

Bob Thomas announces candidacy for Knox County Commission At-Large Seat



Bob Thomas, who announced his intent to run for County Commission last week, visits with Nelle Hathaway and Muffy. The primary election will be held on May 6th, 2014. Early voting begins on April 16th.

By Tasha Mahurin
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“I am excited to announce that I am seeking a countywide seat on Knox County Commission. It is my desire to help ensure that our Knox County Commission continues to be responsive to the people of Knox County and continues on a path of fiscal responsibility,” said Bob Thomas, best known locally as co-host of the morning talk show The Ed and Bob Show, with long-time friend Ed Brantley.

Last week, standing in front of Chilhowee School where he attended as a young boy, Thomas officially announced his candidacy for an At-Large seat in the upcoming 2014 elections.

Thomas was raised in East Knox County, attended Holston High School, Walters State Community College and The University of Tennessee. Throughout his adult life Thomas has lived in every corner of Knox County. He was raised in East Knox County on Holston Drive, as a young adult he lived in both Fountain City and South Knoxville, and later in life, he called West Knox County home where his three children attended Farragut High School.

“The experience of living in all

areas of Knox County has given me a great perspective of this place we call home,” Thomas said.

He worked at WIVK for 20 years and for 16 of those years hosted the highest-rated midday radio show in America. For eight years, Thomas owned the Knoxville Cherokees hockey team and served as the Expansion Committee Chairman of the East Coast Hockey League during its growth from five teams to 22.

No stranger to service, he also served as the chairman of the Knoxville Christmas Parade for 16 years; was on the board of the Cerebral Palsy Center for Handicapped Adults for five years, two of those years were as President; and he has also served on the Board of the Screen Actors Guild.

Thomas intends to put that experience to use if elected to the seat. He says safety, education, and strong neighborhoods are all items which he considers priorities.

“We need to keep our schools safe while making sure our children receive a great education. Services for our neighborhoods and public safety are my priorities as well,” he added.

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Knoxville Parks & Recreation To Hold 4th Annual ‘Doggie Dip Day’

The City of Knoxville’s Parks and Recreation will hold its fourth annual “Doggie Dip Day” from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8.

Inskip Pool, located at 4204 Bruhin Road, will once again be wrapping up the summer season with an exclusive dog-only swim party, sponsored by PetSafe. Dog owners are encouraged to bring their furry friends out for a refreshing dip and afternoon of socializing.

“We’re happy to provide fun events that get people outdoors to enjoy a new kind of fun at the pool. This happens to be an event where the entire family is invited -- especially the dogs,” said Joe Walsh, Director of Knoxville Parks and Recreation.

The cost is \$5 per dog, owner included, with a two dog maximum for each owner. Family members and guests are encouraged to join the fun for \$3 per person.

The Young Williams

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Celebration service held for new Ministry Center

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When it became apparent that the former educational building at Alice Bell Baptist Church (ABBC) in Knoxville had to be replaced due to structural problems, the church’s goal became to construct a facility that would meet not only its own needs, but the needs of the community as well. That goal became a reality in August of this year when the new facility was cleared for occupancy, and Sunday, September 8, the church will hold a celebration service to dedicate its new Ministry Center building.

The new 10,500 square foot Ministry Center is built in the space vacated by the church’s former west educational wing, and is a multi-purpose facility housing educational space, meeting space, and a full-size basketball court that can also serve as a banquet hall, an auditorium or concert hall.

“The Ministry Center is a tool that will help ABBC to be relevant in meeting needs within the community for several decades to come,” Ron McConnell, minister of education told *The Focus*.

Classrooms and a kitchen form the perimeter of the building. Designed for both education and

recreational programs for all ages—restrooms and shower facilities are also included in the building’s unique design. Among its other uses, basketball leagues, exercise classes, and other intramural-type sports opportunities can be accommodated by the building.

The church also hopes to use the facilities for English as a Second Language classes and Spanish Classes, craft classes, and financial planning classes. Additionally, the church’s Clothes Closet Ministry, which serves approximately 800 families a year, will be located in the new facility. The ministry closed temporarily when safety issues closed the former building.

“Our God is in the business of changing lives and He has strategically placed ABBC to make a difference in the community. We are excited about the opportunities and challenges that presents,” McConnell added.

At 12:15 p.m. church members and the community are invited to a dedication service and lunch to be hosted in the new Center. Alice Bell Baptist Church is located at 3305 Alice Bell Road. For more information, call 865-522-0137 or visit www.alicebellbaptist.org.



Before and after photographs of the Ministry Center. The Dedication Service will be held Sunday, September 8.

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By Sharon Frankenberg, Attorney at Law

The case must be brought by a next friend. A next friend is a competent adult, related to the minor or not, who acts in good faith on behalf of a minor or incompetent person and subjects himself or herself to the jurisdiction of the court. Minors and incompetent persons do not have the capacity to sue but it is possible for them to file a lawsuit in his or her own name. It is up to the defendant to raise the lack of capacity of the person bringing the suit. Typically a representative will file suit on behalf of a minor or incompetent. This representative may be a general guardian, conservator or fiduciary or next friend. If the minor or incompetent person has been sued and he or she does not have a representative, the court may appoint a guardian

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need to obtain a certificate of authority before defending a proceeding brought in Tennessee. Under the Revised Uniform Partnership Act of 2001, any partnership may sue and be sued. Other unincorporated associations have been treated by the courts as "persons" able to sue and be sued. Also the state statute governing doing business in the State of Tennessee required unincorporated associations to designate an agent for service of legal process. This allows them to be sued by serving their designated agent with lawsuit papers. You should always consult an attorney if you need to sue anyone or have received any lawsuit papers. There are deadlines that must be honored exactly or there may be adverse consequences for you.

Early Education Provides Mold for Outstanding Life (Part II)



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Though J. A. Beeler was the coach of the Gibbs High School football team in 1953-54, a few in the community felt that he was not the appropriate coach for the job; and Coach Beeler was well aware of their feelings. According to Perry McGinnis, the senior quarterback, Coach Beeler tells the story that had it not been for the support of the late Max Clendenen to keep him, he would have been looking for another job. (Clendenen was the beloved principal who served at Gibbs for several decades.) The 26-member team won six games and lost four. "If there had been sufficient reserve strength



Picture of football team from the 1954 Gibbs High School yearbook provided by Perry and Carol McGinnis.

on the small squad to replace key players when they went down, or to allow more rest for the players on the field, the team surely would have at least equalled the previous year's record," Perry said. "Coach Beeler sought unsuccessfully

for an 11th game that might have allowed for that 7th victory." What the team lacked in numbers, it made up for in heart! "Perhaps the most impressive victory that season, and maybe in the team's three years together, was over

a heavily favored and much larger South Knoxville High School team," Perry recalls. "The afternoon before the game, the players imagined just how great it would be to defeat South." Although the team was few in number, three of the eight seniors

on the '53-54 team received post-season recognition. The Knoxville News Sentinel named Perry McGinnis to the first team All-County, the late Bill Finchum to the third team, while Larry E. Clapp was given Honorable Mention. Perry also received Honorable Mentions on the All-East Tennessee and All-State teams. The Knoxville Journal named Perry as heading its Class B All-Knoxville All-Stars and Bill as a member of its second team. The eight seniors on the '53-54 team were a tight-knit group. With the loss of those players to graduation, a significant

gap was created in the team's roster. Other than Perry and Bill, there were Larry E. Clapp (Co-Captain of the team along with Perry), Evert Carter, the late Bruce Hobby, Ed Houts, Harold Satterfield, and the late Bryan Smith. Larry attended Carson Newman where he played football. Perry and Bill Finchum drove down to Spartanburg, South Carolina, to "try out" for the Wofford College football team. "Bill's dad had a 1950 green Chevrolet," Perry remembers. "When it was new, the family first drove it to the Chapel (Clapps Chapel United Methodist Church) on a Sunday morning. Everyone admired it so much." It was the green Chevrolet that made the trip from Tennessee to South Carolina--quite a distance for the two boys from Gibbs. Perry was ultimately offered a full athletic scholarship. If Perry accepted that offer, Bill planned to join him as a walk-on. With Bill's great defensive play and hard hitting as a powerful full-back on offense, there was very little doubt that he could contribute greatly to the Wofford team. Two major factors would influence Perry's final decision on whether he would play college football. (In two weeks---is college football in the future for the talented quarterback?)

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By Age	Yes	No	Total
18-29	100.00%	[None]	1
30-49	36.11%	63.89%	36
50-65	39.80%	60.20%	98
65+	31.55%	68.45%	168
Total	34.98% (106)	65.02% (197)	303

By District	Yes	No	Total
1	31.58%	68.42%	19
2	25.64%	74.36%	39
3	42.50%	57.50%	40
4	28.57%	71.43%	42
5	38.89%	61.11%	36
6	39.39%	60.61%	33
7	38.71%	61.29%	31
8	29.63%	70.37%	27
9	38.89%	61.11%	36
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By Gender	Yes	No	Total
Unknown	50.00%	50.00%	10
Female	34.72%	65.28%	144
Male	34.23%	65.77%	149
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Publisher's Positions

Commission Sending A Message With Election of Chair



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The Knox County Commission will be electing a new Chairman this week. Does it really matter who chairs the County Commission? Yes. Absolutely. First and foremost, the Chairman is the collective face and voice of the County Commission at countless meetings and business and community functions during their term as Chair. Secondly, it is very important that the Chairman is someone who will

treat **all** fellow Commissioners equally and impartially. Last, but certainly not least, it is very important that the Chairman has the ability to run Commission meetings efficiently and effectively.

The Commission has had some very fine Chairmen: Leo Cooper, who presided with a courtly and kind demeanor, when the Commission was at the height of its power and prestige; John Mills, who presided with efficiency and effectiveness and helped the Commission come into its own; and Tony Norman, who has presided with scrupulous fairness to all.

The Commission unfortunately has also had some dismal Chairmen, not the least of which was Scott Moore who was only there to do the bidding of former Sheriff Tim Hutchison and who chaired the infamous “BLACK WEDNESDAY” debacle.

Brad Anders, the

Commissioner from the Sixth District, has announced he will yet again seek to be elected as Chairman of the Knox County Commission. This is an important decision, especially for those Commissioners who represent constituents inside the City of Knoxville.

Most readers will recall the severe beating by police of a likely intoxicated and mentally ill homeless man in Knoxville. Officers beat the man mercilessly, while screaming such filth it cannot be repeated in these pages. Suffice to say, if any courthouse official said such things to an employee, he or she would doubtless be sued back to the Stone Age. Even if a man had screamed such obscenities to his wife, he would likely end up in jail. It was not the kind of language that should be employed by any servant of the public.

The officers that participated in the beating and

ultimately pleaded guilty to the beating came absolutely unhinged. The senior supervisor that was on the scene after the beating took place that received a written reprimand by Knoxville Police Chief David Rausch was Lieutenant Brad Anders. In fact, three supervisors of the offending officers were reprimanded by Chief Rausch for supposedly failing to view the most incriminating video tape of the attack. As best I understand it, Chief Rausch reprimanded the supervisors for deceitful use of force; the report of Captain Kenny Miller of Internal Affairs referred to willfully blind and deceitful behavior by the supervisors, including Anders.

While I certainly understand the culture of and need for police officers in the field to have one another's back, the plain truth is any police officer who is willing to protect another officer before the public

that they are supposed to serve has no place on the force. The motto, “To Protect and Serve” has to have real meaning to any law enforcement officer and they are not employed to be judge and executioner of the public. They exist to protect us from criminals.

