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## Big Turnout for Bud Armstrong



A big, enthusiastic crowd turned out this past Thursday evening for a fundraising dinner in support of Bud Armstrong, above, the Republican nominee for Knox County Law Director.

### FOCUS Weekly Poll\*

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In your opinion, should the Chamber of Commerce continue to receive local tax dollars if they are going to influence local political decisions and elections?

YES 10.80%

NO 89.20%

Survey conducted July 13, 2012.

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

## Early Voting underway

As of Friday, July 13, registered voters will have the opportunity to cast their ballots for the August 2 state primary and county general elections. Knox County Administrator of Elections Cliff Rodgers is encouraging voters to take advantage of early voting.

"Early voting is a convenient way for voters to be sure their voices are heard," said Rodgers. "With this kind of flexibility, I hope that our voters will not miss this opportunity to exercise their right to vote."

Early voting will be conducted at nine locations across Knox County. Contact the Knox County Election Commission office at 215-2480 for more information regarding early voting hours, locations and sample ballots, or you can visit their website www.knoxcounty.org/election. Early voting ends Saturday, July 28.

"I am grateful to the county election officials, poll workers, and others who are willing to put in the time and effort that goes into a successful election," said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "Their hard work and dedication ensures that all Tennesseans have an opportunity to exercise their right to vote."

Also, Tennessee law has changed and voters age sixty and older may vote by mail for any reason.

"Most folks over sixty still

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## City moves to stabilize historic South High School building

The City of Knoxville has filed an order under its Demolition by Neglect ordinance against the owner of the historic old South High School building, and is preparing to make any repairs needed to protect against further structural deterioration.

The order follows a finding by the City's Better Building Board that the owner "failed to commence, complete, or diligently pursue the necessary corrective action to repair and stabilize the structure," after being cited for neglect this spring.

"The first thing we will do is to

assess the immediate threats to the stability of the building and loss of historic character," said David Brace, Director of the City's Public Service Department. "Then, if the owner still has not acted, we will seek bids from contractors to do the work necessary to prevent the loss of this historic building."

Under the Demolition by Neglect ordinance, the City can do repairs on cited properties, and bill the owner for the work. If an owner fails to pay, the City can place a lien on the property.

Bahman Kasraei purchased

the former South High building at 953 E. Moody Ave. from Knox County in 2008. The 75-year-old building was placed under an H-1 protective historic zoning overlay by City Council in 2011. After the owner failed to respond to multiple City notices of violation, City officials cited him last month under the Demolition by Neglect ordinance for failing to protect and stabilize the building. The Better Building Board heard the case on June 28<sup>th</sup> and Board Chair Cortney Piper signed the order today.

Mayor Madeline Rogero

included \$100,000 in this year's City budget to enforce the Demolition by Neglect ordinance.

"This ordinance has been on the books for several years, but the City has not had resources to give it teeth," Mayor Rogero said. "Neglected properties create hazards to the surrounding neighborhoods and damage property values. We want negligent property owners to know that we intend to be aggressive about combating blight in our community."

## Knoxville Joins Energy-Saving Better Buildings Challenge



Mayor Madeline Rogero, Tim Butler - Technical Project Officer from DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy and Mary Stephens-Bogert - Convention Center Manager participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday morning to mark the completion of a solar array at the Knoxville Convention Center

Mayor Madeline Rogero announced the City of Knoxville's participation in the U.S. Department of Energy's Better Buildings Challenge. This is a national program calling on corporate chief executives, university presidents, state, local and school district leaders to reduce their portfolio-wide energy use by 20 percent by 2020 and showcase the solutions they use and the results they achieve.

"Knoxville is proud to be a Department of Energy Better Building Challenge Partner, because we've found that leadership in energy efficiency is good for the environment and good for taxpayers," Mayor Rogero said. "We are the first city in Tennessee to take up this challenge, and

I invite our local corporate and civic leaders to join the City in this effort."

The City's goal under the program is to improve energy efficiency in 2,063,961 square feet of its public buildings by 2020. City Council approved the City's participation in the program last month.

Much of the necessary work to meet the goal is already underway as part of the City's contract with Ameresco, an energy-services company that has developed an energy-efficiency plan for the City's 99 public buildings and other facilities. A ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday morning for a solar array at the Knoxville Convention Center marked the completion of one component

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# No PAC For the Chamber – Knox County Voters

By Focus Staff

This week's *Knoxville Focus* poll posed the question: "This week the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce announced its intention to form a Political Action Committee for the purpose of influencing local political decisions and elections. In your opinion, should the Chamber of Commerce continue to receive local tax

dollars if they are going to influence local political decisions and elections?"

More than 89% of likely voters said no, they don't believe the Chamber should continue receiving public money if the Chamber intends to start a PAC. Only a little over 10% of likely Knox County voters think it is fine for the Chamber to start a PAC and still

be subsidized by local tax dollars.

The First and Second Districts overwhelmingly favored not giving the Chamber tax money if they wish to start a Political Action Committee; less than 7% of voters inside the First District think it is appropriate for the Chamber to receive public money while forming a PAC. More than a

staggering 91% of respondents inside the Second District were opposed to allowing the Chamber to feed at the public trough while collecting private dollars for a Political Action Committee.

The margins were uniform in just about every area of the City of Knoxville and Knox County amongst voters.

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No 89.20% (388)

By Age	Yes	No	Total
18-29	[None]	100.00%	3
30-49	9.80%	90.20%	51
50-65	14.47%	85.53%	152
65+	8.73%	91.27%	229
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.80%</b> (47)	<b>89.20%</b> (388)	<b>435</b>

By Commission District	Yes	No	Total
1	6.45%	93.55%	31
2	8.33%	91.67%	48
3	11.63%	88.37%	43
4	13.11%	86.89%	61
5	18.18%	81.82%	55
6	6.12%	93.88%	49
7	7.14%	92.86%	56
8	8.33%	91.67%	48
9	15.91%	84.09%	44
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By Gender	Yes	No	Total
Unknown	5.00%	95.00%	20
Female	11.98%	88.02%	217
Male	10.10%	89.90%	198
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## Early Voting underway

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whether current or expired, believe they need a doctor's letter or an excuse to vote by mail – they don't," said Cliff Rodgers. "Call our office or visit our website if you're interested in voting by mail."

Voters are also reminded that they will need to present a state or federal issued photo ID in order to vote in person, whether during early voting or on Election Day. Examples of acceptable forms of ID,

include driver licenses, U.S. passports, Department of Safety photo ID cards, U.S. military photo IDs and other state or federal government photo ID cards. College student IDs are not acceptable.

If you would like more information about early voting or the new law, call 1-877-850-4959 or visit the Division of Elections web site at [www.GoVoteTN.com](http://www.GoVoteTN.com).



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Judge Dale Workman encourages Judge Tim Irwin to bid on a cake during last week's annual West Knox Republican Club indoor picnic held at Rothchild Catering. The Halls' GOP annual Cake Auction and Bar-B-Que is coming in late September or early October at Beaver Brook Golf and Country Club.

## Knoxville Joins Energy-Saving

### Better Buildings Challenge

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of Ameresco's work.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, commercial buildings and industrial plants in the U.S. account for 50 percent of the nation's primary energy use, cost about \$400 billion to operate, and produce 40 percent of the country's CO2 emissions. By taking steps to become more energy-efficient, DOE estimates that many buildings

can reduce energy use by 20 percent.

"By accepting the Better Buildings Challenge, Knoxville is leading by example," said Susanna Sutherland, manager of the City's Office of Sustainability. "This is an important step toward a sustainable future for the City and the region."

For more information on the program, please visit <http://www4.eere.energy.gov/challenge/>.

# Through their window

By Sarah Baker  
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Knoxville's Arts & Culture Alliance is presenting a remarkable exhibit at the Emporium Center downtown from July 6-27. I was fortunate enough to discover it on my latest First Friday stroll through the galleries. This particular exhibit, titled "Through My Window: Work by Young Artists with Disabilities," is comprised of artwork by student-artists with autism and other disabilities. The purpose of the exhibit is to "promote awareness of the abilities of people with disabilities and celebrate the accessibility of Knox and surrounding counties."

Displayed in the center's main gallery, the show contains about 50 works and enjoyed a steady, enthusiastic audience on First Friday. Liza Zenni, Executive Director of the Arts & Culture Alliance credits the exhibit as "the brainchild" of Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett who launched the exhibit by presenting some awards at the First Friday opening.

The highlight of my evening was getting to meet one of the artists, a young lady by the name of Nazarena Saez. Nazarena was the mixed-media winner and mixed-media, as I told Nazarena, is my favorite form of visual art. Nazarena is 10 years old and suffers from Hypo plastic Left Heart Syndrome. Watching her skip around family and fans in the crowded gallery, one would never suspect she suffered a severe stroke in 2008, or that she has already undergone four open-heart surgeries. Her art teacher, Dina Ruta, says that she is "always positive and strong, a gorgeous person." Her piece titled "Mom, Dad, and Me" depicts a family of giraffes and I'm certain it would make you smile.

Dina Ruta has about half a dozen



Nazarena Saez and Sarah Baker

students in the show, and she was positively aglow on First Friday as she took the time to talk to me about several works and her student-artists who created them. "This is how they see the world", she kept exclaiming as if it were the most beautiful place imaginable. As I watched her face beaming with joy over her students' accomplishments, that song "Flowers are Red" by Harry Chapin kept coming into my head. Ole Harry sure would like Dina Ruta and her students' works which contain "so many colors in the morning sun."

Pam Weston's son, Jalyn, is also a student of Ruta and appreciates her style of teaching as well as this opportunity provided him by the Arts & Culture Alliance. "I think it's awesome. It's the first time Knoxville has held an art exhibit for young people with disabilities. It's wonderful to feature their ability, to give them the opportunity to say 'Look what I can do!'" Of course, as I listened to Weston and to Ruta, the teacher in

me perked up and I tried to soak in everything they were saying. I don't teach art, but I do need to find ways to see how my students need to see the world and to give them as many opportunities as possible to "feature their ability." It was a reminder that words such as these are not clichés passed around at teacher in-services. They are very real needs of very real children. This is a memory that needs to soak in and stay -for my spiritual benefit and for the benefit of my students. My daughter probably wouldn't mind if I took this lesson to heart either.

If the purpose of art is to get people to think or to touch their hearts, then "Through My Window" accomplishes that in spades. Get yourself down to the Emporium Center and check it out. I pray you will leave, as I did, with a more grateful heart than the one you carried in with you. For more information, visit [www.theemporiumcenter.com](http://www.theemporiumcenter.com).

