tennessee. The Volunteer State proved in 2008 that it was firmly locked into the GOP column. Even as the electoral map turned more and more blue on election night, Tennessee just got redder.

Romney's base is getting redder, too. If there is one thing the Republican nominee did with his performance in the first of three presidential debates, it was to solidify the enthusiastic

support of conservatives. The approximately one-third of American voters that make up the political right were looking for any reason they could find to really get behind Romney, and most of them found it after the first debate.

Conservatives emerged from the night with a renewed hope that Romney really could represent their values and concerns in the White House. He may have come out of the primary season still looking like a northeastern moderate. But he came out of the debate looking more like the conservative alternative to Barack Obama. And it's an alternative that more than just conservatives have been looking for.

Obama certainly has reason to be concerned by his failure to rally the left in the debate. And he definitely should be worried about the right finally getting fired up about Romney. But those issues pale in comparison to what is a much a greater problem for this President: the folks in the middle. A recent poll shows Romney leading Obama 51% to 39% among independents. If that poll is accurate, Obama shouldn't just be worried. He should be looking for a house.

No candidate from either major party stands a chance of being elected

with a 12-point deficit among independents. You can run all the national tracking polls and swing state surveys you want, but if such a gap exists with independent voters, Obama's goose is cooked.

Now, obviously polls at this juncture are not only subject to change, they will change. If the President really is trailing his challenger by double digits among this voting group, he has three weeks to turn the tide back in his favor. But he had better start now.

The second presidential debate, which happens Tuesday night at Hofstra University, is more than just an opportunity for President Obama to showcase his eloquent linguistic skills. It might just be his last chance to change the momentum in this race.

Momentum is definitely on Romney's side. The Governor's performance in the first debate gave him as much as a 4-6 point bump in the polls. And at least part of that bump came in the most opportune of places. Scott Rasmussen's poll of the so-called "swing states" - which will definitely decide this election - showed Romney trailing the President by two percentage points heading into the first debate. Four days after the showdown, the same poll showed Obama trailing

Romney by 2.

A four point swing in four days, especially in the specific areas on which the race hinges, was a significant blow to the Obama campaign. And what it indicates, perhaps more than anything, is that the tide of this election has for the time being turned in the direction of Mitt Romney.

The GOP nominee's sudden surge of momentum could also be a sign that many voters were simply looking for a reason to support him. It has not been a stellar first term for the President. The capture and killing of Osama Bin Laden was a high point, but those have been few and far between. In fact the crowning achievement of Obama's first term - the Affordable Health Care Act - may be the very reason why some voters are looking for any excuse to support his challenger.

Surveys indicate that a clear majority of Americans still oppose the health care law, which the Republicans have vowed to repeal if they can garner a sweeping victory in November. That translates to an election that has to be an uphill climb for the incumbent. It is a climb that's going to require all the momentum Obama can muster.

And he could be running out of opportunities.

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By Age	YES	NO	Total
18-29	50.00%	50.00%	2
30-49	27.69%	72.31%	65
50-65	32.69%	67.31%	156
65+	28.20%	71.80%	305
<b>Total</b>	<b>29.55% (156)</b>	<b>70.45% (372)</b>	<b>528</b>

By Commission District	YES	NO	Total
1	51.72%	48.28%	29
2	39.39%	60.61%	66
3	27.27%	72.73%	55
4	30.26%	69.74%	76
5	30.65%	69.35%	62
6	29.03%	70.97%	62
7	18.06%	81.94%	72
8	26.32%	73.68%	57
9	24.49%	75.51%	49
<b>Total</b>	<b>29.55% (156)</b>	<b>70.45% (372)</b>	<b>528</b>

By Gender	YES	NO	Total
Unknown	33.33%	66.67%	12
Female	32.85%	67.15%	274
Male	25.62%	74.38%	242
<b>Total</b>	<b>29.55% (156)</b>	<b>70.45% (372)</b>	<b>528</b>

Survey conducted October 11, 2012

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**Cont. from page 1** — although more than 67% of the Seventh, with just over 18% of voters say the economy is better; a whopping 81% disagree. Voters aged 30-49 feel the most strongly the economy hasn't improved over the last four years.

Slightly more women seem to believe the economy has improved than man,

## Surprises Come in Small Packages

She appeared in our driveway one day out of nowhere. She looked like "Benji" in the popular movies, but her hair was dirty and matted. We tried in vain to find her owner. Already, we had taken in several strays and thought we could, perhaps, give this one away. But, we could not catch her.

We called her "Puppy," this little forsaken-looking animal that kept a safe distance from us. If we got one step too close when we approached her, Puppy would politely turn and



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go her way. As summer turned to fall, she found a favorite spot in our father's garden. It seemed her safe haven until she smelled the hot dogs we were roasting on the fire. Cautiously, she would inch close enough to

grab the bites tossed to her. Puppy liked walking on logs and following behind a farm tractor. Just when we thought we were beginning to learn her personality, we missed her one evening. After calling for her and looking for hours, we finally found her in the stall with Penny, my brother's horse.



Puppy

With the onset of winter, Puppy still seemed too fragile to fend for herself; but, that was about to change.

During a deep snow, she took refuge under a shed. For days, we tried to coax her out. Finally, it was our father she came to, snuggling up and whimpering to him. He was so proud that she chose him to be the first one to touch her after months of trying to win her over. It seemed Puppy preferred to be around men rather than women and children. Just by her actions, we wondered if she might have been abused. When children tried to pet her at

the veterinarian's office, she would try to climb up my brother's neck to get away from them.

Puppy brought us lots of joy for many years. The little white fun bundle of energy would tap her furry paw on the refrigerator door for an occasional treat, bounce around like a little wind-up toy, and run around the yard as if in a race. Her unconditional love stole our hearts and brightened our days until she passed away. Animal shelters have many strays waiting to give a lifetime of love, if only they have the chance.

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Senator Lamar Alexander speaks at the West Knox Republican club meeting last Monday.

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# State St. garage to expand

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Thursday, October 11 city officials and construction managers held a public meeting at East Tennessee Historical Society about the expansion of the State Street Garage downtown. The popular parking garage will be getting a new core, a new level and new shear walls.

Officials plan on having additional meetings to keep everyone informed about this dynamic new project. The next meeting is scheduled for the end of November. Construction will begin in the next two weeks.

According to Rick Emmett, downtown coordinator, the garage is currently at capacity. The expansion will address accessibility issues, improve the look of the area, and include an overpass with a roof. The new level will add approximately 230 more parking spaces, and the structural improvements will make concessions for future additions.

According to Chris Kirby of CDM Smith, traffic won't really be affected until after the New Year. From October to December, certain spaces and certain entrances will be closed at certain times. "There's a lot of work that has to be done," said Jeff Galyon from the Public Building Authority. "We're going to salvage as many spaces as possible. As we move through the process we're going to try to keep everyone posted on that."

The project is expected to be complete early next summer. For more information, visit [www.statestreetgarage.blogspot.org](http://www.statestreetgarage.blogspot.org).

# Publisher's Position McMillan plan deserves consideration



By Steve Hunley,  
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Not every idea should emanate from the Superintendent's office where local education is concerned. Mike McMillan has an interesting proposal to

change Board of Education policy that doesn't involve banning books, depriving students of the right to read what they choose, and involving parents. McMillan's proposal deserves serious consideration by his colleagues on the Board.

Every so often a parent becomes agitated or offended by some book and begins a crusade to eliminate that particular book from the curriculum. Local school systems have tried to address those concerns by forming committee after committee to filter information and complaints. McMillan's proposal is simple, yet I think

effective. Each book would have a particular rating and would require parents to sign off on whether their children may read that book, thus negating the need for the Board to hear appeals from parents.

Some parents doubtless will be hard to satisfy and there will always be those parents not content with deciding what is good for their own children, but trying to foist their own views on others. Parents certainly have the right to have a say in what they believe to be appropriate learning material for their own children; they do not have that right with other

people's children.

McMillan's proposal should be helpful to all concerned and would be a step in the right direction. For those parents who are truly concerned about their own child, it should help those parents stay involved in the education of their children. Just about everybody bemoans the fact too few parents are involved and anything that draws parents into the education of his or her child is probably a good thing.

For those parents who want to decide for everybody, just pull your child out of public school and put them in the faith-based facility of your choice.

# Tennova Marks 24-Year Friendship with Gift of Building

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afternoon, found thousands of children and youth who were desperate for attention.

"It did not take long to realize the needs of the children required a whole person response. They needed faith, they needed restored family life, academic remediation, fun things to do, and much more," Diggs said.

The youth program was so successful that in 1991 it became a separate nonprofit with Diggs as executive director. Key offerings from the outset were Christian ministry, recreation and outings with supportive adults, academic tutoring and sports teams and

clinics. Nearby St. Mary's Medical Center, 900 E. Oak Hill Ave., pitched in, lending marketing support, volunteer coaches and youth leaders, meeting rooms, and help with fundraisers.

In 2000, St. Mary's Health System purchased and renovated an old jewelry company building for Emerald Youth at a cost of \$1.2 million. St. Mary's added offices, kitchen, classrooms, game room and a magnificent gymnasium. St. Mary's then leased the building to Emerald Youth for \$1 a year, an arrangement that has lasted ever since.

Today the building overflows with activity, including basketball and volleyball games, soccer practice,

ebullient meetings of children and teens, and tutoring. "I couldn't count the number of kids who've been able to access this building. It gave a lot of credibility to our work in the city," said Diggs.

Emerald Youth was able to expand its scope to the entire, 20 square mile

Knoxville inner city area, marked statistically by low income, poor academic performance, broken families, and higher crime rates and drug use. About 29 Emerald Youth employees now work at six sites, offering after school, weekend and summer programming, sports leagues and

leadership training.

The medical center's relationship with Emerald Youth has remained steady through the years, even as its ownership changed from St. Mary's Health System to Mercy Health Partners and then to Tennova Healthcare.

"We share the same spirit. St. Mary's really supported Steve Diggs and

his ministry," said Sister Martha Naber, on staff at the medical center since 1968. She is now Mission Liaison with Tennova. "It's really amazing the influence that Emerald Youth has on the young people in the community. It gives them the support they need but they also have such a good time."

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## Shop South of the river!

By Tasha Mahurin  
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South Knoxville has received a great deal of media attention as of late, particularly related to the opening of the Urban Wilderness Corridor. Unique to the city, the Urban Wilderness refers to 1,000 forested acres along Knoxville's downtown waterfront. The civic playground boasts more than 40 miles of recreational trails, ten parks, and four civil war sites. Yet, just beyond, and occasionally betwixt, the city's widely acclaimed greenspace, lies a smorgasbord of eateries, boutiques, and various sundry shops as distinctive as South Knoxville itself.

So if you work up an appetite while hiking, biking, or kayaking, might I suggest treating yourself to some of the finest cuisine anywhere in the city... where the service is top-notch and the variety pays homage to the eclectic local palette? Drop by The Round Up Restaurant and Ice Cream Parlor for classic Americana fare and say hello to Sam and the gang, or mosey on over to King Tut's Grill and dive into a Greek Salad (as a casual observer once remarked, King Tut's is more than a restaurant, it's a state of mind). Of course, the area is also home to Sweet Pea's, a hoppin' little spot, whose BBQ was featured on national television.