This was certainly a disturbing look back to brutality in the Knoxville City Police Department that caused former Mayor Victor Ashe to form a special committee to review actions of the department.

Should the Commissioners elect Anders, there is no way to avoid the notion that they don't consider this a truly serious incident, nor do they hold Anders to the same level of accountability as his own superiors. Anders does not have the credibility to serve as Chairman of the Knox County Commission. It is questionable whether he should still even be on the

police force.

Frankly, it would be yet another embarrassment for Knoxville and Knox County and unfortunately we are overly blessed with a plethora of embarrassments. We have a living, walking, and talking embarrassment in the form of State Senator Stacey Campfield.

The continued merciless beating of the homeless man once he was “hog-tied” was a heinous crime. Not by callous criminals, but by sworn officers of the law. It was reminiscent of a lynching, simply without the final murder. At best, the supervisors were incompetent, indifferent, or negligent; at worst, it was willful deceit as stated in Captain Miller's report.

The Knox County Commissioners will be sending a message when they vote. For those watching and listening, it will matter.

Schools: Where the Money Really Goes

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A newly released study has detailed spending on schools and there are some interesting revelations. The Beacon Center in Nashville has concluded most of the money spent on education does not reach the classroom level. Surprise. Surprise.

In Knox County, taxpayers currently spend more than half a billion dollars per year when everything is all totaled up. With few exceptions, the superintendent of schools is almost invariably the highest paid

public official in every community in Tennessee. Dr. James McIntyre, Knox County's superintendent, is paid more than Vice President Joe Biden, every member of President Obama's Cabinet, Speaker of the House John Boehner, and Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court John Roberts.

According to the Beacon Center study, money already spent on education “is significantly underreported.” The study concludes that average spent on a student, \$9,123, is in reality \$10,088 per year.

The findings also show

that less than 54% of money spent on education in Tennessee goes directly into the classroom. Evidently that figure has been in a constant decline, contrary to the spending on administration. The Beacon Center study points out since 2000, the number of administrators has increased 34.5%, while the number of teachers has increased by fewer than 17%. The number of students has not steadily increased; in fact, it has grown by less than 7% in the same time period.

The salaries of administrators has grown as well, while teachers, when

considering inflation, make less than they did in 2000.

According to Justin Owen, CEO of the Beacon Center, “Not only have taxpayers been misinformed about how much we spend on education, there has been a growing trend of adding administrative personnel, redirecting funding away from the classroom.”

The Beacon Center

concluded after a comparison between similar school systems within Tennessee and other states there is “no measurable correlation between spending and student performance.”

“Ultimately, more spending does not equal better results. Rather than allocate more money, especially on administrative personnel, public school districts

should focus on spending education funds more wisely,” Owen said. “Only then can Tennessee expect to provide its students with the quality education they deserve.”

Readers can access the full report here: www.beaconctrn.org/wp-content/uploads/Following-the-Money.pdf.

It's movie time, and the winners are...

Thousands of people cast their votes for Knox County Public Library's popular outdoor movie series, and the results are in! Presented by Lusid Media, this year's Movies on Market Square features the most popular titles from a decade of movies that have been shown on Market Square since the series began in 2004. Since that time, the Library has screened 57 movies. This year's line-up is dominated by blockbusters from the 1980's including E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial, The Princess Bride, and Back to the Future. The top vote getter overall was Despicable Me with more than 1,200 votes.

And the winners are:
9/13 Despicable Me (PG - 2010)
9/20 E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG - 1982)
9/27 Jurassic Park (PG13 - 1993)
10/4 The Princess Bride (PG13 - 1987)
10/11 Back to the Future (PG - 1985) featuring a special preshow event with Joe Castillo presents Sandstory®
10/18 Iron Man (PG13 - 2008)

All movies are rated PG-13 or less, but parents are encouraged to check out the films to make sure they are right for their family.

The series will run for six Friday nights, from September 13 through October 18. Movies begin at dusk, and well behaved dogs are welcome. Moviegoers should bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

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Future. Castillo was a finalist on 2012 America's Got Talent. He creates stories in images as he draws in sand on a light table, choreographed to music.

Knox County Public Library is also proud to partner with ETTAC to create an accessible viewing experience for people of all abilities: closed captioning and Descriptive Video Service will be offered for all movies this season. DVS files will be available for download in advance from the Library's website and Facebook pages.

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SCPLS Invites You To Meet Curious George!

The Sevier County Public Library System (SCPLS) invites you to meet the lovable and mischievous Curious George during the week of September 2 – 6. Curious George, the classic monkey brought from Africa by the "Man with the Yellow Hat." Curious George has been brought to life in the H. A. Rey and Margret Rey books for the past six decades and is loved by many generations. He first appeared in print in 1941 with the self-titled debut book, "Curious George."

Curious George will visit the Sevier County Fair daily from Monday, September 2 – Thursday, September 5 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. So while you and your kids are enjoying all of the sites at the fair, take a few moments to hug Curious George and get your child's

picture taken with him. Also, stop by the SCPLS booth at the fair to get your own geekthelibrary.org swag.

If you and your children miss Curious George at the Sevier County Fair, don't fret. He will also make an appearance at two of the SCPLS Preschool Story Times. He will be at the Preschool Story Time on Thursday, September 5 at 10:30 a.m. at the King Family Library, 408 High Street, Sevierville. On Friday, September 6 at 11:00 a.m., Curious George will be at the Preschool Story Time at the Kodak Branch Library, 319 West Dumplin Valley Road, Kodak.

For more information, please call the Sevier County Public Library System at (865)453.3532.

Knoxville Parks & Recreation To Hold 4th Annual 'Doggie Dip Day'

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Animal Center, local veterinarians, and several area rescue groups will be hosting booths at the dip. A raffle and auction will also be available for all who attend.

Lifeguards will be on-site during the Doggie Dip.

All dogs are required to have up-to-date vaccinations, leashes, and tags for the event. Doggie Dip registration forms must be completed for each dog attending. Pre-registration is available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6th, and from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 7th.

For registration forms or additional information about Doggie Dip Day, please visit www.cityofknoxville.org, call (865) 687-9919, or email rlowe@cityofknoxville.org.

Candoro Arts calls for Festival vendors

The Candoro Arts & Heritage Center is looking for artists, craft persons, food vendors, and creative types extraordinaire to rent booth space for the Fall Festival "Candoro Rocks."

Candoro Rocks will include an art show of marble objects made by the craftsmen from the 1920s through the 1970s. The exhibit will also feature works by master carver Alberto Milani.

The art exhibit will open Friday October 4 at 5:00 p.m. and continue Saturday, October 5.

Saturday's Festival will include live music from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. on the grounds of the marble works on Maryville Pike and Candora Dr. in South Knoxville. The fund-raiser includes 2 stages of performers and the exhibition inside the historic Candoro Marble office Building.

Vendors can rent space for only \$30. Food vendors will be limited and asked to offer a selected menu. Potential vendors can get an application online at Candoromarble.org or facebook.com/candoromarble.

Wood family donates 100 acres to Urban Wilderness

Knoxville's Urban Wilderness expanded by 100 acres with a donation of future trail and parkland by the Wood family.

The property was originally purchased by Pat Wood, a respected Knoxville real estate developer and civic leader.

The property, located on Taylor Road off Sevierville Pike in South Knoxville, will provide a key connection between the existing parks and trails with the Urban Wilderness' South Loop Trail System and South Doyle Middle School and its Outdoor Classroom. It will also connect additional

neighborhoods into the system and provide a 1.5-mile introductory mountain bike trail designed for riders of all ages.

The plans for the property call for a variety of trails and features to accommodate a variety of users. It will include a one-mile beginner bike trail, 3.5 miles of mixed-use trails, with two overlooks, a skills/play area and three creek-crossing structures.

Knoxville's Urban Wilderness is 1,000-forested acres along Knoxville's downtown waterfront that includes ten parks, more than forty miles of

recreational trails, four civil war sites, incredible views and unparalleled natural features.

The South Loop Trail System on the east end of the Urban Wilderness opened last August with 42 miles of multi-use trail and a continuous 12-mile loop through public and private land. The Battlefield Loop on the west end of the Urban Wilderness will connect three Civil War forts and a battle site into an historic loop that will ultimately be connected to the South Loop and other parks through trails, greenways and sidewalks.

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Thomas has been married to former local news anchor Kim Simmons Thomas since 1986. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Janet Testerman, a Knoxville native and daughter of former Knoxville Mayor Kyle Testerman, will serve as Thomas' campaign treasurer.

For more information, visit www.electbobthomas.com or call 865-309-4364.

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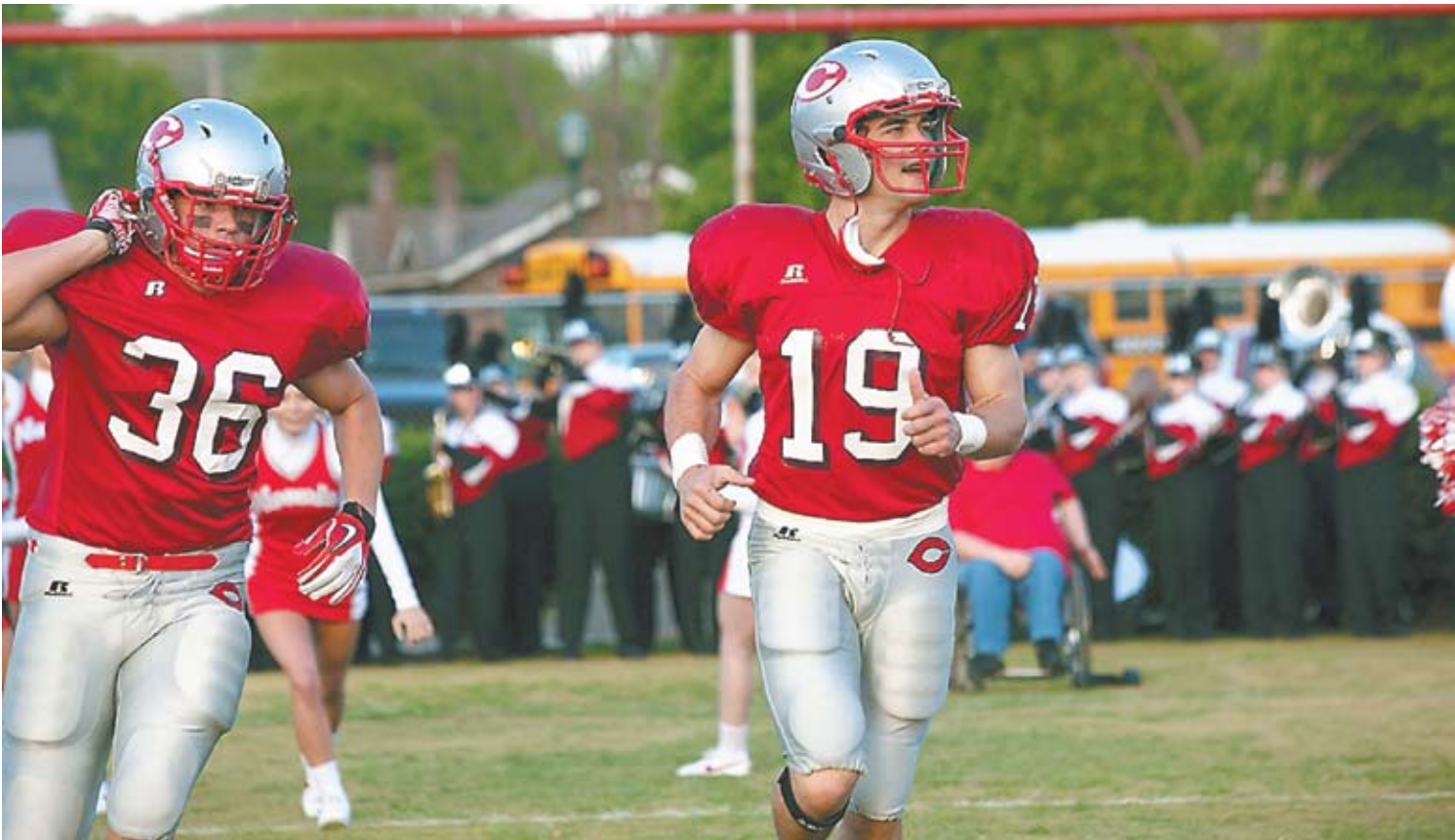
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23 BLAST, Directed by Dylan Baker/Kentucky/101 mins. Sunday, September 22. FILM BLOCK 20 :: Theatre 1: 23 Blast Sneak Peak [Free! Sponsored by Carson Newman University]. Filmmaker Q&A – Dylan Baker will be present. When a high school football star is suddenly stricken with irreversible blindness, he must decide whether to live a safe, protected life or to summon the courage through playing football to step back into the world. 23 Blast is based on the true story of Travis Freeman. In the prime of his youth, he is unexpectedly stricken with an infection that destroys his optic nerve; he becomes blind overnight. Under the influence of parents who love him, a physical therapist who challenges him, a coach who inspires him, and a best friend who he cannot bear to leave behind, Travis shows us what true bravery is by competing on the gridiron, helping his team advance to the State playoffs.

