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For a few hours on Thursday, June 4, time warped back to the '50s at the Knox County Museum of Education's first annual fundraiser "Let's Go Back to the Hop."

The event raised just over \$9,000 for the museum's operating budget.

"The sock hop was more than a delightful event planned and executed by a determined group of volunteers to raise funds for KCME," said Benna Van Vuureen, Executive Director. "As I enjoyed the music, entertainment, and food, I became aware that all of us were coming together to preserve our educational heritage and that all of us are proud of being part of the school system. From

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Mayor, superintendent present an agreement for new Gibbs, Hardin Valley middle schools

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The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Knox County Mayor and the Knox County Superintendent of Schools announced last week promises a lot but, as Mayor Tim Burchett said, "The devil is in the details."

The agreement between the mayor and the superintendent would give a 2% bonus next year to teachers who qualify.

"This one-time payment will be treated as a transfer," Burchett says in the MOU going to the county



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Mayor Tim Burchett presents his and Superintendent McIntyre's Memorandum of Understanding in a press conference last Monday.

commission. To fund the "bonus" the county is kicking in \$3 million and is

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Citizens praise Middle School proposal

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"This has been an incredibly encouraging day," one citizen told the Knox County Commission last Monday during a public forum on the proposed county budget.

Several citizens attended to the hearing to address the public forum, many planning to plea for middle schools at Gibbs and Hardin Valley. Their planned comments turned to praise for the agreement announced preceding the hearing by Mayor Tim Burchett and Superintendent James McIntyre to build both schools. The proposals need approval by the commission and the school board.

Rev. C. H. Qualls thanked the Board of Education for listening to residents of the Gibbs and Corryton communities in their long pleas for a Middle School. He specifically thanked Commissioner Dave Wright, calling Wright an "advocate for our cause."

Eleven-year-old Jackson Frazier spoke first. He attends school in Karns and called that school "a great place" but told the commissioners he'd rather attend school in Hardin Valley where he lives and where his friends are.

James Waddell said that the lack of a middle school has hurt the growth in the Gibbs area but said the population growth

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Clockwise, from top, supporters of the KCME take a turn around the dance floor. Barney Fife (Sammy Sawyer) guards the Silent Auction table. The Doo Wop Diner serves food for the 'hoppers.' Four Dots and a Dash reunited for a one-night performance.

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Bits of News About Local Education

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Tim and Jim reach budget compromise.

Last Monday, Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett and Knox County Schools Director Jim McIntyre held a joint press conference to present a budget compromise that they say would allow for the construction of both the Hardin Valley and Gibbs middle schools, as well as provide a 2% raise for teachers. The compromise also bridges

the gap between the Mayor's budget of \$435M for KCS, and the \$441.5M requested by the Board of Education.

The details were outlined in a DRAFT Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Both the School Board and County Commission still need to approve the MOU. We reached out to Knox County Finance Director Chris Caldwell, who explained the budget compromise as follows:

The County would

allocate an additional \$3M as a one-time fund transfer to cover APEX teacher bonuses for next year, increasing the County funding of KCS from \$435 to \$438. This frees up \$3M in the general fund budget for KCS to use for teacher raises. The one time transfer is not subject to the Maintenance of Effort.

The school system would reduce teacher raises from 3% to 2%, cutting \$2.5M. KCS would cut an additional \$1M from their budget,

and agree to contribute this amount to raise funds for certified teachers. Thus, \$441.5M minus \$2.5M cut by reducing teacher raises minus \$1M in additional cuts yields a budget of \$438M.

Why is it that teacher raises are always the first thing cut by Knox County Schools?

Burchett also agreed to include construction of the two middle schools in the capital improvement plan. But there are conditions,

including, "The procedure shall be by a public "design/build" procurement process as dictated by Knox County Charter and Knox County Ordinance."

The MOU further stipulates that, "The bid requests will be for high-quality, modern school buildings and construction techniques in accordance with state standards and with every effort made to meet local design standards," and "The construction of each school

shall be tracked by separate organization codes, with all expenditures being charged correctly."

The goal is to reduce the cost over-runs and questionable accounting practices seen in recent school construction projects contracted to private builders. The County has proven success with the proposed process in the construction of Carter Elementary School.

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City awarded \$946,000 TDOT grant for Kingston Pike improvements

A busy stretch of Kingston Pike will be made safer for pedestrians, cyclists and transit riders thanks to a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation. TDOT has awarded a \$946,470 Multimodal Access Grant to the City of Knoxville for the Kingston Pike Complete Connections Project, which will improve Kingston Pike from Wesley Road to the intersection of Papermill Drive and Golfclub Road.

The grant, which requires only a 5 percent match with local funds, will pay for design and installation of new sidewalks on the south side of Kingston Pike, along with installation of crosswalks, pedestrian signals, and a bus shelter at the intersection of Kingston Pike and Golfclub Road. This project will provide a safe pedestrian crossing between two existing transit stops on either side of Kingston Pike.

It will also widen a section of shoulder along Kingston Pike that is part of a signed bicycle route from West Knoxville to downtown.

"This project will really help bicyclists, pedestrians and bus riders navigate a very busy highway," said Jon Livengood, the

City's Alternative Transportation Coordinator. "It will make it easier for people to get around, no matter which form of transportation they're using. We are very grateful to Governor Haslam and TDOT Commissioner John Schroer for recognizing the value of this project."

Examples of projects eligible under the Multimodal Access Fund Program include sidewalks and pedestrian crossing improvements, bus shelters, park and ride facilities, and bicycle lanes. Multimodal Access projects will be funded 95 percent by TDOT, with 5 percent funded with local matching funds. Total individual project costs will not exceed \$1 million. For more on the program, see <http://news.tn.gov/node/13988>.

Governor Haslam said, "Improving our facilities for walking, biking, and transit is critical to the continued growth and success of our towns and cities, and these grants help make our communities across Tennessee more livable by creating more transportation options."

Livengood said design work on the Kingston Pike project should begin later this year.

City Pension Board Launches New Website at cokpension.org

The City of Knoxville Pension Board has a new website and new online address: www.cokpension.org. The updated website offers an easier, more user-friendly portal for current and former City of Knoxville employees who participate in the City's Pension Plan.

The Pension Board is an independent body governed by a nine-member board: four elected employee representatives, the Mayor, the City Finance Director, a City Council representative and two community representatives appointed by the Mayor. It oversees the administration of the City's pension fund.

"A little over a year ago, we decided it was time for an update to the Pension Board website," said Kristi Paczkowski, the Board's Executive Director. "Little did we know all the things that would go into getting the website up and running. Our goal was to make it more user-friendly and full of information for employees, retirees and the public.