Those with a more sophisticated taste wouldn't want to miss The Ye Old Steakhouse, and yes, we recommend the steak. Szechuan Garden makes for a classic Asian lunch order during the work week (convenient to downtown), and on Friday night rage like a Cajun at Bayou Bay Seafood House, "you'll love it for sure." If you're afflicted with a sweet tooth, one can never go wrong with a double-scoop from Kay's Ice Cream or treat yourself to confection perfection at South Knox new comer Confectionista's Kitchen.

To burn off those calories, shop til you drop at South Knoxville's exceptional boutiques and specialty stores before heading home. If you're in the market for something inimitable, Tea and Treasures offers original art, hand painted glass, antiques, and more. Catch a live show and pick up some vinyl at the Disc Exchange, who also offers CDs and digital downloads. Additionally, the area is home to the Comic Exchange and Basement Records. True to its green roots, South Knox is teeming with florists including Betty's Florist, as well as, McLemore Florist. And if your lawn needs sprucing up, stop by Stanley's Greenhouse, they're priced fair and the family name is as old as Knoxville itself. Consignment takes center stage at the Wee Care Shoppe (for tots), and if you're looking

for something distinctive to suit and older demographic swing into Becky's Garage Sale Finds.

If you've got a food craving you just can't quite put your finger on it or are looking for a specific gift you just can't find anywhere else in town, take a drive down the James White Parkway, and discover all that South Knoxville has to offer.

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## An Impromptu Visit

By Bethany Yankie

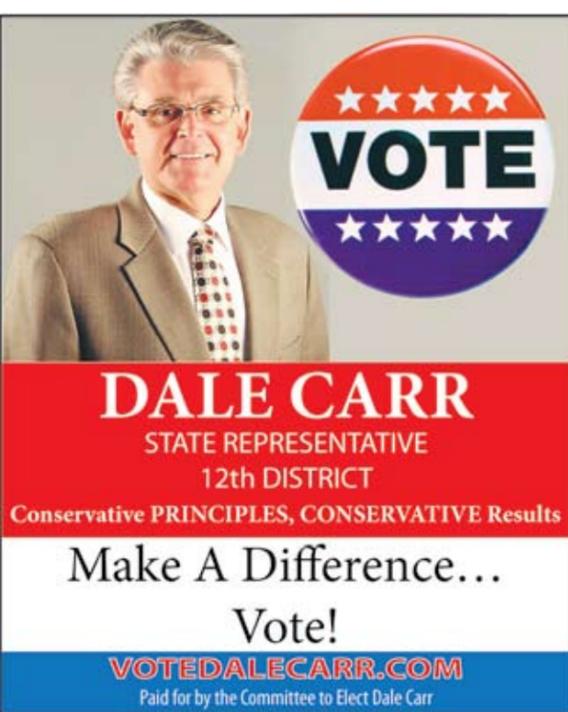
"My daughter and I started this place together. We've been going for fifteen years," recounts Beulah Hall of her company Impromptu Home and Garden. When asked her reasons for going into business, Hall attests that she "liked the garden concept"; today, her thriving business sells, delivers and maintains fountains, concrete bird baths and other garden accessories. The mission? "Satisfied customers. We like to have good service."

Impromptu offers a competitive selection of fountains that are rare, according to Mrs. Hall, among garden stores. "We like to keep them running, and people like that," Beulah says as she describes the fountain displays in her store. She continually references the importance of her customers, emphasizing, "We care about customers by trying to be efficient when we deliver fountains." Later, Hall notes, "sometimes we'll have to go back and fix one" so that a customer can be satisfied with the fountain.

Originally from Bristol, Hall moved to Knoxville after graduating high school and marrying; and has lived in the city a total of forty seven years. Out of the past fifteen of those years since beginning Impromptu with daughter Tamara Burnette, the relationship with her customers as well as seeing the unique merchandise she works with have provided the most enjoyable aspects of owning her business. For her daughter, Hall believes the most interesting aspect of the business is the home décor; she relates that Burnette's position entails "more decorating."

Although Impromptu doesn't yet sell plants, Hall sees her business in future years branching out into a full service garden store, complete with a plant and mulch selection. Stating her high hopes for the next ten years, Beulah concludes, "We would like to see it grow."

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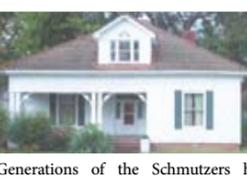
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Silent Circle ([silentcircle.com](http://silentcircle.com)) is a private encrypted communications service that is revolutionizing how the world communicates. The \$20 monthly subscription service launches today and is built to encrypt email, voice, text and VOIP messages to and from your smart phone. Focus' Dan Andrews talked to cofounder Michael Janke recently about the service.

**1) Please explain to the average person what (is Silent Circle) and who might need it?**

Silent Circle was formed to provide leading edge, exclusive, high-end encrypted communication products combined with a custom-made secure network to protect multiple sectors of the population including privacy-minded individuals, celebrities, school and universities, financial institutions, human rights groups and NGOs, oppressed citizens across the globe, military families, just to name a few. We do this by using peer-to-peer encryption so that the encryption is done on your mobile device and the session keys are destroyed after each call or text.

**2) As a former Navy SEAL patience and waiting for the perfect time is critical to a successful mission. The release date has been pushed back. How important is it to get everything right the first time? Also, do you see this as a "zero fail" launch? Meaning, if there is just one wrong thing and private emails get exposed, people's lives could literally be on the line?**

This is a great question and one I am asked a lot. We are providing a very unique encrypted communications service on our own custom-built network, but not everything will be 100% perfect the way we want it to be on day one. We are in the process of developing our own mail client so that

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Grace Gault is ready and waiting to make you a garden fresh sandwich or smoothie.

# Frulatti now serving Farragut

By Sarah Baker  
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Have you been to West Town Mall lately and wondered what happened to your favorite smoothie place? The beloved Frulatti Café and Bakery has moved to Farragut. The new location is at West End Shopping Center at 129 West End Avenue just off of Lovell Road behind McDonalds.

Owner Grace Gault is a true American spirit. She moved to Knoxville from South Korea in 1978 when she married Air Force veteran and Knoxville Michael

Gault. He passed away in 1993 making her the single mother of two. Grace never remarried and turned her attention to her children and to building a business.

She ran Frulatti Café successfully at West Town Mall for over 10 years. When the cost of doing business at West Town Mall increased way beyond what she could afford, she picked herself up and moved to her new location. She has many faithful customers, but she is struggling to get new ones because so many don't know about her new

location.

The Farragut Republican Club has moved their monthly meetings to the restaurant to help bring business. Gault says that Congressman John Duncan is expected at their next meeting. "I feel truly honored," said Gault. "They are so kind."

Admiration for Gault aside, Frulatti Café has a fresh, healthy alternative to fast food. Gault cuts up fresh fruit for smoothies and for fruit salads every day. They are most famous for their endless variety of smoothies. Other

drinks available include fresh lemonade, fruit tea, and coffee. Another favorite is the assortment of paninis available. We're talking Tuscan Turkey, Cheddar Chicken, Rustic Veggie and more. Then there are the salads and the soups and the gourmet sandwiches. We're talking a great lady with a great business, so get down there. What are you waiting for? Order a panini and a smoothie and take your friends with you! Visit [www.frulatti.com](http://www.frulatti.com) for more information.

## Frying Chicken

My wife Amy had a birthday recently. The kids came home, and grandson Madden also made an appearance, something that made the celebration all the more enjoyable for her. I decided that a special meal was in order for the day and dove into the culinary art with blind ambition.

A couple of days before the family arrived for the weekend, I told Amy that the Saturday birthday menu included a main course of chicken.



By Joe Rector

However, none of the conventional recipes for grilled or baked poultry would do. Nope, I was dead set on serving up fried chicken.

Since UT played football at 4:00, I began cooking the chicken at about 2:00. Anyone who grew up eating fried chicken knows the stuff is better after it's sat around for a while. The crew eats well when we sit down to meals, so at least ten chicken breasts needed to be prepared. Even if the food was

going to be "fried," I knew that it had to be prepared in as healthy a manner as possible. So, in the skillet I poured Virgin Olive Oil instead of melting Crisco. I dredged the pieces in flour with a little salt and pepper.

For what seemed like the next hour, chicken fried and I flipped each piece several times to make sure they were thoroughly cooked. Amy commented somewhere along the line that I had the eye turned up too high, but I ignored her advice. Besides, she couldn't possibly know the right temperature since we've not

eaten a thing fried in our house in the last twenty years.

My loving wife offered no more advice and left the kitchen to take a bath. For that I am grateful. Daughter Lacey and I were left to work on dinner. She fixed macaroni and cheese as one side dish. We also planned to have mashed potatoes, corn on the cob, and brown and serve rolls. Yes, the meal was a definite carb overload, but hey, it was a special occasion.

In a few minutes the kitchen became smoky. Lacey opened outside doors and turned on

ceiling fans to allow the haze to clear. The problem was grease, I thought that what escaped the pan was moisture, but it turned out to be condensation...and oil. The stuff seeped toward the eye and then burned and turned to smoke. It turns out my dear wife was correct about the stove eye being turned too high. The last two piece of chicken cooked in a rather dark crust, not burned but just a bit darker than the rest.

The aftermath of my chicken frying was a mess. The stove top was covered with oil, and the

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# Five Questions with Silent Circle

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 we can truly have peer-to-peer encrypted email service. At launch our PGP Universal email service will have server-side key management just as it does worldwide presently, but we want something better in 2013 and that is why we are hard at working developing our own peer-to-peer mail client. Our Silent Phone, Silent Text and Silent Eyes are all elegantly peer-to-peer encrypted tools –making it the first time something like this

has ever been done. We know that private information will not be exposed because we built our products and network knowing that lives were and are on the line. That was the threat model and it is why we built the system so we don't have the keys, only the customer does. Our greatest concern is capacity –we had to push back the date due to the overwhelming response we have gotten. We wanted to add capacity and bandwidth to our

custom network.  
**3) This is a high profile undertaking. The program is designed to keep information secretive. This will probably attract a lot of hackers both on a multinational level and independent level like "Team Ghost Shell" and "Anonymous." While the best security is security not talked about, can you give us some insight on how you are attempting to handle this challenge?**

This is a high-profile undertaking, but it is about bringing privacy to the world and to protect against powerful criminal and political use of your personal info. We feel that hackers and similar organizations (for the most part) are behind us because they know we are going to have a huge bulls-eye on us. There are a lot of organizations out there that do not want their citizens to have this peer-to-peer secure privacy. On the other hand, there are good and bad actors out there who simply (because of our unique profile) want to do harm. We do not

have in our possession the personal information of any customer. We only have encrypted data on our servers that we don't have the keys to –our customers do.

