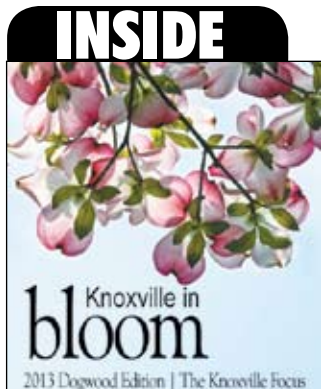




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State Budget Contains Funds to help South Knoxville

State Senator Becky Massey (R-Knoxville) said last Friday that Governor Bill Haslam included a \$30,000 economic development grant to the Legacy Parks Foundation in the state's budget legislation passed by the General Assembly last week.

Massey credited Governor Haslam, Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett and Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero for helping members of the Knox County legislative delegation receive the money.

The funds will be matched by the City of Knoxville and

Knox County which have pledged \$20,000 each.

"It is my hope that these funds will help leverage the dollars being invested by Knoxville and Knox County to help our small businesses in South Knoxville to remain viable," said Senator Massey. "These businesses

have been struggling to remain open and I was committed to finding them some relief from the State of Tennessee."

"We especially appreciate Governor Haslam's willingness to invest state dollars in our local businesses," Massey

continued. "These funds will be used in the marketing efforts to assist our South Knoxville businesses that have been adversely affected by the Henley Street bridge closure."

The bridge is scheduled to reopen February 28, 2014.

FOCUS Weekly Poll*

**In your opinion,
should the
Tennessee
Valley Authority
(TVA) be
privatized?**

YES 19.13%

NO 80.87%

Survey conducted
April 18, 2013.

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

Knox Countians Solidly Against TVA Being Privatized

By Focus Staff

This week's Knoxville Focus poll asked voters the question, "In your opinion, should the Tennessee Valley Authority be privatized?"

More than 80% of likely voters said that no, TVA should not be privatized. Only slightly more than 19% believe TVA should be privatized.

More than 90% of respondents in the Second District were against privatizing TVA. The response both inside the City of Knoxville and Knox County was strong in every segment of the community.

Old furniture finds new life at Refind Design

By Tasha Mahurin
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"Antiques were a hobby of mine," Lisa Norton of Refind Design told The Focus. "I began refinishing furniture to stay busy while staying home with my grandchildren."

What began as a hobby has become a retirement business for Lisa and her husband Marty who opened a storefront for their business earlier this year. Refind Design, located at 6259 Rutledge Pike, sells repurposed furniture, antiques, and unique home décor. They truly offer something for everyone and are an interior designer's dream.

Recycled or repurposed furniture has become a popular trend in home décor over the last few years, however, their affordable prices sets Refind Design apart

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EAST KNOX PROFESSIONALS POISED TO TAKE FLIGHT



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Councilman Duane Grievies and Carolyn Pointer Neil of Elder Advocates meet Inga the red-tailed hawk and her handler, Adam Patterson of the Knoxville Zoo, before last week's East Knoxville Business and Professional Association breakfast meeting at the zoo. Members learned about the zoo's economic impact for the county and its plans for continuing success in 2013. The next EKB&PA meeting will be held May 16 at the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce. For more information on the group, please visit www.eastknox.org.

Work to start on new juvenile court facilities

By Tasha Mahurin
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The ground breaking ceremony for the expansion of the Knox County Juvenile Court boasted a virtual Who's Who of government. Juvenile Court Judge Tim Irwin, an unmistakable presence with his height of 6 feet and seven inches, sat under a tent as Circuit Court Judge Dale Workman warmed up the crowd of more than 200 people. Both Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero and Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett spoke, as did Tony Norman, Chairman of the Knox County Commission.

The current facility, named for the late Juvenile Judge Carey E. Garrett, is to undergo an 11,000 square foot, \$3 million expansion. Judge Irwin hopes the expansion of the Division Street juvenile court will create a more consolidated process.

Currently, three Child Support magistrates hold hearing on the third floor of the old Courthouse in downtown Knoxville. Juvenile Court hearings are held at the Division Street facility, which sits beside the Richard L. Bean Juvenile Detention Center. Cathy Quist Shanks, the Clerk of the Circuit, Civil Sessions and Juvenile Courts, maintains a staff at both the juvenile facility and at the old courthouse.

"Judge Irwin's vision should make things much easier for everyone," Shanks explained. "It will basically put all juvenile services at one location."

The expansion, recommended by Mayor Burchett and funded by the Knox County Commission, will create room for Child Support Division magistrates and personnel. New courtrooms

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Pictured at the ground-breaking for the new court rooms are Board of Trustees Chairman Terry Henley, Center Director Richard Bean, Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero, County Commissioner Brad Anders, County Commissioner Dr. Richard Briggs, County Commission Chairman Tony Norman, Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett and Judge Tim Irwin.

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Focus on the Law

Introduction to Probate Court Part 2

When a person dies, the real and personal property of that person must be distributed according to law. In Tennessee, this law may be found in the Tennessee Code Annotated.

If the person died with a valid will, the property of the deceased generally passes according to the terms of the will. If the person died without a valid will, that person is said to have died intestate. The Probate Court will appoint an individual to handle the intestate estate. This individual is referred to as a personal representative. The surviving spouse or the deceased's children should be considered by the Court to act as the personal representative. Once appointed, the clerk of the Probate Court will issue documents or letters of administration, which authorize the personal representative to close out the deceased's bank accounts and handle all of the assets owned by the



By Sharon Frankenberg,
Attorney at Law

deceased at the time of his or her death. The personal representative will have to post a bond with the court to insure faithful performance of his or her duties. Also, the personal representative must file an inventory of all of the assets of the estate within 60 days of his or her appointment. The personal representative must give notice to all of the deceased's creditors so that they might file claims against the estate. Periodic accountings of all receipts and payments must be made by the Personal Representative to the court.

How is the property divided when there is no will? As you would expect, the surviving spouse and surviving children take certain shares but heirs can come in all shapes and sizes. The law on intestate succession may be found in Tennessee Code Annotated Section 31-2-104 and gives a detailed listing of all the

permutations of what size share goes to whom. For example, if the deceased was not married and had no children, the remainder of his or her estate goes to his or her parents. If there are no surviving parents, the remainder goes to the surviving brothers and sisters and to the children of each deceased brothers and sisters by representation. So, if the deceased had one surviving brother and one deceased sister with two surviving children, the remainder of the estate would go one-half to the surviving brother and one-fourth to each of the deceased sister's two children. Keep in mind that whether there is a will or not, the surviving spouse is entitled to certain minimum distributions and protections under state law. See Tennessee Code Annotated Section 31-4-101.

In order to close the probate estate, the personal representative will have to document that he or she gave proper notice to all creditors and paid the debts of the estate. He or

she will have to show that any inheritance taxes have been satisfied and obtain a release from TennCare. He or she will also have to obtain receipts from each of the estate beneficiaries acknowledging that they received the assets to which they are entitled. Finally, they will need to file a closing order with the Probate Court so that the judge can legally close the estate.

Obviously, this article does not cover every issue which might arise. You should always contact an attorney to get advice and assistance with your unique situation.

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News isn't entertainment

Americans watched as another senseless act of violence took place at the Boston Marathon. The two explosive devices tore through innocent bystanders who were cheering runners as they approached the finish line. No thought was given whether children were present. Of course, that's the twisted moral compass that terrorists have.

That was the first terrible act against this country on April 15. The second one came afterward. The guilty parties this time were the television news stations. They jumped on the story and for days rode it like a galloping horse.

I'm all for news and keeping the public informed.

I'm also a big fan of news media outlets; the papers have for several years afforded me the forum for my columns. However, at some point, common sense has to take over.

I doubt that the public wants to have "continuing coverage" of tragedies. Sure, we all want to know



By Joe Rector

what is happening, but eventually, most folks have to return to lives and jobs and families. The first time I remember continuing coverage of any event was when President Kennedy was assassinated. The country took a punch to the gut, and the only thing we knew to do was view the three networks. I watched the day Oswald was shot by Jack Ruby. To this day, I can hear the mournful sound of muted drums as the Kennedy's coffin traveled down the streets to its final resting place.

We all wanted to view the early space flights and kept up with the first American to orbit the earth and walk on the moon. In later years, space shots lost their glamour, and people didn't tune in as much. The explosion of Challenger immediately had news programs going.

What's so annoying is the way national news programs make entertainment of tragedies. Within minutes of an event, names have been assigned to them ("Terror in Boston"),

and each is introduced with its own special music. Of course, networks manage to work in plenty of commercial breaks during air time.

On April 15, the NBC news devoted its entire regular program to the terrorist explosion during the Boston Marathon. That wasn't enough, so the network added a second half hour, and then at 10:00 p.m. they were back with "in-depth" reporting. Brian Williams was still at his seat, and Matt Lauer had been dragged from his bed to stand on the street as close to the bombing site as possible. He interviewed three people who had little information. The young woman was pregnant, and one of the men was a block away from the blast when it occurred. That's all right because anything is used to make the coverage go on and on and on. Analysis by dozens of people numbed the minds of viewers.

I figure that this terrorist act netted a handsome profit for the networks. I also am certain that the anchors feel the need to report live from Boston. Never mind that the folks already in the field do fine

jobs of covering stories; it's all about appearances.

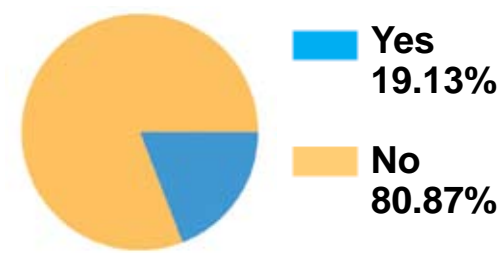
Many Americans believe that this kind of coverage is just what culprits want, and it serves as reinforcement for those who might want that fifteen minutes of fame.

A better way to cover such events is to play "Joe Friday" and "just give the facts." Then give only brief updates on future broadcasts. Don't give the criminals all that free publicity. Instead, report the news OBJECTIVELY and let the public do the speculating. At the same time, this approach will allow agencies to do their jobs and more quickly bring criminals to justice.

I, for one, long for the days of Walter Cronkite and Huntley and Brinkley. Those men reported the news; they didn't interject themselves as parts of it. News should inform viewers. We can find other ways of being entertained. The only continuing coverage I want to see is information about a vicious storm or tornado bearing down on my home. The truth be told, television could learn a lot about reporting from newspapers.

FOCUS Weekly Poll

In your opinion, should the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) be privatized?