Knoxville Film Festival Releases Schedule

Secret City Films and Dogwood Arts are thrilled to release the Knoxville Film Festival schedule of events, films, and workshops all taking place September 19-22, 2013 at Downtown West Regal Cinema 8.

75 independent films will be screened over the 4-days including feature and narrative documentaries and shorts, a Tennessee Film competition, 7-Day Shootout competition, Battle Cry of Freedom student competition, children's programming, workshops, and special guests.

The mission of the Knoxville Film Festival is to recognize and celebrate the art of independent cinema. It exists to provide a stimulating gathering in which the lovers and creators of independent cinema come together to see and discuss interesting works from local, regional, national, and international filmmakers.

The Knoxville Film Festival [KFF] is in its first year. However, its history dates back nearly a decade. In 2004, East Tennessee filmmaker Keith McDaniel held the first Secret City Film Festival [SCFF] in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. With steady growth of SCFF over the years, McDaniel moved the film festival from Oak Ridge to Knoxville working with Regal Entertainment



Group. With further growth of the festival imminent, McDaniel met with Lisa Duncan, executive director of Dogwood Arts, a non-profit that has been successfully promoting the arts and hosting the Dogwood Arts Festival in East Tennessee for over 50 years. After nine years, the Secret City Film Festival would become the Knoxville Film Festival, Knoxville's only established, multi-day film festival.

Knoxville Film Festival is produced in partnership by Dogwood Arts and Secret City Films.

Tickets are available for purchase at knoxvillefilmfestival.com and at Downtown West Regal Cinema 8 during the festival.

- Individual Film Block tickets [\$10]
- Festival Passes [\$75]
- Student Festival Passes [\$50]
- VIP Reception Tickets [\$35]
- VIP Festival Passes [\$100]
- Workshops and children's programming are all free of charge, but first-come, first-served seating.
- Tickets are also available for a special conversation:

Sci-Fi, Special FX, Magic & More: An Evening with Acclaimed Screenwriter Michael Miner for \$10. Please join us on Saturday, September 21, 2013, 5-6:30 p.m. for a special night with science fiction/special FX screenwriter, Michael Miner. Host Paul Francis, FX guru of Lucas/Francis Studios, will moderate an interactive interview with a question & answer session with acclaimed screenwriter Michael Miner. They'll discuss his 30+ year career in the film industry, writing for special FX, Sci-fi, magic and other fantasy stories. Michael is best known for his work on Robocop, Deadly Weapon, Anaconda: Blood Orchid, Book of Stars and LawnmowerMan 2. The interview will feature clips and commentary from these five films.

In recognition and commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the U.S. Civil War, the 2013 Knoxville Film Festival presents The Battle Cry of Freedom Student Filmmaking Competition. This film competition is open to currently-enrolled college and high school students. The competition will

have two divisions: college and high school. The subject matter of the films must focus on the human issues and events, both political and personal, created during The Civil War in the United States 1861 – 1865. The films can be no longer than 20 minutes and no shorter than five minutes. The film's presentation can be either documentary or original narrative in style. Tennessee Film competition recognizes the films produced in Tennessee and the filmmakers from Tennessee. Sponsored by Tennessee Film, Entertainment, and Music Commission.

The 2013 Knoxville Film Festival 7-Day Shootout gives filmmakers 7 days to make a 7-minute film. The 7-Day Shootout provides ample time to let your creativity flow to write, shoot and edit a MASTERPIECE! The 7-Day Shootout will take place August 21-28, 2013. All films submitted by the deadline, will screen at the 2013 Knoxville Film Festival on Saturday, September 21 at Regal Downtown West Cinema 8. Films created for the 7-Day Shootout in previous years have gone on to screen and WIN at other film festivals! Tennessee Film competition recognizes the films produced in Tennessee and the filmmakers from Tennessee. Sponsored by Tennessee Film, [Continue on page 2](#)

Mayor Rogero makes two staff appointments

Last Friday Mayor Madeline Rogero announced two new personnel appointments to her administration. Lance Campbell, a real estate professional, has been hired as Real Estate Manager; and Keith Shields, Deputy Director of Fleet Services, was promoted to Director of Fleet Services.

Lance Campbell – Real Estate Manager

Campbell replaces Lee Miracle, who retired from the position of Real Estate Manager on Aug. 1st after 17 years with the City of Knoxville.

A state certified general real estate appraiser and licensed real estate broker, Campbell has more than 25 years of experience as an appraiser and real estate broker. He is a native of Blount County and a graduate of the University of Miami, where he received a bachelor's degree in Real Estate.

He owned his own appraisal company in Miami for 20 years before returning to East Tennessee in 2010. Campbell is a member of the National Association of Realtors® and NARAMU, the National Association of Review Appraisers and Mortgage Underwriters. He is married with two children and is an active member of the UT Parents Association and a volunteer in fund-raisers for Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA).

"It is a wonderful opportunity to serve the citizens of Knoxville and Mayor Rogero as Real Estate Manager," Campbell said. "Having responsibility for real property acquisitions for capital projects and maintaining the City's real estate inventory will be a challenging yet rewarding new role for me."

Keith Shields – Director of Fleet Services

Keith Shields began in Fleet Services at the City of Knoxville in 2010 after working for the trucking industry in several roles. His transportation/logistics experience includes [Continue on page 2](#)

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Entertainment, and Music Commission.

Children's programming, taking place Saturday, September 21 from 10:00-11:45am is free to the public and features a new program called Peg + Cat, provided by East Tennessee PBS.

A complete schedule of films can be found at knoxvillefilmfestival.com/festival-schedule.

Workshops are free to the public, but seats and capacity are provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE:

So, You Want To Make a Feature?

Saturday, Sept 21st, 10:00 am – THEATER 2

Independent filmmaking is tough enough, but making an independent feature is a whole new

ballgame. Join several of this year's Knoxville Film Festival narrative feature producers and directors as they share the stories of how their films got made.

Real to Reel: Making Documentaries

Saturday, Sept 21st, 10:00 am – THEATER 3

What makes a great documentary? How do you choose your subject? How do you get funding? How to you cut hours and hours of footage down to tell a great story? These questions and more will be answered and discussed by some of this year's Knoxville Film Festival documentary filmmakers.

HOW TO ACT LIKE A PRO

Saturday, Sept 21st, 12:00 noon – THEATER 3

Every film director has a different style of working. Every film set has a different "feel". But one thing is a constant – actors need

to "act" like a professional. Learn the "ins and outs" of auditioning, preparing for a role, set protocol, working with cast and crew and all the other information a well-prepared actor needs to know to work on a film set.

Filmmaking Fundamentals

Saturday, Sept 21st, 2:00 pm – THEATER 3

Do you know about the "180 Rule"? Do you know how to record really good audio on location? If not, this workshop is for you. If you are a beginning filmmaker or a seasoned professional who just wants a refresher course, these questions and more will be answered in this workshop by those who can provide you with the tools and information to make your next film something special.

Adrenaline Rush

How sad is a person's life when he's willing to pay for the opportunity to have bulls with long horns run after him? No, this wasn't that famous yearly event in Spain. It happened in Petersburg, Virginia, where 4000 folks paid \$30 a head to be chased by bulls down a quarter-mile dirt track



By Joe Rector
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at a speedway. Some 8000 others paid an admission fee to watch the madness and possibly bloody goring that might occur. It was the first of ten planned bull runs that will occur throughout the country.

One woman said, "I just didn't want to die, to get trampled by bulls and die." Then she added, "It was a rush... a shot of adrenalin."

That seems to be a growing desire of Americans: they want to experience something "more" than what every-day life offers. Millions of people participate in thrill-seeking activities such as skydiving, mountain jumping, and vehicle racing. I've never understood any of it. First, why would anyone jump out of a perfectly good plane in order to soar through the skies attached to a piece of

cloth? With my luck, the parachute would fail, and I'd hit the ground at approximately 100-plus miles per hour. The fall doesn't hurt; it's the sudden stop that causes the pain.

Mountain jumping, as I call it, is a relatively new thing. Crazy people stand on mountain tops and

simple dive off. They wear a suit that is designed to catch the wind so that their bodies are buoyed throughout the drop. In truth, these participants look like flying squirrels. One wrong move and they become "greasy spots" on the rocky faces of the mountains they attempt to fly by.

Other adrenaline junkies ride "crotch rockets" at the speed of light down narrow or around twisting roads. Some people swim with sharks or dive from cliffs in pursuit of that "high" that comes from cheating serious injury or death.

I just don't get it. Sure, life can sometimes wear on all of us. The demands of work and family can weigh us down. Hoping there's enough money to meet monthly needs sometimes

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dispatch, customer service and operations. He also served as Traffic Manager in outbound product distribution for Frito Lay.

"I am pleased to be named the Director of Fleet Services and look forward to successfully maintaining the City of Knoxville's vehicles, which are used to deliver essential public services

to our citizens," Shields said. "Our goal to make the City's fleet greener by adding dozens of flex-fuel vehicles and hybrid cars, while continuing to research and evaluate Alternative Fuel vehicles, will ultimately save taxpayers money and help improve air quality in our region."

A graduate of The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where he received his bachelor's

degree in business, Shields has a military background and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Transportation Corps upon graduation. He served in the military and is a member of the East Tennessee Military Affairs Council and the American Legion. He is a native of Columbia, TN, and is married.