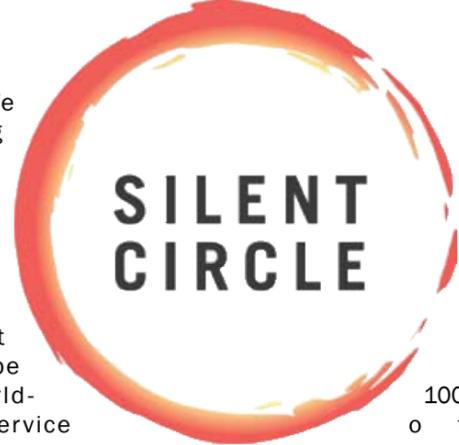
**4) How has your service as a Navy SEAL helped in your leading the "Silent Circle" project?**

There are so many Hollywood-created misconceptions about Special Operations and how they operate. People always envision a war zone scenario, which is of course a part of it, but not all. In the SEALs, you spend a lot of time in foreign countries traveling as a civilian, wearing blue jeans and using a commercial phone. We are trained and taught about hostile communications environments where every call, text and email is monitored by the host-country. You learn very quickly how to adapt. You also learn very quickly about the interception capabilities that are out there which makes me mad and paranoid. In the SEALs it's about the team and not about ego. It's not about background. It's not

odds. We are trying to do that at Silent Circle. We have so many people who want this type of world-wide service –and so many who want it to fail for political or institutional reasons. It's very aggressive, bold and controversial – the type of challenge that only an all-star team with Phil Zimmermann, Jon Callas, Vinnie Moscaritolo and the long list of famous folks we have here – along with two SEALs and three British SAS Special Forces could have any chance of delivering. We are excited because we have succeeded in making the network and product, we just have to continually refine them for the customers starting October 15.

**5) Will there be an anonymous pay option for "Silent Circle"?**

Yes, we can support anonymous accounts with our special "Dark Card." It is a laser-etched black metal card you receive in the mail upon subscription purchase using this option. A person can buy one or



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# A Feudin' Son of Tennessee: Kenneth McKellar

## Chapter Twenty-One

### Pages from the Political Past



By Ray Hill  
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Richard Riedel was a veteran employee of the United States Senate, working almost fifty years in one capacity or another. Riedel first came to the Senate as a nine-year old Page on September 27, 1918. At the time, Riedel was in the fourth grade and the youngest amongst the Senate's Pages.

Riedel eventually rose to become a liaison between the members of the Senate and the news media. Kenneth Douglas McKellar had been in the Senate for two years by the time young Riedel arrived. In his excellent memoir *In the Halls of the Mighty*, Riedel described K. D. McKellar in 1918.

"The Kenneth McKellar of my page days was Beau Brummell, jaunty and care-free with wavy brown hair and pink cheeks. He must have been the most eligible bachelor in Washington in those days..."

McKellar was the last member of the Senate remaining who had been a senator when Riedel had first come to Capitol Hill in 1918. Riedel's description of Senator McKellar in 1952 was quite different.

"Withered and flabby, he was a lonely, sick old man with an aggravated temper."

Riedel said McKellar should have retired from the Senate "gracefully", but noted the old Tennessean was not always "overly graceful", yet also acknowledged McKellar had been "a generous friend" to him.

Senator McKellar had originally announced he was "out of politics", but reversed himself after the 1948 elections, vaguely citing "conditions in Tennessee" had caused him to change his mind. McKellar was eighty-three years old in 1952 and no man had ever represented Tennessee in the United States Senate for more than three full terms save for K. D. McKellar. The people of Tennessee had kept McKellar in the Senate almost twice as long as any other man to represent the state. Being a bachelor, the United States Senate had become Kenneth McKellar's life.

Janice McKellar, the Senator's sister-in-law and one of his secretaries, once said that McKellar's real home was his office and he gloried in the successes of Tennesseans and grieved over their losses. The people of Tennessee were Kenneth McKellar's family and the old Senator



Senator K. D. McKellar celebrates his 83rd birthday. His secretary, Dorothy McDaniel Walsh feeds the Senator a piece of birthday cake, 1952.

could not let go easily. He was determined to run again for a seventh term despite many of his closest associates urging him to retire, not the least of which was Shelby County Boss E. H. Crump.

McKellar faced a serious opponent in the 1952 Democratic primary; Congressman Albert Gore had been running for the Senate since 1948, making speeches all across Tennessee at a frantic pace in sharp contrast to the Senator who was coming home to Tennessee less and less. Preoccupied with his duties as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee and frequently ill, McKellar remained in Washington, D. C. while Gore traveled through the towns and cities of Tennessee.

Senator McKellar was more dependent upon his staff, not unlike many aging incumbents. McKellar's youngest brother, Don, had been his Secretary for many years before passing away in 1945. Don was quite likely the only person who could have changed the Senator's mind about running again in 1952.

Visitors to McKellar's Washington office noted he was not as mentally alert as he had once been; less charitable observers flatly said McKellar was becoming senile. Such stories received wide currency and national reporter David Brinkley maliciously related a story about McKellar urinating against a column outside the Senate chamber; the implication being of course the old Senator

did not realize he was not in the restroom.

The stories of K. D. McKellar's numerous infirmities were regularly reported by the press, especially in those publications hostile to the Senator. Each fall, fainting spell and trip to the hospital brought a fresh story reminding Tennesseans of Kenneth McKellar's age and frailties. A heavy cold was cause for concern and any new illness brought fresh speculation McKellar could or would not run again in 1952 despite his announced candidacy.

One particular sick spell caused renewed gossip that Senator McKellar would actually withdraw as a candidate in favor of former Senator Tom Stewart. An enterprising reporter for one of the Memphis newspapers reported that Senator Ernest McFarland of Arizona, the Senate Majority Leader, was actually circulating a petition encouraging former Senator Stewart to run in place of the ailing McKellar. Senator McFarland denied the report, saying he felt sure Tennessee Democrats could easily choose a candidate for themselves. The story detailed McKellar's illness, stating the Senator was confined to his apartment in the Mayflower Hotel in "a weakened condition." McKellar's brother, Clint, had rushed to Washington, D. C. from Memphis to visit his sick sibling, making it appear the Senator was gravely ill, if not at death's door.

It was readily apparent

to McKellar's friends and supporters he could not win yet another term without once returning to Tennessee as he had in 1946. It was increasingly imperative that Senator McKellar come home to show himself to the voters to demonstrate he was both mentally and physically fit to serve another six years in the Senate.

Senator McKellar had officially announced his intention to seek reelection in June of 1951, more than a year in advance of the election. McKellar had been the most consistently successful candidate in Tennessee's history to that time and the Senator likely believed an early announcement would deter potential opposition.

E. H. Crump, as ever keeping a watchful eye on every development in Memphis, bluntly told McKellar "Albert Gore is trying to get your job". McKellar later asked the Memphis Boss if he really believed Gore would run, thinking Governor Browning would become a candidate. Crump had begged McKellar not to run again, but once Senator McKellar decided he would indeed be a candidate, Crump loyally supported his old friend and political partner.

Albert Gore and Kenneth McKellar had never been personally close, as each represented a competing faction in Tennessee politics. Gore had been a local Superintendent of Schools when he managed Gordon Browning's 1934 campaign for the United

States Senate. Browning, grateful for Gore's support, appointed him Tennessee's Commissioner of Labor during his first gubernatorial administration in 1937. Gore left Browning's Cabinet in 1938 when Fourth District Congressman J. Ridley Mitchell did not run again to campaign for the U. S. Senate instead. Gore won the Democratic nomination and remained in Congress for the next fourteen years.

Albert Gore was only forty-four years old in 1952 and yet was a veteran member of Congress. Gore was an able speaker and quite personable when he wished to be; Gore had an especially attractive family in contrast to the old bachelor McKellar. Congressman Gore was handsome and photogenic, yet another contrast to the aging McKellar whose face oftentimes showed the ravages of time.

Gore served on the Appropriations Committee in the House while McKellar was either ranking member or Chairman of the Senate's Appropriations Committee. Gore readily confessed McKellar was much more effective in helping the Tennessee Valley Authority with funding and protecting the agency than he had been in the House. Despite coming from opposing political factions, Senator McKellar observed the niceties, sending the young Congressman a warm congratulatory note upon the birth of Albert Gore, Jr.

Congressman Gore

rapidly concluded he would campaign for the Senate on his own merits and would barely even mention Senator McKellar. Gore himself said McKellar's record with regard to the TVA was excellent and he could not justly criticize the old Senator. When Gore did mention McKellar, the Congressman always carefully referred to McKellar in the past tense, another subtle reminder of the Senator's advanced age. Gore was equally careful to always refer to Senator McKellar in a respectful tone for McKellar's long service to the State of Tennessee and her people. A shrewd politician, Gore knew that most Tennesseans liked and respected McKellar and appreciated the countless favors and things he had done for Tennessee. It was a brilliant strategy.

TIME magazine, never an admirer of Senator McKellar, succinctly and correctly summarized the Tennessee Senate race between Gore and McKellar as "44 vs. 83," the respective ages of the two candidates.

Gore, like Estes Kefauver before him, had invaded Shelby County, campaigning relentlessly inside Boss Crump's domain. Even McKellar's friends and supporters seemed to be all too cognizant of the possibility the Senator's health would give out, as many were seen greeting Gore warmly during his visits to Memphis. Crump spitefully reported who was introducing Gore around to McKellar and the Memphis Boss noted his "disappointment" with Mayor Watkins Overton for having his picture taken with Congressman Gore.

The McKellar campaign was faced with putting together an organization all across Tennessee to meet the challenge presented by the youthful and vigorous Congressman Albert Gore. Many of McKellar's strongest supporters were, like the Senator himself, aged and no longer much of a factor in the local politics of their respective communities. Others had died or were simply too old and incapacitated to participate in election campaigns. McKellar sent thousands of form letters from his Washington office duly thanking those who had signed his qualifying petitions.

A campaign manager and publicist were hired for the campaign and a statewide headquarters was opened in Nashville inside the Hermitage Hotel.

So began Kenneth McKellar's last campaign for the United States Senate.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Who dunnit?

### "1937" Murder Mystery Costume Party to be produced by the Fountain City Art Center

By Sylvia Williams

Imagine the setting for a "murder" in an old manor house in Halt Whistle, Northumberland, England, Halloween 1937. Lady Helena Windemere has invited all her closest friends from the village to her annual Halloween Costume Party; only at this

year's party, "Death" is an unwanted visitor who will change everything. Who will it be? Yolanda the Fortune Teller? Lord Addington Phlemly Kavanaugh-Thweatt? Vicar Andrew Makepeace? PC Rufus Stumblefield? Thomas Windemere, black sheep recently returned home

from India? Sir Cedric Blenkinsopp or his wife Hadley? Can Miss Marple solve this murder, or will she succumb to too much rich food?

If you want one of the 20 juicy parts, please let us know asap! We can email you the cast of characters and all the details of the parts they play. We will have room for 60 guests at the costume party, held Friday, October 26, 6 PM to 8 PM. Everyone is highly

encouraged to dress up in a costume that would be appropriate for Halloween 1937. Tickets are \$35 per guest. We are very lucky to be able to stage the murder mystery at the home of Joe Whaley, the "Dempster Mansion," 2805 Gibbs Road, on the corner of N. Broadway and Gibbs, right across the street from the Fountain City Kroger.

We will have heavy hors d'oeuvres but will not be sitting at tables this year.



Ken Clayton has been "poisoned" during an Art Center staged murder mystery party.

We want all the guests to mingle and learn more about each other before the "murder" takes place, and we have found that the tables take up too much space. We want this "murder" to be almost

perfect! For tickets, call or email the Center or just come by Tuesday through Friday between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: 865-357-2787; fcartcenter@knology.net; 213 Hotel Avenue, 37918.