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# Board of Education Pondering... Still

By Focus Staff

The members of the Knox County Board of Education spent considerable time last week pondering whether the \$7 million in additional funding provided by the County Commission is Maintenance of Effort (MOE) money. Superintendent James McIntyre told the Board he intended to go ahead with hiring personnel for the literacy program; previously Dr. McIntyre had indicated he would use the money recommended by Mayor Tim Burchett and given by the County Commission to hire sixty some-odd new employees.

During the conversation regarding the hirings, East Knox County's member of the Board of Education, Mike McMillan, weighed in and wanted to know if the Superintendent intended to inform all prospective employees they might not have a job next year. Dr. McIntyre agreed he would offer employees a one-year contract. McIntyre said he hoped there would be some natural growth in the

county's finances to continue the program. McMillan agreed he, too, hoped there would be some natural growth, but cautioned it would be unfair to prospective employees not to realize their positions may not be funded beyond one year.

Later, when asked by *The Focus* about his comments, McMillan elaborated on his thoughts.

"I think everybody hopes there will be natural growth in the tax revenue to pay for everything we want," McMillan said, "But that isn't likely to be the case.

"If the pension issues aren't fixed, a couple of dips in the stock market will have taxpayers on the hook for several millions of dollars for that alone. There are any number of scenarios I can foresee that might hamper the natural growth in revenue and I'm sure I haven't foreseen all the possibilities at all."

Board members engaged in a lengthy discussion about funding. Several Board members, most



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS

The Knox County Board of Education met last Wednesday.

notably Vice Chair Indya Kincannon, insisted the additional \$7 million is MOE money and therefore will be part of the budget forever. Mike McMillan interjected to point out the County Commissioners had quietly gone back and corrected the minutes of their meeting to indicate none of the money is MOE money, which would make it a one time appropriation.

That notion clearly upset Ms. Kincannon who seemed to take the point of view that any and all money

appropriated by the County Commission for schools would continue in perpetuity. Considering that not a single Commissioner dissented when altering the minutes to reflect none of the extra money was intended to be MOE money, Ms. Kincannon's view might give Commissioners pause during next year's budget deliberations.

There has been much discussion among the Board of Education about the Commission's "intent" as to the additional \$7 million; when

McMillan pointed out the Commissioners stating their intent via the official minutes, some of the Board members refused to accept that intent.

South Knoxville Board member Pam Trainor launched into a short diatribe, saying she has been on many Boards, citing the PTA, and maintains organizations cannot alter their respective minutes.

When asked about that notion, former County Commissioner John Mills said, "Well, there's a considerable

difference between the County Commission and the PTA, not to mention the fact one oversees a budget rapidly approaching \$1 billion.

"The minutes are always approved or corrected every month. The Commission, as best as I can tell, simply answered the question being asked about their intent as to the extra money. If somebody doesn't like the answer they got, that's too bad."

Look for this debate to continue well into the future.

# Protecting The People's Government

## Charter Review must beware of harmful agendas

The Knox County Charter Review Committee has been meeting every other Wednesday for the past several months to



By Richie Beeler

Let's face it, the Charter itself is dangerous enough. Any document that allows a local government to essentially

suggest potential changes to your county government. It is a committee that is required by the Charter to be convened every eight years to discuss how the charter form of government is performing, and make recommendations as to how it might need changing.

The Charter Review Committee is made up of 27 members (no that's not a typo), consisting of nine citizens appointed by the County Mayor, nine appointments by the County Commission, and the nine district Commissioners themselves. Trying to get a committee of 27 people to come to a consensus on anything is challenging enough. But the agendas of some of the members are downright dangerous.

circumvent the State Constitution is probably worth a second look at the ballot box. But the situation worsens when certain individuals and factions seek to use the Charter to wrest more and more power away from the people and place it into the hands of fewer and fewer leaders.

Such a scenario was exactly what the people of Tennessee sought to avoid when they called the Constitutional Convention of 1978. The most significant issue that came out of the convention was a restructuring of county governments that provided greater representation for the people, as well as better checks and balances within county government.

Prior to 1978, counties in Tennessee still had

constitutional officers just like they do today. Each county was required to have a Sheriff, Register, Trustee, Property Assessor and County Clerk. But what was different prior to the Constitutional Convention was the makeup of the legislative and executive branches. Those powers were basically consolidated into a County Commission made up of just 3 members. All were elected countywide. The three-member commission made all legislative and executive decisions for the county, including controlling the purse strings. There was no such thing as a County Mayor. Districts elected members to County Court, known as Squires, but they had no real power.

But in 1978, the old structure of county government, which vested far too much power in the three-person commission, was replaced. The new model allowed for a County Commission body of 19 members, and a County Mayor. The Commission would make all legislative decisions, while the Mayor would share executive powers with the other countywide constitutional officers. It was a system

with far better checks and balances, and more effective representation for the people. It also prevented too much power from being concentrated into the hands of a few.

This constitutional form of government, devised for the express purpose of returning county government to the people, has worked beautifully in 92 counties across Tennessee for 34 years. But not in Knox County.

In 1988, Knox County voters adopted a Home Rule Charter form of government. The intent of those who created the Charter was merely to allow Knox County's leaders to pass local ordinances without having to go to the State Legislature. The constitutional officers were not even written into the original Charter. Why should they have been? There was no intent whatsoever to overhaul our entire system of county government. After all, it was working. We had fair and ample representation for all our citizens with 19 commissioners. We had a County Mayor to oversee most of the county's big picture issues. And we had constitutional officers

who were duly elected by the people, and who maintained a necessary degree of independence in order to provide the constitutionally mandated services of their offices without too much bureaucratic interference.

But there was an unforeseen problem. The same Charter that allowed commission to pass local ordinances without going to the Legislature also afforded those with radical agendas the opportunity to abuse the Charter's powers and strip the people of their constitutional government. Now there are some who seem determined to continue those same abuses, and to use the Charter to concentrate power into the hands of an elite few.

Already in 2008 we saw the reduction of County Commission from 19

members to 11, running roughshod over the people's constitutional right to fair representation, and effectively allowing 6 votes to control the county government. Opponents insisted that it was a dangerous step back toward the old three-person commission days that were long since past. Now it appears those opponents were right. Now the Charter radicals are seeking to hand over even more power to six commissioners and a County Mayor.

A move is afoot on the Charter Review Committee to take away the people's right to elect their constitutional officers, and to instead make them department heads appointed by the Mayor and County Commission. It is an idea that

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Evelyne Davidson, Hospice Medical Director; Alice Lawson, FNP; Amanda Mills, MSW; Angela Chandler, RN; David Holt, Chaplain; Geraldine Wilson, Home Health Aide; Michelle Stooksbury, LCSW; and Shawna Isom, RN.

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## Taxpayers Deserve Tax Cut Extension

By Congressman Phil Roe

On January 1, 2013, a \$494 billion tax increase is scheduled to take effect when the tax cuts enacted in 2001 and 2003 expire. According to the Heritage Foundation, if the current tax rates are not extended, the tax increase for the state of Tennessee alone will be \$8.05 billion. That's an average \$2,690 tax hike for every hardworking family in Tennessee. At a time of high unemployment, this is unacceptable, and all of us in Congress should be working to ensure that we don't increase taxes on anyone when we're trying to encourage job creation and economic recovery.

Unfortunately, the president refuses to put politics aside and give job creators certainty that their taxes won't be increased in the New Year. On Monday, President Obama called on Congress to raise taxes on individuals making over \$200,000 and families making over \$250,000. Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi has suggested we raise taxes on those making over \$1 million. Some House Democrats want to raise taxes on everyone. It seems like the only thing Democrats can agree on is that they want to raise taxes on hardworking Americans, regardless of the consequences on jobs and the economy.

While my colleagues on the other side of the aisle continue to argue about the size of their preferred tax increase, unemployment continues to stay above 8.2% - where it has been for the last three and a half years of this administration. The president says his plan is "not about taxing job creators," and that it is intended to help job creators, but the Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) estimates the tax hike under the president's plan would hit about 940,000 small businesses. The National Federation of

Independent Business (NFIB) states that, according to the Census, small businesses in the U.S. employ more than 25 percent of the workforce. This means the president's plan could jeopardize a quarter of this country's workforce and further raise our national unemployment rate.

To grow our economy, we must provide tax incentives - not raise taxes - on small businesses to ensure their success. In April, with my support, the House passed the Small Business Tax Cut Act. The Small Business Tax Cut Act would allow small businesses with fewer than 500 employees to take a tax deduction equal to 20 percent of their active business income, irrespective of how the small business is organized. This small business tax cut would go straight to the bottom line so small business owners can retain more capital, invest and create more jobs. This legislation would directly and immediately help small businesses create jobs; however, the Senate has yet to act on this bill.

The president says we must have a system that is fair for everyone, and I agree. However, there is nothing fair about the federal government taking between 30 and 40 percent of your income. The fact of the matter is that raising taxes on American families and small businesses will ultimately drive up unemployment and slow economic recovery. I encourage my Democrat colleagues and the president to put politics aside and ensure no one sees their taxes increased to start 2013.

Please feel free to contact my office if we can be of assistance to you or your family. You can contact my office by mail, email or phone. Our contact information can be found on our website, [www.roe.house.gov](http://www.roe.house.gov).

By Tasha Mahurin  
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Frank Clickner, 81, of Seymour passed away early last week after a long illness; however, his music will certainly live on.

Frank Clickner was born in New Martinsburg, Ohio on January 27, 1931. His first public performance was at the New Martinsburg Township House at a community concert. He was only two years old and stood on an overturned crate so he could be seen by the audience. The rest, my friends, is history.

Later, he attended school in a one-room school house and once relayed that as he became a bit older, around six or so, he could sing in front of an audience without too much difficulty, even though the thunderous applause and the calls of "Encore! Encore!" scared him nearly to death. He got over his stage fright fairly quickly though and went on to make singing in public his career.

To say that music was Frank's hobby or even career would not be correct. Those things are developed over time or imply some sort of

training. Frank's voice and knowledge of music was instinctive.

As a child, Frank performed at a variety of famous venues all over the state of Ohio. Some nights he would be out pretty late and then sleep through school the next day. He couldn't help it. He was only eight years old at the time, and he needed some rest! Later in his teens Frank sang on station WKRC, out of Cincinnati. One of the songs he sang was "The Preacher and the Bear," later recorded in 1947 by Phil Harris, who was Jack Benny's Radio Show's musical conductor. (That song has since been recorded by Ray Stevens and Jerry Reed, among others.)