It will also assist us in administering the plans of the pension system.

"Employees will have access to forms, which can be filled out online and printed out, and information on their respective plans. They will also be able to schedule appointments from the website to come in and evaluate their options with our staff. Retirees will be able to update their address and withholding information, and see the calendar for their monthly deposits. The public will have access to our annual financial and actual report information.

"The links shared on the website will help retirees with calculating their federal withholding needs as well as provide valuable legal information published by the Tennessee Bar Association for seniors, just to name a few resources. We are excited to have this new tool to help us serve the members and administer the plans of the City of Knoxville Employees' Pension System."

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the beginning we have had great educators and involved communities to ensure that our boys and girls would receive not only a good education, but also would develop a sense of pride in our heritage and tradition."

The Knox County Museum of Education preserves that heritage. Knox County leads the way by being one of the few counties that have a museum dedicated to collecting, preserving, and making accessible our documents, memorabilia and memories of our school days.

"The museum belongs to all of us and it will only survive and grow as we are all involved in its future," observed Van Vuureen. "It's a great place to gather to walk down memory lane. I felt a real thrill at the sock hop looking around and seeing the smiling faces and sensing that we are all working together for KCME."

The Four Dots and a Dash re-united for a one-night-only performance of Doo Wop hits from the '50s and 60s. The group began singing for retiring teachers early in Dr. Charles Lindsey's career as superintendent of schools and then grew to become well known throughout the Southeast before disbanding in 2008.

"We're very appreciative that the Four Dots and a Dash returned for this evening of live entertainment to benefit the museum," said David Armstrong, chairman of the board of the museum who also doubles as the 'sound man' for the group. Group members in addition to Lindsey are Dr. Fred Patterson, Chris Caruthers, Walter Mencer, and Seldon Valentine. All are current or retired Knox County School administrators.

Money raised from the sales of tickets and the silent auction will fund the museum's daily operations. The museum depends solely on donations for financial support. The Knox County Schools provides in-kind support by housing the museum in the Sarah Simpson Professional Development & Technology Center on the first floor. The museum is a non-profit organization and is open five days each week from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

History certainly served history during the "Let's Go Back to the Hop." The South Alumni Octet members Ernie Gammon, Herb Cover, Jay Johnson, Mike Maples, Chuck Sayne, and Scott Little also performed at the event. All six men were members of the men's octet across their years as students at South High/South Jr. High – the building which is now the Simpson Center and home of the museum. The group opened the show with the "Cas Walker Show Theme" popular in the '50s then added a variety of songs.

The characters from Mayberry Sheriff's Office Knoxville topped the evening. Barney Fife (Sammy Sawyer), Briscoe Darling (Bo Pierce), Otis Campbell (Mark Cawod), Aunt Bee (Georgia Branam) and Floyd the Barber (Bill Branam) kept the audience laughing but also brought a serious message from days gone by.

"The Mayberry group was proud to represent the good memories found on The Andy Griffith Show during that time," said Bo Pierce who plays Briscoe Darling. "Education was important in Mayberry: from Ernest T. Bass getting his diploma for 'Learning', to Barney reciting The Preamble (with some help from Andy), to Andy explaining to Opie, his friends, and Barney about 'The Shot Heard Around the World.' Mayberry is everybody's hometown. All of us were pleased to help generate some good memories."

Good memories are a big part of the museum experience for the visitor, but there's much more. "The museum offers the casual visitor a walk down memory lane in its simplest form, but it is also a valuable resource for historical research," said Armstrong.

Hundreds of annuals from open and closed schools first grab the visitor's attention as does the more than 300 notebooks containing the history of each school in the city or county. Scrapbooks, personal items, photos, trophies, programs, detailed records of meetings – all are available for a hands-on experience.

"Don't throw away history" is the motto of the museum. Too often, when people are cleaning out the garage, the attic, basement or closet some valuable historical items are tossed as well.

"Please consider offering these to the museum of education," said Armstrong.

Committee members are Mary Kerr, Chair, David Armstrong, Sue Boyer, Margie LeCoultre, Tanna Nicely, and Gayle Burnett.

Learn more about the museum and see more photos from the event at <https://www.facebook.com/KCMuseumOfEducation> and <http://knoxschools.org/museum>.

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allocated to the schools, the County has no control over how the money is spent. Presumably, putting these stipulations in writing in a MOU will prevent McIntyre from spending the funds instead on some shiny new initiative, another Parthenon-like study, or more Broad Residents.

The MOU also addresses the sale of the Andrew Johnson Building and subsequent move of KCS operations to another facility, and lays out roles and responsibilities of the County government and Board of Education in ensuring fiscal responsibility and adhering to this MOU. Make no mistake. Mayor Burchett was negotiating from a position of strength.

During the press conference, McIntyre said, "I look forward to seeing some great Tim and Jim work together for the benefit of our community stories coming up here in the future..." to which Burchett replied, "Don't push it."

(See Mike Steely's article for the full story).

A Call for Testing Transparency in Tennessee.

Frustrated by the continuing miscommunication and secrecy surrounding the high-stakes TCAP assessments, more than a dozen grassroots public school advocacy groups are petitioning Governor Bill Haslam, Commissioner of Education Candice McQueen, and the Tennessee State House and Senate for testing transparency.


The Change.org petition begins, "As parents, voters, and citizens of Tennessee, we believe these principles should guide Tennessee testing policy going forward:

1. The process for determining cut scores should be clear and cut scores should be set and released before tests are administered.
2. Tests must be transparent. Questions and answers should be available within a reasonable time after test administration.
3. Standardized test scores should not be counted as a portion of a student's final grade.
4. Standardized test scores should not be used in teacher evaluation.

(These are many of the same views voiced in the KCS "Assessing the Assessments" public insight meeting held on June 2)

The petition continues, "We believe these principles are fair and represent what parents want: Fair tests used to assess student learning relative to standards. By adopting these principles and the policies they would necessitate, we can return testing to its rightful place as one of many tools used to improve education, instead of the ultimate measure of student and teacher performance."

Groups participating in this network include: TREE (Tennesseans Reclaiming Educational Excellence) Strong Schools (Sumner County) Williamson Strong (Williamson County) SPEAK (Knox County) SOCM (Statewide Organizing for Community eMpowerment) Momma Bears (Statewide) Advocates for Change in Education (Hamilton County) Concerned Parents of Franklin County (Franklin County) The Dyslexia Spot (Statewide) Parents of Wilson County, TN (Wilson County) Schools Friends of Oak Ridge Schools (City of Oak Ridge Schools) TNBATs (State branch of National BATs) Gideon's Army, Grassroots Army for Children (Nashville) East Nashville United (Nashville) Tennessee Against Common Core (Statewide) To sign the petition, go to change.org and search for "A Call for Testing Transparency in Tennessee."