## Silly Celebrity

I like to think of myself as being too high minded to care about the world of celebrities. I wish I knew more about Samantha Power or Danielle Crittenden than I do about Kim Kardashian, but I don't. I'd like to have people think I spend more of my leisure time reading intellectual or political journals. The truth is, however, while I have spent some time rereading "The Righteous Mind" by Jonathan Haidt this week, I spent more time watching "The Voice."

Over the last week, 38 people were killed in Hong Kong when a

ferry was hit by a pleasure cruiser. In Syria, 40 or more people were killed in explosions. In Nigeria, 26 people were killed after a student election inspired violence. All these headlines floated under my eyes this week. Yet, what news shamefully affected me the most? The break-up of Rhea Perlman and Danny Devito. I wish I were kidding.

My sister Robin tells a story about being at a hotel in Gatlinburg in the late 70s and striking up a conversation with a man on the next balcony. He seemed very familiar to her and mentioned that his wife was asleep in the room. Later she realized that it was Danny Devito and his sleeping wife was Rhea Perlman. This may seem a little far-fetched, but I assure you it is possible.

About 12 years ago, Robin and I were shopping at Little Five Points in Atlanta and met 80s mega-star

Cyndi Lauper. "You look familiar," Robin said to her and Ms. Lauper replied, "So do you." Robin had no idea to whom she was speaking until I whispered it in her ear.

I played it somewhat cool when I met the composer of "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun." I also managed to play it cool last year when, because of *The Focus*, I got to meet Hugh Jackman and ask him an interview question on the local red carpet. Of course, when I got to my car, I called my cousin and childhood comic adviser squealing, "I met Wolverine!"

Lord Byron said, "A celebrity is one who is known to many people he is glad he doesn't know." I guess there is a lot of truth in that. Still, I cannot help but think that if Sting and Bono had a chance to know me, they'd really like me.

## Frying Chicken

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eye was black where the stuff had burned. The floor also was as slick as one at a fast-food burger joint from the oil. I retrieved a can of Bar Keeper cleaner and scrubbed the stove. Then I found the mop and cleaned the floor. By the time Amy returned to the kitchen, nothing was out of place. She knew nothing of the mess that I'd made.

The chicken was a big success. Amy had to make the potatoes because there was no way I was stepping a foot into the kitchen again. We ate like pigs and then complained about being too full. Before the night passed, the

remaining pieces of chicken disappeared.

I'm not a good cook; however, during my later years, my willingness to try new recipes expands. A couple of days later, I fixed a meat-loaf that Amy and I both ate without becoming ill. The best part of the chicken frying was the smell that filled the house. The same kind used to make our mouths water as children on Sunday after church. Mother might have looked down from above, shaken her head, and smiled at my attempt to feed my family one of the most wonderful foods the Good Lord ever offered his children.



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Brody Rollins runs for 5 yards in the second half with 7:45 remaining.

## Bobcats put winning streak on line this week

By Ken Lay

Central High School's football team enjoyed a well-deserved Friday night of rest last week.

The Bobcats, who are in the midst of a five-game winning streak, will put that streak on the line Friday night when they travel to face Class 5A State runner-up Powell on Friday night.

And if the last five weeks are any indication, the Panthers will have a fight on their hands as Central (5-3 overall, 5-1 in District 3-AAA) has consecutive victories over Anderson County, Karns, Hardin Valley Academy, Clinton and Campbell County.

While Central is riding high after five consecutive district victories, things didn't start well for the Bobcats. Central opened the 2012 season with three straight losses to Knoxville Catholic, William Blount and District 3-AAA favorite Oak Ridge.

Things, however, made a dramatic turn for the better when Central left Clinton with a 17-16 win over the high-octane Anderson County Mavericks.

"Sometimes, the toughest win to get is the first one," Bobcats second-year head coach Joe Hassell said. "Things started to really turn around for us when we went to Anderson County and beat a team that nobody really thought that we had a chance to beat."

After that, the district wins just kept coming. While three of Central's five wins were far from surprising as the Cougars, Beavers and Dragons are among the district's bottom teams. The road win against the Mavs and a 28-20 home win over the Hawks had to be considered at least small upsets.

"Anderson County and Hardin Valley are good teams," Hassell said. "We always go up against teams that may be bigger than us and faster than us and we go up against schools that 500 or 600 more students than we have."

"Hardin Valley is a talented team and they have some big kids but our kids are always ready to fight. They'll battle with anybody. They look forward to representing

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# South-Doyle Notches Fourth Shutout of Season

By Adam Sullivan

Inviting South-Doyle to play at your homecoming game used to be a sure-bet for the home team so much so that four teams gave South-Doyle that honor this year.

South-Doyle doesn't expect to see many more in 2013. The South-Doyle student faithful engulfed the Seymour Eagles stadium as South-Doyle beat the Eagles 34-0.

South-Doyle faced an opponent in Seymour quarterback Nick Sexton that they hadn't been exposed to much of so far this season. Sexton showed no mercy in hitting pass after pass to numerous receivers throughout the first half.

Samuel Perry, who scored two touchdowns Friday night, knew how hard it was to play against a good passing team. "It's different from what we've been used

to. We practiced hard all week against the pass and we got it done here," said Perry.

South-Doyle was able to score on their second drive of the game after converting on fourth and 1 from the Seymour 19 yard line. Jocquez Bruce scored on an outside run on a fourth and 3 from the 7 with 2:35 left in the first.

Seymour and South-Doyle would exchange big plays for the next 14 minutes, including a failed conversion by Seymour on fourth and 9 from South-Doyle's 44-yard line. Two plays later, South-Doyle would fumble on second and 2.

However, the score was locked at 7-0 at halftime.

Brody Rollins, the quarterback for South-Doyle who typically rushes for 100 or more yards per game, had to adapt in the second half as Seymour was very effectively shutting down

the South-Doyle running game.

Coach Clark Duncan made the necessary adjustments at halftime to get Rollins throwing the ball. "We've worked hard on it. That's an area we have to continue to grow in. The better we are able to run the ball the better we are able to throw the ball," said Coach Duncan.

He started his campaign with a 20-yard pass to Jacob Jones. After a few first downs by Jocquez Bruce, Samuel Perry was handed the ball on second and goal from the 1-yard line to put South-Doyle up 14-0 with 7:42 left in the third.

South-Doyle took 3:17 of time at the end of the third quarter to seal the game for the Cherokees. Brody threw a quick screen pass to Blake Stansberry for a touchdown to put South-Doyle up 21-0.

On the ensuing play, Sexton would throw an interception to

Grant Bacon of South-Doyle, and Bruce would score the touchdown on a third and 6 from the Eagle's 19 to put South-Doyle up 27-0 after a missed extra point.

Two plays later, Perry would strip the ball from a Seymour receiver and return it for a touchdown to put the Cherokees up 34-0.

South-Doyle wasn't done. Twice the Eagles were able to march down the field to within 15 yards of the endzone. South-Doyle forced a turnover on downs in both instances, including a goal-line stand on the half-yard line.

Coach Duncan knows the stakes of his next opponent, Sevier County. "The winner of that is in the drivers seat for the district title."

The lack of recognition in statewide polls is a point of

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# Smith's return provides boost for Warriors in district win

By Ken Lay

Christian Academy of Knoxville's football team got a big boost Friday night as senior wide receiver Josh Smith returned to the Warriors' starting lineup.

And Smith wasted little time making an impact.

"It feels great to be back and I'm pumped just to be back out here and playing

football with my friends," said Smith, who caught four touchdown passes to lead CAK to a 56-31 District 4-AA victory over Kingston on homecoming and senior night at before a boisterous crowd at Warrior Stadium.

Smith, the University of Tennessee commitment, compiled 158 yards on eight receptions in his

return. He missed five games with a broken collarbone.

Smith put his injury behind him early as he caught the game's first touchdown pass from Warriors' quarterback Charlie High. The game's first score covered 41 yards and culminated a five-play, 75-yard drive and took just over two minutes. Derek

Sokowloski's extra point gave CAK a 7-0 lead with 9 minutes, 42 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

The Yellow Jackets (6-3 overall, 2-2 in the district) would answer with a 3-yard run by Rhett Jones a short time later to knot the game at 7-7.

Smith's second TD reception covered 52 yards and

put CAK up 14-7 later in the opening stanza.

Kingston scored the next 10 points, thanks to a short scoring run by Dustin Kitts and a 25-yard field goal by Keaton Shillings that gave the Yellow Jackets a 17-14 lead early in the second quarter.

From there, the Warriors (8-0, 5-0) controlled the rest of the half. High

finished the second stanza with three touchdown passes to senior Davis Howell, the TSSAA career receptions leader, and another to Smith. By halftime, CAK opened a 42-17 advantage.

The Warriors made a big special teams play early in the third quarter. Kingston went three-and-out

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# Lady Admirals earn title in five-set thriller

By Ken Lay

Nothing has come easy for the Farragut High School volleyball team in 2012.

But the Lady Admirals overcame adversity one more time to win the District 4-AAA Championship Wednesday night at Catholic High School.

Farragut claimed the district title with a dramatic 25-17, 22-25, 14-25, 25-19, 15-10 victory over top-seeded Bearden.

"We're a young team and I feel extremely grateful," Lady Admirals coach Susan Davidson said after her squad claimed the district championship and earned the right to host the Region 2-AAA Tournament Tuesday night. "Bearden is a great team. We have one senior and two juniors and the rest of the girls are freshmen and sophomores."

The Lady Admirals (33-14) will face Hardin Valley Academy to open regional play at Lynn E. Sexton Gymnasium. The Lady Hawks are the District 3-AAA runners-up. The Lady Bulldogs will take on District 3 champ Anderson County in Tuesday's other elimination semifinal Tuesday. The two semifinal winners will advance to the Section 1-AAA Tournament on Thursday.

In Wednesday's district title match, Farragut opened a 19-12 lead in the opening set en route to an easy victory.

Bearden (40-6) opened a 9-4 lead only to see the Lady Admirals storm back to pull within 23-21. The Lady Bulldogs scored four of the next five points to tie the match.

Bearden then took a 2-1 lead when it cruised in the third set.

The fourth set was a see-saw affair but with the game knotted 12-12, the Lady Admirals scored on a side-

out before senior libero Erin Lewis served up three consecutive points to help Farragut open a 16-12 lead, from there, Farragut took the upper hand and the Lady Admirals went on to force a deciding fifth game.

The decisive game was represented another roller-coaster ride. With that set tied 7-7, Farragut scored on a side-out before Emma Milstead, the tournament's Most Valuable Player, served up three straight points to give Farragut an 11-7 advantage.

Bearden coach David McGinnis then called timeout. The Lady Bulldogs then used a side-out and service point from Carrie McGinnis to pull to within 11-10.

Farragut would take a 12-10 lead with a defensive point before Brooke Chandler sealed the title with the final three points.

Even in defeat, coach McGinnis was pleased with his team's effort.

"I'm as proud of my kids as I can be," he said. "They never quit."

"Farragut is a great team and I knew they would come out emotional. I expected a battle and we just couldn't get over the hump tonight."