His talent carried him to the top of the musical circuit in that area. He sang regularly with the famous Dorsey Brothers, Tommy and Jimmy, and he also performed live on some of the same concert bills with Abbott and Costello, Roy Rogers, and Vaudeville entertainer Danny Lewis, the father of legendary comedian Jerry Lewis.

At the age of eighteen, Frank found himself living in Miami, singing in such famous hotels as The Fontainebleau, The

Sorrento, and The Castaway. It was in Miami that Frank met his lovely bride, Helen Donaldson, on a Sunday afternoon riding a motorcycle on the beach. He followed her to church that evening, and later that night told his mother: "I've met the woman I'm going to marry!"

Frank and Helen were married in 1949 and shared the next 63 years together. They had two sons and a daughter. Their surviving children are Thomas Clickner and Cindy Farrell Gallagher, both of California. Sadly, Frank and Helen's other son, Frank Clickner Jr., passed away at the age of 19.


They spent eleven years in California, and another twenty-eight in North Carolina, before moving to Seymour thirteen years ago. They fell in love with the area while visiting on

vacation, and Frank once again found a stage at Big Mama's Karaoke Café, where he regularly performed. He was known to Café' regulars as Mr. New York. Some would say he could sing Sinatra as well as Sinatra himself.

Even though Frank was diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2007, he continued to sing and perform as often as he could.

Determined to "give it his best shot," Frank fought the disease until the end. Helen takes great comfort in the fact that he recorded five CD's later in life, which will immortalize his music for all time.

The Clickner family would like to say thank you to their friends and extended family in Seymour and ask for your continued prayers.



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was overwhelmingly rejected by the people just three and a half years ago. And rest assured the proponents of this power grab know that. They are well aware that appointing constitutional officers is most likely a losing proposition. So they have a Plan B. Just do away with constitutional officers altogether.

The next move by some on the Charter Review Committee is to abolish constitutional officers and replace them with charter officers. Oh, they'll still be called by their old names of Sheriff, Register, County Clerk, etc. But don't think for one minute they will be the same thing they used to be. Once they become mere charter offices, they

will become subservient to the control of the Mayor and the Commission, and their services and direct accountability to the voters will no longer be protected by the State Constitution. And neither will the people they serve.

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# Knoxville joins energy-saving 'Better Buildings Challenge'

Mayor Madeline Rogero announced last week the City of Knoxville's participation in the U.S. Department of Energy's Better Buildings Challenge. It is a national program calling on corporate chief executives, university presidents, state, local and school district leaders to reduce their portfolio-wide energy use by 20 percent by 2020 and showcase the solutions they use and the results they achieve.

"Knoxville is proud to be a Department of Energy Better Building Challenge Partner, because we've found that leadership in energy efficiency is good for the environment and good for taxpayers," Mayor Rogero said. "We are the first city in Tennessee to take up this challenge, and I invite our local corporate and civic leaders to join the City in this effort."

The City's goal under the program is to improve energy efficiency in 2,063,961 square feet

of its public buildings by 2020. City Council approved the City's participation in the program last month.

Much of the necessary work to meet the goal is already underway as part of the City's contract with Ameresco, an energy-services company that has developed an energy-efficiency plan for the City's 99 public buildings and other facilities. A ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday morning for a solar array at

the Knoxville Convention Center marked the completion of one component of Ameresco's work.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, commercial buildings and industrial plants in the U.S. account for 50 percent of the nation's primary energy use, cost about \$400 billion to operate, and produce 40 percent of the country's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. By taking steps to become more energy-efficient, DOE estimates that many buildings can

reduce energy use by 20 percent.

"By accepting the Better Buildings Challenge, Knoxville is leading by example," said Susanna Sutherland, manager of the City's Office of Sustainability. "This is an important step toward a sustainable future for the City and the region."

For more information on the program, please visit [BetterBuildings.ee.gov/Challenge](http://BetterBuildings.ee.gov/Challenge).



Brad McCarter

## Tennessee State Bank Adds to Staff

Todd Proffitt, President and CEO of Tennessee State Bank, would like to welcome back Brad McCarter to the Tennessee State Bank team. McCarter joins TSB as an Assistant Vice President, Community Banking Officer. "Brad's experience and high level of customer service will be a great contribution to our success," says Proffitt. "I am pleased that he chose to be a part of our team."

McCarter is a native to Sevier County and graduate of Gatlinburg-Pittman High School and attended Walters State Community College. McCarter has over ten years banking experience and stays active in the community by participating with the Sevierville chamber of Commerce, Relay For Life and Leadership Tomorrow. He is a member of First Red Bank Baptist Church. He and his wife, Jennifer has been married for 10 years and they have two sons; Hunter (almost 6 years old) and Hayden (1 year old.)

Tennessee State Bank is a locally-owned community bank and is celebrating 40 years in banking. The bank consists of 15 branch locations, serving Sevier, Knox, Jefferson and Cocke counties. Check them out at [www.tnstatebank.com](http://www.tnstatebank.com) or on their facebook page at [www.facebook.com/tnstatebank](http://www.facebook.com/tnstatebank).



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Cake Auctioneer and former Knox County Commissioner John Griess encourages Judge Tim Irwin to bid on a cake during last week's annual West Knoxville Republican Club indoor picnic at Rothchild Catering.

# UT Selected for Launch of One-of-a-Kind Solar Secure Structure

What provides Wi-Fi connectivity, security, shelter, lighting, seating and uses net-zero energy? A new Solar Secure station now installed on the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, campus. UT is the first university in the country to house a Solar

Secure SunStation. The structure was unveiled on July 12 outside Perkins Hall on the Hill.

Solar Secure's SunStation is a solar powered, wireless structure that provides a self-sufficient power and communications source for

Emergency Assistance Stations, video surveillance, LED lighting and Wi-Fi.

"Solar Secure demonstrates what good engineering principles can accomplish," said College of Engineering Dean Wayne Davis. "It also fits

very well into the culture of our college where we are conducting research on solar panels, renewable energy, smart grids, electric power transmission and transportation technologies."

Solar Secure generates all of the energy it needs

from solar panels. It also incorporates back-up batteries for energy storage, ensuring uninterrupted power and communications capabilities in the event of an outage or other emergency. Fittingly, the structure sits on the

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# UT Selected for Launch of One-of-a-Kind Solar Secure Structure

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middle of the College of Engineering complex — along a bus line.

The SunStation also features a power outlet, allowing students the convenience to stay connected by using their laptops, cell phones and other technology outdoors.

UT was selected as Solar Secure's first higher education installation due to its progressive energy efficiency and sustainability initiatives.

"Solar Secure aligns perfectly with UT's mission of being a sustainable campus," said Dave Irvin, associate vice chancellor for facilities services. "In all that we do, from our cutting of consumption, to

using green cleaning products, to constructing LEED-certified buildings, we are committed to being responsible global citizens."

Solar Secure was developed by Cochran in Seattle to overcome barriers of environmental impact and the high cost of trenching to install surveillance cameras and other security infrastructure on campuses.

"We developed Solar Secure to provide customers with the ability to extend security coverage beyond traditional limits with a solar powered solution that is not only better for the environment, but is easier and more cost-effective to install than conventional systems," said Collette Duck, Solar

Secure product manager.

While developed on the West Coast, the station was manufactured by Cherokee Millwright and Mechanical in East Tennessee.

"The college has another link to this project as it allowed us to work with several local companies such as Cherokee Millwright and Mechanical, which employ our alumni," said Davis.

Solar Secure was developed by Cochran, a Seattle-based company with more than five decades of experience designing and installing a broad range of electrical, security and technical infrastructure. For more information, visit <http://www.solarsecure.net>.



## Pellissippi State offers QuickBooks workshop for small-business owners

Keeping track of finances can be a real headache for small-business owners, but the fix may be fairly simple and painless: QuickBooks.

Debi Bolton of Pellissippi State Community College says QuickBooks software enables businesspeople to

quickly find what they need when they need it, including money coming in and money going out of the business. Bolton is manager of the Computer Training Institute for the college's Business and Community Services Division.

Pellissippi State is joining forces with the Tennessee Small Business Development Center to offer a \$99 Introduction to QuickBooks workshop four times this fall: Sept. 14; Oct. 19, Nov. 16 and Dec. 7. The workshop takes place

at the TSBDC office, located at the Knoxville Area Chamber Partnership, 17 Market Square. Since class size is limited, pre-registration is required.

The 3.5-hour workshop focuses on setting up business finances using QuickBooks Pro. The class covers company setup, chart of accounts creation, invoicing, bill payment, check writing, customer and vendor management, report generation, and preferences.

Gabe Beck, CPA and QuickBooks instructor, uses systematic instructions, making the material easy to understand.

To register or find out more, go to [www.pstcc.edu/bcs](http://www.pstcc.edu/bcs) or call Debi Bolton at (865) 539-7008.

Pellissippi State administers the Knoxville branch of the TSBDC, whose mission is to provide free counseling and training for those interested in starting or improving a small business. The TSBDC serves 16 counties in East Tennessee.

## Veterinary College Offers Summer Pet Memorial Celebration

In an effort to help pet owners celebrate the lives of their companion animals, both living and deceased, Veterinary Social Work (VSW) at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine is hosting its Summer Pet Memorial Celebration Friday, July 20, 2012 from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The event, which is free and open to the public, allows people to reflect on the impact pets have on their lives. Participants are invited to participate in the "PAW-luck dinner" by bringing a human-friendly food item to share that reminds them of their animal.

Sarina Lyall, VSW social worker, says the opportunity to gather with others who have also experienced the loss of an animal can be therapeutic. "People should realize they don't have to grieve alone. They can share stories of beloved animals and know they are supported through their loss." Lyall says the event is an opportunity to find new ways to memorialize their pets.

Participants are encouraged to bring copies of photos of their pet that can

be used in a memorial art project.

The free event will be held in the Sequoyah Room at the College of Veterinary Medicine on the UT agricultural campus which is located at 2407 River Drive off Neyland Drive in Knoxville.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 18, 2012 by emailing Veterinary Social Work at [vetsocialwork@utk.edu](mailto:vetsocialwork@utk.edu) or calling 865-755-8839.

One of 28 veterinary colleges in the United States, the UT College of Veterinary Medicine educates students in the art and science of veterinary medicine and related biomedical sciences, promotes scientific research and enhances human and animal well-being.

In addition to the programs of the College of Veterinary Medicine, the UT Institute of Agriculture also provides instruction, research and public service through the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, the UT AgResearch system of ten research and education centers and UT Extension offices in every county in the state.