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Sidewalks, Urban Gardens in city

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The capital improvements budget for next fiscal year was passed by City Council Tuesday evening but not without some comments from council members and citizens pleading for sidewalks.

About \$750,000 was authorized in the budget for sidewalks but, as mentioned, that money would not cover the cost of one mile of new sidewalks. Councilman Nick Della Volpe suggested that at least one million be authorized per year in the future for those projects.

Della Volpe said that maybe some of the budget allocated for Lake Shore Park be pulled back and dedicated to sidewalk construction.

Mayor Madeline Rogero replied that about \$2 million is in the budget for specific sidewalk projects beyond the \$750,000.

Several Shannondale area residents spoke in public forum pleading for sidewalks there. Susanne Miller said many mailboxes, including her own, have been destroyed by speeding drivers. She added that there are no shoulders along the Dogwood Trail streets in the neighborhood and children cannot safely walk to school.

Alexis Nicely said the Shannondale area is "almost the perfect American neighborhood" except for the lack of sidewalks and traffic. She asked the council to change the speed limit, install speed bumps, increase police patrols

and add sidewalks. She said she will not allow her three year old to go with her to their mailbox because of traffic.

Page Fowler has two children and said they moved to Shannondale because they like the area but also cited the speeding and traffic on the roads.

"My children have a right to walk to school but there's no place to walk," she said, adding that the children have been climbing over neighbors' fences to play with other children.

Several sidewalk projects were authorized by the council including a replacement project, improvements at Fort Sanders, and purchases of property along West Young High Pike for a sidewalk project. Both projects were in the mayor's budget.

Also in Tuesday's meeting, council passed the Urban Agriculture amendment, defining the terms and uses related to home and community gardens.

Erin Gill, Director of the Office of Sustainability, said the change will expand the momentum and growth of gardens in Knoxville and said, in preparing the change, the office tried to listen to everyone and respond to concerns.

Several people spoke in favor of the amendment including Robert Hodge of the Botanical Gardens who said urban agriculture makes the city stronger.

"Our ability to feed ourselves really matters," Hodges said.

Asked by Councilman Daniel Brown what a "food desert" is, Gill replied that it is a neighborhood without adequate ways to shop for fresh foods, including access to something other than a convenience store within walking distance. Gill said 20 Knoxville neighborhoods fall into that category.

Gill went on to say that gardens on private property would not require a permit but community gardens would be required to register with the city.

Councilwoman Brenda Palmer questioned allowing stands in front yards being permitted for nine months a year, adding that she fears some people would not take the stands down after the growing season. Asked about beekeeping, the reply was that the city cannot prohibit beekeeping on private property but can require a 15-foot setback of the hives. It was pointed out that Mayor Rogero keeps bees on her property.

"It is intrusive," Della Volpe said of the amendment overall and asked if expanding regulations on gardens is even needed.

"This is the first step down a slippery slope" Della Volpe said, referring to the government regulation of the use of private property.

Della Volpe's "No" vote was the only vote against the expanded regulations.

Gill said the amendment is "adding clarity" when the city looks into complaints.

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asking the board of education to cut \$1 million from its budget and designate that for teacher raises.

The county's \$3 million would go toward APEX teacher bonuses which are based on assessments points. About half the teachers qualify for the bonus. That means that the money in the school system budget for APEX bonuses can go toward teacher raises.

Burchett is asking the commission, which meets in special session today at 4 p.m., to amend his proposed budget and add the funding for this "one-time bonus." The county will pay into the school's payroll account after November 24. The county's \$1 million in cuts would help fund raises for certified teachers and the pay will be in addition to normal step raises, which are paid based on the number of years, up to 20, teaching in the system.

The understand between Burchett and McIntyre must be approved by the commission and the board of education and also includes floating bonds to construct middle schools in the Hardin Valley and the Gibbs communities. Construction of the schools will be in county hands and \$34 million will go toward the Hardin Valley school. Gibbs will get \$30 million.

The county will be responsible for bidding, allotting, and constructing the schools and County Finance Director Chris Caldwell said the two schools will cost about \$3 million apiece per year to operate. He said that 20-year bonds may be issued in September or October. He also said that each school's bond could cost the county \$45 to \$50

million over the life of the bonds when interest is accounted for.

Burchett also announced that the county-owned Andrew Johnson Building, which now houses the school administration offices, will be sold after another location for the school offices is located. He said selling the historic building, which as a hotel had guests like Hank Williams and Elvis Presley, would return to the county tax base and produce revenue.

The mayor is also proposing that the county and the board of education work together to "provide quarterly reports to the Mayor, The County Board of Education and the County Commission to identify ways and means to reduce education expenditures to make certain the annual operating expenses of the two new middle schools are appropriately and fully funded." The reports would go to the commission's Finance Committee.

To achieve financial cutbacks at the schools the agreement calls for cutting failing programs, reducing employees, and looking at "traditional classroom schedules" which may kill future plans of a balanced school year, also known as "year round school."

The mayor agreed, in the proposal going to commission for approval, to begin a three-year phase out in 2017 of Burchett's Reading Initiative.

The final point in the agreement is having the board of education to propose budgets through 2019 "within projections provided by the Knox County Finance Department and agreed upon by the School's Finance Department."

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potential "is great" and a new middle school there will help attract the expected 10,000 new residents in the area over the next four years.

Kim Frazier said she has found "a new respect" for elected officials and noted that Gibbs and Hardin Valley residents worked together in their push for new schools.

Brad Greene of Hardin Valley said that schools are an important part of a community and are "much bigger than a building and build a deep sense of community."

Shelly Weis said she is excited about the new schools and disputed one speaker's claim that there's no need for new schools based on population projections. Weis and others also commented on the proposed 2% teacher raise because it isn't the 4% as previously agreed upon by teachers and the school board.

Bobbi Christenberry had commented before the commission that the proposed middle schools "are not a priority" and also was critical of Better Schools Partnership funding and that group's involvement with

local schools. She mentioned Commission Chairman Brad Anders as being Chairman of Better Schools but Anders said while he serves on the group he isn't the chairman.

Bob Colorado and Kim Frazier also spoke of the county's funding of the Rescue Squad. Colorado said the 126 members are all volunteer and the county supplies 51% of the squad's budget, but called for additional funding to hire full-time staffing of two of the four stations.

Anders seemed to agree, saying that Knox County is the 3rd largest county in

the state and "we need to start acting like it."