By Age	Public	Private	Total
18-29	[None]	100.00%	1
30-49	20.00%	80.00%	40
50-65	21.32%	78.68%	136
65+	17.80%	82.20%	236
Tota	19.13% (79)	80.87% (334)	413

By District

1	25.00%	75.00%	32
2	9.62%	90.38%	52
3	11.11%	88.89%	45
4	23.73%	76.27%	59
5	16.00%	84.00%	50
6	27.91%	72.09%	43
7	17.95%	82.05%	39
8	23.53%	76.47%	51
9	19.05%	80.95%	42
Total	19.13% (79)	80.87% (334)	413

By Gender

Unknown	31.25%	68.75%	16
Femal	16.67%	83.33%	204
Male	20.73%	79.27%	193
Total	19.13% (79)	80.87% (334)	413

Survey conducted April 18, 2013.

Work to start on new juvenile court facilities

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will be built and Mayor Burchett and the County Commission helped fund the project by making cuts in other parts of the budget.

"This expansion should streamline the entire process," Judge Irwin said. "It should prove to be more efficient and eventually perhaps be a savings to taxpayers."

Locating all juvenile matters in one location will eliminate the need for the judge and other personnel to travel back and forth, as well as citizens who oftentimes find it frustrating in an already emotionally charged process.

"I think the expansion and consolidation of the two divisions is a good thing," Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett told the *Focus*. "Often families and children who have business in these courtrooms are shuffled back and forth between these two location, and the situation is already traumatic enough."

Other benefits of the expansion include more room for families to wait on court day, which is often a tense and stressful situation, particularly in a crowded waiting room. Additionally, there will be ample and free parking for citizens at the Division Street building.

Irwin, recognized as a non-nonsense, yet compassionate judge of the Juvenile Court, has spearheaded the expansion and made brief, but gracious remarks at the ground breaking ceremony.

Steve Hunley, publisher of the *Knoxville Focus*, commented, "Tim Irwin is a great judge and Cathy Quist has the best constituent service operation in the county as Juvenile Court Clerk. They are a great combination for the people of Knox County."

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from their competitors.

"We try to buy at prices we can pass on to our customers," Norton added.

Variety is another hallmark of Refind Design. The overwhelming, yet organized, showroom features a plethora of furniture pieces including: beds, chairs, tables, trunks, accent pieces and the like. The showroom is divided into multiple sections, such as an area featuring unique garden items, an area for shabby chic furniture, and even a primitive rustic area.

In addition to furniture Refind Design also offers some unique, handmade home décor pieces. Among the eclectic items offered are old windows which have been converted into unique wall hangings, artistic benches crafted from old beds, and an arbor created with old doors. Refind Design specializes in one of a kind items, which is



appropriate for a store that is unique in and of itself.

"We're not a thrift store or an overpriced antique store," Norton added.

While business is booming, the Nortons maintain that giving new life to old treasure and the relationships they have built with their customers is the best part of the job.

Refind Design is located at 6259 Rutledge Pike and is open Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 pm, and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. For more information call 865-66-5768.

City Announces Centennial Conservation Expo For October

Mayor Madeline Rogero has announced plans for the Centennial Conservation Expo, sponsored by the City of Knoxville, to be held in Chilhowee Park on Oct. 12, 2013. The day-long fair will commemorate the National Conservation Exposition of 1913, also held in Chilhowee Park, and will celebrate 100 years of conservation efforts in Knoxville and East Tennessee.

"Generations of dedicated East Tennesseans have accomplished great things in conservation during the past 100 years," Mayor Rogero said. "From the Great Smoky Mountains to Ijams Nature Center, we have worked to preserve and protect wild areas, wildlife, air and water. The Centennial Conservation Expo will be an opportunity to showcase much of the work that has been done during the past century, and the work that is still being done."

The Expo will include historical displays, photographs and films, hands-on demonstrations and exhibits, children's activities, live entertainment, athletic competitions, multimedia presentations and events throughout the grounds of Chilhowee Park.

It will also be an



Pictured with Knoxville Mayor Rogero and Knox County Mayor Burchett is the 1913 City of Knoxville Mayor, Samuel Heiskell (actor Vania Smrkovski of the Tennessee Stage Company).

opportunity to showcase Chilhowee Park itself. "A lot of people don't realize how long and rich the history of this park really is," Mayor Rogero said. "Ever since trolley tracks first connected Chilhowee Park with downtown Knoxville in 1890, it has been a vital center of Knoxville life. It remains a jewel in the heart of East Knoxville."

Among the organizations participating in the Expo are AIGA Knoxville, Discover Life in America, East Tennessee Discovery Center, Foothills Land Conservancy, Fort Loudoun Lake Association, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Ijams Nature Center, Keep Knoxville Beautiful, Knox County Schools, Knox County Solid Waste, Knox Heritage, Knoxville Area Transit, Knoxville Zoo, Legacy Parks Foundation/Outdoor Knoxville, Luna Creative, McClung Historical Collection, Museum of East Tennessee History, National Parks Conservation Association, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Partners of the Cherokee National Forest, Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound, TVA, UT Extension and Visit Knoxville.

Mayor Rogero was joined at the announcement today by a special guest: Sam Heiskell, who was mayor of Knoxville in 1913

(portrayed by actor Vania Smrkovski of the Tennessee Stage Company). He talked about the creation of the 1913 National Conservation Exposition, which was important in the early history of the conservation movement. Setting the period tone for the event was the barbershop quartet Common Time, made up of Powell High School students Caleb Brewer, Harrison Cooke, Noah Muncy and Josh Neely.

For more information on the Expo in coming months, watch the event's website at www.knoxconservation-expo.com.

TCWN Releases Report on TDEC's Enforcement Program

TDEC enforcement against polluters falls 75% since 2007

Last week the Tennessee Clean Water Network released the third in a series of reports on the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's water protection programs. The research shows a 75% reduction in enforcement actions taken by TDEC since 2007. This latest report analyzes the past two years of enforcement and focuses on why there has been a significant decline in enforcement actions.

Several enforcement trends remain the same:

- High fine forgiveness continues, meaning violators pay less.
- There is no geographic focus for enforcement actions -- only half of the counties in Tennessee had enforcement actions in 2011, this dropped to a third of them in 2012, with no indication the Department is discriminatory regarding where enforcement occurs.
- Construction activities continue to dominate the type of violators receiving enforcement -- construction and development activities made up over half of all enforcement taken in the past two years.

Fine reductions remain the biggest problem. The fine assessment process is inconsistent, resulting in low fine collection up-front. The result is

that Tennesseans bear the costs of pollution rather than the polluter.

"The severe decline in enforcement of our water rules is inexplicable," says Renée Victoria Hoyos, Executive Director of TCWN. "Allowing violators to escape proper enforcement sends the wrong message: that you can come to Tennessee, pollute our rivers and streams and receive little or no punishment."

The report addresses a few potential reasons enforcement has declined, but points out TCWN's own work proves there is no shortage of violations throughout the state. TCWN has initiated multiple citizen enforcement actions across the state seeking correction and penalties for water quality permit violations.

This year's report also compares TDEC's policies to what actually happens in enforcement orders and determines there is little consistency. What the Department does actually contradicts its written procedures.

"Over half of the mandatory fines paid to the Department are under \$2000. Does this cover the cost to the state of enforcement and remediation? Or are Tennesseans paying for it?" asked Ms. Hoyos. "We are calling on TDEC Commissioner Martineau to assure his staff and the public the Department is still committed to effective enforcement. We also urge TDEC to assess fines suitable to cover the costs so it does not continue to be the burden of the taxpayer."

To read the report and learn more about the Tennessee Clean Water Network, go to <http://tcwn.org/programs>.

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From State Representative Harry Brooks

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Our total budget of \$32.6 billion is less than 1% over last years budget of \$32.3 billion. The budget is balanced as required by Tennessee law and "our rainy day fund" or fund balance will grow approximately \$100 million to \$456 million which is still below our pre-recession levels.

Included in this budget is another reduction of sales tax on food. Our current 5.25% will be lowered to 5%. We have raised the exemption level for the Hall income tax for citizens over 65 years of age. The second phase to eliminate the inheritance tax is also included in the budget. We are also continuing property tax relief for seniors, veterans and our disabled population. State employees will receive a 1.5%

salary improvement package. This will affect state employees, higher education staff and K-12 teachers. Additional salary improvement plans will take affect for state troopers, wildlife officers, district attorney general and public defenders.

Our business and workforce development receive special attention. We continue to fund economic development fast track infrastructure and job training. Film and television recruitment continue to receive special funding. Development districts receive additional funding to help local governments with planning.

Tourism programs receive special appropriations. Additional funds are provided for state zoos and the aquarium. Some historical and tourist sites are provided one time facility improvement funds. The thought is that tourism brings economic growth to Tennessee.

Next week's article will include a budget review of health and social services, K-12 Education, Higher Education and Safety & Correction. If you need to contact my office you may call (615)741-6879 or 1-800-449-8366 ext. 44556 and I can be reached by email at rep.harry.brooks@capitol.tn.gov or if you would like to receive updates by email you can sign up at <http://www.capitol.tn.gov/lyris/h19s.html>

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New Tenants Coming to Northshore Town Center

Northshore Town Center will be adding banking to its list of convenient services being offered. The master-planned, mixed-use community being developed by CHM, LLC announces that First Tennessee Bank and ORNL Federal Credit Union will be opening new branch locations in the near future, signaling two more significant additions.

"We are happy to welcome two of the most trusted financial service providers in all of East Tennessee," said Mike McGuffin, a partner with CHM, LLC. "It's no secret why they have chosen to expand their presence here...the vision of the center is coming to fruition. We are experiencing continued momentum and increased interest from many restaurants and retailers across the area, not to mention the positive feedback that we're receiving

from our current tenants."

The new branch of First Tennessee, a part of the First Horizon National Corporation family of companies, will be the community-focused regional bank's 35th location in Knoxville and surrounding areas. "We have been serving customers in the Northshore area for more than 15 years, and we are excited about the opportunity to continue our service to them in the new location in the Northshore Town Center," said Pam Fansler, East Region President, First Tennessee Bank.

Meanwhile, ORNL Federal Credit Union, another large financial services provider, will also open a new branch location in Northshore Town Center, marking its 33rd office in the greater Knoxville area. ORNL FCU provides financial services to businesses and individuals,

who live, work, worship, or attend school in the 16 counties of Central East Tennessee. "ORNL Federal Credit Union's planned branch in Northshore Town Center is part of our continued focus on delivering enhanced value to our members and the communities we serve," said Chris Johnson, CEO and President, ORNL Federal Credit Union. "We are excited to be part of this dynamic center and look forward to delivering our product and services with greater convenience to better meet the financial needs of our more than 157,000 members."

These two financial institutions will join Uncle Maddio's, the fastest-growing fast casual pizza restaurant in the Southeast, who is scheduled to open its first Tennessee location at Northshore Town Center later this spring. Uncle Maddio's offers made-to-

order pizzas, toasted paninis, and gourmet salads prepared with fresh ingredients and dressings that are made daily.