## Halls Republican Club Meeting

Halls Republican Club will meet July 16 at 7 p.m. at Hallsdale Powell Utility District Meeting Room (new offices on Cunningham). Soft Drinks and Bottled

Water will be available. The guest speaker will be Tennessee State Senator Becky Massey (Republican, District 6).

The August 20th meeting will feature a briefing by Joe Bailey on the highlights of the GOP Convention.

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# A Feudin' Son of Tennessee: Kenneth McKellar

## Chapter Eight

Pages from  
the Political  
Past



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FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Senator Kenneth McKellar signing a hotel register in 1936

The collapse of the House of Caldwell not only destroyed Governor Henry Horton politically, but Luke Lea as well. The governor, by the slimmest of margins, only narrowly escaped being impeached. The fall of Caldwell and Company would have far reaching implications for Luke Lea, not only politically, but also financially and personally. Lea's publishing empire would likewise collapse and he would lose control of his beloved Nashville Tennessean. Worse still, Lea would eventually go to prison.

The political demise of Henry Horton and Luke Lea would leave a vacuum in Tennessee politics, which was soon filled by Senator Kenneth McKellar and E. H. Crump.

1932 brought about not only the election of Franklin Delano Roosevelt as President of the United States, but the elections in Tennessee would solidify the McKellar - Crump alliance into the dominant political force in the state for more than a decade. Both McKellar and Crump had backed former State Treasurer Hill McAlister in his bids to unseat popular Governor Austin Peay and McAlister wanted to run yet again in 1932. McAlister had been one of the state legislators who had supported McKellar for the United States Senate in 1913 in the General Assembly. While McKellar had not been elected, he had not forgotten McAlister's support and was quite friendly with McAlister. McKellar induced Crump to lend his own support to McAlister in a hotly contested Democratic primary that became something of a brawl.

McAlister faced Lewis Pope, who had been a respected member of the late Austin Peay's Cabinet, and former Governor Malcolm Patterson was attempting yet another political comeback. Luke Lea, desperately trying to retain his influence, had maneuvered most of what was left of the state machine behind Patterson's campaign. Patterson was then a local judge in Shelby County and while still quite controversial, was no longer the staunch opponent of prohibition he had once been; in fact, Patterson had completely reformed and was a leading lecturer on behalf of temperance.

Patterson had gone through another more sordid scandal after having been found drunk

in a Nashville brothel. Patterson cried Nashville Mayor Hillary Howse, leader of a potent political machine in Davidson County, had framed him. It was an embarrassing episode and the fact Luke Lea would back so polarizing and disreputable figure as the aging former governor indicated just how frantic he was to hold on to the vast power he had acquired during the administration of Henry Horton.

McAlister, who had always run strong in Tennessee's urban areas, squeezed out a victory in the Democratic gubernatorial primary, but Lewis Pope immediately charged he had been deprived of the nomination by voter fraud. Pope's accusations were dismissed by the Democratic State Executive Committee, which certified the nomination of Hill McAlister. Pope responded by announcing he would continue his gubernatorial campaign in the general election as an Independent.

Pope wrote Senator McKellar to complain he had been cheated out of the nomination and McKellar wrote back a lengthy letter refuting Pope's allegations. Pope claimed forces opposed to the veteran senator had brought about McAlister's nomination. McKellar's popularity was such in Tennessee that he had supporters who backed each of the three candidates in the Democratic primary. McKellar himself had supported McAlister and the senator was a highly partisan Democrat and naturally backed the entire ticket. Pope's independent campaign caused state Democrats some concern,

but McAlister won a comfortable victory on Election Day. Pope later began petitioning Senator McKellar for a high paying Federal appointment when the Democrats came back to power.

The Democrats won huge majorities in both houses of Congress and McKellar's seniority made him the Chairman of the Post Office and Post Roads Committee, as well as the ranking member of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee. While the Post Office Committee was a rather minor assignment, it gave the Tennessean enormous clout in naming postal employees right down to fourth-class letter carriers. With the advent of the New Deal and Roosevelt's "alphabet" agencies, there was a tremendous amount of Federal patronage to distribute in Tennessee. Like virtually every other state in the country, Tennessee had been devastated by the Great Depression and McKellar's office was flooded with letters and telegrams from desperate Tennesseans seeking jobs.

McKellar's colleague in the United States Senate, Cordell Hull, had been tapped by Franklin Roosevelt to serve as Secretary of State. Hull accepted the prestigious position, leaving his Senate seat vacant, a

vacancy to be filled by the newly elected Governor of Tennessee, Hill McAlister. Senator McKellar himself doubtless had some say in who would serve with him in the Senate and Governor McAlister appointed Nathan L. Bachman, a former Tennessee Supreme Court Justice, to fill the vacancy caused by Hull's resignation.

Bachman was a very pleasant and affable man and worked well with his senior colleague. Both loyally supported almost every New Deal measure sent to the Congress by President Roosevelt, yet it was not long before FDR deeply disappointed Senator McKellar. Roosevelt chose Nebraska U. S. Senator George W. Norris to introduce the legislation creating the Tennessee Valley Authority, instead of McKellar. Norris had been a progressive Republican until he became an Independent in 1928 when he endorsed Al Smith over Herbert Hoover. Norris made something of a career out of being a political maverick and Norris had openly endorsed Franklin Roosevelt over Hoover in 1932. Roosevelt, second to none in his skillful handling of political matters and people, shrewdly courted the old progressive.

McKellar later referred to FDR's decision to have Senator Norris sponsor

the TVA legislation as his greatest disappointment in his long Congressional career. McKellar managed to choke down his bitterness and it fell to the Tennessean to protect the fledgling agency in its infancy. Most Republicans and many conservative Democrats were philosophically opposed to the Tennessee Valley Authority and securing appropriations for the TVA was frequently a challenging task. McKellar artfully used his perch on the Senate Appropriations Committee to defend and protect the TVA, as well as keep a steady flow of Federal dollars coming to Tennessee. McKellar's prowess in protecting the Tennessee Valley Authority caused him to be labeled "the rich Uncle of TVA."

Many of the battles fought over funding for the TVA were won by a single vote. McKellar's influence was critical in the construction of various dams and TVA projects. McKellar's success in Washington naturally made him even more popular at home in Tennessee.

The suffering caused by the Great Depression had not only discredited President Herbert Hoover, but much of the Republican Party. Republicans in Tennessee had seen some occasional success in the Republican decade of the 1920s, but by 1932 the GOP was no longer a viable force in statewide elections in Tennessee. Republicans still dominated East Tennessee, with Republican Congressmen being regularly reelected in the First and Second Congressional districts. Future statewide elections in Tennessee would be decided in the Democratic primary.

McKellar, being the senior United States Senator from Tennessee, controlled virtually all of the considerable Federal patronage generated by the New Deal. Senator Bachman routinely concurred with McKellar's choices, although McKellar was careful to consult with his junior colleague.

The governor's office was equally important to McKellar. With Henry Horton out of office, McKellar and Crump had a friendly governor for the first time in more than a decade. McAlister swept out those Democrats loyal to Henry Horton and Luke Lea, replacing them with Democrats whose allegiance belonged largely to McKellar. The former state machine was merged with the political organization created by Senator McKellar and Boss Crump, making it extraordinarily powerful.

The dominant force in Tennessee politics was the alliance between Senator Kenneth McKellar and E. H. Crump, master of the Memphis machine. It would be impossible to understand the context of the McKellar and Crump partnership without first understanding the two were personal friends. Many modern historians have dismissed Kenneth McKellar as one of Crump's "lieutenants" or a mere lackey, neither of which is remotely true.

Professor William R. Majors, biographer of Governor Gordon Browning, wrote an insightful analysis of the McKellar - Crump relationship. Professor Majors noted that "a man with McKellar's temperament and personality could not accept second place to anyone." Both Senator McKellar and Mr. Crump were highly sensitive men and McKellar especially tended to view differences in the most personal terms. And McKellar and Crump most certainly did have differences.

McKellar would consult Crump, as he consulted other important Democrats across Tennessee, about patronage and political appointments, but the senator was not seeking Crump's permission nor did McKellar mind making an appointment to which the Memphis Boss objected, even in Shelby County.

E. H. Crump was a larger than life figure, flamboyant, excessively shrewd in his assessment of both politics and human nature. Crump thoroughly understood public relations and public perception. Crump had remarkable energy and a particular genius for organizing. Professor Majors points out that while Crump habitually wrote vitriolic letters to those associates and opponents who had displeased him, Senator McKellar was never the recipient of such a letter himself. Majors cites an instance where Crump angrily wrote Tennessee's junior U. S. Senator Tom Stewart, castigating Stewart for a recent vote in the Senate and the Memphis Boss threatened to withhold the support of the Shelby County machine in the next election. Crump's letter to Senator McKellar, whose vote was identical to that of Senator Stewart, was a meek observation, "We were a little surprised by your vote."

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## West High Grad ready for Rotary Youth Exchange year in Japan

Kate Ballew, who graduated from West High in May, will depart in mid-August for Kofu, Japan, where she will spend the next year as a Rotary Youth Exchange Ambassador.

Kofu is about 80 miles west of Tokyo, in between two mountain ranges and just north of Mt. Fuji. "The city is one of the older ones in Japan," says Ballew, "and it is known for its Asian pears and jewelry. There are many shrines and temples scattered throughout."

She will attend First Kofu High School, a public school with uniforms. The girls wear a navy blazer, vest, and pleated skirt, white collared shirt, red bow-tie, knee-high white socks, and sneakers.

"There are lots of different clubs that I can join, such as the Archery, Calligraphy and Tea Ceremony clubs," says Ballew.

"The school is also famous for its annual walking field trip. During the year, every student takes a walking trek. The girls walk 45 kilometers (about 28 miles) in nine hours while the boys walk 105 kilometers (about 65 miles) in 24 hours. This ritual has been done and recorded since the 1920s."

First Kofu High also has a well-established English program. "I hope to help the students with their English as much as they will certainly help me with my Japanese!" says Ballew, who has been taking Japanese lessons for about three months.

"I've learned a lot of small phrases, and I can appropriately greet people, introduce myself, ask for directions, etc.



Kate Ballew

My tutor, Terumi, has taught me a lot about the culture of her country as well. I have learned a lot about traditional clothing, food and festivals. I have a feeling her lessons have helped my cultural manners significantly."

Ballew, the daughter of Ann Holtz and Alan Ballew, is being sponsored on her exchange by the Rotary Club of Knoxville. After her year in Japan, Ballew will attend Kalamazoo (Mich.) College.

For over 75 years, students and host families have broadened their horizons through Rotary International's Youth Exchange. More than 80 countries and 8,000 students each year participate in the program, which is administered at the local level by clubs like the Rotary Club of Knoxville.