While Colorado asked the commission for an additional \$440,500 for next year, Commissioner Ed Brantley asked him how much he "get by with" and Colorado replied \$200,000 or \$300,000.

Mayor Burchett's budget and the amendment to fund the new middle schools, the 2% raise, and the eventual sale of the Andrew Johnson Building goes before the commission's work session meeting today and the body must approve or change the budget and amendment before June 30.



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Eleven-year-old Jackson Frazier was the first to speak during last Monday's public forum. He told the commissioners he'd rather attend school in Hardin Valley.

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Our Neighborhoods

Closing a street for a neighborhood event?

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Ever thought about closing a street in your neighborhood for a street fair, craft show or other special event? At first it sounds like a great idea until you start looking into it and find that the city of Knoxville has stringent requirements to shut down a street.

Amy Midis, of Forest Heights Homeowners Association, mentioned street closings for functions in a recent meeting of the Neighborhood Advisory Council and Wednesday

evening the subject was discussed at the council's monthly meeting at the L.T. Ross building.

To address the process of having a street closed for an event several city officers spoke, including Jim Hagerman, Jeff Branham, Officer Ron Green and Elaine Frank.

Hagerman, Director of Engineering, said that city takes a traditional view of street closings which often involve closing routes because of construction work. He told the council that any request to close

a street, even for a short period of time for an event, must start with an application filed with the Office of Special Events.

He said closing a cul-de-sac would be easier than closing a city street because there're no outlets and only one barrier would be needed. Hagerman went on to detail the requirements a neighborhood would need for closing a route. Those would include having at least one to three policemen, a number of barricades depending on the



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Jim Hagerman speaks to the Neighborhood Advisory Council about how to go about closing a street for a special event.

number of intersecting streets, a study by engineering of traffic flow, and

insurance to cover the event. Emergency vehicle access would have to be

provided as well as detour signs.

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Beardsley Farm expanding City, partners break ground for Education Center

The City of Knoxville, the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee and the University of Tennessee College of Architecture and Design broke ground Tuesday for a 1,200-square-foot education center at Beardsley Farm, 1719 Reynolds St.

The education center will include space for processing honey and vegetables from the gardens, an office and long-needed indoor accessible restrooms, in addition to a 400-square-foot outdoor classroom. The new facility is a commitment to sustainability, with a solar-ready roof, rainwater collection options, natural daylight features, and water-efficient fixtures. The majority of the building will be constructed using local materials.

Beardsley Farm is a non-profit urban community farm operated through CAC that's been promoting food security and sustainable agriculture since 1998. The farm is located in the City's Malcolm-Martin Park, and the City contributed \$150,000 to the new education center.



PHOTO BY CITY OF KNOXVILLE.

Representatives from the City of Knoxville, the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee and the University of Tennessee College of Architecture and Design break ground for a new education center at Beardsley Farm.

"Beardsley Farm is a local treasure and a great pioneering model for urban agriculture," Mayor Madeline Rogero said. "Beardsley grows organic produce and is a home to bee colonies and chickens. All the food from the farm is donated to CAC's Mobile Meals program, local food

pantries and families in need of fresh produce.

"Every day, Beardsley opens its doors to visitors, volunteers and families from across Knoxville to teach them how to grow their own food. Creating this education center will take Beardsley Farm's teaching to a higher level, which will

help more families."

Other partners in the CAC project include Thompson Charitable Foundation (which donated \$25,000) and former Mayor and Ambassador to Poland Victor Ashe (who gave \$5,000). Stonepeak and AIA East Tennessee are additional contributors.

"CAC and everyone who gardens and volunteers at the farm appreciates the generosity of the community in making the education center possible," said Barbara Kelly, CAC's Executive Director. "Knowledge about food production and good nutrition strengthens our families

and neighborhoods. Our partners are essential to our ultimate success."

Another major partner in building the education center is the University of Tennessee College of Architecture and Design, whose staff and students are helping to design and construct the building as part of the Design-Build-Evaluate Initiative. More than 40 students and four faculty members have been involved in the project to develop the design approach and refine the construction documents in partnership with local professionals.

General Shale is donating 30,000 bricks for the project and recently provided masonry training for the UT students.

CAC contracted Beth Eason Architecture to do the design and Merit Construction to serve as the contractor. The Public Building Authority is the project manager.

For more information on Beardsley Community Farm, visit <http://beardsleyfarm.org>.



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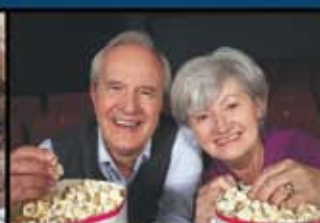
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Our Neighborhoods

Closing a street for a neighborhood event?

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Police Captain Ron Green said that a barrier must also have a police officer and said the cost is \$ 30 per officer. If three or more officers are needed, a neighborhood would also need a police supervisor.

Hagerman said an event sponsor must also pay for a professionally developed traffic study, which he said could cost from \$500 to \$5,000, depending on the size of the event. He added that the plan could be used with a recurring event.

Asked which streets could be closed Hagerman said that a collector or

arterial street cannot be closed and asked about which streets are not in that category he said that a list of those streets are on the planning commission website.

The form to request a street closing asks for the street name, dates, applicant's name and address, as well as a description of the project. Permission must be given by the police department, and engineering department.

Hagerman said the policy concerning street closings is "still evolving." He suggested that the neighborhoods also talk to their representative on city

council and said "there may be an alternative" for people wanting to close a street for an event. But he stressed that any event starts with the request to the Office of Special Events.

The council asked about the "CICLOVIA" event now being planned in the city that requires street closings. Hagerman said the city is promoting the event. Ciclovía would be a major event downtown and would open the city streets to bikes, walking, skating and a fair-type celebration.

Liliana Burbano, of the Knox County Health Department, said the event

is about getting people out and active. She said that Knoxville has a 67% inactivity rate. While the Ciclovía event could include activities like a street fair, Burbano said plans are still being worked out and that the event is "a pilot" to make sure it goes well. It could possibly include closing one lane of the Henley Bridge and take place on a Sunday afternoon.

The council also heard from Caroline Cooley, president of Bike Walk Knoxville, who spoke about including bikes on streets.

Hagerman was asked if a pedestrian bridge was being planned to cross

Western Avenue and link Victor Ashe Park with another greenway and he said it was in the early stages of planning.

In other matters Dave Massey, the city Neighborhood Coordinator, said he is working with the planning commission on amending the proposed sign ordinance to permit neighborhood monument signs to be exempt from the new 25-foot setback from a street. He said currently there is a \$50 fee and approval from the Board of Zoning Appeals to permit such signs.

The new sign ordinance is at the planning commission

after passing first reading at city council and goes back to council for final approval.