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The Old Confederate: William Brimage Bate

Pages from the Political Past



By Ray Hill

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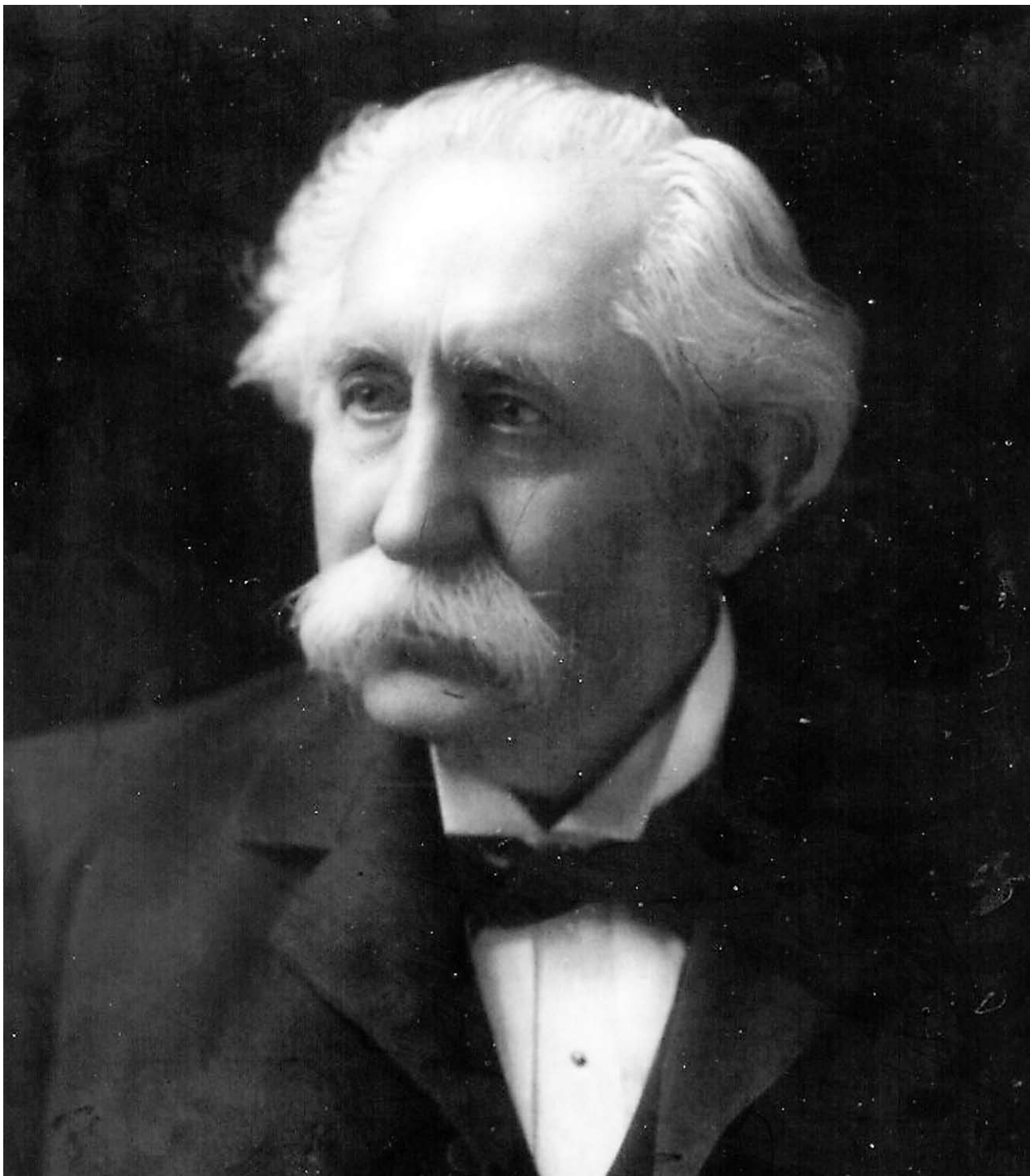
Just a few years following America's bloody Civil War, as states were readmitted to the Union, old Confederates began to arrive in Congress. The United States Senate particularly came to be dominated by Southerners, who occupied most of the powerful committee chairmanships. It has been frequently said the Senate was the South's revenge for the Civil War.

Tennessee's William Brimage Bate was one of those old Confederates, held in high esteem back home, who landed in the United States Senate. Bate had been a soldier, rising to the rank of Major General in the Confederate Army. Bate was also an attorney, newspaperman, governor of Tennessee and finally, United States senator.

William B. Bate entered the world on October 7, 1826 in Sumner County, Tennessee near the little town of Bledsoe's Lick. Bate was actually one of those politicians who really did receive the first years of his education in a log cabin school house. Bate's education was rudely interrupted by the sudden death of his father when he was only fifteen years old. Needing to help support his family, William B. Bate found employment as a clerk on a steamboat. Much of the country's commerce was done by boat in those days and Bate traveled on the Saladin from Nashville to New Orleans. Bate was in New Orleans when the Mexican - American War erupted and he quickly joined a regiment comprised of volunteers from Louisiana. Bate reenlisted in a volunteer unit from Tennessee and was awarded the rank of lieutenant. Bate was among those soldiers serving under General Joseph Lane who pursued the Mexican dictator Santa Anna at the end of the war.

Eventually, William Brimage Bate made his way home to Tennessee and started a newspaper he curiously named the Tenth Legion in Sumner County. Bate's newspaper assumed a staunchly pro-Democrat stance and he strongly supported most democratic candidates and policies. Bate won his first office in 1849 when he was elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives from Gallatin and Sumer County. Bate also attended the Cumberland School of Law and earned a law degree. Bate was elected attorney general for Davidson County in 1854.

William B. Bate became an ever increasingly partisan Democrat and worked hard for the election of Andrew Johnson to be governor of Tennessee. Bate was



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

General William B. Bate of Tennessee around the time of his death in 1905.

chosen to be an elector for presidential candidate John C. Breckinridge of Kentucky in 1860 when the Democratic Party was deeply divided over the question of slavery. The Democratic Party nationally had splintered with Illinois Senator Stephen Douglas representing northern Democrats, while Breckinridge, a former vice president, was more representative of Southern Democrats. Bate turned down the opportunity to go to Congress in 1859 and became one of the leading voices for secession in his area.

Unlike many of his contemporaries who were more political officers than soldiers, William Brimage Bate was a fighting man. When the cannons fired at Fort Sumpter, Bate hurriedly helped to form a company from Sumner County and was elected its Captain. Bate was later elected Colonel for the Second Tennessee Infantry Company when Tennessee became part of the Confederacy. Colonel Bate saw action at the Battle of Shiloh, where he was gravely wounded the very first day of the conflict. Wounded in the leg, a doctor told Bate he would have to remove the leg, otherwise the Colonel would die. Unmoved by the devastating diagnosis, Bate whipped out his pistol, pointed it squarely at the physician and calmly told the astonished doctor his leg was not about to be amputated. While he survived the injury, the wound left Bate with a pronounced limp until the end of his days.

Bate's brother Humphrey was not so lucky, as he was slain during the fighting at the Battle of Shiloh.

Following his recovery, William Bate was promoted to Brigadier General, but he complained bitterly when he was kept away from the fighting. Bate was given a command in

the Army of Tennessee and when Volunteer State Democrats offered him the gubernatorial nomination in 1863, he turned it down, preferring to fight.

Bate got his wish and was in the thick of the fighting at the Battle of Chickamauga. General Bate had no fewer than three horses shot out from under him during one day. Bate fought in the Battle of Missionary Ridge and due to his service to the Confederacy during the bloody Chattanooga campaign, he earned a promotion to Major General.

General Bate fought in the Atlanta campaign where he was wounded yet again in the leg, which confined him to bed for weeks. Bate recovered enough to General John B. Hood for the invasion of Tennessee by the Confederate Army. By the end of the war, General Bate was in North Carolina and he surrendered with his men near Greensboro.

Returning home to Tennessee after the war, Bate resumed his law practice. General Bate was still very much a partisan Democrat and was popular enough to be nominated for the United States Senate in the Tennessee General Assembly on several occasions, although he was never elected.

Tennessee was suffering through an acute financial crisis after the Civil War and a depression helped to plunge the state into outright financial despair. Tennessee defaulted on

its bonded indebtedness in 1875, an issue which became the focal point of a serious division inside Tennessee's Democratic Party. Some wished to pay the state's debt in full and were promptly labeled "High Tax" Democrats, while those who professed to believe it was impossible for Tennessee to repay all she owed and should only pay a portion of that debt were known as "Low Tax" Democrats. The squabbling between Democrats caused the unthinkable and Republican Alvin Hawkins was elected governor in 1880.

Governor Hawkins was a candidate to succeed himself in 1882 and Senator Isham G. Harris helped to engineer the nomination of General William Brimage Bate as the Democratic candidate. General Bate had a little something in his platform for both High Tax and Low Tax Democrats, proposing Tennessee only pay 50% of the debt on bonds held by the railroads. Bate and many other Democrats claimed much of the money owed the railroads was little more than ill-gotten gains made possible by the administration of Governor William G. Brownlow, a figure positively loathed by most Tennessee Democrats. Bate did propose to pay off some creditors fully, not the least of which was Sarah Polk, widow of the late President James K. Polk. Yet some High Tax Democrats did not believe Bate's plan

went far enough and they nominated a candidate to run in the general election.

Even with the Democratic Party divided, General Bate proved to be so popular a candidate, he defeated Governor Hawkins and won the general election. The candidate of the "High Tax" Democrats drew fewer than 5,000 votes compared to Bate's winning margin of 132,201 votes.

Governor Bate further angered the railroads by submitting legislation to create the Tennessee Railroad Commission, which had the responsibility of regulating the railroads. It is difficult to imagine in today's world, but railroads were the primary means of travel throughout much of the United States at the time. Many of America's wealthiest citizens had ties to railroad companies and those same companies exercised considerable influence in the political affairs of many states.

Bate's actions were especially popular with farmers, who were largely dependent upon the railroads to transport their goods to market and not surprisingly most farmers felt the rates they were being charged were quite high. The act was later repealed by a different legislature and angry farmers took out their frustration on Democratic candidates.

William B. Bate was reelected governor in 1884 and he was elected to the United States

Senate for the first time in 1886 at the conclusion of his gubernatorial term. Senator Bate was reelected in 1892, 1898, and 1904.

Bate had been easily reelected by the Tennessee General Assembly every six years until his final term in 1904. Two highly popular former governors very much wanted to go to the Senate; Benton McMillin and Robert Love Taylor each held senatorial aspirations and moved to oppose the old war horse for reelection.

Kenneth D. McKellar, in his book on Tennessee senators, recalled General Bate coming to Memphis to confer with McKellar's law partner that year. He recalled Bate being "greatly depressed" and his wounds were aggravating the general. Bate's political woes were complicated by the fact the city administration in Memphis, which McKellar remembered as being highly popular, was against Bate's reelection. The old general wondered if he should bother to run again and McKellar's law partner, Colonel William Carroll, urged him to make another campaign. Despite the opposition of the city administration, McKellar wrote that Bate enjoyed the full support of the Memphis delegation.

McKellar said that General Bate was not really a "learned man" and certainly was not a philosopher, but rather a plain, forthright man, devoted to his friends, state and country.

By the time Bate was elected to his fourth term in the United States Senate, he was seventy-eight years old and increasingly feeble. There were stories about the old general's fondness for the bottle, but he was still elected to yet another term. Bate was sworn into office on March 4, 1905 and that same day the elderly senator watched President Theodore Roosevelt take his own oath of office. Evidently Bate caught a cold, which soon developed into pneumonia. The senator was too feeble to withstand the pneumonia and died on March 9, 1905.