## Experience Knoxville's Outdoor Adventure Opportunities with Outdoor KnoxFest

Everyone from an outdoor adventure enthusiast to someone who simply loves all that nature has to offer can experience Knoxville from a bicycle seat, paddleboard, canoe, trail, climbing wall and more during Outdoor KnoxFest, a three-day event to be held Friday, Aug. 24 through Sunday, Aug. 26, 2012.

According to Carol Evans, Executive Director of the Legacy Parks Foundation, Outdoor KnoxFest will promote a variety of outdoor recreational venues and opportunities throughout East Tennessee while encouraging people of all levels of experience to participate.

"What started as a day-long adventure race, known as the Urban Wilderness Challenge, has now grown into a weekend packed full of activities for athletes and families alike," said Evans. "Our goal is to promote outdoor activities in Knoxville and to encourage people to participate in those outdoor activities."

Evans explains Outdoor KnoxFest is the third phase of a three-pronged initiative to capitalize on the exceptional outdoor recreational assets found in

and around Knoxville. The Outdoor Knoxville initiative was launched in March 2012 and was Knoxville's first step toward putting itself on the map as a premier outdoor recreation destination. The most visible presence for Outdoor Knoxville is the Outdoor Knoxville Adventure Center, the recreational hub for not only Knoxville but also the entire region. Centrally located on the waterfront with easy connections to downtown Knoxville, trails, greenways and a gateway to the Great Smoky Mountains, Outdoor Knoxville is a destination with a unique mix of boutique retail, outdoor equipment rentals and sales, and local events and excursions managed through a partnership between the Legacy Parks Foundation and River Sports Outfitters.

The Outdoor Knoxville

Adventure Center will be the hub of Outdoor KnoxFest activities which include:

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- A cross-country mountain bike trail designed by the Appalachian Mountain Bike Club
- A trail run organized by the Knoxville Track Club
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- A community bike ride
- Family activities
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## Overton to lead Red Devils

By Ken Lay

J.D. Overton always wanted to be a head football coach.

He got his wish recently when he was named interim coach at Halls High School in June.

Overton, who replaced Kevin Julian, said he knows that the timing could've been better yet, he's not complaining.

"It is a tough situation,"

Overton said. "But I'm looking at this as a great opportunity to coach great kids in a great community that I'm familiar with."

He's a 2001 Gibbs High School graduate. Before attending high school in Corryton, Overton, who spent the past few seasons as Carter High School's offensive coordinator, attended Halls Middle School. He'll continue to

teach health and physical education at Carter, while leading the Red Devils on the gridiron. He played on both the offensive and defensive lines during his high school career with the Eagles.

He hasn't been at Halls long but he's already found a home at the school.

"Things are going great," he said. "I have great kids. They've been fantastic and

the community support has been great."

Overton faces a major rebuilding project with the Red Devils. Halls went 1-9 last season and has lost 19 of its last 20 games. The Red Devils were 0-10 in 2010 and were victorious only in the season opener against Clinton last year. Halls dropped its first six games in 2009 but closed out the campaign

with four consecutive victories and narrowly missed the TSSAA Class 5A Playoffs.

The new coach enters eager and with expectations to return the Red Devils to past football glory.

His players are ready to recapture their winning ways.

"Nobody feels worse about the way things have

gone than these kids," Overton said. "Nobody wants to win more than they do."

Overton, who officially opens his head coaching career on Aug. 17 when the Red Devils travel to Sevier County to tangle with one of the state's top Class 6A teams, is looking to place his signature on the Halls program quickly.

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## 2012 SEC Media Days (The way it really goes)

By Alex Norman

This week is the unofficial end of summer for sports media in the south. SEC Media Days, the annual three day smorgasbord of football discussion in Hoover, Alabama, will give sports anchors, reporters, writers and talk show hosts material to use in their respective forums for weeks until the season kicks off in late August/early September.

But you don't need to read about what happened down there... the following is a quick run-down of how things really go down.

Tuesday, July 19th (Texas A&M, South Carolina, Missouri and Vanderbilt)

90 percent of questions asked of Texas A&M's coach Kevin Sumlin and Aggies players are a variation of "What do you expect in your first year in the Southeastern Conference?" The other 10 percent are about the Reveille VIII, their full blood collie mascot.

South Carolina's Steve Spurrier makes noise by announcing that he plans to play 17 quarterbacks this season. Spurrier also explains that he'll retire when he is gosh darn good and ready.

90 percent of questions

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Logan Ewing, second from left on the front row, holds the game ball he was presented during the Knoxville Force's awards ceremony. The Knoxville Force received the Sportsmanship Award in the boys U-10 age division. First row (left to right): Trevor Grussing, Logan Ewing, Jackson Quinones, Connor Duke, Kyle Patel. Second row: Joey Noce, Seth Bailey, Beckett Aderson, Tanner Burgess, Kevin Golec. Third row: Coach Wade Duke, Referee Kevin Anderson, Referee David Burgess, Coach Matt Grussing.

## Boy plays with 'heavy heart' in AYSO Games

**Logan Ewing presented game ball**

By Steve Williams

There's no question the young boy would have had an excused absence. His dad had died just four days before the American Youth Soccer Organization's National Games were to start in Knoxville.

But Logan Ewing, goal keeper for the Knoxville Force in the under-10 age division, chose to play. His father, Leonard Rudy

Ewing, had a massive heart attack and passed away on the Sunday night prior to the tournament.

"He told his mom he still wanted to play," said his coach, Wade Duke. "And he played amazing. He was our MVP without question."

"He played brilliantly with a heavy heart."

Donna Ewing, when hearing of her son's wishes to play, felt it would be "good therapy" for her 9-year-old son, said Duke.

Logan's teammates honored

him after the tourney.

"He was presented the game ball that included signatures of all the players on the team," said Coach Duke. "This was their way of expressing how much they loved and cared for Logan, and how much they would be thinking of him."

The ball also was signed by the team's coaches and tournament director Dianne Stratton.

The Knoxville Force played six games in the tournament, winning one and tying one.

"All of our games were very

close," said Duke, pointing out the losses were by scores of 1-0, 2-0 and 3-1.

"Our team had only been together for two months. Two of the teams we played against were from Hawaii and San Antonio. I was very proud of our team's play."

The Knoxville Force, a member of Region 275, also received the Sportsmanship Award in the U-10 division.

"The boys were a class act all

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# Catching up with former Vol Jayson Swain

By Alex Norman

There is a lot of anticipation towards Tennessee football in 2012. With less than 50 days to go until the Vols kick off the season, we decided to catch up with one of their most accomplished recent alums.

Jayson Swain, who ranks sixth all-time in receptions in Tennessee history with 126 catches, now works in network marketing for Zija International. He also works as a talent evaluator for National Underclassmen Combine.

Locally, Swain stays in the public eye... via a public forum, as the co-host of "The Swain and Rucker Show," which airs weekdays from 3-5pm on WVLZ 1180am. You'll also see him return to his role as a panelist in the Fall on "Sunday Sports-talk" on WBIR-TV.

Swain took a few minutes to talk about the Vols in anticipation of the season ahead.

Alex Norman: First question, the obvious one.... does Derek Dooley get it done this season? Or will

Tennessee be searching for another football coach come December...

Jayson Swain: It depends. Clearly the team quit on him last season. There was a real disconnect there between the coaches and the players. It looks like the guys he's brought in (there are 7 new assistant coaches on Dooley's staff) can connect with these players.

You could tell that the players didn't trust Dooley. They laid down in the Arkansas and Kentucky games. Everyone knows Dooley is a control freak. If he can trust the assistant coaches to do what they do... this team has the talent to do some things. There are 19 returning starters. There are no excuses for this team anymore.

AN: Is there a magic win number you feel Dooley needs to reach? Or is "showing improvement" enough?

JS: There are good losses and there are bad losses for Dooley. As a player, a loss is always bad. For Dooley, blowout losses really wouldn't be good. If the Vols lose to

North Carolina State (in the season opener) it isn't the end of the world. The Florida game (September 15th at Neyland Stadium) is most important. You have to play well against your rivals. But if you lose that game, then lose to Georgia and Alabama; you could see a coaching change.

AN: Hindsight is 20/20 of course...but as a former Vol, and a former Vol wide receiver, would you have rather seen Kippy Brown get the job on an interim basis following Lane Kiffin's departure in January 2010?

JS: Look at Kippy's track record at the time versus Dooley's. Put the credentials out there and Kippy was more appealing. Kippy should have gotten a serious look. The majority of Tennessee's players wanted Kippy Brown, and that makes a big difference. The last two years, those players didn't want Dooley.

AN: Tennessee has had some terrific pass catching combos over the years...Joey Kent/Marcus Nash Robert Meachem/You, Carl Pickens/Alvin

Harper, Peerless Price/Jermaine Copeland, etc... Will Justin Hunter and Da'Rick Rogers get in that conversation after 2012?

JS: Talent wise they have the opportunity to be better. There is a stable quarterback situation now. Keys are how Justin will come back from his knee injury, and Da'Rick can't be a diva. Cordarrelle Patterson is there too (transfer from Hutchinson Community College, the nation's #1 ranked JUCO receiver in 2011). When we played, we didn't care who got the ball. Will they?

AN: How do you balance your role as a Tennessee alum with your role as a broadcaster?

JS: It's tough. I get more access as a former player, but I don't put myself in that situation. I always ask myself, "Am I fair?" I make sure that when I comment on Tennessee football, I don't do so as a Tennessee fan. If it is a close matchup, I'm not going to pick against Tennessee, but I'm not going to pick them to beat Alabama either...

## Four golfers return to Patterson's squad

By Ken Lay

The start of the 2012 high school golf season is a slightly more than a week away and as Tony Patterson enters his ninth campaign as the Bobcats coach, he'll be surrounded by several familiar faces.

Central, which competes in the ultracompetitive District 3-AAA, has four returners from last season's squad.

Patterson said he's looking forward to the upcoming season but isn't quite ready to make any predictions about the district race. Halls, the 'Cats' Black Oak Ridge rival, has dominated the conference in recent years. But the Red Devils may face a bit of a rebuilding project in 2012.

"They won't be bad," Patterson said of the Red Devils. "But they won't be quite as good as they have been. They lost a lot."

"Our district is just so tough and there are a lot of good individual players. Then, you look at our region and things just get tougher. Two years ago, Halls lost one match (the Region 2-AAA final to Farragut) and didn't make it to State. They had a great team and still, they didn't have any individual qualifiers."