Massey said that many neighborhood signs are near or on right-of-ways but believes those would be grandfathered into the new ordinances. He also said that he's asking that banner signs promoting neighborhoods be permitted for a year or during special events. He announced that the neighborhood council will not meet in July but will resume meeting monthly in August.

MPC passes Sign Ordinance, again

By Mike Steely
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In what may be the semifinal to the three-year attempt to update Knoxville's sign ordinances, the Metropolitan Planning Commission did as city council requested by revising three sections dealing with neighborhood signs, but not without objection.

Joyce Feld, of Scenic Knoxville, objected to the portion of the ordinance dealing with temporary signs at businesses, urging the language revert back to the previous wordage permitting only two signs per year. The new language allows two signs every 15 days.

She compared the temporary business signs to

"whack-a-mole," saying that complaints send inspectors out, signs come down, and the next day signs go back up.

She suggested, unsuccessfully, striking the change completely from the ordinance.

Attorney John King was also unsuccessful in asking for special sign permits for hospitals.

Commissioner Art Clancy said, "From our standpoint we're just three questions away from a sign ordinance that has taken three years." He said that a hospital can go to the Board of Zoning Appeals and get a variance for signs.

"The City Council has the last word," said Commission Chair Rebecca Longmire. The tweaking of

the language now goes back to City Council which had passed it on first reading before requesting the MPC input.

In other MPC news, three separate cell phone towers planned by Branch Towers were postponed including the one proposed for the Ridgecrest area, which was delayed for discussion for 60 days.

Pond Gap Neighborhood President David Williams was successful in getting Riley Drive renamed "Charles Newman Drive." The small street, to be named for William's grandfather and early Pond Gap area merchant, was opposed by Tony Capparelli of Vintage Development Corp. who said the change would hurt delivery trucks to his business because they use the short street.

The name change passed with no "No" votes.

A last-minute agreement between residents and the developer of Beals Creek subdivision, on Mourfield Road south of Westland Drive, saw the concept plan get MPC approval subject to several conditions. Attorney Arthur Seymour, Jr. and Wayne Kline came to the agreement just moments before the meeting for 54 unit planned housing. Longmire said the commission normally likes to review the plans sooner.

A rezoning request from Bayless E. Biles, III, was approved with one

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Congressman Ewin L. Davis

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Someone once said. "Write what should not be forgotten" and ironically, I have forgotten who said it. Ewin Lamar Davis is little remembered today, but during his time he was an interesting figure and led a productive life.

Born in Bedford County, Tennessee on February 5, 1876, Davis, one of several successful brothers, all of whom would make their mark in the field of business, politics and diplomacy. Their father, McLin H. Davis, headed the Cascade distillery and supposedly successfully tinkered with the recipe for a whiskey that is still popular today, George Dickel. One of the Davis brothers, Norman, ran the Cascade distillery until majority stockholders bought out the Davis family interest.

Norman Davis, Ewin's younger brother, made a sizable fortune in conjunction with the giant German Krupp manufacturing firm, as well as another fortune in Cuba. Eventually, Norman Davis became a respected diplomat, serving as an Ambassador At Large under the administrations of both Herbert Hoover and Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Another younger brother, Paul, headed a Nashville bank and was a director of the Federal Reserve Bank.

Ewin Davis went to the prestigious Webb School in Bell Buckle, Tennessee, the forerunner of our own Webb School. In 1898, Ewin L. Davis married Carolyn Windsor and together they had five children. One year later, Davis graduated from what eventually became the George Washington School of Law.

The young attorney was quickly attracted to politics and was an active Democrat. Davis attended the Democratic State Convention in 1900 and would regularly attend every such convention for the next decade until his election as a judge of the Seventh Circuit Court in 1910.

Ewin L. Davis was not one to glad handle, slap folks on the back, or tell jokes. Davis was not one to even waste time with small talk. He spoke with a pronounced Southern drawl, speaking slowly and carefully. Davis was known for making his point forcefully and oftentimes his painstaking sentences, while drawn out, ended with a bit of a barb, making the sting all the more painful.

Davis had a sterling record while sitting on the bench, hearing more than twelve thousand cases, only eighteen of which were overturned by higher courts. Judge Davis was fearless in administering the law, which came as a distinct surprise to a couple of wealthy men who had been charged with having violated Tennessee's

prohibition laws. The gentlemen indiscreetly bragged there was not a judge in Tennessee who would dare jail them. They had not reckoned with Judge Ewin L. Davis. Davis imprisoned the both of them.

On another occasion, Judge Davis had been awakened in the middle of the night and told a mob was headed towards the local jail. The mob was hell-bent upon lynching a hapless Negro who was accused of having spoken indecently to a white woman. The judge, still wearing his white night shirt, hurried to find his trousers. Davis stuffed the tail of his night shirt into his trousers and rushed to the jail where the intended victim sat terrified. Judge Davis reached the jail just in time to confront the angry mob.