The Lady Admirals had several players contribute. Milstead, who was also named regular-season MVP, finished with 23 kills. Setter Tessa Watson, battling illness had 33 assists for Farragut, which advanced to the title match with a 3-1 semifinal win over the host Lady Irish.

"Tessa Watson is a battler," Davidson said. "She always battles, no matter what. Tonight, she was sick."

Kristen Randolph led Bearden, which beat fifth-seeded Heritage in the semifinals, with 19 points and 22 kills.



PHOTO BY BONNIE COX.

WR Blade Durbin, 10, watches as the Roadrunners fight the Highlanders for the ball.

## Roadrunners Outrun, Outpass Highlanders

By Curtis Trotter

Forty year head coach Benny Hammonds of Gatlinburg-Pittman had something huge in mind for his Highlanders Friday night at Austin-East High School. Something so big in fact, that it would make the history books. With A-E starting off the season on an 0-6 mark and only one district win so far this year, G-P fans thought this just might be the year that it would tally its first victory over the historic Nemesis.

After going up in the first half 12-7 and holding Austin-East to just 6 yards rushing in the half, things for the Blue and Gold seemed promising. But A-E head coach Brian Pankey must have reminded his squad of the all-time series record. Seven straight victories and no defeats. After half-time festivities, the home standing Roadrunners decided to make a little

history of their own and opened the flood gates of their offense.

First half action started when A-E quarterback Keishaun Johnson found a wide open Davion Cantrell for a 16-yard strike and score to go up 7-0. G-P answered on a Tanner Cox to Spencer Brien toss and score of 16 yards to cut the A-E lead to 7-6. Highlander fans were once again on their feet when Cox connected to senior Justin Horner from 17 yards out and a half-time advantage of 12-6. A-E senior Devin Williams found pay dirt on a 2-yard run and after a 2-point conversion a 15-12 lead that would not be given up the rest of the night.

Roadrunner faithful were treated with two more scores and the eventual final of 29-12.

A-E's Pankey was grateful for the victory. "We knew after watching the Fulton film that we could

capitalize with our speed. I think our quickness and athleticism played a big part in the final outcome. One thing about Gatlinburg-Pittman is they are big and physical. We are small and quick and I think that was to the key to the game for us. We got second opportunities in the open field with our quickness," Pankey said.

Hammonds, on the other hand, was not happy with the final. "It was a disappointing loss. We came in here thinking we had a good chance to win the football game. Then we played our worst game of the year. We had bad field position the entire second half. We couldn't move the ball it seemed," Hammonds told *The Focus*. Special teams play was and has been a problem for the Highlanders all season. A-E actually used a little of its own magic in the third quarter with an on-side kick that would

later swing the momentum their way.

Hammonds feels there was and is room for lots of improvement in that department of his squad. "A-E came after us tonight. We didn't execute well at all. We spent a tremendous amount of time on our special teams in practice all this week and every week. They (A-E) just outplayed us all around tonight." Hammonds concluded.

The Highlanders will look to regroup this week when they entertain Carter in a play-off implicated game. A-E will travel over to Pigeon Forge to tangle with the Tigers who are sporting a 4-4 overall record and a 1-3 mark in District 3-AA. A-E improved to a 2-6 overall mark and an 2-2 district record. Kick off is set for 7:30.

## Bobcats put winning streak on line this week

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their community and their school on Friday nights. When it's Friday night in Fountain City, our kids are always ready to go."

Several of Central's players have emerged as budding stars as quarterback Xavier Johnson and running back JaJuan Stinson have carried the bulk of the offensive load throughout the second half of the season.

The 'Cats may be finally seeing two years of hard work produce success but Hassell said that he always had faith in the players in Central's program. Even in the lean times, his players stayed the course.

"Our kids are fun to be around," Hassell said. "Our kids are always positive even though they line up against some big boys."

"When you start 0-3,

especially after the tough games that we lost last year, it's easy for the kids to say 'here we go again,' and pack it in and give up. But they didn't do that."

Upon taking Central's head coaching job in 2011, Hassell implemented a plan. The Bobcats took the first painful steps and emerged as competitors.

"Since I've come here, I've set up a plan," he said. "Early on, the kids embraced the things that we were doing and it all came to fruition with that first win at Anderson County."

"It's the old coaching maxim that you get knocked down and you get back up. Our kids got knocked down but they got back up. Now, our kids believe in their talents and their abilities."

## Smith's return provides boost for Warriors in district win

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and was forced to punt on its first possession of the second half. Shillings mishandled the snap and CAK's Spencer Starke recovered the ball and rumbled 23 yards for a score to give the Warriors

a 49-17 lead.

Later in the third, Smith caught a 14-yard scoring strike from High, who went 22-for-26 for 271 yards and seven touchdowns.

High was delighted to have his full complement of weapons, including his favorite deep target that

gave CAK a 56-17 lead with 3:43 left in the third quarter.

"Hiving Josh back is great," High said. "It really helped us in spreading the field because the defense couldn't just key on one side."

Kingston scored a pair

of fourth-quarter touchdowns. Brandon Ott's 1-yard plunge pulled the Yellow Jackets to within 56-25 and Jones' second TD run made it 56-31 with midway through the final frame.

## South-Doyle Notches Fourth Shutout of Season

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discussion among some South-Doyle faithful. However, Coach Duncan isn't easily swayed by popular opinion. "We're up and down because people don't know if we're for real. Luckily this isn't college football and polls don't tell us who wins."

"We made a statement here. This was a rivalry game and we made a statement," said Perry after the game.

South-Doyle now improves to 7-1 on the season.



Weekly achievements for Tuesday, Club 55, September 27, 2012

High Game Scratch-Male  
236 John Fisher  
224 Gene Allmon  
210 Roy skeen  
210 Stanley Taylor

High Series Scratch-Male  
645 John Fisher  
605 Stanley Taylor  
599 Gene Allmon

High Game Scratch-Female  
212 Barbara Nelson  
169 Virginia Cannon  
164 Betty Phillips

High Series Scratch-Female  
522 Barbara Nelson  
450 Betty Phillips  
429 Marsha Kavanaugh

Wednesday Club 55:

High Game Scratch-Male  
255 Don George  
23 Bill Byrge  
232 Roger Satterfield

High Series Scratch-Male  
724 Don George  
6451 J.C.Pilant  
636 Roger Satterfield

High Game Scratch-Female  
202 Carolyn Mcgill  
190 Susie Martin  
181 Mary Tate

High Series Scratch-Female  
562 Carolyn Mcgill

190 Susie Martin  
487 Mary Tate

Thursday No-Tap:  
High Game Scratch-Male  
288 Bill Byrge  
279 J.C.Pilant  
278 Gary wilson

High Series Scratch-Male  
799 Bill Byrge  
767 Billy Majors  
746 Fred Greene

High Game Scratch-Female  
234 Lynn Porco  
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# Farragut Can't Stop Maryville, Admirals Fall 60-41

By Alex Norman

The Farragut Admirals knew the facts very well. They hadn't beaten Maryville since 1991. The Rebels were ranked number one in the state in Class 6A. Maryville was riding high, on a 36-game win streak. The Admirals also knew that with a 3-4 record, and perhaps most importantly a 2-2 mark in District 4-AAA, earning a spot in the playoffs is by no means guaranteed. On Thursday, October 11th, the Admirals offense was ready, but the Admirals defense simply had no answer for Maryville (8-0, 5-0 District 4-AAA), as the Rebels rolled to a 60-41 victory. Farragut deferred the opening snap and immediately had some

second thoughts, as Maryville quarterback Nick Myers lead the Rebels on a 9 play, 80 yard drive, culminating with a 33 yard touchdown pass to Cody Carroll. The Admirals responded quickly. Jackson Fain found the sideline, and scampered 59 yards for a touchdown. With 7:08 remaining in the first quarter the game was tied at 7, and the track meet was underway. The second quarter began with the Admirals down 17-7, but two big plays turned things around. First, Rebels running back Trenton Shuler fumbled, Nick Henningsen recovered, and the Admirals were in business. One snap later, Farragut junior quarterback Bryan Phillips went deep,

43 yards to Thomas Barnett, and the Admirals were only down 17-14. But the momentum swung back to Maryville immediately. Farragut kicker Jonathan King, perhaps the best kicker/punter in the area, failed to boot the football into the end zone on the kickoff (which doesn't happen often) and Maryville's Shawn Prevo took advantage. 94 yards and an extra point later, the Rebels were back up by ten points with 11:05 to go in the second quarter. The Admirals had proven they can score points, and they did it again, putting together a 16 play, 74 yard drive that took 5:47 off the clock. Phillips ended the drive with a two yard touchdown pass to Barnett, and Farragut was once

again within a field goal, trailing 24-21 with 5:11 to go in the first half. "It all starts with our offensive line," said Farragut head coach Eddie Courtney. "They are healthy now. Bryan (Phillips) is a mature quarterback and Jackson (Fain) and a physical running back with speed. They are doing a great job." However, if we have learned one thing about the Rebels over the years, it is that they never panic. Myers threw two touchdown passes to end the half, one to Carroll and one to T.J. Kimble, and Maryville led 38-21 at intermission. In the second half the points kept coming, but Farragut could not get any closer than that 17 point cushion. The 41 points scored

by the Admirals was their highest total in a regulation length game this season. The 60 points allowed were the highest total against the Admirals this season. "We've tried to change some things in our secondary," said Courtney. "But if you make mistakes and get caught out of position that can hurt you. Give credit to George (Quarles, Maryville head coach) and his staff. They execute that game plan so well and they are playing with confidence." Myers had a career night for the Rebels, with six touchdown passes and 430 combined yards of offense through the air and on the ground. In a losing cause, Fain led the Admirals with 164 yards rushing and three touchdowns.

Things do not get much easier for the Admirals next week in their final home game of the season when they face Lenoir City, one of the best teams in the state in Class 5A. If the Admirals (3-5, 2-3 District 4-AAA) are going to move into the top 32 teams in Class 6A and earn a playoff spot, they'll need a win over the Panthers and/or William Blount in the season finale to have a shot at playing in November. "I'm proud of them, they have handled this well," said Courtney. "They come to work each day, and even on the bus home after the game, they were talking about wanting to salvage this thing. Their effort and their attitude have been great."

## GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

# Special bond carried Holston to 10-0 season in 1970

Holston High's 1970 football team seemed to have it all – talent, toughness, smarts, experience, a strong work ethic and the desire to excel. But probably its best asset was the camaraderie among its



By Steve Williams

senior class of players, pointed out the team's captains, Steve Huettel and Steve Slack, as they reflected back on the Warriors' special season. Holston was 10-0 and claimed the Knoxville Football League Class AAA championship. As far as football, it was the peak campaign for the school on the outskirts of East Knoxville. "It was an exciting time," said Huettel, an all-state offensive guard and outside linebacker. "At that point it was a football school. Basketball had had success (as state runner-up in 1967)." Holston High opened in 1958 and at one time had 1,300 students. But declining enrollment and rezoning led to the school's closing in the spring of 1991. Now a renovated Holston Middle School occupies those grounds, and young athletes there are called Hurricanes. Old scrapbooks still document Holston's 1970 season, which included six shutouts. Head Coach Hoyt Carroll's Warriors outscored their opponents overall 288-39. For the record, Holston beat Central 15-0, Cocke County 56-0, West 27-0, Sevier County 16-12, Fulton 22-0, Austin-East

21-0, Bearden 9-6, Morristown West 50-14, Doyle 36-7 and Chattanooga Tyner 36-0. The TSSAA playoff system was just in its second year and hadn't grown into what it has become today. Back then only four teams qualified in each of three classifications (AAA, AA and A). A point system was used to select qualifiers. Holston was edged out by Bristol in Region 1 Class AAA. "It was kind of a strange deal," said Slack, an all-state tailback and inside linebacker. "Apparently we tied with Bristol, but in calculating opponents' (playoff) points for the two teams, one of our opponents had played a team from out of state, which gave us fewer points." High school bowl games were still popular in that era and the Optimist Bowl, played on Thanksgiving Day, was the biggest bowl on the local scene. "They invited Central," recalled Slack. "We had already beaten Central. There was no incentive to play them again." In a UPI state poll that came out after the regular season ended, Murfreesboro Central, which went on to beat Memphis Melrose 36-0 in the Class AAA state finals, was ranked No. 1. Bristol was ranked No. 2 and Holston No. 4. Huettel and Slack were two of at least eight Holston players who signed college athletic scholarships. "Having that many players from one team earn scholarships doesn't happen often," said Slack. "We had a talented

group that worked hard. "We didn't have off-season training like they have now. Players worked together on their own to get better." Huettel went to Southern Mississippi and Slack to UT. Quarterback and safety Mike Lewis, who threw four touchdown passes in the Warriors' last game, signed to play baseball at Tennessee Tech. Others who signed football scholarships included G-DE Jackie Haun (Western Kentucky), end Steve Hall (Furman) and three to UT-Martin – tackle Terry Ruth, FB-LB Terry Carter and wide receiver Chris Carroll, the coach's son. End Greg Fansler caught three of those TD passes from Lewis as the Warriors completed their undefeated season and end Ronnie McGaha spearheaded the defense with a dozen tackles and a fumble recovery. Other seniors who contributed to Holston's perfect season included cornerback Mickey Lawson, strong safety Benny Joslin, OL-DE Ricky Acuff, end Vic Dyer, center Eddie Wayland and tight end Mike Miller. And there was one player, offensive guard David Horsley, with an unusual nickname. "He never got tired," recalled Huettel. "He was always cutting up. We called him the Super Nat because he was short." Slack laughed when reminded of that moniker. "Yeah, but I tell you, he was as tough as nails and pound for pound, he was the toughest guy on the team." The Warriors had a special bond.

"One thing about our team, we all kind of grew up together and played together," said Huettel. "We had a bunch of guys who played together as midgets at Holston-Chilhowee (recreation league team)," said Slack. "I'd say 75 to 80 percent of us played together for five or six years and had just gotten close." Their freshmen team went undefeated and unscored on – a sign of things to come. As sophomores, they won only one game. "We took it on the chin . . . but got a lot of playing time," said Slack. In their junior year, Holston was 7-3. Slack called Carroll "the perfect coach for the team we had." After coaching at Carter, Carroll had become Holston's first head football coach in 1958. He was in his 20th season as a high school head coach in 1970. "He let us grow as a team," said Slack. "He encouraged us and sometimes backed off." "We had a real camaraderie that you don't see in all locker rooms. We pulled for each other." Coach Carroll thought so much of the 1970 Holston team he wasn't in a celebratory mood after win No. 10. "I can't really enjoy it," he was quoted as saying in The Knoxville News-Sentinel, "because so many of these players will be leaving. Our seniors, and there are a lot of them, really have come through. I will miss them more than any other group I've ever coached."

## Titans Honor Bearden's Brad Taylor As High School Coach Of The Week

Last week the Tennessee Titans named Brad Taylor of Bearden High School Titans High School Football Coach of the Week. Traveling to cross-town rival Farragut, the Bearden Bulldogs defeated their longtime foe in triple overtime, 48-45. The Bulldogs overcame a 28-14 fourth-quarter deficit with two tremendous scoring drives in the final six minutes of regulation. Fighting through three overtime periods, Bearden pulled off the win with a quarterback keeper from the one yard line. This is the Bulldogs first regular season win against Farragut in eleven years and the last overall win since the 2007 playoffs. Titans Owner K.S. "Bud" Adams, Jr. will make a \$1,000 contribution from the Titans Foundation to the Bearden High School football program in Coach Taylor's honor. "High school football enjoys a great tradition in Tennessee," said Adams. "That tradition is based not only on the outstanding quality of play but on the devotion of their coaches who continue to develop high school football players into young men of strong character. I'm very pleased to underwrite this program that recognizes the efforts of so many talented high school coaches across the state!" Coach Taylor will be the team's guest at the Titans season finale versus the Jacksonville Jaguars on December 30th when the team honors all 2012 Coach of the Week winners and announces the winner of the 2012 Coach of the Year. Coach Taylor is also eligible for the Tennessee Titans Coach of the Year award. Mr. Adams will make an additional \$2,000 grant to the Titans Coach of the Year winner on that date. Also receiving strong consideration in last week's poll were Brandon Gray, of Adamsville, whose Class 2A team defeated state ranked Class 5A Hardin County High School 10-9; and White House High's Jeff Porter, whose team defeated Livingston Academy, 32-31, handing them their first loss of the season. Now in its 13th season, Mr. Adams has awarded more than \$156,000 from the Titans Foundation to football programs across the state in honor of the Coach of the Week and Year winners. The criterion for selection includes the coach's impact on his team, school, community and emphasis on health and safety. A statewide media panel votes each week to determine the weekly winner. All high school football coaches in Tennessee, regardless of their school's size, league, or division, are eligible to be selected each week. The program recognizes high school coaches who transform, through hard work and dedication, student athletes into the best possible football players, scholars and citizens in their community.



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TSD Class A, D1	vs. St. Andrews, Sewanee L 40-66	vs. GA SFD Deaf W 46-22	vs. SC School for Deaf W 42-6	vs. McClain Christian L 36-6	vs. AL School for Deaf W 58-26	vs. LA School for Deaf W 14-8	vs. SC School for Deaf W 20-6	vs. Miss. Sfd W 46-6	vs. Easley L 30-58	vs. Oak Level	OPEN
WEBB Class A, D2	vs. Alcoa L 7-14	OPEN	vs. Zion Christian W 53-0	vs. Knoxville Halls W 35-6	vs. DCA W 42-6	vs. Knoxville Catholic W 13-0	vs. Ezell-Harding W 42-7	vs. Wesleyan School GA W 45-31	OPEN	vs. Franklin Rd Academy	vs. Davidson Academy
SEYMOUR Class AAA, D2	vs. Campbell County W 30-20	vs. White County W 38-14	vs. Cocke County W 38-6	vs. Knoxville Carter W 42-34	vs. Jefferson County L 14-36	OPEN	vs. Sevier County L 14-42	vs. Morristown East L 27-30	vs. South Doyle L 0-34	vs. Cherokee	vs. Morristown West
SOUTH DOYLE Class AAA, D2	vs. Karns W 32-14	OPEN	vs. Morristown East W 19-14	vs. Heritage W 40-0	vs. Morristown West W 20-14	vs. Knoxville Carter W 23-0	vs. Cherokee L 7-17	vs. Cocke County W 41-0	vs. Seymour W 34-0	vs. Sevier County	vs. Jefferson County
GCA Class A, D3	vs. Knoxville Carter W 49-21	vs. Anderson County W 27-13	vs. Rockwood W 12-7	vs. CAK L 19-27	OPEN	vs. FRA W 40-14	vs. Greenback W 13-6	vs. Tellico Plains W 35-0	vs. Midway W 61-28	vs. Harriman	vs. South Pittsburg
AUSTIN-EAST Class AA, D3	vs. Knoxville West L 15-31	vs. Knoxville Powell L 14-35	vs. Knoxville Fulton L 7-43	vs. Alcoa L 12-55	vs. Knoxville Carter L 26-27	vs. Brainerd L 14-29	OPEN	vs. Union County W 46-8	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman W 29-12	vs. Pigeon Forge	vs. Gibbs
CARTER Class AA, D3	vs. Knoxville Grace L 21-49	vs. Grainger W 48-14	vs. Union County W 42-7	vs. Seymour L 34-42	vs. Austin-East W 27-26	vs. South Doyle L 0-23	vs. Pigeon Forge W 34-0	vs. Gibbs W 20-14	vs. Fulton L 0-53	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman	OPEN
FULTON Class AAA, D3	vs. Morristown West W 33-0	vs. Knoxville West L 26-27	vs. Austin-East W 43-7	OPEN	vs. Pigeon Forge W 55-0	vs. Rhea County W 42-7	vs. Gibbs W 48-10	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman W 48-6	vs. Knoxville Carter W 53-0	vs. Alcoa	vs. Union County
GIBBS Class AA, D3	vs. Scott County W 41-14	vs. Claiborne County W 45-14	vs. Pigeon Forge W 24-14	vs. Grainger W 31-12	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman L 42-7	vs. CAK L 33-42	vs. Knoxville Fulton L 10-48	vs. Knoxville Carter L 14-20	OPEN	vs. Union County	vs. Austin-East
CENTRAL Class AAA, D3	vs. Knoxville Catholic L 0-35	vs. William Blount L 20-30	vs. Oak Ridge L 6-28	vs. Anderson County W 17-16	vs. Karns W 34-14	vs. Hardin Valley W 27-20	vs. Clinton W 52-31	vs. Campbell County W 21-7	OPEN	vs. Knoxville Powell	vs. Knoxville Halls
HALLS Class AAA, D3	OPEN	vs. Sevier County L 14-42	vs. Knoxville Powell L 12-55	vs. Knoxville Webb L 6-35	vs. Oak Ridge L 0-35	vs. Anderson County L 6-43	vs. Karns W 30-29	vs. Hardin Valley L 18-52	vs. Clinton L 20-41	vs. Campbell County	vs. Knoxville Central
HARDIN VALLEY Class AAA, D3	vs. Bearden L 9-45	vs. Heritage W 46-14	OPEN	vs. Clinton W 13-10	vs. Campbell County W 48-30	vs. Knoxville Central L 20-27	vs. Powell L 7-28	vs. Knoxville Halls W 52-18	vs. Oak Ridge L 6-47	vs. Anderson County	vs. Karns
KARNS Class AAA, D3	vs. South Doyle L 14-32	vs. Knox Central (kv) L 7-14	vs. Clinton W 45-24	vs. Campbell County L 9-20	vs. Knoxville Central L 14-34	vs. Knoxville Powell L 7-21	vs. Knoxville Halls L 29-30	vs. Oak Ridge L 0-42	vs. Anderson County L 14-49	OPEN	vs. Hardin Valley
POWELL Class AAA, D3	vs. Rhea County W 14-6	vs. Austin-East W 35-14	vs. Knoxville Halls W 55-12	vs. Oak Ridge L 3-21	vs. Anderson County W 48-43	vs. Karns W 21-7	vs. Hardin Valley W 28-7	vs. Clinton W 53-20	vs. Campbell County W 20-13	vs. Knoxville Central	OPEN
BEARDEN Class AAA, D4	vs. Hardin Valley W 45-9	vs. Morristown East W 38-7	vs. William Blount W 37-3	vs. Rhea County W 49-7	vs. Lenoir City W 24-14	OPEN	vs. Maryville L 3-21	vs. Farragut W 48-45	vs. Heritage W 42-6	vs. Knoxville West	vs. Knoxville Catholic
CATHOLIC Class AAA, D4	vs. Knoxville Central W 35-0	vs. Cleveland W 41-26	vs. Farragut L 21-34	OPEN	vs. William Blount W 33-10	vs. Knoxville Webb L 0-13	vs. Lenoir City L 14-31	vs. Maryville L 6-38	vs. West L 20-41	vs. Heritage	vs. Bearden
CAK Class AA, D4	vs. Anderson County W 76-45	vs. Darlington Rd Christian W 42-23	vs. Stone Memorial W 46-34	vs. Knoxville Grace W 27-19	vs. Loudon W 56-34	vs. Gibbs W 42-33	vs. Scott County W 47-21	OPEN	vs. Kingston W 56-31	vs. LaVergne	vs. Alcoa
FARRAGUT Class AAA, D4	vs. Dobyns-Bennett L 42-14	vs. Oak Ridge L 24-28	vs. Knoxville Catholic W 34-21	vs. McMinn County W 23-10	vs. Knoxville West L 14-21	OPEN	vs. Heritage W 52-7	vs. Bearden L 45-48	vs. Maryville L 41-60	vs. Lenoir City	vs. William Blount
WEST Class AAA, D4	vs. Austin-East W 31-15	vs. Knoxville Fulton W 27-26	vs. Maryville L 33-47	vs. Morristown East W 42-7	vs. Farragut W 21-14	OPEN	vs. William Blount W 45-0	vs. Lenoir City L 27-42	vs. Knoxville Catholic W 41-20	vs. Bearden	vs. Heritage