A train was chartered to bring the old warrior's body back home and as the former general's coffin was lowered into the ground, fellow Confederate veterans fired the twenty-one gun salute.

An imposing man with a bristling moustache, which gave him a rather fierce appearance, William Brimage Bate was an unreconstructed rebel, firm in his convictions and highly respected and popular with his fellow Tennesseans.

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By Mike Steely

He was half Cherokee, raised in the tribe, was a silversmith, was lame and almost uneducated. Yet, before he disappeared while searching for isolated tribe members in Mexico, the brilliant man invented an alphabet for his people.

Sequoyah's alphabet led to a newspaper and taught his fellow Cherokees to read in a short span of time. Today the Cherokee school children are being taught the alphabet alongside English.

On September 7th and 8th you can learn about Sequoyah and his people during the Fall Festival at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore. It's held in conjunction with nearby Fort Loudoun State Park and, together, the Great Island Festival draws thousands of visitors.

Both the museum and the state park are located on Highway 360, just off Highway 411 between Maryville and Madisonville.

Sequoyah is honored today as one of the nation's American Heroes by all Native American Tribes. He was a volunteer under Gen. Andrew Jackson in the Creek Wars. His half-brother, Chief Bob Benge, was the most feared warrior of the Overhill and Chickamauga tribes.

The 22nd Annual Fall Festival



Cherokee dancers perform for visitors during a recent Fall Festival at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum.

at the museum features displays on Lt. Henry Timberlake's visit to the region. It also honors the Trail of Tears, where Cherokees were rounded up by Federal Soldiers and marched off of their lands. Native crafts, art, foods, and dances will be held during the two day celebration.

Miss Cherokee, native musicians, and members of the Oklahoma and Eastern Band of Cherokee of North Carolina will also be present.

Across the highway at Fort Loudoun, there will be an encampment of soldiers, settlers and Native Americans. Costumed characters, period food, and

vendors will be at the fort selling 18th century wares.

It's an entertaining and educational two days and ideal for the entire family. You can contact the museum at (423)884-6217 or go online to Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. You can also email the museum at seqmus@tds.net.

Admission is only \$5 per person and children 12 and under are admitted free.

Before or after the festival you might want to drive into downtown Vonore or drive across the bridge and visit the Tellico Blockhouse, where a fort was built to trade with the Overhill Cherokee. All along the river

there, which is now Lake Tellico, were Cherokee villages. Today the lake has covered the old villages.

Or you might want to drive on beyond the Birthplace Museum and go to the Chota Monument. During the lake construction the Chota townhouse site was raised above the lake and connected to the main land. Eight pillars there mark the site of Chief Oconostota's grave, uncovered in the 1969 exploration of the site and reburied there. That site and the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum are managed by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee.

Adrenaline Rush

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worries us.

Still, it's those same low times that make the smallest of things so special. In my way of thinking, nothing is much more rewarding than sitting on the porch on a summer evening and hearing the cicadas and seeing the lightning bugs. Catching a glimpse of deer by the road or on a golf course takes my breath every time.

Being with my kids and grandson and wife is more fulfilling than any jump from a plane or harrowing 200 mile-per-hour ride in a race car. The most exciting things in our lives should be those that involve the family, nature, and home.

I write a blog titled "The Common Is Spectacular." Many have advised me to change the name since the URL address is too long and too easy to mispsell. I've resisted because that title states my philosophy on life. The daily things are the best, the ones that we recall half a century later. The over-the-top experiences in life bring on rushes of adrenaline. However, when the rush from one is done, what replaces it is exhaustion. Our energies are depleted, and we're left dormant until they are replaced.

It would be nice if folks could find the same happiness being chased by the kids as they do when bulls chasing them. That kind of activity is much safer, cheaper, and rewarding in the long run. I'll save my energies for these less stressful kinds of adrenaline rushes.

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A Look Ahead, A Glance Back

Gibbs makes District 3-AAA debut against Mavericks

By Steve Williams

Gibbs will stick its toe in District 3-AAA waters for the first time this coming Friday night.

The Eagles host Anderson County, the first of several new opponents on their schedule, a result of their move up in classification from 4A to 5A in football.

Coach Brad Conley's squad rallied but lost a 54-48 three-overtime thriller to visiting Carter in its season opener before bouncing back with a 28-14 win at Grainger last week.

This will be the third straight road trip for the Mavericks, who beat Clinton 53-13 in their opener and followed that with a 56-24 win over Austin-East.

"Playing in District 3-AAA means becoming familiar with a whole new group of teams," pointed out Coach Conley recently. "Each away game is going to be a new experience; good teams handle these type changes easily."

"Additionally, this district has teams that have histories of being very good; we'll have to step up to meet those challenges. The obvious concern in moving up to 5A football is depth; playing schools with larger enrollments means they have the luxury of playing kids one way. We must develop the depth necessary to play well for four quarters and not run out of steam in the second half."

Anderson County is among the top-rated teams in the local area.

"Coach (Davey) Gillum has done a great job the last few years," noted Conley. "AC has demonstrated the ability to adjust to what their kids do well; they passed it well some years and more recently have shown a strong running game. That balance

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Hawks Overcome Turnovers, Mistakes to Down Karns 29-8

By David Klein

The Hardin Valley Hawks overcame turnovers, penalties, and a wacky game with their rival the Karns Beavers to earn a harder than expected 29-8 victory. It was Hardin Valley's first game of the season. The Hawks had chances

to blow the game wide open and score more points, but three red zone turnovers and penalties kept the game within a touchdown until the fourth quarter. "If we would have taken care of our business and executed the way we should

have, we could have put about four or five more scores on the board," Hawks Head Coach Wes Jones said.

Karns' only points of the night came 19 seconds into the game on an opening 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

The Beavers converted their two-point conversion try for an early 8-0 lead. The Hawks were shocked; however, they rallied to score a 27-yard field goal to answer. The Beavers then squandered a chance to answer when the center snap went over

quarterback Matt Naudman's head into the end zone. The play was ruled a safety, and Hardin Valley cut the lead to 8-5.

Karns didn't produce a positive play from the line of scrimmage till six minutes left in the first

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Fulton's defense and speed beats Bearden 52-0



*Photo by Dan Andrews
Fulton's defense gangs up on Bearden running back Malichi Horton in the first quarter of a 52-0 win over the homestanding Bulldogs Friday night. D.J. Campbell has Horton wrapped up as Elijah Clark (6) moves in.*

By Steve Williams

Bearden won the first two minutes of its football showdown with Fulton Friday night, but after that it was all Falcons.

The showdown turned into a blowout.

Fulton, defending Class 4A state champion, left Bearden with a 52-0 win on its resume, its second straight victory over a Class 6A opponent and its second shutout in a row. The Falcons, who breezed to a 46-0 victory at Powell in their opener, look forward to playing at rival Austin-East this week.

The Bulldogs dropped to 0-2 and hope to bounce back against visiting Heritage.

Bearden's Hunter Henry recovered the Bulldogs' opening kickoff at the Fulton 40 to give their fans something to cheer about early..

"It was a little sky kick, a little bloop kick to the

sideline," said Fulton Coach Rob Black, adding he kind of expected Bearden might try something like that.

The Bulldogs picked up a first down at the Fulton 27, but transfer running back Malichi Horton had the ball popped loose on the next play and defensive back Xavier Hawkins scooped it up, turned on the jets and took it to the house. His 82-yard return down the sideline – right in front of the Bearden bench – and Josh Coleman's PAT kick gave Fulton a 7-0 lead with 9:51 on the clock.

"Our guys really feed off of momentum," said Coach Black. "That was one of those big plays, and we can make them with special teams, on offense or defense. That one happened to be a defensive play. It led to more momentum."

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Jefferson County beats Knoxville Central 32-20

By Alex Norman

Week Zero meant "zero" football for both Jefferson County and Knoxville Central. And it was worth the wait for the Patriots.

On Thursday, August 29th, Jefferson traveled to Knoxville and edged the Bobcats 32-20.

The Patriots got off to a good start, taking possession following the opening kickoff, and driving down the field. That drive would stall inside the Bobcats 15. A field goal would give the Patriots a 3-0 lead.

But Central wasted no time on offense. Starting at the 20 yard line, on the first play from scrimmage, the hand-off went to JaJuan Stinson. He got past the line of scrimmage thanks to some solid blocking from his offensive line, then broken one tackle, and that was that. Stinson found the sideline and was gone. An 80 yard touchdown run put Central on top.

The extra point attempt was wide to the right, but the Bobcats had a 6-3 lead.

The Patriots don't throw the football very much, and they didn't on their next possession. An 11 play, 68 yard drive, with all 11 plays were on the ground. Quarterback Malik Styles faked the hand-off, and then ran the bootleg to the right side of the field, untouched and into the end zone. It was only four yards, but it was a thing of beauty, and it gave the Patriots a 9-6 advantage,

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Photo by Dan Andrews.
Farragut senior quarterback Bryan Phillips scampers nine yards for an Admirals touchdown. Farragut downed Oak Ridge 31-24 at Bill Clabo Field for its first win of the 2013 season.

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By Ken Lay

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A Look Ahead, A Glance Back

Gibbs makes District 3-AAA debut against Mavericks

Cont. from page 1 — makes them tough to defend.

"As always, we must be sure tacklers and protect the football on offense.

While that sounds like "coach-speak," it is the truth; the key for Gibbs' success can found in those two areas. Hopefully, we can get some kids healthy and be ready to open district play at home against AC. It should be an exciting Friday night at Gibbs."

Central entertains Campbell County and Karns renews one of those old Emory Road rivalries at Powell in other District 3-AAA action.

Elsewhere, South-Doyle travels to Jefferson County in a pivotal early-season District 2-AAA matchup.

"The Jefferson County game is big for a lot of reasons," pointed out South-Doyle Coach Clark Duncan, whose Cherokees opened with a 26-7 win over Heritage last week. "They have a rich tradition in football. They are one of the top teams in the IMAC and the winner of this game could have a big impact on our possible playoff position."

"The key is to try and slow down their quarterback and tailback. They are both extremely talented. We will also need to be able to run the football against what has always been a very good defensive team."

Headliners this week

also include West traveling to Maryville in District 4-AAA and Christian Academy of Knoxville playing at nearby Catholic in a District 4-AA clash.

Other top attractions involving local teams pit Fulton at Austin-East and Carter at Pigeon Forge in District 3-AA and Farragut making the short trip to Lenoir City for a District 4-AAA contest.

JAW DROPPER: Fulton's 46-0 romp past Powell was the most surprising score of Week 0 season openers. The Falcons, the 2012 Class 4A state champions, made a loud and clear statement that they are one of the state's top teams, including all classifications.

SUPER START: Jonathan Freeman turned in one of the best individual performances in TSSAA history in his first varsity start at Carter. The junior quarterback threw seven touchdown passes as the Hornets pulled out a 54-48 win in three overtimes at Gibbs on August 23. After the game, he turned the spotlight on his offensive line.

"We pulled it out because of the offensive line," he said. "As far as pass protection, they were bringing seven and eight guys sometimes and we had five blockers, and they were still holding them off for me to get the ball away, and that's all I can ask for."



Photo by Rob Taylor
Raina Fitzpatrick, West High School senior and captain, winds up to take a winning shot on goal at the Sevier County Soccer Tournament held August 23-24. The Lady Rebels won all three of their games in decisive fashion.