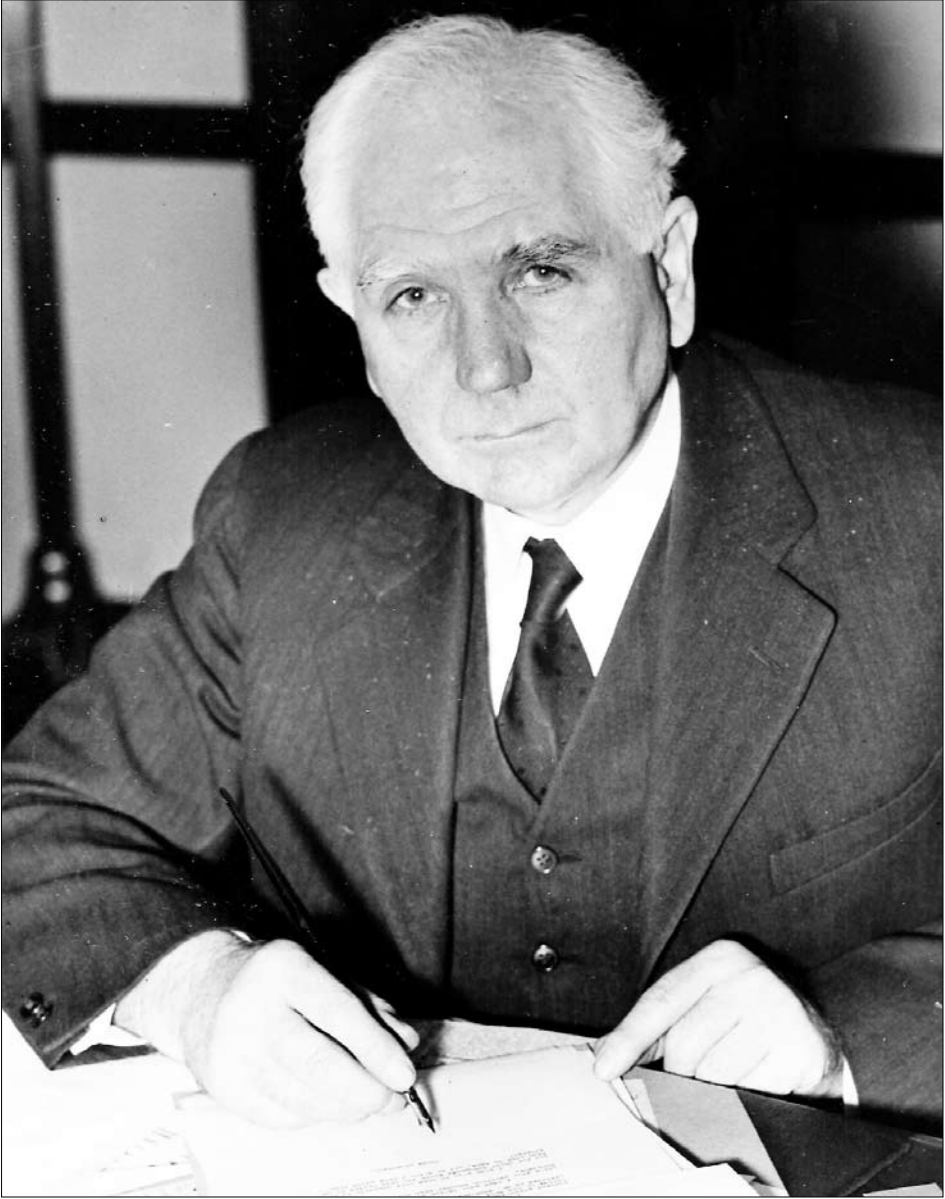
"I can recognize the faces of everyone here," Judge Davis snapped, "and if you don't get out of here, I'll jail every mother's son of you for contempt of court!"

The crowd quickly dispersed.

Most knew Judge Davis meant exactly what he said. Another mob had once gathered, intending to lynch another unfortunate and Davis had promptly identified the ring-leader and had the fellow jailed for contempt.

Ewin L. Davis was highly respected in his home city of Tullahoma and popular enough to win election to Congress in 1918. Davis won his first election to the U. S. House of Representatives by winning more than twice as many votes as his two opponents combined. Congressman Davis rose in seniority until he became Chairman of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, a committee of dubious importance to his district and landlocked Tennessee.

In 1930, Tennessee went through redistricting and the Volunteer State went from ten congressmen to nine. Davis' district was combined with that of freshman Congressman J. Ridley Mitchell. The two men were almost polar opposites. Davis was plain spoken, serious, slow talking and a workhorse, while Mitchell was the quintessential Southern politician. Ridley Mitchell excelled at meeting and greeting folks, a cigar in one hand and a voter's in the other. Mitchell was tall, bald and well dressed, while Ewin Davis was of average height, white headed and rather rumped. Mitchell was a very good public speaker, while Congressman Davis was not. Still, most observers gave Ewin L. Davis the edge in the contest. Mitchell, after all, had served but one term in Congress while Davis had been in



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION

*Former Congressman Ewin L. Davis
as a member of the Federal Trade Commission in 1934.*

Washington, D. C. fourteen years. Southerners tended to reward seniority with longevity and keep congressmen and senators in office for decades. Davis might have survived the 1932 Democratic primary had he been fortunate enough to draw an opponent less able than Ridley Mitchell.

Congressman Mitchell had latched on to nepotism as an issue during his first term in Congress. If the practice was not common, it was practiced often enough. Many congressmen kept relatives on their payrolls and Mitchell had introduced a bill forbidding nepotism in Congressional offices. Congressman Mitchell never for a moment believed his bill would pass; it languished in committee without ever seeing the light of day. The bill did, however, give Ridley Mitchell a potent campaign issue as Ewin L. Davis had employed at least two of his daughters.

J. Ridley Mitchell campaigned hard, speaking on every stump in the Fourth District, loudly charging Congressman Ewin L. Davis with having kept his daughters on his payroll while they were in college. Mitchell's charges resounded with the voters, many of whom were suffering from the economic collapse caused by the Great Depression.

The issue of nepotism was not confined to Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District and several other congressmen across the country lost their primaries and general elections. A few were wise enough to see the handwriting on the wall and opted to retire instead.

Congressman Davis remained on the defensive throughout the campaign and the final result came down to which of the two men had represented a particular county. Davis had represented Bedford, Cannon, Coffee, DeKalb, Lincoln, Marshall, Moore and Rutherford Counties in his old district; he carried them all. Mitchell

had represented Clay, Cumberland, Fentress, Jackson, Macon, Morgan, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Rhea, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, and Wilson Counties. Several of the counties Mitchell had formerly represented, including his home county of Cumberland, had been dropped from the newly constituted Fourth District. Yet Ridley Mitchell carried every county he had represented during his single term in Congress. The final total was 18,964 votes for Ewin L. Davis and 19,866 votes for J. Ridley Mitchell. Davis lost by 902 votes. Ridley Mitchell had managed to win greater majorities in those counties he had represented than had the veteran congressman.

It was the end of Ewin L. Davis' electoral career.

After his defeat, Davis received a plum political appointment from President Franklin D. Roosevelt to the Federal Trade Commission. Davis' appointment was not universally heralded, as some derided his selection as either a favor to his brother, Ambassador Norman Davis, or merely the fact FDR took pity on a former Congressman who could not find work elsewhere.

Senator Kenneth D. McKellar had strongly supported appointing Ewin L. Davis to the Federal Trade Commission, as did Secretary of State Cordell Hull. The criticism and derision of Davis' abilities was unfair. It was not long before Ewin L. Davis confounded his critics.

Davis began an investigation into the milk industry, as he began to wonder why so little money was finding its way to the farmers whose cows produced the milk being sold. One milk company executive was positively horrified when his \$88,000 salary became public knowledge. That same salary would be worth in excess of \$1,500,000 in today's currency.

Noting the furious milk

executive's objections, Commissioner Davis drawled, "My dear sir, if I were paid \$88,000 a year and really earned it, I would be very proud to tell the world about it."

Commissioner Davis was vigilant whenever he encountered monopoly or what he considered to be unfair business practices. When he discovered some mail order houses selling products to retailers at prices much lower than they charged wholesalers, Commissioner Davis immediately asked for an opinion from the Federal Trade Commission's legal counsel. The counsel replied while the practice might be unsavory and even morally reprehensible, it was not illegal.