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## Fundamentals

As an internist I preferentially look for why something occurs rather than merely focusing on what. This comes from my training in basic mechanisms and the theories of normal physiology and pathological disease. A sore throat is easily evaluated and protocols of what to do are readily available. It's tougher when you evaluate a belly ache or vague symptoms that don't fit in an obvious pattern. It's at these moments that I'm glad I have those fundamentals to call upon and help me sort things out diagnostically and therapeutically.

Our country is sick and needs a major operation. That's coming in a few weeks. That is the what. And as a prelude to the

surgical removal of the cancer, we are all enduring painful tests (debates and polls) and trying to find the truth. Unfortunately, we can no longer rely on the test results because the data we receive have been politically corrupted by the media where sound bites distort and manipulate the facts. It's akin to a doctor being forced to operate without a reliable CAT scan and blood tests. We don't do exploratory surgery anymore in modern medicine, but these days the vision of our citizens has been blurred by the liberal media.

For some time now I've been considering the fundamental cause of our national malaise. Recently, I've come upon two news stories that focused my

reflections upon why we're in such a mess. The first story was about the Pope and the Catholic hierarchy who are meeting to discover why the number of faithful is declining. The second report came from a review of Pew Research data that show 20% of Americans are no longer affiliated with a religious organization and 30% of Americans under thirty are similarly unaffiliated. Perhaps the journalists manipulated these stories and the data, but I've read of similar trends in recent years and I've walked through innumerable empty cathedrals across Europe. Are we going the way of secularist Europe? Should we redesign our coinage to say "In State We Trust"?

A friend of mine is a thoughtful science-based person who says that all facts are conditional. Immediately, some of you might disagree and state that 1+1= 2 all the time. It turns out that even this basic equation is conditional. For all practical purposes (and for banking!) you can depend on the sum of two, but at the quantum level and at the event-horizon of a black hole all our facts breakdown and truth becomes

conditional. You say that's a special situation, but if you argue for absolutes then they should be just that.

The philosopher Emmanuel Kant argued that we should seek what he called universals or universal truths that are the same in all places and times. This is an elusive quest and perhaps boring for the non-philosopher, but it has practicality if you want to define what is right or just or fair or moral. These days some notable people state that they know what's fair. Kant would ask him, fair compared to what? You see if we don't have what the ancients called the tertium quid or what might be better known to us as the Rosetta stone or a standard, we could never understand hieroglyphics. In other words, ancient Egyptian was only understood when compared to the companion Greek words on the now famous tablet.

I believe in an Ideal or a standard by which I compare my life and all my actions. This conceptual standard is fundamental in my sense of right and morality. The Christian apologist C. S. Lewis said that each of us is imparted

with God's Natural Law. I conceptualize this standard as written on our DNA and residing in our conscience. This is where we measure our thoughts and actions against that Ideal standard. But, what if you renounce that measuring rod of morality or decency? We are all different, and if we accept no standard then what we're left with is six billion opinions known in our post modern era as moral relativism and situational ethics.

So why are we in a mess? It is natural for people to see their problems as unique, but history repeatedly shows that failing cultures place their hopes in man and his institutions; we have done so and it always fails. Arrogant pride or hubris was the greatest sin in the ancient democracy of Greece. We Americans increasingly put our hopes in idols and we have fostered alliances with foreign agencies that do not respect us and seek to destroy this nation as the last bastion of freedom and liberty.

Polarization is where we find ourselves today in America. We are not united and the November election will not fix this problem. However, a long journey

begins with a single step, and the choice of rescue and restoration versus continued slide toward destruction is obvious.

I live in the world based on science and facts, but I bow to a higher power. This is fundamental in my reality. I live in two worlds and reject the notion of either/or. Some would say there's no proof of a higher power, and I would counter that this is evidence of the hubris that destroyed the Hebrews, the Greeks, and the Romans, to name a few.

Lord Acton once said that "Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely." We must not make the mistakes of history again. We must return to the Way.

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## UT College of Nursing Names Fabulous 40 in Honor of 40th Anniversary

The University of Tennessee's College of Nursing honored 40 of its alumni during a celebration of its 40th anniversary. The Fabulous 40 Nursing Alumni were named at the fourth annual NightinGala on Sept. 21.

The Fabulous 40 — 40 outstanding College of Nursing alumni — were nominated and selected because of how they make a difference in the lives of individual patients, organizations and/or the community.

"The awardees are recognized for their excellence in nursing and health care, leadership in advancing the nursing profession and innovation in professional nursing," Dean Victoria Niederhauser said.

The awardees include Cynthia Abraham, Lesley Adkison, G. Rumay Alexander, Matthew Bell, Jewell Birdwell, Donna Boyd, Laura Beth Brown, Victoria Cannington, Patricia Chaloux, Cheryl Daugherty, Rebecca Davidson, Becky Fields, Ben Francisco, Wendy Franklin, Maureen Groer, Derenda Hodge, Elizabeth Jesse, Jo M. Kendrick, Sandy Lassiter, Roberta Lavin, Terri M. Marin, Kim Massey, Bruce McLaughlin, Jan McNally, Jeff Mills, Betty Nash, Deborah Persell, John Preston, Theresa Renfro, Shannon Richmond, Felicia Rivers, Karen Roden, Alice Royce, Mona Shattell, Rita F. Silen, Mary Sowell, Sandra Wade, Lisa Waggoner, Kathleen Walker and

Diane Whaley.

Sharon Tanner, a 1985 Masters of Science in Nursing graduate, received the Dr. Sylvia E. Hart Distinguished Alumni Award.

More than 400 people attended the NightinGala, which featured a presentation by Bill Bass, professor emeritus of anthropology and founder of the Forensic Anthropology Center (also known as the Body Farm), and was emceed by WBIR-TV anchor Robin Wilhoit.

More than \$55,000 was raised to equip and renovate the college's simulation and learning laboratories.

"These learning centers will allow UT nursing students access to the highest quality educational

experiences by simulating real life situations," said Niederhauser. "They will be able to learn in a 'safe' environment prior to entering into high-risk clinical situations."

The College of Nursing is a nationally recognized leader in the education of highly skilled, visionary nurses. The college enrolls more than 600 students in undergraduate, master's and doctoral programs. The master's program offers concentration areas in global disaster, family practice, administration, pediatrics, mental health and nurse anesthesia. For more information, visit <http://www.nursing.utk.edu>.



**Rosie's World**

## Unto Those Hills

This is the time of the year when the hills surrounding this state are filled with "the sound of music" and I always think of that prestigious verse of Psalms 121--in fact, the whole chapter is inspiring. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."

I can very easily envision the patriarch, David, lifting up his eyes because he was an outdoor-sy type of person. He roamed around the hills and meadows for hours on end, talking to God,

and, of course, the sheep. And what a stupendous area of hills, meadows, and babbling brooks he had to commune with; also the sun, moon and stars had to open up large vistas of ruins for him--hence the book of Psalms.

Sometimes the hills are hovering in the mist and I can hardly see them, but I know they are there. In autumn their riotous colors dazzle my eyes. Summertime they are surrounded by greenery.

During the winter months they can be seen in all their clarity, the perennials still green but the landscape somewhat sparse by their leafless branches. To me the

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# Faith

## 'He Was Content'

"I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances" (Philippians 4:11).

Once upon a time there was a stonemason who lived alone. Though he had acquired great skills, he was very poor. One day, he heard a crowd gathering along streets. By their shouts he could tell that the King was coming to visit his humble village. Joining in the procession, the stonemason gazed in awe as the king, dressed in marvelous silk, was greeted by his subjects. "Oh, how I wish I had the power and glory of the King." His cry was heard in heaven, and immediately the humble stonemason was transformed into a powerful King. He found himself riding on a great horse, waving at the crowds of people who had flocked to see him. "This is power," he thought.

As the summer progressed, however, the new king watched the effects of the heat upon his people. Men and animals became weary in the summer sun; the plants withered under the powerful rays of the sun, and as he looked at the sky the new king realized that the sun was more powerful than the earthly rulers. "How I wish I were as powerful as that," he thought. "I wish I were the sun." Immediately, his wish was granted. The stonemason relished his new role as the sun.

He gloried in the power he felt as he surveyed

the kingdoms below. He sent his bright rays to the earth, he watched kings and princes hide under their parasols. He watched as powerful warriors became weak under his gaze, even the crops in the field were under his command. Then one day a tiny cloud moved over the land, shielding the earth from the sun's bright rays. Seeing that here was something more powerful, he thought: "I want very much to be a cloud."

Again his wish was granted; he blocked the sun himself. He felt so important, he gathered all his strength becoming a gigantic cloud, and he began to pour down rain on the earth. Rivers that were formed previously were no more, and water flooded the streets of the cities and the farmland. Only the massive rocks were unswayed. Again he had discovered something more powerful than he. "There is nothing as powerful as a rock. How I wish I were a huge stone." His wish was granted.

As a stone, he sat motionless and powerful, unmoved by sun or wind or rain. He felt exempt from all forces that shaped the existence of those around him. Then one day a man approached carrying a bag. He pulled out a chisel and a hammer, and he began to chip away at the rock. Realizing that the man with the tools was more powerful than any rock, he cried out, "Oh, I want to be a stonemason." Once again the heavens heard his cry, and he became a stonemason. Once again he lived in a bamboo hut and made his living with a hammer and chisel - but this time he was content (Author unknown).