As for Central this season, the Bobcats return four players from the 2011 season. Juniors Brogan Newgent, Stephen Hill and Thomas Callaway are back along with sophomore Hayden Settle.

Newgent, along with

2012 graduate Brad Hawkins, was a region qualifier.

Patterson said that he has high hopes for his other returners.

"Losing Brad hurt us but Hill has improved each of the two that he's been with us," Patterson said. "I'm looking for Thomas to step up and be a key part of our team."

"I have a great bunch of kids and they've always worked extremely hard and that hasn't changed. Last year, we played some great golf. Hardin Valley played well and Campbell County just played awesome [in the district tournament]."

Patterson noted that the district race will be wide open.

"I think that Hardin Valley and Campbell County will be right there," he said.

"Then you have Powell, Halls and us. Karns has also gotten better."

Joining the veterans this season at Central are newcomers Liam Ulbrecht (senior), junior Ryan Cardwell, sophomore Phillip Campbell and freshman Julian Ball.

The Bobcats, who will play one of East Tennessee's toughest schedules, open their season on July 24 at Holston Hills against Hardin Valley Academy and Jefferson County. That will be the first of two tough opening-week matches. Central will travel to Fox Den on July 26 to face Catholic and state qualifier Farragut.

"We're jumping right into the fire," Patterson said. "We'll find out where we're at right away."

## Reconnecting with my college roommate

I was at McDonald's on Straw Plains Pike near I-40 one early evening back in late May or early June when I noticed a group of teenagers from White County High School. Turns out they had spent the day at Dollywood on a senior trip and stopped off to get something to eat on their way back home to Sparta.



By Steve Williams

When I hear the town of Sparta mentioned, I always think of Jeff Turner. Jeff was my roommate at Greve Hall my freshman year at UT in 1970.

Jeff and I were a lot alike. Both of us came from small towns. For him, it was Sparta High then, a school located between Crossville and Cookeville. I went to Clinton.

We both were crazy about sports, and neither one of us was close to being a hippie.

I asked a couple of the students if they knew Jeff, but when I got blank looks (stupid me, they're 40 years younger), I quickly rephrased the question and asked if they were familiar with his dad's long-time family business in Sparta, Red Turner's Sporting Goods. Sure they were. So then I filled them in on Jeff and my connection with him.

A nice man who appeared to be a chaparrone walked by my table a few minutes later, and I asked him if he knew Jeff Turner. Sure did, he replied. I can't remember for sure, but I believe the man said he either occasionally played golf with Jeff or was the golf coach at White County and did business with Jeff.

Anyway, he knew Jeff pretty well and enjoyed the news about Jeff and I having been college roommates. He also said he would be happy to pass along my best wishes and hand deliver a copy of *The Knoxville Focus*, which had one of my sports columns in it, to Jeff.

Back in the 1970s and '80s, when I was prep sports editor at *The Knoxville Journal*, I use to make two or three trips a year to Murfreesboro to cover state events. I liked to take Highway 70, the scenic route, and go through little towns like Sparta. Sometimes I would stop and see Jeff.

I haven't seen Jeff in years, but I got a letter from him last week. He had received *The Focus* and enjoyed my column. His letter was sent via snail mail and was 1 1/2 pages hand written in black ink. You know,

it was really neat receiving a letter in that form. E-mails may be quicker but lack the personal touch. Anyway, I would like to share some if its contents with you.

Steve:

Thank you so much for thinking of me! It is a small world . . .

. . . One of my fondest memories of college would be the numerous discussions held in the dorm room all of my (our) freshman year. I have said it before but I think we started the "All-Sports Trophy" competition. We discussed it before anyone else and I think you wrote of it before anyone else. Well! Take credit anyway! I give you credit when I discuss the subject, along with your partner/side-kick (me)! . . .

The "All-Sports Trophy" competition Jeff refers to was the National Collegiate All-Sports rankings I compiled for years. I got the idea from the SEC All-Sports rankings and came up with a formula for doing the rankings on the national level. The national rankings first ran in *The Daily Beacon* when I was sports editor of the UT student newspaper one summer in the early '70s. For many years, the rankings ran in *The Knoxville Journal* and then in *USA TODAY* in the early '90s.

Jeff wrapped up his letter to me with "another first (or second)." He read where the Alabama athletic director "used a book written by Wayne Atcheson (SID)" to add "5" pre-Bear Bryant national titles to the university's media guide. Those "national poll champions" seasons were 1925, '26, '30, '34 and '41.

"So I started research for my Vols," wrote Jeff. "What I found was absolutely amazing."

In addition to Tennessee's two unanimous and undisputed titles of 1951 and 1998, Turner's research shows the Vols recording four split titles in 1938, 1940, 1950 and 1967.

The Vols, writes Jeff, were declared national champions by various polls in eight other seasons: 1914, 1927, 1928, 1931, 1939, 1956, 1985 and 1989.

"The bottom line: Tennessee has been named National Champions 14 times!" summed up Turner, who added he would like for UT's athletic director to take steps "to recognize these great teams of our history!"

As you can see, my old roomie from college didn't just send me a letter, he sent me some great information.

Thank you, Jeff. And it was great hearing from you, too!



## Boy plays with 'heavy heart' in AYSO Games

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week," said Duke. "They never complained even though it was real hot."

One incident, said Duke, that brought attention to his team occurred in a game when an opposing team had multiple injuries and had to continue a player short.

"When that happened we took one of our players out of the game to make it even," said Duke. "The referee came to me and said he really appreciated what we did."

A lot of factors are weighed in selecting the Sportsmanship Award recipient.

"It's how the coaches act, the parents act and the players act to the referee and other players," said Duke. "It's a combination of doing the right thing in every situation."

Another Knox County team from Region 275 in the Ball Camp area, the under-16 boys team coached by Greg Hirtz, also was received the Sportsmanship Award in its division.

Lee Stewart, AYSO Section 5 Director, which includes Tennessee, said the national tourney "was a big feather's Knoxville's cap. It's never been held in a city this small."

Five venues were used to play the games.

"I thought it was very successful," added Stewart. "Everyone was very pleased and had a good time. The heat was the only problem, but it was hot in a lot of areas across the country."

"We had a full staff of medical people on hand and a doctor at each venue."

Championship games were reduced from 90 minutes to 60 minutes in length because of the heat and the closing ceremonies were canceled.

A total of 216 teams with 3,000 to 4,000 athletes participated in the Games, which had an economic impact of \$8.5 million to the community, said Stewart.

The 2014 Games in Torrance, Calif., will mark the 50th anniversary of AYSO.

## Overton to lead Red Devils

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"The offensive and defensive scheme will look quite different," he said. "But I'm talking to the kids and learning some of the terminology they use."

"It's easier for one person to learn terminology that it is for me to teach all these kids my terminology."

Overton confesses that

he and his new squad are eager to get the 2012 season underway but he realizes that there's plenty of preparation over

the next month.

"That all has its role," he said of preparing for the upcoming season.

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Karns Blue All-Stars defeated Maryville 11-1 Friday night to wrap up the District 6 Little League (ages 11-12 division) baseball championship. Karns will advance to the state tournament, which starts Saturday, July 21, in Murfreesboro. Front row (left to right): Jack Umberger, Trevor Adams, Logan Aeschlimann, Brock Umberger and Parker Warwick. Back row (left to right): Ryan Medders, Thomas Saliba, Anders Cook, Brian Bell and Ryder Green. Coaches: Jason Garrett (left) and Jim Bell.



The Fountain City All Stars won the 2012 Knoxville City 8U Baseball Tournament at Badgett Field. The team went undefeated and beat Rocky Hill in the final game for the championship. Coaches L to R- Kevin McCarty, Kurt Ackermann, and Kevin Debusk. Players L to R- Elijah Debusk, Daniel Hees, Nick Ellis, Micah Smith, Brady Ackermann, Dawson Epperson, Ty Denton, Noah Powell, Austin Ellis, Jacob Duncan, Blake McCarty, and Luke Prince.

# 2012 SEC Media Days (The way it really goes)

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asked of Missouri's coach Gary Pinkel and Tigers players are a variation of "What do you expect in your first year in the Southeastern Conference?" The other 10 percent are about life in a division (SEC West) where there are now three teams featuring the Tigers nickname. Vanderbilt coach James Franklin is ripped by a record 1200 media members for having the audacity of being publicly confident in his players and the program he is trying to build. Franklin apologizes for nothing, and then guarantees a win over Tennessee this November. Wednesday, July 20th (Florida, Mississippi State, Arkansas, Kentucky, Auburn and LSU) Florida Gators coach Will Muschamp admits that he has looked like a maniac at times while on the sideline, but considering that there are apparently zombies taking over his state; he doesn't feel like his facial expressions are that far out of line. Mississippi State hasn't won the Southeastern Conference title since 1941. Yet here they are. The media asks questions to be polite, but everyone knows that there will be little coverage of the Bulldogs in the weeks to come. Everyone knows this. Arkansas pulls off a Steinbrener-esque move, announcing shortly

before their media sessions begin that Bobby Petrino will return as Razorbacks coach this season. During the 2 hours the Razorbacks are available for questions, Petrino goes for an ill-advised ride on a Harley with an SEC intern, talks about his love for Fayetteville, and accepts a job coaching the Cincinnati Bengals. 50 percent of questions from media members covering Kentucky are about the Wildcats first win over Tennessee since 1984. The other 50 percent are about Kentucky's national championship in men's basketball. Even though... you know... that makes no sense. Auburn coach Gene Chizik wears a leather jacket into the Wynnfre Hotel even though it is approximately 125 degrees outside. He then wears a neon tank top during the interview sessions. LSU coach Les Miles causes quite a stir when he arrives with Mike the Tiger on a weakened rope leash. 17 members of the media are eaten alive... Miles isn't charged with any crime, as this is just chalked up to his quirky nature. Thursday, July 21st (Alabama, Tennessee, Ole Miss and Georgia) The arrival of the defending national champions means that Alabama fans will start camping out in the lobby that night just for a

glimpse of their heroes. Crimson Tide head coach Nick Saban not only refuses to sign any autographs, but he asks that fans not try to touch him, talk to him, or be within 45 feet of him. This makes fans love him even more, many of whom promise to name all future children "Saban." Tennessee coach Derek Dooley, who has the hottest of hot seats going into the 2012 season, tells the media that the Vols have the best roster in the three years he's been UT's head coach. He knows that his team needs to show improvement and perhaps win as many as eight games for him to keep his job. Just to be safe, he hands his old boss Saban an updated resume when they pass each other in the hallway. Ole Miss admits they are waiting for a son from a Manning to rescue their program. Until then they are just bidding time and setting up fun pre-game tailgate parties. Georgia coach Mark Richt says he doesn't understand why he is criticized so much for his discipline methods. Before he leaves the podium Richt is told that his entire roster has just invaded Panama. So you see boys and girls... the SEC never fails to entertain... even in fiction... Is it Football Time in Tennessee yet?