Ewin L. Davis chewed at a pencil for a few moments and said, "You say there's nothing in the law which makes that illegal. We'll see about that. You let me write the opinion on that point."

"The trouble with you boys is that you don't know the law," Davis concluded.

Commissioner Davis pushed for regulation of radio advertising, then the premier means of mass communication in the country. Davis insisted that radio advertising meet the same standards set for newspapers; to help weed out false advertising, which he believed was harmful to unsuspecting customers. Davis was also highly critical of private utility companies and was determined to help consumers by forcing out those companies who sold "watered down" stock, which would help to protect customers and reduce the rates paid for electricity.

With the myriad of New Deal agencies, many

of President Franklin Roosevelt's own appointees frequently squabbled amongst themselves. FDR had problems enough with members of his own Cabinet feuding over turf wars. Ewin L. Davis found himself at odds with another Tennessean, George L. Berry. Berry was from Rogersville and the long-time president of the International Printer's and Pressmen's Union. Berry had raised a significant amount of cash for Roosevelt's 1936 reelection campaign and was rewarded with an appointment as "Coordinator of National Recovery". Berry thought to revise one of the most disliked of the experimental New Deal agencies, the National Recovery Administration. The blue eagle symbol of the NRA came to be loathed by millions of Americans. Senator E. D. "Cotton Ed" Smith of South Carolina groused about the "blue buzzard" of the NRA. Tens of thousands of small and big businessmen fumed about and hated the NRA.

Commissioner Ewin L. Davis was not at all happy when Berry announced his plans to revive the National Recovery Administration, just as the FTC was preparing to release its own program to address the same problem. Davis did all he could to thwart Berry and ultimately, Berry's plans to revive the NRA came to nothing.

After having served on the Federal Trade Commission for a few years, even Ewin L. Davis's critics had to concede he had done a very good job. Davis liked his work and brought his usual methodical approach to his job. President Roosevelt reappointed Davis to the FTC, as did Roosevelt's successor, President Harry S. Truman.

By the mid-1940s, Commissioner Davis' health began to fail. He suffered a stroke in 1948 and despite being seventy-two years old, did not resign from the Federal Trade Commission. Davis became progressively more ill and was in Bethesda Naval Hospital when he died on October 23, 1949 at the age of seventy-three.

Ostensibly, Ewin L. Davis' home was in Tullahoma, Tennessee, but even after he had been defeated for reelection to Congress, he remained in Washington, D. C. Davis did little more than visit Tullahoma for decades, but after his death, he returned home one last time. Ewin L. Davis was interred in his native soil and sleeps there today.

Even those who are little more than footnotes in the pages of our history deserve to be remembered should they have accomplishments. Ewin L. Davis certainly made many contributions to both Tennessee and our country.

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Replacing Rep. Haynes on commission agenda

By Mike Steely
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If Governor Bill Haslam signs a writ, a special election will be held in Knox County to replace State Legislator Ryan Haynes, who resigned in April to become Chairman of the Tennessee Republican Party. Had he waited until November to resign, the state legislature would have appointed his replacement.

The move for a commission discussion on the seat's vacancy, placed by County Commissioner John Schoonmaker, is one of the 68 agenda items on today's work session agenda.

The early resignation prior to the seat's expiration means that a special election may be held August 12. The Knox County Election Commission told

The Focus that, if the governor signs the writ, candidates can begin picking up petitions today, June 15.

Qualifying deadline would be July 2 and the withdraw date would be July 9.

Some controversy surrounds Haynes' early resignation as it forces funds to be spent to hold the special election. The winning candidate would serve out the term and then, if they choose, stand for re-election for a full two year term.

School board member Karen Carson has indicated she will seek the office. The 14th District seat represents west Knox County, including Farragut. The Republican Primary should bring out several candidates, including Jason Zachary.

MPC passes Sign Ordinance, again

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"No" vote. It involves 2.3 acres on West Beaver Creek Road northeast of Martingale Drive. Gordon White, a Martingale Drive resident, objected to the plan to build four or five duplex apartments there but was not successful. He said the traffic there would increase, especially during the ball games at Levi Field.

A Huber Properties development of 9.8 acres

on Harvey Road north of Mallard Bay Drive was also approved despite objections from Kline who said that John Huber misrepresented an approval by First Utility District to serve the planned development. The area goes from A (agricultural) to PR (Planned Residential).

A large group from surrounding neighborhoods appeared at the zoning request and the commission chair told everyone "we got all your emails."

Huber was asking for four houses per acre but the planning staff recommended 3.5 units.

Commissioner Art Clancy said that First Utility District had no bearing on the request and that the best use there is to develop.

A seven-acre tract on Lovell Road and Yarnell was rezoned, without opposition, for Partners V., LLC. To Planned Residential and Technology Overlay, so the property could be regarded with access to Yarnell.

Germaphobes

This world isn't much like the one I grew up in. Oh, I know technology has made advancements that make our lives much easier. Folks now have much more time to pursue inter-



By Joe Rector
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ests and hobbies. Those aren't the things I'm talking about. What amazes me is the concern for germs.

Americans have become germaphobes. Whenever children touch any foreign objects, moms break out the hand sanitizer. We are bombarded with warnings that tell us to wash hands, avoid contacts, and take all sorts of medicines and vitamins. If it weren't so ridiculous, it would be comical.

Flash back to the '50s

and '60s. We kids played outside whenever we could. In fact, our parents ordered us outside and warned us not to come back in until we were called for supper. That was fine with us; we were left to our own devices. That meant kids became explorers and creators. We'd find a dead animal, and for chunks of time we poked at it with sticks in attempts to figure out what happened. A group of boys would search out snakes. Then they'd kill and skin them. The hides were attached to boards.

Even earlier in life, we played in puddles of water. Yep, nothing kept us as interested as splashing and

then kneeling to make mud pies by the dozen. If a nose itched, a dirty little hand swiped across it; inadvertent passing hands deposited grime on lips, and soon a lick cleared the dirt. On some occasions, one child would dare another to sample a pie, and everyone knows that a "double-dog dare" isn't something to ignore.

Playing outside resulted in kids getting dirty. Games of baseball and football soiled clothes and bodies. Scrapes to knees and elbows and other sharp points of the human body were caked with dirt bandages. We continued to play and enjoy our freedom outside. By the end of the day, many of us resembled Pig Pen from "Peanuts."

These days, children

seem to be sickly. They develop food allergies that prevent them from eating a slew of items. Pollen wreaks havoc on some as they suffer from adverse reactions. Worst of all, too many children are terrified to join in activities that might soil their clothes or hands. These young folks opt for cleaner conditions in their homes where they become experts at video game football or baseball. Never mind the fact that they rarely, if ever, have played an actual game outdoors.