Retailers already featured in Northshore Town Center include Barre3, The Nail Spa, Froyoz, Fusion Tanning Studios, Five Guys and Great Clips in addition to Target and Publix.

Northshore Town Center is a 134-acre site located at Pellissippi Parkway and Northshore Drive. The development's master plan anticipates retailers, restaurants, entertainment, office space, plus single-family homes, multi-family homes, apartments, condos and townhomes, all complemented by a five-acre lake. In addition, Northshore Elementary will open this fall and accommodate nearly 1,000 students.

2013 Knoxville GREEN + GO Tour to showcase Knoxville's Green Buildings

The first annual GREEN + GO Sustainable Knoxville Green Tour, presented by the East Tennessee Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC-ET), will offer an inside look at some of Knoxville's high-performance buildings on May 4, 2013, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The buildings on the tour include Scripps Networks Interactive Headquarters, Knoxville Transit Center, Three Rivers Market, UT's Ayres Hall, UT's Living Light Decathlon House, Ijams Nature Center, Sustainable Future Office, and the Spectrum Solar Exhibit

at East Town Mall. Participants can tour all eight, or pick a certain selection they want to visit during the tour's five hour window.

The open-house tour will educate participants on the features and benefits of sustainable construction. Tour goers can visit up to eight sustainable buildings in the Knoxville area that represent a variety of green design strategies. Each of the eight buildings will have its own on-site experts to educate participants on the sustainable features, construction details, and the

economic savings of that building.

The tour is free and open to the public, and offers AIA/GBCI credit with paid admission of \$15/\$25 for two. RSVP required by April 30.

To RSVP, please go to the following url: <http://knoxville.greentour2013.eventbrite.com>.

For more information about the GREEN + GO Sustainable Knoxville Green Tour, please visit the USBGC-ET's website at <http://etnusbgb.org>.



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The Old Warhorse of Tennessee Politics: Benton McMillin

Pages from
the Political
Past



By Ray Hill
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Almost entirely forgotten today, Benton McMillin was one of the most popular politicians in Tennessee for decades. McMillin served in Congress for twenty years, two terms as Tennessee's governor, and went on to serve as a diplomat. McMillin's wife, Lucille, was also an accomplished lady who enjoyed a political career of her own after her husband's death.

Benton McMillin was born in Kentucky on September 11, 1845, the son of a wealthy planter. Young Benton very much wanted to participate in the Civil War, but his father refused to give his consent so that he could fight along side his two elder brothers who were serving in the Confederate Army. Still, McMillin managed to get himself captured by Union troops and the fiery youth refused to take an oath of allegiance to the Federal government. McMillin was briefly imprisoned for his refusal, but was released and he continued his studies by reading the law in the office of a local judge. After being admitted to the Bar in 1871, McMillin commenced the practice of law in Carthage, Tennessee.

Only three years after beginning his law practice, McMillin was elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives. Although a freshman legislator, McMillin was tapped by Governor James D. Porter to represent the State of Tennessee in making a purchase of territory from McMillin's native State of Kentucky. Governor Porter later appointed McMillin as a special judge on the bench of the Circuit Court of the Fifth District. By 1878, Benton McMillin was well enough known to win the Democratic nomination for Congress. McMillin was elected and remained in Congress for two decades and won a reputation for his speaking abilities and knowledge of the legislative rules. The Speaker of the House, Thomas B. Reed of Maine, ruled the House of Representatives like a despot and Congressman McMillin frequently bedeviled the tart-tongued Speaker. McMillin was assigned to one of the most powerful House Committees, Ways and Means, where he remained for fourteen years of his Congressional career. McMillin's political beliefs would not be popular with today's partisan Democrats as he was a staunch advocate of economy in government. Congressman McMillin also often lectured his colleagues on the dangers of Federal judges encroaching upon the powers of the Congress. McMillin was highly critical of the high tariff policy followed by much of the Republican Party at the time and enraged big business for his support for



Governor Benton McMillin

FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

effective antitrust laws.

Well before the adoption of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution, Congressman Benton McMillin supported the idea of a two-percent tax on incomes above \$4,000 (the equivalent of almost \$100,000 in today's currency). In 1894, McMillin managed to add his income tax proposal as an amendment to a pending bill and President Grover Cleveland made no objection, but the income tax was invalidated by the Supreme Court the following year.

When U. S. Senator Isham G. Harris died in office on July 8, 1897, Benton McMillin determined to become a candidate for the Senate. At the time, senators were elected by the General Assembly. McMillin very likely could have won a Democratic primary for the Senate, but the legislature instead chose Memphis attorney Thomas B. Turley, who had been appointed to the vacancy caused by Senator Harris's death. Disappointed by his failure to win election to the United States Senate, McMillin opted to retire from Congress and run for governor in 1898.

McMillin was elected and proved to be a very popular chief executive. Governor McMillin remained an advocate of economy in government and helped to reduce Tennessee's debt and kept a

watchful eye on the treasury. McMillin also insisted the legislature increase the age for youngsters employed by factories, a common practice at the time. Benton McMillin also signed into law the first uniform textbooks for Tennessee's schools.

McMillin was easily reelected to a second term in 1900 and after completing his time as governor, remained in Nashville and opened a successful insurance agency. Despite being confined to private life, Benton McMillin never gave up his aspirations for political office and remained a power inside Tennessee's Democratic Party almost until the end of his life.

McMillin had long wanted to represent Tennessee in the United States Senate and was considered the leading candidate to replace Senator James B. Frazier in 1911. Frazier had been McMillin's successor as governor and when Senator William B. Bate died unexpectedly on March 9, 1905, just days into a new six year term, Frazier allowed himself to be elected to the vacancy by the legislature. McMillin had been outraged by Frazier's swift elevation to the United States Senate. When Frazier's term expired in 1911, the senator wanted to be reelected but former Governor McMillin was also competing for the seat. McMillin's cherished senatorial ambitions had

been thwarted time and again and in 1911 a combination of "Independent" Democrats and Republicans elected Luke Lea to Senator Frazier's seat. The "Fusionist" movement in Tennessee was to enjoy a period when it controlled the governorship and both of Tennessee's seats in the United States Senate.

Few Democrats in Tennessee had so faithfully served the party as Benton McMillin; he attended every national convention of his party from 1876 until 1932, save for one instance in 1920. During the same period of time, McMillin was one of Tennessee's Democratic presidential electors in every election.

At age sixty-five, Benton McMillin was called back to duty by Tennessee Democrats who urged him to again run for governor in 1912. Republican Ben W. Hooper had been elected in 1910, defeating Senator Robert Love Taylor. Taylor, himself a former governor, had not wanted to make the race, much preferring to remain in the United States Senate. His defeat shocked just about everyone and perhaps no one more so than himself. Taylor died shortly after his defeat and many believed his rejection by the people of Tennessee had broken his heart. McMillin campaigned energetically against Governor Hooper, but he, too, lost.

Ben Hooper had managed to defeat two of Tennessee's most popular Democrats to get himself elected and reelected governor.

The former governor did not languish out of office for long. In 1913 President Woodrow Wilson appointed McMillin as the United States' Minister to Peru. McMillin and his wife journeyed to Lima and remained there until the former governor was replaced by a Republican in September of 1919. McMillin served as Minister to Peru for the entirety of Wilson's Administration.

Governor McMillin and his wife, Lucille, made frequent visits to Tennessee and the old warhorse followed the state's politics closely. McMillin had married Lucille Foster, his second wife, in 1887. McMillin had married the daughter of Governor John C. Brown in 1869, but Birdie McMillin had died while still quite young. Their union produced a son and Benton McMillin and his wife Lucille had a daughter

together. Governor and Mrs. McMillin returned to Nashville when his term as Minister to Peru expired.

Despite being seventy-seven years old, Benton McMillin made his last statewide campaign in 1922, seeking to return to the governorship. The incumbent was Republican Alf A. Taylor, brother of the late Robert L. Taylor. Governor Taylor was also in his seventies and his ouster of incumbent A. H. Roberts had jolted Tennessee Democrats. McMillin faced young lawyer and farmer Austin Peay in the Democratic primary and he ran a surprisingly strong race, winning by huge margins in much of his old Congressional district. McMillin swept much of the state and carried both Hamilton and Davidson counties; he narrowly lost Knox County, but the difference proved to be Shelby County. Peay won 9,079 votes in Shelby County to McMillin's 1,732 votes. McMillin lost the primary by just over 4,000 votes.

It was to be Benton McMillin's last hurrah. The former governor remained active, oftentimes unable to resist the urge to take to the stump on behalf of Democratic candidates in Tennessee. McMillin remained highly respected and popular with many thousands of Tennesseans. McMillin had served as a presidential elector for Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1932, but did not live to see Roosevelt take office. Benton McMillin died January 8, 1933 and was buried in Nashville.

McMillin's widow, Lucille Foster McMillin, went on to be appointed to the Civil Service Commission by President Roosevelt. Mrs. McMillin was quite well known throughout Tennessee and was especially admired by Tennessee's powerful senior United States Senator, Kenneth D. McKellar. McKellar was anxious to see Mrs. McMillin honored and he pressed Roosevelt to give her an appropriate appointment. Roosevelt had appointed Tennessee's junior U. S. Senator, Cordell Hull, to serve as his Secretary of State. Hull was himself an admirer of Lucille McMillin; the McMillins had been residents of Hull's hometown of Carthage. Cordell Hull and Senator McKellar strongly supported Lucille McMillin for an appointment and both were gratified by FDR having placed her on the Civil Service Commission. It was an unusual appointment at the time and one of the highest offices ever to be occupied by a woman. Mrs. McMillin went on to serve as the Chair of the United States Civil Service Commission and remained as a member until her retirement in 1945.



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The sale is sponsored by Friends organizations from the libraries in Sevierville, Kodak and Seymour. The three groups will split the proceeds equally and use the funds to benefit their libraries. The lightly used books are selected from donations to the three libraries from patrons and surplus books from the library shelves.

"We estimate we have between 30,000 and 40,000

books" from which to select the sale items, said Marti Agler. She and Mary Lou Fair are co-chairs of the sale.

There are some changes from previous sales, Agler said. Doors open on the sale at the King Family Library at noon on Monday, April 22. Usually, the first day of the sale is reserved for members of the three Friends of the Library groups only. Readers who want to make an early selection may purchase Friends memberships at the door. However, this time, Sevier County teachers are also invited to choose their books on Monday.

Also, "For the first time, we're selling magazines," Agler said. They will be 25 cents each. Another innovation will be the sale of books signed by the author. She expects them to be priced in the \$3 to \$10 range.