Jefferson County beats Knoxville Central 32-20

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In the second quarter both defenses got some stops, but with 5:08 to go in the first half, Styles made his presence felt again. At the Central 38 yard line, he took the snap from the shotgun formation, broke through the line, fought off a face-mask grab from Stinson,

broke multiple tackles, and fell into the end zone.

Jefferson County had a 16-6 lead.

Things went from bad to worse for Central when a blocked punt led to safety. Jefferson County took an 18-6 lead into intermission.

Jefferson County (1-0) kicked off to start the third quarter and once again, it was the big play that got the Bobcats going. Cedric Washington caught the kick at his own 12 yard line, broke a tackle, and sprinted up the middle and then all the way down the home sideline. Just like that, Central was back in the ballgame. The extra point was blocked, but Central was within a

score, down 18-12 with 11:45 to go in the third.

But with just under five minutes to go in the third, the Patriots extended their advantage, as Dalton Morgan broke through the line, and scampered 28 yards for the touchdown, putting Jefferson County up 25-12.

In the fourth, the Patriots were seemingly in control, but had to punt the football away. Stinson caught the punt at his own 15, made a few Jefferson County special teamers miss, and run 85 yards into the end zone. The two point conversion was converted and with 9:36 remaining in the ball game, somehow the Bobcats

were only down 25-20.

But Central (0-1) couldn't get the stop when they needed it. Styles led the Patriots down the field, and with just over five and a half minutes remaining, scored his third touchdown of the night. On a run/pass option from the Bobcats 18, he chose to run, and that was the proper decision. He ran into the end zone, and Jefferson County went up 32-20.

And that would be the final count.

Styles ran for 189 yards in leading Jefferson County to an opening week victory. Central will try to bounce back in week two against Campbell County.

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Houston downs Lady Bulldogs at Invitational



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Bearden's Casey Riemer moves the ball forward while Houston defender Taylor White approaches in the Lady Mustangs' 3-1 over the host Lady Bulldogs at the Bearden Invitational.

By Ken Lay

The second day of the Bearden Invitational soccer tournament didn't go well for its host team.

The Lady Bulldogs surrendered a pair of first-half goals in a 3-1 loss to Germantown Houston Thursday night at Bruce Allender Field.

The loss knocked Bearden, which is ranked seventh in the state, from the ranks of the unbeaten and came one night after the Lady Bulldogs earned a hard-fought 3-2 win over 2012 Class A/AA State runner-up Christian Academy of Knoxville.

Houston (4-0 and ranked sixth in Tennessee) took a 1-0 lead in the ninth minute when Carolyn Heavey scored off a corner kick from Shelby

Nell. Heavey's marker was the first of two scores by the Lady Mustangs (4-0) to come off of set pieces.

"I thought we played pretty well and I was pretty happy," Lady Bulldogs' coach Eric Turner said. "Unfortunately, we gave up a couple of corner kicks."

"They are a good team and you can't give those things up to a team like that. They're really athletic and I think they were more aggressive than us."

The Lady Mustangs took a 2-0 lead late in the first half when Paola Ellis put the ball behind Bearden senior goalkeeper Katie Cottrell, who put up a stellar effort between the goalposts for the Lady Bulldogs (3-1).

"Katie had a great game," Turner said. "We'll learn from this and that's why we play these kinds of games."

Turner said he thought the grueling match against Lady Warriors might've been a factor.

"I think we might've been a little tired after playing a tough game against CAK, but that's not an excuse," Turner said.

The Lady Mustangs took a 3-0 lead on a marker by senior Kelsey Pearce in the 43rd minute.

Bearden, which applied more sustained offensive pressure in the second half, got on the board when Ashley Seltzer scored off an assist from Mallory Denning.

Farragut downs Lady Irish 2-0

By Ken Lay

Former District 4-AAA girls soccer rivals met Wednesday night as Farragut invaded Catholic and the Lady Admirals used a pair of late first-half goals to notch a 2-0 victory over the Lady Irish.

Both Farragut and Catholic reached the Class AAA State Tournament in 2012 before realignment sent the Lady Irish (2-1 this season) to 4-A/AA.

Things might've changed a bit but the rivalry remains intense and the early stages of the latest match at Blaine Stadium, were tough as Catholic appeared to control the game.

That all changed when Lady

Admirals' junior midfielder K.C. Ward scored an unassisted goal in the 32nd minute. Farragut added another marker five minutes later when Katie Beuerlein, who recently committed to play college soccer at Wofford, took a pass from Joanda Parchman and promptly banged the ball past Lady Irish goalkeeper Katie Whitaker and into the back of the Catholic net.

Those were all the goals that the Lady Admirals (2-1-1) would need but Farragut coach Dennis Lindsay would've like to see his team score more. The Lady Admirals, who have sputtered a bit early, missed on several quality scoring chances.

"We're going to have to finish better than this," Lindsay said. "We have to do a better job connecting on our passes. We seem to be going for the long ball too much."

Farragut, which dominated all comers over the last two seasons en route consecutive State Tournament appearances, has struggled out of the gate this season. Farragut opened its 2013 campaign recently with a win at Greeneville. The Lady Admirals also had a draw in a District 4-AAA home match against Hardin Valley Academy before losing to Franklin.

The slow start has left Lindsay dumbfounded.

"We've just got to get them playing together again," he said. "We've basically got our whole team back and I don't know what's taking us so long this year."

"I think we're coming around but I'd like to have seen us score another goal or two when we had them down."

The loss was the first of the season for Catholic, which has wins over Alcoa and Lenoir City but Lady Irish coach Mark Leader wasn't all that disappointed after the match, which was part of the Bearden Invitational.

"We played well and we started off strong," Leader said. "But we made a couple of defensive

errors and you can't have those kinds of errors when you play these kinds of game."

"Farragut is a good side and I enjoy playing them and it's great competition."

Catholic may have left District 4-AAA but they'll still play the Lady Admirals, HVA (which replaced the Lady Irish in the district), Bearden and West.

"We'll still play those teams. I enjoy the rivalries that we have with the area schools like Farragut, Bearden, Hardin Valley and West," Leader said. "We'll continue to play those teams because they provide us with good hard clean competition."

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quarter. Meanwhile, the Hawks' Jordan Jackson scored from 8 yards out, then backup quarterback Chandler Viscardis threw a 2-point conversion pass as the Hawks took a 13-8 lead.

Karns then fumbled their second snap of the game in the back of their end zone. Hardin Valley's Matt Brewer recovered the safety, and the Hawks led 15-8.

That's when the Hawks' red zone problems began. The first of three Hardin Valley red zone turnovers occurred when the Hawks' Ryan Ferguson fumbled on the Beavers' 2-yard-line in the second quarter. Despite Karns' good fortune, their temporary momentum boost was short lived as they had a third errant snap that resulted in their first turnover, a fumble. However, the Hawks couldn't

do anything with the turnover.

A few minutes later, with the Hawks driving into the Beavers' red zone again, quarterback Nathan White threw an interception to the Beavers' Stedman Love. It was costly as Hardin Valley had come up empty with two drive-killing turnovers in the red zone in the first half. "We turned the ball over entirely too much tonight," Jones stressed. The first half ended with

Hardin Valley on top 15-8.

The score would stay 15-8 until the fourth quarter. Despite turning the ball over a third time in the red zone, this time on a Jordan Jackson fumble, Hardin Valley would recover to score a touchdown on their next drive. Wide receiver Jack Defur caught a 33-yard pass then Ryan Ferguson scampered 13 yards for a touchdown. That touchdown put the Hawks

up 22-8 with 11:53 left in the fourth quarter.

Karns' offense couldn't mount any sort of a comeback. Hardin Valley would get the ball back and converted a key fourth-and-two from the 50-yard line. Three plays later, Joseph Underwood punched it in for the final Hawks points as Hardin Valley captured the victory 29-8. "I got to run in my first offensive touchdown," Underwood said.

"It probably wasn't as dramatic as I thought it was."

Hardin Valley would finish with 251 rushing yards as the offensive line opened many holes for the Hawk running backs. The Hawks face William Blount next week in a key district game. "We've got a lot of work to do," Jones said. "We've come out of the gate being excited with a win but we know we got a long way to go to get to where we need to."

Maryville has stranglehold on Knoxville prep football

West will try to end 75-game losing streak

It's been almost 13 years since a high school football team from Knox County has beaten Maryville. Halls was the last to do it, way back in 2000.



By Steve Williams

The Red Devils' 21-14 win that season actually dropped Maryville to 0-4. Surprisingly, however, Coach George Quarles' Red Rebels didn't lose another game that year – even avenged the loss to Halls with a 21-3 win in the second round of the TSSAA playoffs – and went on to capture the first of nine state championships they would eventually celebrate over an amazing 12-year stretch.

For the record, Central handed Maryville its second loss in 2000, also by a 21-14 score. But since the Halls win, no other Knox County team has come out on top against the Red Rebels of Blount County. And with Webb School's 35-15 loss at Maryville in season-opening action this year, the losing streak has reached 75.

Also contributing to this infamous distinction have been Bearden, Carter, Catholic, Central, Farragut, Powell, South-Doyle and West. Hardin Valley Academy joined the list of victims last year in the first round of the playoffs.

If it's any consolation, 12 of those 75 losses have been close (eight points or less). Within a four-year period (2002

through 2005), Central, under former coach Joel Helton, suffered five close defeats at the hands of Maryville, if you also include a 33-23 setback in the 2005 state quarterfinals.

The Bobcats fell 28-24 in 2002, 27-24 and 28-25 (state quarterfinals) in 2003, and 17-14 in 2005.

"Coach Helton came close several times," said Scott Cummings, who will send his West Rebels to Maryville this Friday night. "He had some great games with them and really Central should have won a couple (more), but (there was) typical Maryville magic at the end of games."

Is there really a Maryville mystic?

"Oh sure, yeah," answered Cummings. "We'd all be lying if we said there wasn't. They've earned it. That's probably the highest honor in football you can give to someone, maybe even more than dynasty is magic. Whatever you want to label it – it's special."

Cummings said part of the reason for Maryville's tremendous success starts in its youth program. In fact, he saw that first hand recently when his two sons, Connor and Caden, who play for West's youth teams, went up against Maryville's "little Rebs and Southerners" in "bowl" games.

Even in the 8 and 9-10 age divisions, "they're running kids in and out,"

said Cummings. "They're organized. They've got a system at those ages and beat us up pretty bad. It starts there."

Cummings said having "true middle school football" and a community that "lives and breathes" high school football also are contributing factors.

"The biggest thing is they're being taught really good technique," he added.

Cummings also calls Quarles "one of the best play callers ever."

Despite it all, Maryville's win streak against Knoxville teams could be coming to an end this week. And the Knoxville team owning the longest losing streak to Maryville just may be the one to pull it off. West has lost 18 straight games to Maryville, dating back to 1997.

Cummings believes his current team has caught up with Maryville in talent. West was an impressive 65-7 winner over Karns in its season opener.

In last season's battle between the Rebels, the lead swapped hands several times, with Maryville

finally putting West away late 47-33.

The keys to a victory, says Coach Cummings, "will be eliminating big plays and stopping the

run. We've got to be true to the box and to the run and keep solid coverage in the secondary. Offensively, we need to have consistency in

moving the football. "If we can do that, we've got a shot."