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Jacob Whitesides rocks Nashville

On Saturday, July 7th, Knoxville's own Jacob Whitesides

By Dan Andrews  
Focus Staff

not only performed in Nashville, but took part in a three hour long autograph signing session with long lines of female fans. Jacob was selected to perform at the prestigious "Teen Hoot" festival. The festival is a two day concert where some of the top teen talent in the world get invited to perform on stage in Nashville. The show was simulcast live via the internet and was watched in 53 countries. The audience is nearly 100% young female teens. The event is a safe, alcohol-free environment that allows fans to connect with rising music talent who create a fan base via social media. Many of the young artists routinely post Youtube videos of themselves singing. The fans then post the videos on their Twitter and Facebook pages. Word of the artist spreads as their popularity grows.

For Jacob Whitesides, this was an amazing opportunity and he took full advantage of his chance to showcase his talent. Before taking the stage, Jacob used every available minute to practice. He went outside in the record breaking heat wave to warm his vocal cords. He continued to practice on his guitar to make sure the

people he was performing with were all in unison. He would pause as the occasional fan would come up and ask for a picture. If he was nervous, it was hard to tell. His professionalism and composure was evident.

Taking the stage with Jacob were two of Nashville's teenage artists: Jimmy James Hunter and Forest Miller. It was great for Jacob to team up with two veteran performers. As a new artist, taking the stage for the first time at Hootfest can be daunting. It is a heavy load with bright lights, screaming fans, and nerves running high. It is often tough for a new artist to put on their best performance. Not having to carry the full load of a performance solely by himself, Jacob was able to bring more energy to the show. The highlight of his set came when Jacob played the cover song "I'm glad you came," by the British group "The Wanted." It was a mesmerizing moment when the whole crowd sung in unison in between the piercing screams of adoring fans. When Jacob was finished literally hundreds of young females put their hands together in the shape of a heart, something many had been doing during the whole set.

Jacob Whitesides wasn't the only connection to Knoxville at "Hootfest." Olivia Russell, a 15-year-old "Teen Hoot" fan who lives in the Fountain City area, was instrumental in securing a brand new four million dollar tour bus.



Above, a fan gives Jacob Whitesides a heart during his set at the recent Teen Hoot. Left, Fountain City's Olivia Russell and family on the luxurious tour bus. Photos by Dan Andrews.

Olivia was able to convince her parents to make some phone calls to friends in the bus touring industry. As luck would have it, the bus had a short open window of availability that perfectly fit into the schedule of "Teen Hoot." The tour bus had just finished the "Beach Boys" tour and

was not scheduled to tour for a few days. The owners of the bus allowed "Teen Hoot" to use the bus at cost (gas and driver fees).

For Olivia, it was important for her to get the tour bus. In an interview with her she stated that she wanted to obtain the tour bus so that artists see

what they have to look forward to in their career.

The tour bus certainly inspired the rising teen talent. It gave the artists a chance to get to see and feel what success in the music industry is really like. The bus was used by artists for interviews. At the end of the interview I

turned to her parents and said, "I have seen many unique ways of getting backstage, but bringing a four million dollar tour bus, that tops them all."

## Reception for Exhibit by Suzanne Jack and Mary Secrist

By Sylvia Williams

To mark the opening of the new exhibit of works by Suzanne Jack and Mary Secrist, a reception will be held at the Fountain City Art Center on Friday, July 20 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. All are invited to attend! Both Suzanne and Mary are highly accomplished artists and instructors. Suzanne recently retired from instructing at Hardin Valley Academy, Mary

has instructed watercolor classes at FCAC for the past eight and a half years. Suzanne's exhibit will contain works in oils, acrylics, and pastels. Mary's show will contain many new watercolors, and her watercolor students' artwork will also be on display at the Center in "Student Exhibits." The exhibits will be open to the public until August 17. The Center is located at

213 Hotel Avenue next to Fountain City Park. Call 865.357.2787 for more information or email the Director at fcartcenter@knology.net.

Paul DeMarrais will be offering his oil pastels workshop on Saturday, August 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Fountain City Art Center. The cost is \$100 for FCAC members and \$120 for nonmembers. All materials

are supplied. Paul formulated and created the oil sticks himself, just as he creates his own soft pastels. These oil sticks are not at all like the ones you have tried in the past. They are smoother and creamier than lipstick. You have to try them to believe it! Let us know if you'd like to sign up.

Paul will also have a regular soft pastels workshop on Saturday, October 20,

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You only bring a basic set of soft pastels, and Paul includes the rest of the materials. The cost is \$75 for FCAC members and \$100 for nonmembers.

Reservations are still available for the Summer Rose Tea and Fashion Show on Saturday, July 28, from 2-4 PM at the Fountain City Art Center. Tickets are \$30 per person. The fashion show will be



"Evening Repast," a watercolor by Mary Secrist

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## Stories and Relationships

Every week I wait for next week's story to find me; and it always does. Sometimes my story comes from the news or what I'm reading, but mostly my essays originate with the patients I see.

Everyone has a story. I could tell you about the lady who saw me after her doctor moved away. Even though she had just had an examination and a pap test, I recommended that I at least listen to her heart and lungs. I believe that listening to someone's heart and lungs tells them that I care about them. It's not uncommon for patients to tell me, "My previous doctor never looked at me," or, "My doctor never touched me." It's a good thing my new patient consented to a brief examination because I discovered a mass in her

abdomen the size of a basketball. It wasn't malignant, but it weighed more than twenty pounds when removed at surgery. Now that's a tough way to lose weight!

I don't often find such serious problems when I exam patients. Periodically, I extend my *internal vision* of a patient by doing lab tests. Typically, I check my patient's blood sugar and cholesterol because diabetes and lipid problems are risk factors for heart and vascular disease. One of the most common things I do is to discuss lab results with patients. I explain what the tests mean and what we should do to lower the risks of heart attacks, strokes and vascular problems.

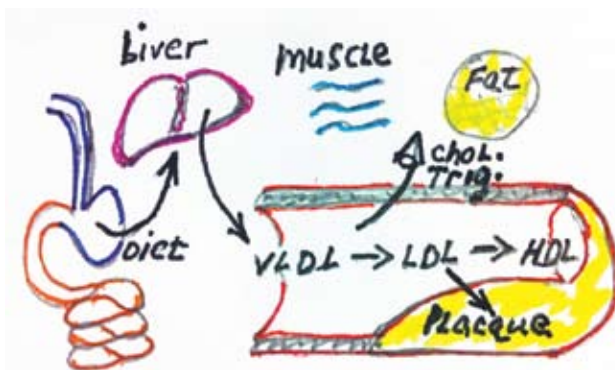
A patient recently asked me, "Doc, can cholesterol be too low?" That's an interesting

question because we usually talk about values that are in the normal range or those that are elevated.

If you'll look at the accompanying diagram, fats (lipids) are consumed, absorbed through the intestinal wall and are taken up by the liver where they are packaged with proteins. "Carrier proteins" enable fats (cholesterol and triglyceride) to circulate in our water-based blood stream. VLDL molecules (very low density lipoprotein i.e. lipid associated protein) are released by the liver and then processed to ever smaller units called LDL and HDL—low density lipoprotein and high density lipoprotein—releasing fats along the way.

As fatty acids, cholesterol and triglycerides are released they used as fuel to run our bodies. Cholesterol is also an integral part of all cellular structure.

Fats coat our neurons and facilitate nerve impulse propagation. Cholesterol is contained in bile salts which help us digest dietary fats and absorb fat soluble vitamins like vitamins A, D and E. Cholesterol is incorporated into hormones that make us male and female. The problem is not cholesterol it's too much cholesterol or a preponderance



of the wrong type.

If you were a farmer in rural India your LDL cholesterol (the so-called "bad" cholesterol) might be 60 mg/dl. A good reading in America is 130mg/dl. However, if you take that starving man out of India and bring him to America his LDL cholesterol will double or triple and he'll develop heart and vascular disease at the same rate as westerners. Interestingly, the LDL cholesterol of newborn babies is 60mg/dl. I hope my grandson, Oakley, doesn't develop a craving for Kys-tals and Krispy Kremes!

I often tell patients that half of what I do is science and the other half is the artful application of that science and a good part of that is communication. Communication is an art. What good is it to tell someone they have diverticulitis and they've never met a diverticula? What service have you rendered when you tell someone they have hypotension and you don't share the

same arcane language?

Incidentally, diverticuli are pockets in the colon that can become inflamed and produce a belly ache. Hypotension is low blood pressure and is the opposite of high blood pressure or hypertension.

I explained to my patient that the light headedness he was experiencing was due to a transient drop in his blood pressure which caused a mild variation in blood flow to his brain just like our flickering electric lights in a storm caused by alterations in the flow of electricity. As we talked I told him blood vessels become stiffer and less elastic as we age due to excessive cholesterol deposition in blood vessel walls and inflammation and scarring over a lifetime.

I explained to him that I have a well at my home where water is pumped into a holding tank with an internal bladder. As the tank fills, it expands and the pressure inside the bladder rises. As water is removed, the

pressure falls and the pump is triggered to add more water. Our heart and vascular systems works similarly. Blood vessels function as a bladder system that accepts each tsunami of pumped blood maintaining forward circulation and flow when the heart is relaxed between pumping cycles. Standing or bending sometimes causes blood to pool in the legs because of gravity. Older, less compliant vessels have more difficulty maintaining adequate pressure and forward circulation. Our brains don't tolerate fluxes of blood flow and oxygen; it makes them flicker.

My wife says that all of life is about relationships. She has taught me this valuable lesson. I wonder if she realizes that all life is also a story. What say you?

**Doctor Ferguson is accepting new patients. His office is next to Fort Sanders Hospital.**

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*Do you have a question for Dr. Ferguson? Please e-mail him at [jferguson@summithealthcare.com](mailto:jferguson@summithealthcare.com).*

## Medical resident 'boot camp' improves hospital infection rates

As new medical residents across the nation begin their residency programs this month, a week-long intensive 'boot camp' style training program at The University of Tennessee Medical Center could be a key to reducing hospital acquired infections and improving patient outcomes.

The new UT Graduate School of Medicine residents are required to complete the extensive training in the medical simulation center at the Knoxville hospital before being allowed

any patient contact. A heavy focus of the training involves central line insertions, which teaches the residents how to properly insert central venous lines, the large lines used to provide medications and fluids to critically ill patients.