Grab bags containing five books from categories that are in plentiful supply, such as biography, health and self-

help, will go on sale for \$2 each.

Apart from Monday, when hours are noon to 6 p.m., the sale will take place during library hours. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, those hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. On Thursday, April 25, the hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, the last day of the sale, offers bargain hunters a real deal - all the books they can get in a bag for \$5. Bags will be provided. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The King Family Library is at 408 High Street, Sevierville. For more information on the sale, call the library at 453-3532.

The King Family, Kodak and Seymour libraries all welcome donations of good used books.



Families and friends came out for Southfest Saturday, April 13 for a variety of activities and musical performances, including Con Hunley (far left).

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As Vestival tradition holds, the festival begins at 11 a.m. with a casual Mother's Day brunch, which is free for mothers.

The day continues with live music on two stages resounding with Southern rock, blues, jazz, folk, bluegrass, Americana and more. This year's Vestival performers are Mic Harrison and the High Score, Nancy Brennan Strange and The Strangefellows, Leah Gardner, Jeff Barbra and Sarah Pirkle, Big Gene and Danny Lee's Loud Pack, Jack Rentfro

and the Apocalypse Quartet, Guy Marshall, Smiley and the Lovedawg, Big Jon and the Nationals, The Pinklets, Sarah Morgan, and Jim Myers.

Dragonfly Ariel Arts and Claire Metz Tribal Belly Dance will perform on the grounds at intervals during the festival. Visitors can browse the wares of local arts and crafts artists, community groups and select from a variety of food choices. There is also a tent for children's activities.

Old-fashioned cake walks, accompanied by live music, take place throughout the day. Participants pay \$1 each to walk the walk for their chance to win a cake donated by one of our community's generous bakeries.

More information about Vestival, including how local businesses can support the Vestival through sponsorship, is available at <http://candoromarble.org/> and on Facebook. To coordinate an interview about the event, please contact Sean McCollough at sean@thelonetones.com or Paige Travis, publicity chair, at pmtravis73@gmail.com.

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Admirals rout Bearden 6-0 in rivalry match



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Farragut's Ethan Snow (5) battles with Bearden's Nelson Acurero in the Admirals 6-0 victory over the Bulldogs Friday night at Bearden. Snow scored a goal in Farragut's lopsided victory.

By Ken Lay

The Farragut High-Bearden High boys soccer rivalry has seen plenty of hotly contested and intense matches over the past several years.

But Friday night, the latest chapter between Knoxville's top Class AAA powerhouses proved to be anything but intriguing as the visiting Admirals posted a 6-0 victory over the Bulldogs at Bruce Allender Field.

And Bearden coach Eric Turner couldn't hide his disgust after watching his team fall to

4-9-2 overall and 3-2 in District 4-AAA.

"This wasn't a tough loss," Turner said. "We're a bad AYSO team and we played with no intensity. We're like emotional zombies."

"You work 17 years to build a program based on intensity and hard work. Now, you have a team that doesn't do that and it hurts. Give Farragut credit. They came to play and we didn't and the result shows that. Farragut deserved it."

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Panthers hire Kilgore as head football coach

By Bill Mynatt,

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For the second time in as many years, Powell High School Administration has handed the reins of its successful football program to a defensive coordinator from a Knox County rival school. After Derek Rang's one year tenure officially ended early last month, current Knoxville Central defensive coordinator Tobi Kilgore has been hired to lead the Panthers, and hired just in time for spring practice, which begins Wednesday (April 24).

"I am extremely excited and blessed to be the new football coach at Powell High School, Kilgore told me. "This is an amazing opportunity. The community support and administration at Powell is second to none. The facilities are amazing and all of the tools are here to be successful. I am grateful that Mr. Cantrill and Mr. Dunlap have given me the opportunity to lead this proud program."

Kilgore, 27, spent the last two years as the defensive coordinator at Central under Joe Hassell, and prior to that he was a position coach for the Bobcats for a year under legendary coach Joel Helton. Kilgore started his coaching career at his Alma Mater, Halls High School, and then spent a spring at Grace Christian Academy before going to Central to work under Helton.

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Hall of famer Ed Irvin produced dominating record in volleyball



Ed Irvin instructs the Seymour Lady Eagles in 2011, his 28th and final season of a highly successful career as a volleyball coach. Irvin will be among 10 new members inducted into the Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame on July 11 at the Knoxville Convention Center.

By Steve Williams

For years, Ed Irvin had a dynasty in high school girls volleyball.

It's no wonder he was a unanimous selection for induction into the Greater Knoxville Sports Halls of Fame's Class of 2013.

As a head coach in volleyball for 28 years, Irvin compiled a won-loss

record of 723-327 and directed South-Doyle to the TSSAA Class A-AA state championship in 1991 – the only Knox County team that's ever captured a state title in the sport.

Irvin's Lady Cherokees (36-9) defeated Harpeth Hall 15-12, 15-11 in the finals in Chattanooga.

Harpeth Hall was 41-9.

Irvin was head volleyball coach at Catholic for two years, at Doyle and South-Doyle for 18 years and at Seymour for eight years. He was named Knoxville Interscholastic League Coach of the Year five times and received District Coach of the Year honors a total of eight

times – six years at Doyle and South-Doyle and two years at Seymour.

A lot of his coaching career was a family affair as he coached with his wife Christie and they had three daughters – Megan, Marty and Mandy – who were all-state players at South-Doyle.

Christie actually started

the volleyball program at Doyle in 1977, and Ed began at Doyle in 1986.

"They were a very successful team when I got there," said Irvin. "My first practice was on a Monday, August 4, and our third daughter (Mandy) was born the day before on

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Peyton Manning's Return to Tennessee

By Alex Norman

If Peyton Manning ever runs for Governor of Tennessee... or hopes one day to represent the Volunteer state in the U.S. Senate, it is hard to imagine him losing those elections, isn't it? Manning hasn't played a game for the Vols in more than 15 years... but he remains Tennessee's top ambassador. "Tennessee had such a huge impact in my life. I had a wonderful four years here at the University of Tennessee," said Manning. "That's a big reason why I stayed my senior year, because I wanted to have one more year of the college experience. It is still the University of Tennessee, it is still Volunteer pride, and I'm a huge fan of those." Manning traditionally spends a few days in Knoxville each June to hand out his annual scholarships to two incoming UT students. This year he made a trip in April to speak at the annual UT spring coaches' clinic. That was also the first opportunity Manning had to spend time in person with new Vols head coach Butch Jones. "The past few years haven't been the most fun for the Tennessee football family," said Manning. "Coach (Butch) Jones is determined to turn that around and I believe he will turn that around. This is the job he wanted. He wants to stay here, he wants to retire here. Those are the kind of people we want here at Tennessee. People that are all-in Tennessee Vol, and I can see that he is that, and that was encouraging." Manning added, "I think it is an exciting time for Tennessee football. People need to stay committed to it and be patient with it. Coach (Butch) Jones has it all mapped out. He preaches accountability to his players and the

players have bought in." "He means so much to us and our football program, recruiting and everything that we are doing here as we lay it brick by brick," said Jones. "We love him and we are very proud of him." Manning spoke with the current Volunteers, who certainly haven't experienced the kind of success that Manning did when he was the Vols quarterback from 1994-1997. "These players this year have a great chance to build their legacy, and to be part of the turnaround here," said Manning. Manning's Tennessee legacy is a strong one, leading the Vols to the 1997 SEC championship while throwing for 11,201 yards and 90 touchdowns. His NFL legacy isn't too shabby either. Going into his 16th season in professional football, Manning is a Super Bowl champion, a four-time league MVP, and a future first-ballot NFL Hall of Famer. Manning is preparing for his second season in Denver, and believes that the Broncos will once again be Super Bowl contenders, following a 13 win regular season in 2012. As for his personal game, Manning showed few ill effects after missing all of the 2011 season following neck surgery. He threw for 4,659 yards, completing 400 passes with 37 of those going for touchdowns. "When you are dealing with nerves I've learned it is a patience deal. I wish some things would come back a little bit more but I have learned to adjust and compensate in the state that I am," said Manning. "I would like to improve but obviously I think I can I can perform in the status quo, but I still have hopes. I'm obviously better than I was a year ago but I'm still not quite where I was before I was injured."



Farragut first baseman Mary Claire Coyne awaits a throw from the infield to retire Bearden's Rachael Goodson in the Lady Admirals' 11-1 District 4-AAA victory over the host Lady Bulldogs Wednesday at Kim Hazelwood Field.

Farragut starts fast, downs Bearden 11-1

By Ken Lay

Farragut High School's softball team got a little aggressive early Wednesday night. The Lady Admirals used a big first inning to propel themselves past Bearden 11-1 in a District 4-AAA game at Kim Hazelwood Field. Farragut (20-5 overall, 10-2 in the district) scored six runs, pounded out six hits and stole six bases in the top of the first inning. Things all started when Lady Admirals' leadoff hitter Tori Etheridge reached on a line drive that went off Bearden pitcher Jessie Goodson's glove. Etheridge's infield hit started an inning that saw the Lady Admirals send 10 hitters to the plate. Once Etheridge got aboard, she made things miserable for the Lady Bulldogs' defense. She stole second and third before scoring the game's first run on a single by Avery Blankenburg. Shelby Miller, Madison Etter and Kelsey Hughes added RBI singles in the frame. Farragut scored another run on a Bearden error before Hannah Leavell's groundout plated Etter with the inning's final run. Mary Claire Coyne, Miller, Etter and Hughes all swiped bags in the inning. "We took advantage of our opportunities in the first inning," Lady Admirals coach David Moore said. "We've been kind of up and down lately. We've lost games against Catholic and William Blount

and we felt like we could've won those games. "We have to take advantage of our opportunities." Farragut added three more runs in the third to take a 9-0 lead. The Lady Admirals made it 7-0 on an RBI single by Emily Smith. Etheridge's two-run double provided another punch. "They beat us to death," Lady Bulldogs coach Leonard Sams said after watching his team drop to 16-10 overall and 7-4 in the district. "They hit the ball well." Farragut's opportunistic offense might've provided plenty of fireworks, but Lady Admirals' sophomore pitcher Sierra Sims was dominant. She had seven strikeouts and wiggled out of a bases-loaded jam in the bottom of the fifth. She allowed just one run, five hits and a walk in a game that was called after six innings due to the 10-run rule. "She made some pitches that she had to make," Moore said of Sims. Farragut made it 10-0 in the fourth on Smith's second RBI double of the contest. The Lady Bulldogs pulled to within 10-1 in the fourth when second baseman Jenny Parkman singled and later scored on a groundout by Catie Monroe. Bearden stranded two runners in that inning and also left the bases loaded in the fifth. A one-out solo homer from Hannah Stephenson in the sixth accounted for the game's final run.