A shot at a historic win that Knoxville prep football sorely needs.




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Carter High quarterback Jonathan Freeman (No. 11 and far left) had one of the state's top all-time performances in the Hornets' season-opening win over Gibbs.

Fulton's defense and speed beats Bearden, 52-0

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A lot more.

Daryl Rollins, another fleet Falcon, put on a show on the next Fulton possession and scored from the 1. He later added scoring runs of 91 and 35 yards.

Fulton quarterback Penny Smith threw two TD passes, an 18-yarder to Hawkins and a 67-yarder to K.J. Roper.

The Falcons were up 28-0 at half-time and 42-0 after three quarters.

With the clock running continuously because of the mercy rule and reserves mopping up, Fulton did get a chance to give its field goal team some work and Coleman connected from 27 yards out. Sophomore De'Ontay Tate tacked on a 13-yard touch-down run with 2:50 to go.

"The team play was great," summed up Smith, Fulton's senior QB. "We had a hard week of practice. We just came out and fought and fought and then we just finally started bustin' 'em. The hard work paid off."

Bearden Coach Brad Taylor was impressed with the Falcons.

"They've got speed that's hard to defend," said Taylor. "I think it's a really good team . . . I'd be really surprised if they're not back in Cookeville this year."

"We've got to get better to be able to compete in our district. That's what we're going to try to focus on . . . We just made too many mistakes. We've got to be able to capitalize on that stuff."

In addition to their opening kick-off recovery, the Bulldogs also failed to cash in on Blake Ironside's interception and 34-yard return to the Fulton 36 late in the second quarter. They ended up punting and backing Fulton up to its 9-yard line.

Rollins, getting a key block from 6-7, 327-pound senior tackle Akeem Cooperwood, went the distance on first down to put an exclamation point on the first half..

Coach Black greeted Cooperwood as he came off the field.

"That's an excellent job by you of picking up that blitz right there," he told Number 74.

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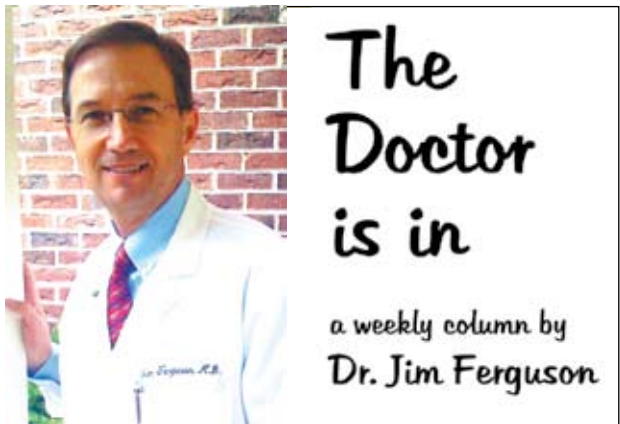
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WTDs

I often have trouble remembering what I wrote the previous week. I find this somewhat odd because I put so much of myself into the stories I share with you. I believe honest writing must come from the heart or it will seem obviously contrived. I write because it is a creative joy, not because I have an assignment or draw a paycheck to produce a weekly essay. And I write because I'm a teacher at heart, and may soon refocus on these roots.

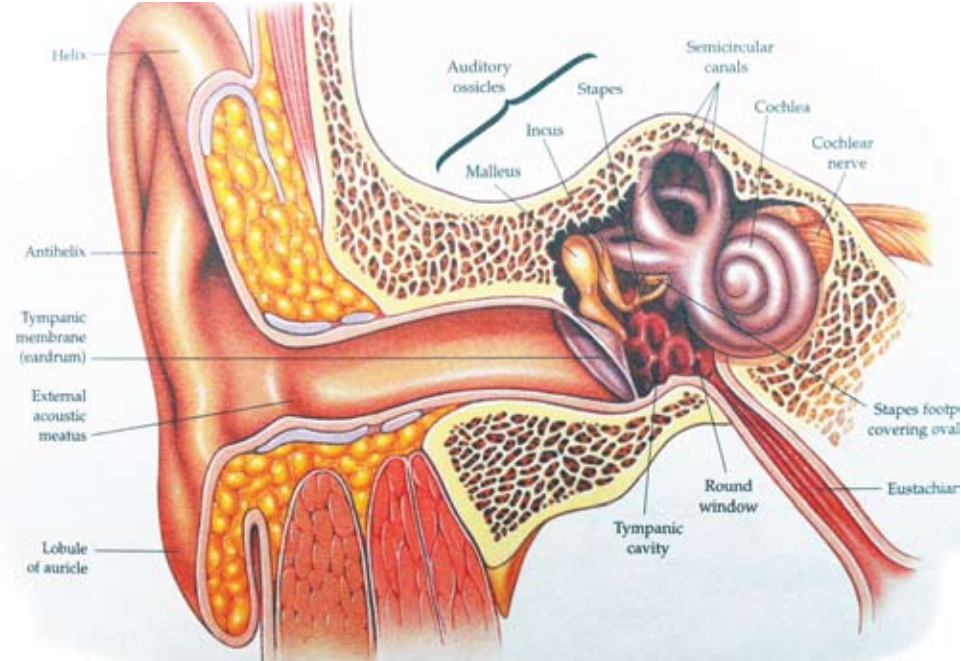
What I'm thinking often spills over onto these pages, and often I can't remember whether I thought it or wrote it. If I were organized I'd research my columns of the last five years, but Becky assures me that if we can't remember what I've previously discussed, you probably won't remember either, and perhaps it needs to be said again. Anyway, I'm sure you'll cut me a little slack if I'm a bit repetitious.

Though all of us have been thinking about going to war again in the Middle

East, the "wasteland of empires," I'm not going to write about it. I've been praying that our leaders will come to their senses, but I suspect they won't and we'll spend more blood and treasure in a lost cause on people who will still hate us when it's over.

At the moment I'm interested in tinnitus. This word, describing a ringing sound in the ears, derives from the Latin word *tinnire* and, according to Mr. Webster, was first used in 1843. Many medical terms have become part of my English lexicon or body of language. When I went to medical school I was required to buy a thick medical dictionary, and as I did my homework or heard terms that I didn't know I looked them up. I learned a new language in medical school, the technical language of my profession.

The American Tinnitus Association estimates that one in six Americans have this chronic ringing, buzzing, or hissing sensation in the ears which



persists for more than six months. Although tinnitus can occur in children it becomes more common as we age, and is also more prevalent in men and in smokers. The source of tinnitus can arise anywhere from the cochlear hearing apparatus, to the brain stem or even in the auditory cortex of the brain which is just above the ears. The modern thought is that as nerve cells along the hearing pathways are damaged the remaining neural tissue responds in a way analogous to phantom limb pain which occurs after an amputation.

The accompanying diagram may help you visualize the anatomy. Sound waves are collected by the external ear and are funneled to the eardrum. (As a side bar, you should realize that God made your finger too big to go down the ear canal. Using Q tips and such may tamp wax onto the ear drum just as a muzzle loader rifle is

primed with a bullet. So don't do it.) Sound waves vibrate the ear drum and the bones of the middle ear transmit that mechanical energy to the cochlear hearing apparatus. As the cochlear fluid is disturbed the waves stimulate nerve cells. The resulting electrochemical signals are sent to the brain where they are interpreted as the sounds of cicadas (last week's essay) or Beethoven's 5th symphony.

The sensitive nerve cells in the cochlea can become damaged from hardening of the arteries. Interestingly, pulsing tinnitus can result from throbbing vessels in the neck or brain. Certain antibiotics or chemotherapeutic agents can damage the cochlea and cause tinnitus. Diuretics in large doses can cause cochlear problems even though diuretics are used to treat excessive fluid in the "inner ear" which produces vertigo and tinnitus, a condition known as

cochlear hydrops. Many years ago we used a lot of aspirin for its anti-inflammatory effects. High doses of aspirin can produce a roaring in the ears known as *cynconism*.

I'm more frequently consulted for dizziness than for tinnitus. Vertigo is most often caused by disturbances in the semicircular canals of the "inner ear." When the fluid in these canals is disturbed by tiny stones or the nerve cells become inflamed or dysfunctional from poor blood flow, vertigo, a spinning sensation, results. This can occur suddenly even in the absence of "too much to drink!" It often scares patients who fear a stroke.

There is one last entity to consider in this whirlwind through the ear. An acoustic neuroma is a benign tumor of the cells which covers the cochlear nerve roots. These slow growing tumors press against the nerve fibers

and produce a characteristic tinnitus of low frequency – a hum rather than the high pitched whistle of cochlear cell loss. Additionally, these tumors cause hearing loss and vertigo. Obviously, your symptoms should be evaluated by your doctor rather than being diagnosed by Mr. Google or even Dr. Ferguson, resident consultant and Focus essayist.

When I was in training many years ago I provided care for the disadvantaged. Those who were educationally, socially, and economically impoverished were my charge. Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) were all too common in that inner city population, and by necessity I became quite expert in STD diagnosis and management. Now, I care for a different population with other concerns. My patients now often complain of, not STDs, but WTDs (weak, tired and dizzy). I'm now an expert of both.

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

For appointments call Keesha at 865-522-0326.

Do you have a question for Dr. Ferguson? Please e-mail him at fergusonj@knoxfocus.com.

UTMC Cancer Institute offers new advanced radiotherapy technology



The TrueBeam radiotherapy system at UT Medical Center provides a powerful new treatment for patients with cancer throughout the region.

In a promising development for cancer patients in the East Tennessee region, the Cancer Institute at The University of Tennessee Medical Center announced that it recently began treating patients with the TrueBeam system, an innovative system that delivers powerful cancer treatments with pinpoint accuracy and precision. The TrueBeam is a game-changing system for radiotherapy treatment from Varian Medical Systems. The system provides an integrated, intelligent solution for imaging and treatment within a sophisticated new architecture that makes it possible to deliver treatments more quickly while using on board imaging to pinpoint the location of the tumor.

"TrueBeam will enable us to treat even the most challenging cases with unprecedented speed and precision," said Dr.

Robert Bertoli, a radiation oncologist and medical director of Radiation Oncology at UT Medical Center. "We are pleased to be the first to offer this advanced technology to cancer patients in East Tennessee."

The TrueBeam system allows for faster treatment while offering greater patient comfort by shortening the treatments. Treatments that once took 15 minutes or more can be completed in less than two minutes once the patient is in position. Patients spend less time lying still, immobilized on a hard surface.

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progresses, ensuring that the system maintains a "true isocenter," or focal point of treatment. For lung and other tumors subject to respiratory motion, TrueBeam offers the capability to monitor and compensate for tumor motion. Additional functionality makes it possible to create images using 25% less X-ray dose.

"It's an exciting time for the Cancer Institute as Radiation Oncology relocates into our new facility bringing all cancer outpatient services under one roof for patient convenience and we add yet another option, the TrueBeam, to our menu of advanced technologies and treatments offered to cancer patients in the region," stated Dr. John L. Bell, director of the Cancer Institute.

Total Hip Replacements: What's Hip, What's Hype



Featured Speaker
Mark MacNaughton, M.D.

Every year more than a quarter of a million Americans have total hip replacement surgery. It's almost always a successful operation that frees patients from what's often described as disabling pain. Orthopedic surgeon Dr. Mark MacNaughton will discuss the different options patients have available to them and the best approach based on their symptoms.