The goal, according to Dr. Mark Rasnake, an infectious disease physician at UT Medical Center and Residency Program Director of the UT Graduate School of Medicine's Department of Medicine, is to minimize the number of Central Line Associated

Blood Stream Infections, known in the medical industry at CLABSI rates.

"Nationally, the average is between 2 and 3 infections per thousand patient line days," Rasnake said. "Our hospital was around that number and sometimes above that number. But now, after implementing this training with our residents and throughout the medical center, we're reporting zero infections in the past five months in our critical care patients."

Rasnake's goal is for the numbers to hold steady, even after new

residents begin to have gradual supervised contact with patients in the coming weeks. Rasnake began training medical staff and residents at the hospital in 2009 on blood line insertions. He describes the training, now an integral part of the 'boot camp,' as merely one component in an ongoing multi-faceted approach to transitioning new residents from being recent medical students to entering the first year of their post graduate medical training. But he stresses that it's an important component.

"Blood stream infections are probably the single largest threat to patients when it comes to hospital acquired infections," Rasnake explained. "In addition to providing significant training to our residents now and throughout the year on blood line insertions and optimum sterile techniques, we've also enlisted the help of our nursing staff to go over checklists with residents for every insertion."

Staff at the UT Center for Advanced Medical Simulation first began requiring additional

training for new residents at the beginning of their programs in 2008. Each year, the program has evolved and the requirements have grown to the current full week of medical simulation training. The bulk of the training focuses on sterile techniques such as central line insertion, urinary catheter placement and suturing, as well as familiarizing new residents with the protocols of the hospital.

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# Faith

## Eva, from Charter Member to Greeter

Come rain or sunshine, through cold winters and hot summers, we see her every Sunday morning. There she is, standing in the atrium just across from the welcome desk.



By **Ralphine Major**  
ralphine3@yahoo.com

With a friendly smile, she is handy with lots of hellos, handshakes, and—for those she knows—a hug, as she welcomes visitors and members alike to church. Neatly dressed with matching accessories, she could easily be mistaken for a model. But, she is called a “greeter.” The place is Wallace Memorial Baptist Church, and the greeter’s name is Eva.

I recently caught up with Eva Waggoner and was surprised at the schedule she keeps. Eva has been a greeter at her church for approximately fifteen years. On Sunday mornings,

her greeter duties begin at 8:00 a.m. at the entrance near Home Federal. At 8:30 a.m., Eva goes to Sunday School where she serves as president of her class. Duty calls again before class is over, and this greeter makes an early exit to assume her post in the atrium as members and visitors arrive for worship service.

Arlington Baptist Church, the church which helped start Wallace Memorial, is the place where Eva was saved and began her walk with the Lord. She later attended Broadway Baptist Church when her husband, who is deceased, was in the service. With mention of Arlington, Broadway Baptist, and Wallace, I should have seen the next amazing part of her story

unfolding. At eight-eight, Eva is young enough to remember Bill Wallace of Broadway Baptist, though today he is referred to as Bill Wallace of China. She recalls the young man who enjoyed working on cars, became a doctor, and eventually served as a medical missionary in China. Bill Wallace did his internship at Knoxville General Hospital, now Serene Manor Medical Center. Eva also remembers Knoxville General Hospital, which was the primary hospital in Knoxville at that time; she went there to have her tonsils split. The Bill Wallace story still echoes around the world, sixty-one years after he was beaten to death in a Chinese prison.

In his hometown of Knoxville, Tennessee, this legend’s name lives on in the church named for him — Wallace Memorial Baptist Church.

Along with her late

husband and oldest daughter, Eva became one of the 127 charter members of Wallace Memorial. On a piece of empty ground donated by D. G. Cochran, Wallace Memorial was organized in July of 1953—two years after Bill Wallace’s death. I tried to imagine the site before there was a house of worship on it. Church members met in homes, at the Tillery Theatre on Clinton Highway, and at the fire-hall at the end of the street until a building could take shape. Eva recalls how members graded the ground and painted the building. “We did whatever needed to be done,” she told me. Eva remembers visiting in the community to invite people to the new church. Three ladies would go as a group to visit. “Two would go in to visit while the third would stay in the car with the children,” she told me. All Sunday School classes met in one large room. A platform was built for the preacher to stand on, and a trap door below allowed access to the baptistry. A special memory of Eva’s is teaching the children in Sunday School at Wallace Memorial. One of the children she taught was Patricia Stooksbury. I recognized the name because I had heard her speak many times at Wallace Memorial. Patricia served on the mission field in South America until her recent retirement. She is one of many missionaries from Wallace Memorial who followed in Bill Wallace’s footsteps.

On the day I spoke to Eva, it was shortly after



*Eva Waggoner on a recent Sunday morning at Wallace Memorial. Photo by Ralphine Major.*

lunch. Already, she had made a delivery to the Baptist Center, attended a Women’s Missionary Union (WMU) meeting at her church, and participated in a “Walk for Walgreens” event at the O’Connor Senior Center where her nephew provided the music. Her afternoon was mapped out to prepare food to take that evening to a “Women of the World” meeting, a group that helps provide Habitat for Humanity homes, as well as medicine and food in disaster areas. She assured me that all of her days are not packed full with so many activities. This particular day would have been busy enough for someone half her age! Besides her community and church activities, Eva is also a Chaplain in the Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion Post II. She and her late husband had six children, five of whom they raised. She

also has two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

This greeter has made her mark at Wallace Memorial—from those early days before there was even a church building at 701 Merchant Drive until today where she serves as a greeter. The Bible verse in Galatians 6:9 comes to mind when I think of Eva’s dedication through the years from charter member to greeter: “Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up” (NIV). She will be missed someday when she hangs up her official greeter badge. But, thankfully, Eva has no plans to ban her post anytime soon. If you stop in to worship with the Wallace family of believers on a Sunday morning, go by and see Eva. She will certainly make you feel welcome in God’s house—a place she calls “home.”

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Everyone is invited to “Watermelon Blast in the Park!” Come join us for a day of free watermelon, games, fun and much more at Edgewood Park in Knoxville Sunday, July 29 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00p.m.

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### KFL Outreach Ministry Presents

The Knoxville Fellowship Luncheon (KFL) will meet July 17, 2012 at the Golden Corral on Clinton Highway, at noon. Otis Stubblefield will

give his testimony. Bio at <http://kfl-luncheon.com>.

### South Knoxville Church of God

Join us for the 3rd Annual “South Show and Shine” car show on August 10 from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at noon, with judging from 11 a.m. till 1 p.m. If you would like to know more about this event either visit us on Facebook or call 865-573-4141 for details.

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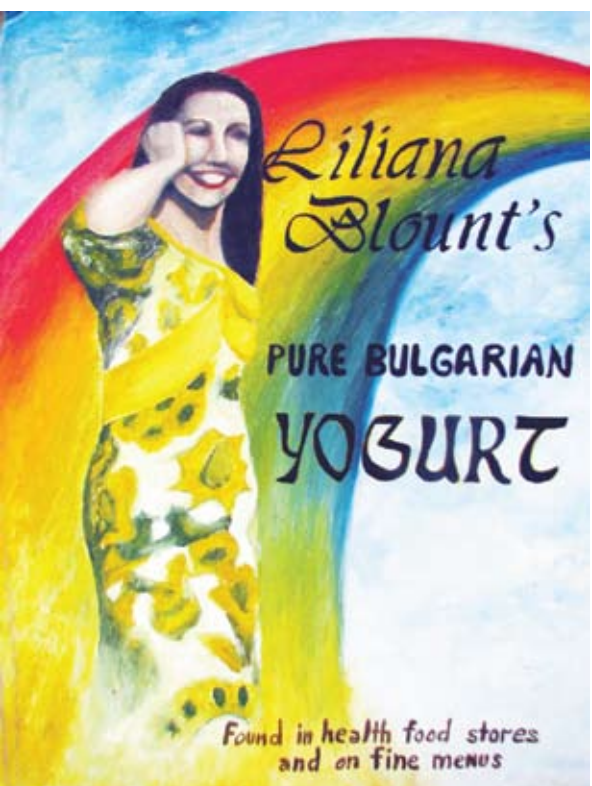
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be donating proceeds from her sale of the books to the Young-Williams Animal Shelter. From beer and bread to coffee and chocolate, fermentation is an integral part of human culture and health. Fermenting foods allows us to preserve an abundant harvest, access minerals and micronutrients, and better digest our foods. Three Rivers Market is pleased to celebrate the beauty, complexity, and accessibility of fermented foods with new products, in-store samples, and public lectures and demonstrations. Join us throughout the month to learn about the magic of fermentation. Don't miss this unique opportunity to reclaim a part of our food heritage and health. This event is free and open to the public. Please stop by the Customer Service desk or call Three Rivers Market (865-525-2069) to reserve your space.

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Lalique had a passionate dream that the public would be receptive to: a higher level of crystal with naturalistic forms and styles different from



By Carl Sloan

heavy cut glass with geometric designs. His was an era of the greats with cameo acid-cut art glass such as Émile Gallé and others of the 1900s Art Nouveau movement that portrayed flowing designs and nature in a feminine style.

Lalique's early works were certainly Art Nouveau, yet it was the Art Deco style that truly inspired him and where he found his niche. He designed a seamless heavy crystal which often was totally or partially finished with acid, making it opaque. He produced perfume bottles, lamps, jewelry, animals, vases, and wall panels for churches as well as the Normandie passenger ship.

His works were sought after by the upper-middle class, which remains true of his work today. His

daughter, who passed away in 2002, took over the company and you may still purchase his glass designs today at fine galleries, online or at auctions.

In today's market, the first Lalique glass works and the most desirable are inscribed in script "René Lalique." The second signature was an acid stencil in block letters. The third was block letter with just his last name and then a blue paper sticker. His artisans wrote these on the bottoms of the works. Today's signature that I see is an acid small block lettering "Lalique Made In France." The paper label is 1930s-40s and may still have another engraved signature beside it. The sleeping cat is probably what most think of with Lalique glass and is still made today.

If you wish to purchase a real Lalique, be advised that the reproductions will almost always have seams. The glass is



A fine crystal rooster by René Jules Lalique

usually acid frosted, making the seams harder to see, so please do examine. If you are in doubt, feel free to shoot me a photo at the Knoxville Focus (care of staff@knoxfocus.com). If you think you may have any Lalique items bring them by the gallery for inspection. Fountain City Auction is located at 4109 Central Avenue Pike, 37912.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### East Tennessee Technology Access Center golf tournament

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