Sports helps life return to normal for many after tragedy

Sports are put in proper perspective when life and death matters arise or tragedy strikes. Winning and losing doesn't seem nearly as important, and games are usually called off in respect of others during these times. But sports also can help with the beginning of the healing process. The resumption of play allows many fans an opportunity to resume their normal lives. We saw tragedy strike the Boston Marathon last week. The winner of the race hardly made news after terrorists set off two bombs near the finish line, killing at least three people and injuring 180 others. Those who ran into the eye of potential danger to help victims of the explosions were the true champions. The first sign of healing in the Boston area was



By Steve Williams

felt across America last Wednesday night prior to the first sporting event to take place in Boston after the Monday tragedy – the Bruins' NHL match against the Buffalo Sabres. The powerful rendition of our national anthem at the Boston Garden told us our fellow Americans in Beantown were stronger than ever. Even President Obama said those guilty of the cowardly act picked on the wrong city. Rene Rancourt, who has sung the national anthem in Boston for 35 years, was only a few words into the anthem when he motioned for the 17,565 fans to take over. The capella brought goosebumps. "This tops them all," said Rancourt. After the anthem, Bruins fans chanted, "Let's go Boston!" instead of "Let's Go Bruins!" The impromptu singing of the Star Spangled Banner was just one of the ways sports helped start the

recovery in Boston. A sign hung high atop Yankee Stadium showed support for a longtime rival. The sign included the New York Yankees logo on the left and the Boston Red Sox logo on the right, with the message – United We Stand – in the middle. The playing of "Sweet Caroline," which has been played in the middle of the eighth inning at every Fenway Park game since 2002, sounded at many major league ball parks across the country last week in a show of support for Bostonians. On Tuesday, the Yankees played Neil Diamond's soft rock hit, preceded by a moment of silence as a tribute to the victims. And by Friday night's return home, the Red Sox had put a "B Strong" sign on the Green Monster to honor victims and heroes of the Boston Marathon tragedy. This is not a perfect world we live in, obviously. Even Knoxville, in recent

years, has experienced shocking events that we once felt only happened in other parts of the country, with shootings at Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church and Central High School in 2008 and at Inskip Elementary School in 2010. Our homeland was forever changed on September 11, 2001 when our borders were violated by terrorists, who attacked the World Trade Center in New York City and also the Washington, D.C. area. Since that dark day, there have been concerns that a sports stadium, which holds tens of thousands of fans, might be a target of terrorists someday. Thankfully, that hasn't happened. Hopefully, it never will. Terrorists have struck sporting events twice prior to last week. In the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, a terrorist bomb attack at Centennial Olympic Park killed one woman and injured 111 more. Another died of a heart

attack. There could have been more fatalities, but a security guard discovered the bomb before it was detonated and cleared most spectators out of the park. The Munich Massacre of the 1972 Summer Olympics was an attack on 11 members of the Israeli Olympic team, who were taken hostage and eventually killed, along with a German police officer, by the Palestinian group Black September. After the attack at the Boston Marathon, the prevalent question was "Why?" But

there's not an answer that makes any sense. Often, terrorist attacks can be a faceless crime, a nameless crime. Last week's wasn't. In a matter of days, authorities had two suspects located and identified. One was shot dead in the wee hours of Friday morning. The other was captured live Friday night. Bostonians celebrated in the streets, but I'm not sure that was the proper perspective. This wasn't sports. There were not any winners. Only losers and survivors.

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Local hoopsters receive all-state honors

By Ken Lay

Several area high school basketball players were named to the Tennessee Sportswriters Association's All-State Team recently. Webb's girls, who reached the Division II State Championship Game, led the way with a trio of selections including Molly Melton, Micah Scheetz and Katie Collier. The Spartans' boys squad also had two players receive all-state honors as Burton Sampson and Justin Jenkins were named to the team. Grace Christian Academy's Trey Stewart was named to the Division I Class A team. He helped lead the Rams to the State Tournament in Murfreesboro. District 3-AA was well represented on the All-State boys team. The district, which is among the most competitive in the state, had three players selected. Gibbs High's Jay Cade was named to the squad, along with Fulton's Micah Goss and Austin-East's Andre Wilson. The Eagles and Falcons both reached the

State Tournament last season.

Fulton's Jayda Johnson and Christian Academy of Knoxville's Anna Hammaker were named to the Class AA girls team.

Meanwhile, Farragut's Madison Blevins and Bearden's Erin Walsh were selected to the Class AAA girls squad. Blevins, a senior and Belmont University commitment, battled an early ankle injury but led the Lady Admirals to a third consecutive Section 1-AAA appearance. Farragut won its first outright regular-season district championship since 1989. The Lady Admirals also claimed the District 4-AAA Tournament Title with a win over Bearden.

Walsh was the leading scorer on a Lady Bulldogs' squad that won the Region 2-AAA Championship with a win over rival Farragut. Bearden also reached the Class AAA State Tournament despite not having a senior on its roster.

Devin Sibley (Karns) and DeMarcus Martin (Farragut) was named to the Class AAA boys squad.

Farragut pounds Maryville to avenge loss

By Ken Lay

What a difference a day makes --- at least for the Farragut High School baseball team.

The Admirals saw their bats come to life Thursday night and the result was a 14-4 five-inning District 4-AAA victory over Maryville on Armed Forces Night at John Heatherly Field.

The victory avenged a 7-6 nine-inning loss to the Rebels Wednesday night in Blount County.

"We kind of threw a stinker out there [Wednesday] night," Farragut coach Matt Buckner said. "Tonight, it was good to see us bounce back."

"Baseball is a learning experience and hopefully, we learned from what happened here and what

happened [Wednesday] night."

Entering Thursday night's contest against Maryville, the Admirals (17-7 overall, 9-2 in the district) had dropped three of their last four games and Farragut found itself down early as the Rebels plated the game's first run in the top of the first inning.

Maryville took the 1-0 lead on a scoring single by shortstop Ryan Poteet that drove in Nick Reynolds, who reached on an infield single and stole second earlier in the frame.

The Admirals, however, didn't trail long. Farragut sent nine hitters to the plate in the bottom of the inning and scored three runs to take the lead for good. Maryville pitcher Daniel Raby battled control

issues. The Rebels' ace walked four batters and hit Farragut starter Chase Chambers.

Farragut knotted the game, 1-1, when catcher Brett Hagenow drew a base on balls with the bases loaded. Alex Schuettler then culminated the inning with a two-run single to make the score 3-1.

And the Admirals were far from finished.

They sent nine hitters to the plate again in the second and added four more runs. Farragut also chased Raby from the game. Center fielder Jammer Strickland started things with a lead-off single. He would take second and third on wild pitches. He scored on a balk by Maryville reliever

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Admirals rout Bearden 6-0 in rivalry match

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Farragut, which was coming off a home loss to Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett Tuesday night, wasted little time grabbing the upper hand in the most recent chapter of Knox County's biggest soccer rivalry.

The Admirals (10-3, 4-1) took a 1-0 lead in the seventh minute when Kai Miettinen buried a shot in the corner of the Bulldogs net. Miettinen's marker was the first of five Farragut tallies before halftime.

"Five first-half goals was a surprise to me and I'm sure that it was a surprise to them," Admirals' coach Wallie Culbreth said.

Farragut dropped a district match to Maryville recently and that 1-0 setback likely cost the Admirals an automatic Region 2-AAA Tournament bid but Culbreth said that he's confident that his team can snag the other regional bid with a stellar performance in the District 4-AAA Tournament.

"We'll do OK in the district tournament," he said. "My guys have confidence that we can get out."

Friday night's effort certainly did nothing to dampen the Admirals' spirits. Farragut scored five goals on its first 10 shots. Emilio More made it 2-0 with a marker in the 12th minute.

Ethan Snow scored seven minutes later to extend Farragut's advantage to 3-0.

Admirals junior forward Marvin Mendy had the final two goals of the first half. He would go on to complete a hat trick in the 66th minute.

"It feels awesome to score three goals," Mendy said. "Bearden is our best competition."

"We came over here my freshman year and they beat us. We came in here tonight looking for revenge. Scoring three goals against them is a great feeling."



Farragut's Kai Miettinen and Bearden's Bryson Lott give chase to a ball in the open field of the Admirals' 6-0 road victory over the Bulldogs. Miettinen scored the game's first goal in the seventh minute.

Panthers hire Kilgore as head football coach

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Kilgore was a linebacker and running back at Halls, playing for then head coach Gary Shepard. After graduating from Halls in 2003 he began his college education at Roane State Community College, earning an Associate's degree, and then went on to earn his Bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee. He also holds a Masters from Lincoln Memorial University, and is currently in

another post graduate program through LMU.

During his college years, Kilgore helped out as a volunteer at Halls - first under Shepard, and then during Kevin Julian's tenure as the head coach of the Red Devils. Julian hired Kilgore to his first official coaching position on the Halls staff after Kilgore earned his undergraduate degree from UT.

Kilgore has been married to Jessica Humphrey Kilgore, also a Halls graduate, for three

years and the couple make their home in North Knox County.

Q&A with new Panther head football coach Tobi Kilgore

Question: Obviously you have a good knowledge of Powell football, having played and coached at Halls and currently coaching at Knoxville Central. Talk about your experiences in both roles in facing the Panthers:

Answer: Powell on Friday night is an amazing atmosphere. The way the community comes out to support the team in the Panther walk before the games, and then on to the stadium itself. I am blessed to now be on the other (home) sideline of this amazing atmosphere

and hope to be a part of it for a long time.

Question: Spring practice begins this Wednesday (April 24). What do you hope to accomplish during spring drills?

Answer: I hope to get our base schemes in place and learn the players. Powell has some really good talent returning from last year's team and I look forward to seeing them on the practice field. I also hope to develop some of our younger players to create some depth which is crucial with our district and non-district schedule for the upcoming season.

Question: Powell has been 37-4 over the last 3 seasons, including 2 undefeated regular seasons, 2 district championships, a state runner up in class 5A in 2011,

and a semifinal appearance a year ago. Talk about coming in to a program that has seen so much success over the past few years.

Answer: Absolute dream come true. The success that has been here is unbelievable. Coach Lowe did an excellent job of getting this program to where it is today and that will most definitely be a person I will reach out to and Coach Rang did an excellent job with these guys last year going 12-2. I have two pairs of big shoes to fill and there will be some pressure with that, but I like that pressure. If there is not pressure to be successful in a program I am not sure why you would want to be there.

Question: You open the 2013 season at home

against defending state 4A champion Fulton, and then the next week you go to 2 time defending state 3A champion Christian Academy of Knoxville. Any thoughts on opening with those two outstanding programs?