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Windsor Gardens resident spotlight *One of Ada Huskey's passions is flowers, and this is quite evident when one looks around the beautiful grounds at Windsor Gardens Assisted Living. A resident of Windsor Gardens for four years, Ada has enjoyed putting in and maintaining the main flower bed in the front entrance, as well as flower beds in the back courtyard of the facility. Her latest project has been in conjunction with a pergola that has been built by Bill Sanders, maintenance director at Windsor. Ada has planted flowers boxes and potted flowers to place around the pergola, which provides a beautiful and shady spot for residents to enjoy. Pictured from left to right: (standing) Ada Huskey; (seated) Maria Horvath, Bobbie Parker, Gladys Welchel, Ernie Ingle.*

UT Veterinary College offers Pet Memorial Day and PAWt-luck dinner

A special day to honor the lives and loss of companion animals

In an effort to help pet owners celebrate the lives of their companion animals, both living and dead, Veterinary Social Work (VSW) at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine is offering its seventh annual Pet Memorial Day, Sunday, Sept. 8, 2013. The event, which is free and open to the public, allows people to reflect on the impact pets have on their lives. The national Pet Memorial Day is held each year on the second Sunday in September.

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

Participants are invited to take part in a special memorial art project that will be displayed at the veterinary college. Attendees are

welcome to bring stories, poems and copies of pictures to share in remembrance of their pets. As part of a PAWt-luck dinner, participants are invited to bring a human-friendly food item to share that reminds them of their animal.

The event will be held at Hollingsworth Auditorium on the UT agricultural campus from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Call 865-755-8839 or email vetsocialwork@utk.edu for more information. To ensure enough art supplies are available, please R.S.V.P. by Thursday, Sept. 5.

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

In addition to the programs of the College of Veterinary Medicine, the UT Institute of Agriculture also provides instruction, research and public service through the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, the UT AgResearch system of 10 research and education centers and UT Extension offices in every county in the state.

Faith

Mistaken Identity

I have a friend who one time noticed his wife at a store and walked up from behind and kissed her. The only problem is that after he kissed her he realized to his horror, and hers, that it was not his wife. She only looked like his wife from behind. Oops. There are many times someone's identity is mistaken. This even happened with Jesus.

When Jesus showed up on earth, many people were looking for the Messiah. His coming had been predicted for well over a thousand years.



By Mark Brackney,
Minister of the
Arlington Church
of Christ

"You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. These are the Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life" (John 5:39-40).

When Jesus appeared, many of those scholars missed Him because they

The teachers of the Law, the Scribes, and the Priests had studied the Scriptures intently so as to know what to look for in the Messiah. Jesus told these religious leaders,

were looking for someone with a different pedigree. They were looking for someone who fit the bill better as to what an earthly king would look like. Jesus, the friend of sinners who was raised in hills of Galilee where country bumpkins come from, could not possibly be the long awaited Messiah. Sure, Jesus was doing some amazing miracles, but they reasoned that this must have been because the Devil was in Him. Others said Jesus was a good man, even a prophet, but not the Messiah. Jesus countered each of their arguments.

Jesus made it clear that He had been with God in

eternity past, during the creation, and He was one with His Father as the Son of God: "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness..." (Gen. 1:26). "The Jews gathered around him saying, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep...I and the Father are one'" (John 10:24-30). "Jesus said to them, 'My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working.' For this reason the Jews tried all the harder to kill him;

not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God'" (John 5:17-18). Jesus always referred to God as "my Father." No Jew had ever done that before. They understood His claim was to be equal with God. They did not believe this claim. "I tell you the truth, before Abraham was born, I am!" At this, they picked up stones to stone him" (John 8:58-59). In the Old Testament, "I am" was a name God called Himself (Exodus 3:13-14). They knew that Jesus was claiming to be the divine nature of God in human flesh and they couldn't

accept this. At Jesus' trial before His execution Jesus made this claim once more. "Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?' 'I am,' said Jesus" (Mark 14:61-64).

Jesus wanted no one to mistake His identity. He spoke clearly and gave many convincing proofs through His miracles that He was who He claimed to be (John 14:8-11). Ultimately, the resurrection proved His claim to be divine (John 2:18-22; Romans 1:4). Let it not be said that we mistook the identity of Jesus.

Church Happenings

Beaver Ridge United Methodist Church

Beaver Ridge United Methodist Church, located at 7753 Oak Ridge Hwy, is inviting you to GET HEALTHY! We are offering Line Dancing on Monday 5:30-8 p.m. (Gym), Zumba on Tuesday and Thursday

4 p.m. (Gym), Weight-Watchers on Wednesday 5:30 p.m. (Ed. Bldg.) and Low-Impact Aerobics on Thursday 5:45 p.m. (Gym). We also offer Open Basketball for Youth in the Gym on Tuesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Beaver Ridge will again

open the doors for the Second Harvest Food Drop on Saturday, September 21 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. We will have volunteers to help bag your FREE FOOD and carry it to your car if needed. For more information or to volunteer your help please call our office:

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Contemporary Singer/songwriters Viv Neville and Liz Clarke will be performing a free concert at Crosswalk Community Church on Sunday, September 8 at 6 p.m. as a stop of their 2013 USA tour. The musicians bring a fusion of Celtic, folk and pop and all styles of music, including jazz and blues. An added feature to the concert is a painter of musical interpretation. Crosswalk Community Church is located on Governor John Sevier Hwy. The public is welcome!

Erin Presbyterian Church

Friendship Force of Knoxville will meet at Erin Presbyterian Church, 200 Lockett Rd. on September 3 at 6:30 p.m. Speaker provided, guests welcome. For information, call 693-

0322.

Seymour United Methodist Church

The "Soul Sisters" women's fellowship group is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, Sept. 3, but details are not yet known.

The Wednesday evening weekly fellowship meals begin at 5:15 p.m. Make reservations on Sundays or by noon Tues.

The next Golden Opportunities event for senior adults will be held at Maryville First UMC on Sept. 12 from 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. This time the theme is "Everything Old is New Again" with guest speaker Bill Landry of the Heartland Series on TV.

For further information, please call the church office at 573-9711.

Clear Springs Baptist Church

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St. John's Wort is associated with herbal remedies for depression, but cheery ornamental varieties like this H. Hypearls 'Renu' from the UT Gardens, Knoxville, will chase away the blues in the garden. Photo by B. Willis, courtesy UTIA.

UT Gardens September 2013 Plant of the Month

St. John's Wort

Submitted by Beth Willis,
Trials coordinator for the UT Gardens,
Knoxville

Most people associate St. John's Wort with the herbal remedy for depression, but gardeners should be aware that the ornamental varieties of St. John's Wort will certainly chase away the blues when planted in the garden. These shrubs provide a long season of interest thanks to cheery blooms of bright yellow with distinctive numerous stamens that appear in midsummer and last into fall. The blooms are followed by attractive berries, in colors from cream to red, depending on the cultivar.

St. John's Wort (*Hypericum* sp.) can be planted in full sun or part shade. Best growth occurs in full sun, but afternoon or dappled shade can help to prevent leaf burn and wilt in hot, humid climates. Well-drained soil is best as

hypericums can be susceptible to root rot. Although the species will self-seed, most of the ornamental cultivars do not come true to type from seed and so are best propagated through cuttings.

St. John's Wort makes a great backdrop for smaller plants when placed in the rear of landscape beds, or it can be integrated into a rock or woody garden. It also performs well in containers. Blooms are very attractive to bees. Once planted and established, it requires no major care. Blooms are produced on new wood, so prune in early spring if you wish to control size or shape.

Although common St. John's Wort (*H. perforatum*) is considered a noxious weed in many parts of the world, numerous ornamental cultivars are available that are smaller and better-behaved. Some of the varieties available on the market

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- H. frondosum 'Sunburst' - the blooms on this variety can measure up to 2 inches in diameter. Hardy to Zone 5.

- H. 'Hidcote' - a popular cultivar that has received the Award of Garden Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain. Hardy to Zone 5.

House to Home



Happy Anniversary

David and Phyllis Allison of Gibbs celebrated 50 years of marriage August 16, 2013. They were married on August 16, 1963 in Knoxville. They have three children: Brian (Kim) Allison and Joy (Zeke) Cate, and two grandchildren: Spencer D. Allison, and Abigail A. Allison. He is retired from Gerdeau Ameristeel. She is a homemaker.

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9/28 (1 day) 9 to 5 American Red Cross, 6921 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville

Bonny Kate DAR meeting

The Bonny Kate DAR Chapter will be celebrating its 120th anniversary at its meeting on Wed., Sept. 11, at noon at the 2nd Methodist Church, 1524 West-ern Ave., Knoxville. Betty

Stevens, Appalachian District Director, will speak.

Central High School Reunion

The Central High School Class of 1978 will have their 35th reunion on September 14, 2013 at Beaver Brook Country Club. The event will be from 6:30 - 10:30 p.m.; cost is \$25 per person and can be paid at the door. For more information call Ronnie Booker at 688-8779.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Class of 2016

Responding to the National Park Service Call to Action in preparation for it's 100th year anniversary in 2016, Tremont created a unique program opportunity to develop young leaders and participate in developing a vision for the NPS's

next 100 years. Students participating in the Youth Leadership Class of 2016 will relate their experiences with this National Park Service Program.

Partnering with schools and youth organizations, a core group of students who will be graduating from high school in 2016 were selected to be a part of the Youth Leadership Class. Those students are involved with a series of educational expeditions and opportunities in Great Smoky Mountains National Park that began last summer and culminate during the National Park Service centennial in 2016. Through this program, students become informed citizens and Park stewards with a grasp of

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Dressing:
1 sm onion, chopped
1 cup oil
1/3 cup vinegar
1/3 cup sugar
1 T prepared mustard
1 t celery seeds
1/2 t salt

Salad:
1 lb fresh spinach
1 sm red onion, sliced into rings
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
6 slices bacon, cooked & crumbled

Remove stems from spinach, wash leaves in lukewarm water and pat dry. Tear into bite-size pieces. Combine spinach, onion, eggs and bacon. Serve with the dressing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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the special qualities of this wonderful place as well as the threats facing it.

This program is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Mac Post, 865-806-0980.

North Knoxville Business & Professional Meeting

The next NKB&PA meeting will be at 7:45 a.m., Friday, September 13, at The Coop Café (Woodland & St. Mary's Street). Join for great networking, breakfast, and a word from guest speaker Dr. Joe Johnson, Retired President of the University of Tennessee.

Please bring a goodie from your company for Fulton High School's

Teacher Appreciation Week. Gift Ideas: gift cards, packaged food treats, office supplies.

Town Hall East

The next meeting is September 9, 2013 at the Eastminster Fellowship Hall, 4904 Asheville Hwy, at 7 p.m.

Town Hall East, Inc. is pleased to introduce to you the Candidates for Knoxville City Council during this meeting. Nick Pavlis, 1st District - unopposed; Rick Staples, 4th District; Duane Grieve, 2nd District - unopposed; Daniel Brown, 6th District - incumbent; Brenda Palmer, 3rd District - unopposed; Charles Drew, 6th District; Nick Della Volpe, 4th District - incumbent

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization - Technical Committee Meeting, September 10, 2013.

The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Technical Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 10, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Topics to be considered: Amendment to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program - Conner Road Bridge, Consideration of Bylaws for the Technical Committee, the FTA Section 5307 Application Process, Overview of the Change to the TPO Public Outreach Plan, Overview of the TPO Smart Trips Program, the Draft FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program; and other business.

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

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