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## World Communion celebrated at Colonial Heights UMC

When members entered the sanctuary for worship on Sunday, October 7, 2012, they were greeted with displays centered around World Communion Sunday in each of the seven stained glass windows in the entryway and on exhibition tables and shelves. Ms. Carolyn Wills and her staff had expertly decorated each window to represent all seven continents of the world. Items ranged from handcarved ivory animal figurines from South Africa, to a gold and black embroidered men's evening coat from Asia. Dolls and Koala bears from Australia, all sorts of cold weather animals representing Antarctica, and items from all the countries in Europe were exhibited for the celebration.

As soon as the worship service was concluded, members moved to the Fellowship Hall where they were greeted with covered dishes representing countries around the world. Members dined on the following: French onion soup, corned beef & cabbage with new potatoes and carrots, Greek salad, Spanish rice, black & white pasta salad. There was also an authentic meat dish from Australia, as one of the members was born and raised in Australia. Smoked sausage with sour kraut, sweet & sour chicken, egg rolls, and a good old American favorite, deviled eggs, rounded out just a few of the dishes. Dessert featured Greek baklava, bread pudding with caramel sauce,

and much more. Scotland was the featured country in the dining area with a bagpipe, hand puppet, books showing the beautiful landside, a rugby ball and a mountain climbing pick.

Other events scheduled for the month of October will be Homecoming 2012 - on Sunday, October 28. If you are a past member or know of someone who is, please share this date with them and join us for great food, fun and games.

For more information on this and other activities scheduled at CHUMC please go to our website [www.colonialheightsumc.org/calendar](http://www.colonialheightsumc.org/calendar), or contact the church office 865-577-2727 M-F 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

## Church Happenings

### Bookwalter United Methodist Church

Homecoming is Sunday, Nov. 4. Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Rev. Nathan Malone, Knoxville District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church, will be the speaker. Covered dish luncheon follows.

### Clear Springs Baptist Church

The annual "Trunk and Treat" will be held on Saturday, October 27 on the new church property. Everyone is encouraged to participate. This event is a lot of fun, Christian fellowship, witness opportunities, and a chance to invite people to CSBC!

The year's goal is 50 cars. Costumes are optional, although the kids enjoy them. Participating cars are asked to provide their own candy; however, please do not let this discourage your partici-

pation. The committee will make sure there is candy for everyone. Speaking of candy....donations for candy will be greatly appreciated!

The Happy Fall Festival will be October 20, 2012 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. This year's fall festival will be held at the future home of the Clear Springs Baptist Church in front of the Midway IGA on Tazewell Pike at Emory Road. There will be Music, Kid's Corner, Rummage Sale, Food, Crafts, Christian Illusionist and much more!!! See our ads on this page!

### Knoxville Fellowship Luncheon

The Knoxville Fellowship Luncheon (KFL) will meet October 16, 2012 at the Golden Corral on Clinton Highway, Knoxville at noon. Paulette Pace will be the guest speaker.

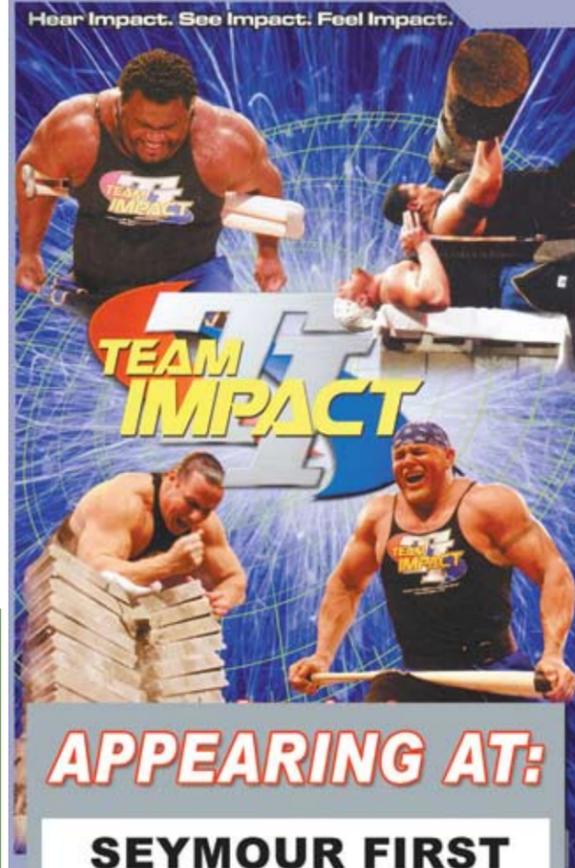
## Unto Those Hills

**Cont. from page 1** is communicating with God essence of peaceful living through nature.

Some time ago I went to a NA meeting with a friend. As I listened to those forlorn creatures reiterate their pain, their sorrows, their hopelessness, I thought, how sad, they are bypassing the free use of God's Word. They are relying on any means possible to bolster their lives; drugs, alcohol, etc. but the easiest, most satisfying way they ignore. And it's free!

The psychiatrists today would be hard put to remain in business if people would "look unto those hills". No, it will not solve all the problems one has, but certainly would give a few hours of peace of mind. Surely it would give one the courage to go on. And God can perform miracles, their lives could be changed. How wonderful that people here in East Tennessee are blessed and can look at the hills at any time.

Thought for the day: You can't change yesterday, but you can ruin today by worrying about tomorrow.



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# House to Home

## ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

### Where have all the cowboys gone?

Tom Mix, Roy Rogers, Hopalong Cassidy, Lash Larue, Jack Egan, The Lone Ranger, Sons Of The Pioneers and Andy Smalls of Knoxville. If these names have you coming up with a big blank, then



By Carl Sloan

you are probably thirty years old or younger. These were the big stars of the Silver Screen in their day playing cowboys in the 1930s, 40s and 50s. Starting from the 1860s to the 1950s, Cowboy and Indian drama was high in demand as the West was seen as a strange and foreign vast place of danger, adventure and the promises of fortune. There

were live performances with native Indians and reenactments of prairie battles that traveled all across the country with shows such as Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show and others that always had sell out crowds year after year. One could see Annie Oakley hit bull's-eyes shooting a rifle backwards with a mirror and see Indians set up in front of Tee Pee so passers by could view the "Savages." As time went by, the cowboys became replaced with science fiction heroes and evil space invaders replaced the Indians; yet

the story remained the same. So, in essence, we still watch Cowboy and Indians in films such as Star Trek, Star Wars and countless others where good combats evil and adventure and danger are just around the corner. In the antique world, the attrition has taken its toll on the items that used to be highly sought after such as cap guns, memorabilia, advertising relics and the like due to a generational change. However, some items are still commanding high dollars. a 1940s Hopalong Cassidy lunch box and thermos set brought \$325 at Fountain City Auction this year. This will not last much longer as all generational trends tend to fade away

or reinvent themselves so I believe now is the time to consider marketing your old Western items before the market goes much further South and heed the advice that antiques and collectibles have up and down trends. To you ol' diehards out there that are wiping away the tears for the good old days, you may want to check out a recent film that you can see on DVD called "Aliens Vs. Cowboys" as it's a good, action-packed film that a 65 year old can view with a teen and relate as it's two generations of concept rolled into one and works out great. We will always have Cowboys and Indians in our mythology... just in different forms and costumes.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Alexander Technique Introduction**  
On Tuesday, October 30 at 10:15 a.m., there will be an introduction of the Alexander Technique held at the Bearden Library Branch in Knoxville. The event will be free, but pre-registration is required. For more information, visit [www.LilySutton.com](http://www.LilySutton.com) or contact Lilly Sutton at (865) 387-7600.

**Halls Republican Club Silent Auction And Cake Auction**  
The Halls Republican Club will hold a silent auction and cake auction on Thursday, October 18, 2012, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The auctions will take place at the Beaver Brook Country Club on Cunningham Road with food and drinks provided. The club is requesting officeholders and members to bring items such as cakes, baskets or gift cards to be auctioned. Your donation and support for the club is greatly appreciated. Please contact Sandy Meryman at (865) 250-1603 to RSVP as well as to list your donation. Note that this auction will replace the regular October Monday meeting. Those who signed up to bring a dessert should bring it to Beaver Brook by 5:15 p.m. Volunteers are always appreciated.

**Knoxville National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Support Group Meetings**  
Adult supporters and family members of individuals with mental illness are welcomed to attend Knoxville National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Support Group. The group will meet on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. on the first floor of the Fort Hill Building, 901 E. Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37915. For more information, please contact [namiknox.org](http://namiknox.org) or (865) 602-7807.

**St. Joseph School Eighth Grade Fundraiser**  
The eighth grade students at St. Joseph School invite the community to attend a special breakfast fundraiser at Aubrey's Restaurant off Emory Road in Powell on Saturday, October 20 from 8-10 a.m. Breakfast will include eggs, pancakes, meat and a drink for only \$5 per person or \$20 per family. All proceeds go directly to the eighth grade to help pay their way to Camp Greenville and their graduation dinner. For ticket information, please contact Cathy Wade at [tcwade32@comcast.net](mailto:tcwade32@comcast.net) or call (865) 803-6249. Tickets will also be available at the door.

**United Daughters Of the Confederacy Upcoming Meeting**  
The Captain W. Y. C. Hannum Chapter #1881 United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the Green Meadow Country Club in Alcoa on Saturday, October 27th, at 10:30 a.m. A business session will begin at 11 a.m. followed by lunch. The program topic will be presented by Ron Jones, and is entitled "General John Brown and Fanny Gordon - a War Between the States." **Cont. on page 4**



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- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 cups hot water
- 2/3 cup 2% milk
- 1 package (4.9 ounces) au gratin potatoes

In a large skillet, saute the sausage, celery and onion in butter until vegetables are tender. Stir in the water, milk and contents of sauce mix from potatoes.

Bring to a boil. Stir in potatoes. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 20-25 minutes or until potatoes are tender, stirring once. Yield: 4-6 servings.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Cont. from page 3**

Partnership." Visitors are welcome to attend. For reservations or more information, please contact Charlotte Miller at (865) 448-6716.

### Upcoming Eighth Annual Parent Conference.

Registration is now open for the Eighth Annual Parent Conference. Knox County Schools, Knox County Council PTA, Project GRAD Knoxville, and Knoxville Parent Magazine are partnering to present "Parents...Our True Superheroes!" on Tuesday, October 23 at the Knoxville Convention Center. The conference will be held between 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. with extended exhibitor hours through 3:30 p.m. A complimentary light breakfast and lunch will be served. This conference is free, but registration is required. The deadline to register is Tuesday, October 16, and space is limited. For additional information to register, please visit our website at [www.engagement.knoxschools.org](http://www.engagement.knoxschools.org).

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### PUBLIC NOTICE:

**Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization - Executive Board Meeting, October 24, 2012.**

The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, October 24, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Topics to be considered: Long Range Mobility Plan Update, Review of Potential Options for TPO Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Changes Based on 2010 Census, Annual Obligations of FHWA Funds for FY 2012, Federal Legislation Update; and other business.

If you would like a complete agenda, please contact MPC at 215-2500 or see the TPO web site at [www.knoxtrans.org](http://www.knoxtrans.org). If you need assistance or accommodation for a disability, please contact MPC at 215-2500 and we will be glad to work with you in obliging any reasonable request.

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