Answer: I love it. I think this will be a great challenge because Coach Black and Coach Bradley do an amazing job with their programs and it is a challenge I am looking forward to. I truly believe you have to play the best and those two programs are definitely that. I think it is important to realize that Powell has also been extremely successful the last several years as well and take these games on as a "we get to" mentality as opposed to as a "we have to" mentality.

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SWISH!! Give—Him—Two! (Part III)

Les Spitzer, the successful jump-shot shooter who helped propel the 1964-65 Gibbs basketball team to third in the state and caught the attention of the Carson-Newman Eagles, spent his professional career at Knoxville Utilities Board (KUB). Spitzer is a past board member of the City Employees' Credit Union (CECU), Knox Farmers Cooperative



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(Co-op), and the Cattle-men's Association. Currently, he serves as Chairman of the Board of Farmers Mutual of Tennessee and Northeast Knox Utility District. The

Spitzers are members of Clapps Chapel United Methodist Church.

Les and Judy are now retired and enjoy spending time on their beautiful farm in Corryton, with magnificent mountain

scenery that could be lifted out of a magazine. From their hilltop home, they are blessed with a breathtaking view of House Mountain, Clinch Mountain, and the Smoky Mountains. Such beauty is like a gift from God every day. On a clear day, even Clingman's Dome can be seen. Evenings may be spent watching purple martins, their thirty head of Angus/Gelbvieh Cross Beef Cattle, or their donkeys grazing on the hillside. When I stopped by one afternoon, a big, yellow

schoolbus could be seen in the distance traveling up the highway. It was a picture-perfect scene of rural America. Les and Judy, also, cherish time with their two daughters and sons-in-law and four precious grandchildren. Athleticism went down the line in the Spitzer household. Both daughters played on the girls' softball teams at Gibbs High School that won several state championships. Granddaughter Staley is a rising volleyball player.

As I was leaving the Wrights' reception at

Clapps Chapel last summer, a pretty young girl with long dark hair came to the door. Staley, one of the Spitzers' granddaughters, had been listening as I talked to her grandfather about writing this story. "Good luck with your story," she called to me.

"Thanks," I answered. I hope this look back on the highlights in the life of Staley's grandfather meets with her approval—and all those who know Les Spitzer and appreciate the record he left at Gibbs High School and

places in his life beyond the basketball court.

(This is the eighth in a series on the 1964-65 Gibbs Eagles' basketball team. The series continues on May 13 with another former player.)

Farragut pounds Maryville to avenge loss

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Jake McCormick.

Farragut scored another run when Gabe Waldrop crossed on a wild pitch for Farragut, which managed only two hits in the inning. David Logan had a scoring single and Nick Senzel scored when Patrick Raby reached on an error.

Maryville pulled to within 7-4 in the top of the third. The Rebels got a two-run double from catcher Greg Jones. Landon Hawkins also drove in a run with a single. Chambers left the mound before inning's end. Chris Hutson slammed the door by retiring Alex Curl to end the inning.

The Admirals ended the game with seven runs in the fifth as they batted around for the third time. Strickland had a two-run double and Duncan Pence ended the contest with a two-run single. Senzel added an RBI single. Farragut got scored twice when Schuettler reached on an error.



Picture of the Spitzer family at Bill and Georgia Wrights' 70th Anniversary Reception. Left to right (front row): Grace Raley, Hunter Raley, Stella Humphries; (middle row) Stephanie Raley, Judy Spitzer, Staley Humphries, Leslie Humphries; (back row) Darrell Raley, Les Spitzer and Jon Humphries. Photo provided by Les and Judy Spitzer.

Hall of famer Ed Irvin produced dominating record in volleyball

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Sunday, August 3. Christie took off coaching for four years or so when our girls were so young.

"Christie was an excellent teacher as a coach. It was like we had two head coaches. I would always give her the young projects to work with. I certainly couldn't have been as successful without her help."

Oldest daughter Megan, a 6-foot middle blocker, was KIL Player of the Year in 1997. Marty, a defensive specialist and spiker, was a two-time all-stater in 1999 and 2000. Mandy, a setter and spiker, also was a two-time all-state honoree in 2002 and 2003.

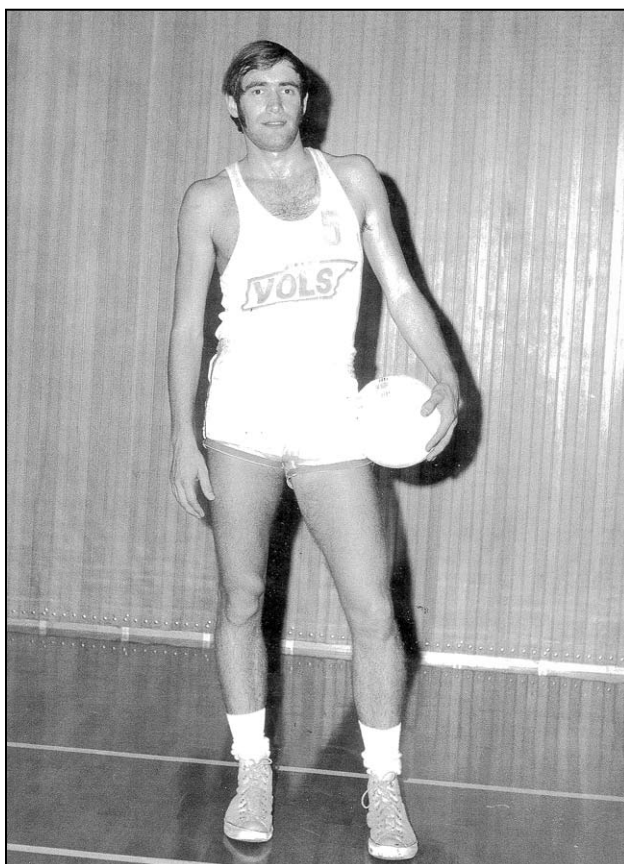
"All of our success was done with kids we trained," said Irvin. "We never had an impact player move into our school at South-Doyle or Seymour."

In the state title season, Irvin recalled being asked who to nominate off his team to be on the state all-tournament team.

"I couldn't do that," he said. "We didn't have one who stood out above the rest. Everybody had a role."

Another key to the success Irvin had South-Doyle High was the fact he was P.E. Teacher at South-Doyle Middle School from 1986 to 1996 and got to coach and prepare the sixth, seventh and eighth graders for the Knox County Middle School volleyball tournament, which was held in the spring.

"And then when we got them at the high school,



Ed Irvin played for Coach Bud Fields on the 1973 University of Tennessee club volleyball team. Fields is the one who notified Irvin of his selection into the Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame.

they weren't beginners," said Irvin.

"I would get the best athletes and teach them the game of volleyball."

Irvin had a test he used to gauge volleyball athletes. It consisted of the shuttle run to determine quickness, the vertical jump to measure leg strength and power, and a timed mile to evaluate endurance and condition.

Irvin said if an athlete had gained confidence from being successful in pressure situations in other sports that was an "added bonus."

Irvin said former Seymour High two-time all-

stater Morgan Peterson, now a setter at Butler, was "the best all-around player I ever coached."

Irvin played club volleyball at UT in 1973 and was a player on the 1974 Knoxville YMCA team, which won the Region 5 tourney.

UT and the Knoxville YMCA team were co-hosts of the United States Volleyball Association national tourney in the spring of 1974., which was played at Stokely Athletics Center. California-Santa Barbara swept the collegiate and open division titles.

"We were the only team to beat them a game in a match," said Irvin.

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Michael English's 'Some People Change' tour coming to Knoxville

New Destiny Productions LLC is pleased to announce that Michael English, lead singer of the Grammy® award winning Gaither Vocal Band is coming to Knoxville Thursday evening, April 25th. Michael English is among the most powerful communicators the gospel music industry has been blessed to know. Music is quite literally bred into his DNA. He learned early in life how to harmonize and communicate a song as part of a traveling musical group with his father and brother. Immediately after his high school graduation, the young North Carolina native joined The Singing Americans, where he first recorded an anthem that would become his signature song, "I Bowed On My

Knees and Cried Holy."

Michael joined the Gaither Vocal Band in 1985 and his soulful, power-packed voice combined with his spectacular connection with audiences quickly launched him to the forefront of the Christian music world. In spite of his battles with stage fright, frequent panic attacks and other personal challenges, Michael's phenomenal gift for communication birthed a thriving solo career, which grew out of the popularity he gained with the Gaither Vocal Band.

Michael has just released his new project, "Some People Change." The highly anticipated project is Michael's first studio recording in six years.

Russ Woolard, President

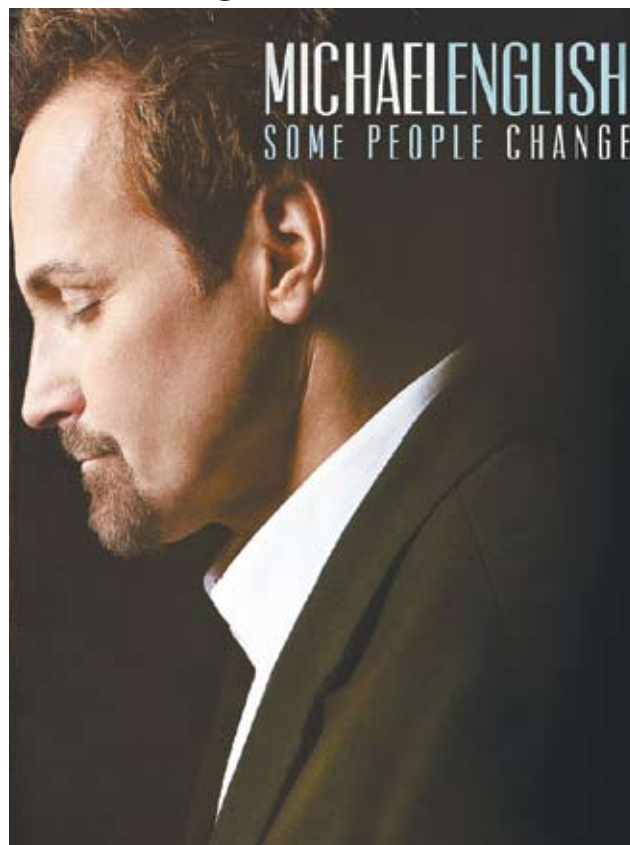
of New Destiny Productions, says, "We are pleased to be able to host someone of Michael's incredible vocal talent and life-changing experiences. Michael is truly the Prodigal Son. Fans will recognize his hits 'I Bowed on My Knees and Cried Holy', 'Feels Like Redemption', and many others."

Michael's penetrating, power-packed vocals are at the forefront on this new release as he is featured on brand new songs, "That Great Day," "Waking Up The Dawn," the current single "Stubborn," time-tested classics such as "I'd Rather Have Jesus," and a brand-new version of Michael's hit song, "In Christ Alone."

Although this is his first solo recording in several

years, the gifted singer has hardly been resting. Michael has kept an extremely busy touring and recording schedule as a member of the Grammy® award-winning Gaither Vocal Band. This Prodigal's personal journey may have indeed come full circle; but an adventurous new season of spreading hope to the hopeless is just beginning as he continues to do solo dates when the Gaither schedule allows.

Tickets for this concert are available at area Life Way and Cedar Springs Christian stores as well as Maryville-Alcoa Christian Supply and by calling 1-800-965-9324 or www.itickets.com.



Joseph the Dreamer

Eleven faces stared anxiously down at the floor. Even though all eyes were on the ground, attention was focused on the man sitting on the throne in front of them. Surrounded by guards and ser-



By Mark Brackney,
Minister of the
Arlington Church
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vants, the prime minister looked down on these herdsmen. His long history with these men included memories of pain and rejection. They had wronged him and now the tables were turned. With a word or motion of the hand, he could severely punish or execute those who had betrayed him.

What action will Joseph take toward his brothers? Their father, Jacob, had just

died, and together they had buried him. Now they are bowing before their brother and asking for mercy. They are afraid Joseph might now finally seek revenge for the wrongs they perpetrated against him.

Joseph begins to speak and it was not with words of angry threats. Instead, it was the sound of weeping. Joseph spoke words of compassion:

"Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives" (Genesis 50:19-20).

Many would desire vengeance for what Joseph's brothers had done to him. But Joseph showed

kindness and love instead of allowing bitterness to take root. How could Joseph act this way after so much pain in this life (sold as a slave, separated from his father who thought he was dead, thrown in prison after being wrongly accused)? The answer lays in Joseph's belief system. He had a clear understanding of God's plan for his life. With his brothers before him, Joseph offered a perspective that summarized the story of his life: God is in control and we can trust Him for the outcome.

We must look at the big picture of what God was doing through Joseph. The Lord used his suffering to accomplish His sovereign purposes. God had a plan for His chosen nation that was just getting started. God used Joseph to save this budding nation from a severe seven-year famine.

God brought them to Egypt where they would be transformed from a family into a nation that eventually Jesus would be born into as a fulfillment of His covenant (Gen. 12:1-3).

As I consider Joseph's life, I am reminded of a New Testament verse: "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28). This doesn't mean all things are good. Satan will do all he can to sow seeds of bitterness through the trials of living in a sinful world. But God is able to enter into our pain to accomplish His purposes. Keep trusting and allowing God to author your story, like Joseph did. With time, you will see how God will work it out for His glory.

Halls church hosting special community sale

On Saturday, April 26, A Church Called Home will be hosting a community yard sale in the parking lot of Halls Cinema. But there's a catch, everything is free!

Jason Creech, Pastor of A Church Called Home said, "In the book of Acts the first century church was a constant blessing to its community. The believers shared and gave to simply bless those around them." A Church Called Home has put that creed into action with their first ever community yard sale.

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"This is the kind of thing we want to do on a regular basis. God is a giver and we want to demonstrate that to our neighbors," Creech said.

The sale will begin at 8:30 and go until all the items are gone or noon, whichever comes first. Breakfast will be served to all those who come by.

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Grace Covenant Church

Bluegrass and traditional mountain music with Pastor Terry Fletcher on Wednesday, April 24, at 7 p.m. Grace Covenant Church, 5022 East Inskip Road. gracecovknox.com

Hillcrest Baptist Church

The B Men at Hillcrest Baptist Church will be having a Country Breakfast with all the fixins' to raise money for neighborhood missions. It will be at the Fellowship Hall at 6715 Sunnyview Road on Saturday April 27, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. The suggested donation is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Please come join us for some good food and fellowship. For questions or directions contact: Tony Martin at 654-3978.

Glenwood Baptist Church

Glenwood Baptist Church, 7212 Central Ave Pike, is accepting appointments for the John 5 Food Pantry. Call (865)938-2611. If you must leave

a message, we will return your call.

Knoxville Fellowship Luncheon

The Knoxville Fellowship Luncheon will meet April 23, 2013 at the Golden Corral on Clinton Highway at noon. Annie Minter Jones will be the guest speaker.

Seymour United Methodist Church

The "Scrapbooking" fellowship group will meet Friday at 6 p.m.

This Saturday, from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., the annual Car, Truck & Tractor Show will be held on the church grounds. Come and enjoy all the fun and music and see some beautiful machines. Volunteers are needed for many functions that day! Contact Rev. Darren Kitts

or Bobby Jennings.

Next Sunday marks the end of the PIP Fund drive to raise funds for the HVAC equipment at church. If you've already contributed, "Thank You!" If not, be sure to help out with whatever amount you can. Goal is \$25,000 by the end of April.

The annual Camp Wesley Woods Golf Tournament is scheduled for next Monday, April 29, at Green Meadows golf course in Alcoa, TN. Registration begins at 11 a.m. with 12:30 p.m. tee time, and shotgun start.

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1 ½ teaspoons salt
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1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract

In a large bowl, combine the dates, water and butter; let stand for 5 minutes. In a large bowl, combine the flour, sugar, walnuts, baking soda and salt. In a small bowl, combine the eggs, vanilla and date mixture. Stir into dry ingredients just until moistened.

Pour into two greased 8-in. x 4-in. loaf pans. Bake at 375° for 45-50 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Cover loosely with foil if top browns to quickly. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks. Yield: 2 loaves (12 slices each).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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May 17, 2013, and to obtain a nomination form, please e-mail susan.fowlkes@knox-county.org or call (865)215-5172. KAWA is a women's organization designed to provide business women with opportunities for professional networking, development, and leadership.

World Friendship Day

World Friendship Day will be celebrated in Knoxville with the Friendship Force club hosting an international dinner on Tuesday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m. at Palisades Clubhouse, 501 Rain Forest Rd. off Gleason Rd. Visitors are invited to join the celebration as clubs in 60 different countries around the world promote friendship and goodwill.

Knoxville club members will begin a week of home hosting for members of the Saskatoon FF club in Saskatchewan, Canada, and invite the community to meet their guests. Attendees are encouraged to wear an outfit representative of another country and bring an international dish to share.

Friendship Force Clubs are community-based volunteer

organizations that work to increase international understanding through the process of home hospitality. Clubs organize travel, called 'exchanges' to another country where members are matched with local hosts in whose home they live for a short time. Each year, more than 5,000 citizen ambassadors travel with FFI changing the way they see the world by exploring other countries from the inside, as temporary citizens. In addition, visitors from other countries come to East Tennessee to experience our lives and southern hospitality. Living with a host family, sharing everyday life brings a profound understanding of another country and culture.

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West View Elementary School

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Enjoy Dogwood Arts Festival Walking Trails This Month in Knoxville

Emphasizing the natural beauty of spring with breathtaking flora along historical architecture and inviting people to take a leisurely stroll through the neighborhood, Dogwood Arts is adding new and revamped walking trails to the 2013 Festival. Focusing on the idea of stepping out into our community, the trails are at least one-mile in length and folks are encouraged to walk, run, or bike these additional trails.

The Dogwood Arts Walking Trails are presented by Covenant Health and sponsored by Subway.

Trail location and

maps may be downloaded at dogwoodarts.com/walking-trails. Look for Walking Trail signs at entrance and pink dogwood directional decals on the sidewalks.

4th and Gill: 808 Eleanor Street, Knoxville, TN 37917

Springbrook Park: [500-798] Alcoa Road, Alcoa, TN 37701

Knoxville Botanical Garden & Arboretum: 2743 Wimpole Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37914

Grigsby Chapel Greenway: [11300-11453]

Grigsby Chapel Road, Knoxville, TN 37934

Old North Knoxville: E. Oklahoma Avenue NE, Knoxville, TN 37917

Emory Valley: 728 Emory Valley Road, Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Adair Park: 1807 Adair Drive, Knoxville, TN 37918

Seven Islands Wildlife Refuge: 2809 Kelly Lane, Knoxville, TN 37914

WHAT: Dogwood Walking Trails
WHERE: All over East Tennessee
WHEN: April 1 – 30, from dawn to dusk
HOW MUCH: Free admission

Ijams Nature Center: 2915 Island Home Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37920

Turkey Creek Greenway: Perfect for biking* 11259 Parkside Drive, Knoxville, TN 37922

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Historic Fourth and Gill announces the 2013 Tour of Homes

The Historic Fourth and Gill neighborhood will be holding the 2013 Tour of Homes on Sunday, April 28 from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person and children under 12 are admitted free. Tickets may be purchased at the Central United Methodist Church, 201 3rd Avenue, during event hours. Tickets may be purchased until 5:00 p.m. the day of the tour.

Fourth and Gill is one of Knoxville's most beloved historic neighborhoods, and this is the first time since 2010 that its homes have been open to the public. The Tour of Homes invites guests inside six historic homes, one beautiful new home and stately Central United Methodist Church. Imagine the gracious living of the Victorian and Craftsman eras, and see how our homes have been adapted to life in the 21st century.

The Tour of Homes is a sanctioned event of the Dogwood Arts Festival, and the Fourth and Gill Neighborhood is also the Festival's original urban walking trail. Guests are invited to stroll the neighborhood's sidewalks amidst glorious late spring trees and blossoms. Maps detailing the neighborhood's notable trees and



gardens as well as historical points of interest are available for a self-guided tour on the 1300 block of Luttrell Street. Maps are located in a special event mailbox on the west side of the street adjacent to Brownlow Lofts.

For those desiring a more leisurely tour, a

red trolley bus, hosted by a tour guide, will be driving the tour route transporting guests to each home.

Located less than two miles from downtown Knoxville, the Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood features over 280 residential structures, including single

family homes, duplexes, and apartment buildings. Many of the homes were designed by some of Knoxville's most notable architects, including George F. Barber and Joseph Bauman. For information, visit the Fourth and Gill neighborhood web site at www.fourthandgill.org.



Featured homes will include the peach house (above), which is a George Barber, and the blue one (left), which was built a few years ago on the site of the old McCallie School.

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Lakemoor Hills [Loudon Lake] Dogwood Trail

Welcome to the Lakemoor Hills [Loudon Lake] Dogwood Trail, which begins in a high wooded area where native white dogwood trees abound, and wold redbuds spread pink parasols above the garden plantings!

After winding uphill and down, Timberlake Drive slopes sharply to the level of Fort Loudon Lake. During this descent, look straight ahead for the first view of the shining lake and the distant misty mountains. At the bottom of the hill, turn right onto Maloney Road, named for an earlier settler, James Maloney, who built his log cabin beside this little inlet. His great-grandson, General James Maloney, was a prime mover in establishing the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Most of the handsome homes on the Loudon Lake Trail are relatively new, but the large white farmhouse on the right ahead, is an exception. It was built in the 1890s.

Leaving Maloney Road, the trail rises to circle the center-strip of Bluff Point Drive. At #3529, look for the dogwood tree growing through the roof of the porch!

Another right turn from Maloney Road leads past a Victorian summerhouse and a rustic split-rail fence to a natural sunken rock garden in a shady area replete with wildflowers.



A right turn onto Blow Drive brings the trail out on a high overlook, with vistas of the Sequoyah Hills Dogwood Trail upstream, and the Westmoreland Dogwood Trail directly across the lake.

The large building on the opposite bluff is Cherokee Country Club, seen from the rear.

Turn left on Manor Drive beside the grounds of Dogwood Manor, a Greek Revival mansion with a fascinating history.

The house was built about 1830 in Tazewell, Tennessee – more than fifty miles from Knoxville – where it survived the Civil War Battle of Tazewell.

Almost a century later, when a new highway threatened its destruction, it was moved to this location, brick by numbered brick.

In the small private cemetery, on the left, is the grave of a Revolutionary War soldier who was probably the first white settler in the area covered by the Loudon Lake Dogwood Trail.

North Carolina paid its Revolutionary Militia in “land warrants” good for tracts of wilderness land west of the mountains in what is now the State of Tennessee.

Chances are, Private Wells received this acreage as his land grant.

After circling down to the very water’s edge,

the trail returns along Maloney Road. The buildings on the opposite bank are part of the state’s Lakeshore Mental Health Institute.

Beyond a stretch of handsome homes surrounded by flowering trees and masses of spring-blooming bulbs, Fort Loudon Lake widens into a mirror that reflects its wooded shores.

Ahead on the skyline rises the majestic Great Smoky Mountains.

Fort Loudon Lake is one of the “Great Lakes of the South” created by TVA for hydro-electric power production and flood control.

A series of main-stream dams and locks

on the Tennessee River has made possible a 9-foot shipping channel that links Knoxville to the Gulf of Mexico.

Pleasure crafts of all sorts and sizes cruise the TVA lakes, and there is something unique about the boathouses that shelter them.

Each lake’s water level is controlled by a downstream dam, and the water may rise or fall several feet in a matter of hours.

For this reason, boathouses on the lake shores cannot be stationary; they must be supported on air filled buoys.

Just past a little inlet, on the right, a small marina offers a glimpse of these unusual

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(The three gardens below are side-by-side woodland gardens with spectacular bluff overlooks, fern gardens and water features.)

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16. David & Sharon Gerkin
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17. Dick & Ann Graf
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floating boathouses.

The Spacious and comfortable white house on the right is typical of East Tennessee’s nineteenth century farmhouses.

It stands at the edge of an agricultural experiment station belonging to the University of Tennessee.

The tall windmill just visible on the right ahead was a gift from the Australian Pavilion at Knoxville’s 1982 World’s Fair.

It now is part of the University’s solar housing experiment. The Lakemoor Hills [Loudon Lake] Dogwood Trail ends at the busy Alcoa Highway, and downtown Knoxville is to the left.

For safety’s sake, please turn right, and make a left turn at the next cross-over lane.

We hope you have enjoyed your visit to the Lakemoor Hills [Loudon Lake] Trail where lake and mountains meet!

Historic Homes of Knoxville Bus Tours on April 27

Visit Multiple Public Historic Homes during the Dogwood Arts Festival

As an Official Activity of the Dogwood Arts Festival and in celebration of the wonders of springtime and the rich heritage that is represented in the many public house museums located within and around Knoxville, two 3-hour bus tours will be offered on Saturday, April 27, 2013. The two tours will be divided into a Morning and Afternoon tour:

+ The Morning Tour (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.) will begin at James White's Fort (205 East Hill Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37915),

with stops at Ramsey House Plantation and Marble Springs Historic Farmstead. + The Afternoon Tour (1:00-4:00 p.m.) will begin at Blount Mansion (200 West Hill Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37902), with stops at The Mabry-Hazen House and Crescent Bend House & Gardens.

Each tour will have bus step-on tour guides who will discuss additional points of interest and history as well as highlight historic landmarks in and around Knoxville. The tour will stop at each historic home on the route so that guests may tour the historic homes, grounds, and gardens. An hour in between the morning and afternoon has been created so guests may

have lunch if they wish to enjoy both tours.

Free parking is available at both James White's Fort for the morning tour and Blount Mansion for the afternoon tour. Seating is limited and reservations are required. The cost is \$20 (plus fees) per person per tour. To purchase tickets or for additional information about the tour or the Historic Homes of Knoxville, please call 865-523-7521 or go online to www.KnoxTIX.com.

This tour had been generously sponsored by Knoxville Tours. Proceeds from the tour will be dedicated to a fund for marketing and promoting the Historic Homes of Knoxville.



The Official Dogwood Festival bus tour will take place Saturday and include visits to Crescent Bend (above) and the Mabry-Hazen House (left).



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Map of the Shady Dell Trail area in Asheville, North Carolina. The map shows the trail route in pink, starting at the intersection of Asheville Highway and Chilhowee Drive, marked with a green arrow and the text "TRAIL BEGINS HERE". The trail winds through the area, passing by Shady Dell Trail, Green Valley Drive, and ending near Holston Hills Road. Other roads shown include W. Sunset Road, Montvue Dr., Westover Terrace, Wyndcroft Drive, Farragut Dr., Crestwood Drive, Coesta Circle, Marilyn Drive, and E. Sunset Road. A north arrow is located in the center of the map.

TRAIL BEGINS AT 200 S. CHILHOWEE DRIVE

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Rounding a curve, the road arrives at a bluff overlooking the Holston River.

One and a half miles downstream, the Holston and French Broad rivers join to form the mighty Tennessee River.

This "confluence of waters" is 3 miles east of downtown Knoxville.

The trail descends to river level, turning left to reach Green Valley Road again.

It angles right on wooded Shady Dell Trail, dips down to cross Chilhowee Drive, and continues uphill on the other side.

After veering right onto the top of a ridge and then turning left, the

route meanders with a winding creek through a cove starred with wild white dogwoods.

It turns sharply left, and zigzags upward to reach yet another overlook.

Below in the foreground is the rolling green expanse of the Holston Hills Golf Course.

Beyond it, the Holston River coils like a broad silver ribbon; behind the river are the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains and in the distance, the mountains themselves.

Coming down from this high point, the trail passes the Holston Hills Community Club's hillside park where dogwoods, azaleas, and flowering shrubs create a beauty spot.

Here we invite you

to "Stop and Stroll," or take a picture.

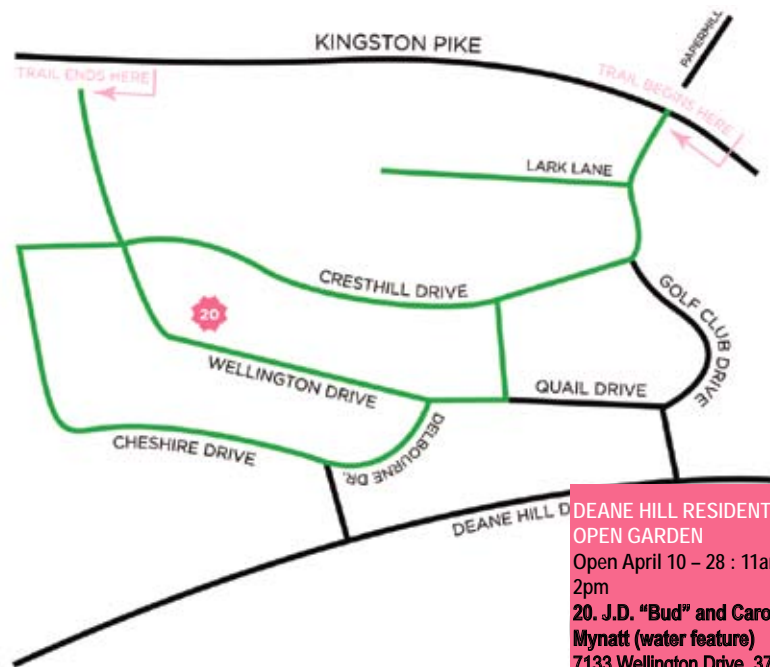
A final left turn on to broad Chilhowee Drive reveals gracious homes with well-established plantings; colorful rock gardens, drifts of violets, flowering crabapples, weeping cherries, and the ever-present dogwood.

The trail ends where Chilhowee Drive joins Asheville Highway.

Turn left for downtown Knoxville; turn right to reach I-40.

We hope you have enjoyed the beauty of Holston Hills Dogwood Trail and we cordially invite you to see it in a different guise, on our night-lighted Trail.

Please come back!



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Legend of the Dogwood

As a child I heard this tale, Long ago during the days that Jesus was here on earth in the form of man there were many dogwood trees. The dogwood was comparable in size to the oak tree and other monarchs of the forest.

Because of its firmness and strength it was selected as the timber for the cross, but to be put to such a cruel use greatly distressed the tree.

Sensing this, the crucified Jesus in his gentle pity for the sorrow and suffering of all said to it: "Because of your sorrow and pity for My sufferings, never again will the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth it will be slender, bent and twisted and its blossoms will be in the form of a cross two long and two short petals.

"In the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints brown with rust and stained with red and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see this will remember." ~ Author Unknown

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Rossini returns to the Rossini Festival with Knoxville Opera's production of his sparkling opera Cinderella. Brisk, catchy, and highly entertaining, Rossini's telling of the ultimate sparkling ever-after cleverly blends tenderness and frivolity. Performances are Friday, April 26 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. at the magnificent Tennessee Theatre. For tickets and information, visit KnoxvilleOpera.com or call 865-524-0795.

"Knoxville Opera is enhancing our popular Rossini Festival with an even wider variety of artisans and cuisine than ever before," says Knoxville Opera Executive Director and Conductor, Brian Salesky. "We welcome YMCA as a new sponsor of this year's event which expands the KidsZone from Market Square onto Market Street. They will have hopscotch, four square, double dutch and other popular outdoor stations for the kids as well as inflatables," continued Salesky. "The surprise this year



is the Princess Parade and Tea Party celebrating Knoxville Opera's production of Cinderella," according to Knoxville Opera Director of Marketing, Michael Torano. "YMCA and Tea at the Gallery are sponsoring a Princess

Parade through the streets of Downtown Knoxville. Cinderella and the Prince will serenade participants before they enter the Tennessee Theatre for a private Royal Tea Party with cakes, delicate sandwiches and a gourmet

tea blended specifically for these Princesses. In The Grill at Highlands Row/Constellation Brands Wine Experience tent in Krutch Park Extension, patrons will be able to choose from an extensive array of wine tastings starting

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