Parents are to blame for the dilemma. They hover over children and run interference against anything that might put their offspring in the path of a germ. These adults have forgotten how their parents

subscribed to the "5-second rule:" Food that hit the floor or ground was still consumable if it were retrieved within 5 seconds. We older folks remember picking up pieces of food that our children dropped, blowing away any dirt, and then returning them back to the little ones to eat.

The world is filled with many things that can cause sneezes, tummy aches, and runny noses. However, when children are exposed to the world without having to wear masks, long sleeves, and protective eyewear to play, something amazing happens. They develop an immunity to those things. Then life is much more fun as the children participate in life without the fears of contracting some disease.

Moms and dads of today need to back off. It's time to stop being so worried about germs. Guess what? The world is filled with them, and they aren't going anywhere. So, it's time to send junior out and let him enjoy a little taste of dirt. He might do much better in his health if his parents ended the useless effort to prevent the child from being exposed to any possible health risk. Hey, remember, even breathing is dangerous to every person's health; with every breath, we all take one step closer to the end. Give kids a break and let them experience and enjoy life and all of its little creatures, even if it includes dirt and grit and yucky stuff.

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NBA hopeful Greene speaks at Powell camp

By Ken Lay

To say that Ty Greene has a busy schedule these days would be an understatement. Greene is in the midst of NBA workouts as he attempts to begin a career in professional basketball.

He'll likely play pro ball in

the NBA or overseas but that doesn't mean that he's forgotten his Knoxville roots.

"Knoxville is and will always be my home," said Greene, who has his number retired in the rafters of Bearden's gymnasium. "It's where my family is and where my

friends are."

After his stellar career with the Bulldogs, Greene went on to the University of South Carolina-Upstate, where he graduated as one of the school's most decorated players.

Greene, who was the 2014-

15 Atlantic Sun Player of the Year, recently returned home to speak at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Powell Pride Boys Basketball Camp at Powell Middle School. There he shared some of his basketball knowledge and his faith.

He relishes the opportunity to speak at such events.

"The first thing I do is give God the glory for allowing me to have the opportunity to share my faith through the platform of basketball," said Greene, who was also named NCAA Mid-Major Player of

the Year at the Final Four in Indianapolis. "I want to help people and have an impact on young people's lives."

"That's why I play and like to take these opportunities."

While at Bearden, Greene

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Hardin Valley Academy pitcher Greg Valentine recently helped the Hawks win a State Championship. Now, he'll move on to play baseball at Carson-Newman. Early in his high school career, Valentine was a team manager and bullpen catcher.

By Ken Lay

Greg Valentine has enjoyed a wild ride recently and his journey will soon take him to Jefferson City and Carson-Newman University.

He made the next leg of baseball journey official on Tuesday when he signed a National Letter of Intent to play for the Eagles on Tuesday --- the same day that he celebrated his 18th birthday.

Valentine, a recent Hardin Valley Academy graduate, has had plenty of celebrations recently. Those have included his

birthday, his high school graduation and a Class AAA State championship with the Hawks in Murfreesboro.

"That hasn't quite set in just yet," said Valentine, who pitched the final inning of Hardin Valley's 10-2 State Championship victory over Farragut late last month.

Those are all life and career milestones but Valentine, HVA's ace reliever, realized a lifelong dream when he committed to play for the Eagles.

"I always wanted to go to and play for

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A SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

CAK recognizes Hammaker and Long as top Student-Athletes

By Steve Williams

Anna Hammaker finished her high school basketball career at Christian Academy of Knoxville last season as one of the top guards in the nation.

ESPN Hoopgurlz, in fact, rated the 5-9 Hammaker as the 22nd best guard of 2015, according to Caitlin Hollifield, CAK's head girls basketball coach and assistant athletic director.

Hammaker also has been named the school's female Student-Athlete of the Year for 2014-15.

"Anna Hammaker is an outstanding young lady who is blessed with exceptional athletic ability," stated CAK Athletic Director John East.

The Lady Warriors won a lot of basketball games over the past five seasons with Hammaker on the court. The five-time All-Stater scored 2,805 career points.

In her senior year, she was named a TSSAA Class AA Miss Basketball finalist, a McDonald's All-American nominee and an EBA (Elite Basketball Academy) All-American.

"Anna is a phenomenal young lady who just so happens to be an excellent basketball player," said Hollifield. "Her fun-loving, caring and humble spirit make her a great teammate as well as a joy to coach."

Hammaker, who signed with Kansas State University in the Big 12 Conference, will continue to wear No. 23 on the next level. She also will still have Cheyenne Hooper as a teammate as the 6-6 Hooper also signed with the Lady Wildcats.

Hammaker already has reported to Kansas State and began class and workouts June 8.

Kansas State was 19-14 overall last season and 7-11 in conference play.

Many Christian Academy fans no doubt will be keeping an eye on how Kansas State fares this coming season.

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Anna Hammaker, CAK's female Student-Athlete of the Year, put her "exceptional athletic ability" into basketball.



CAK male Student-Athlete of the Year Ryan Long was an undefeated state wrestling champion and "one of the best leaders" to come through the Warriors' football program.

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Veteran coach partners with FCA for hoops camp

By Ken Lay

Powell Middle School boys basketball coach Darin Courtney always gives back to the community in early June and 2015 was no exception as Courtney and some former and current Panthers hosted the annual Powell Pride Basketball Camp at Powell Middle School.

The camp, as always, featured Courtney and his camp staff shared the game of basketball with the community's young players. This time, however, Courtney partnered up with Dewayne Sanders of the Emerald Youth Foundation and

Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"Our camp is always the same. We compete and we have fun," Courtney said. "But this year I partnered with Dewayne and FCA. We set up a partnership to run our camp."

"We have a speaker for 15 minutes every day and we gave the campers FCA devotional Bibles, FCA T-shirts and FCA backpacks."

At the camp, players received instruction in fundamentals. They also had Hot Shot shooting competitions and played in 3-on-3 tournaments.

"We compete because we're in Powell," Courtney said. "If you're in Powell and you're not competing, you're not having fun."

"I put an emphasis on our 3-on-3 games because I want the kids to get their touches. They get more touches when they play 3-on-3 instead of 5-on-5."

The two weeks of summer basketball camps (one for boys and one for girls) have been a staple in the Powell Community since Courtney arrived in Powell. It has been held at Powell Middle and Powell High School. Last year's camps were held at First

Baptist Church in Powell. While Courtney enjoyed the venue at First Baptist, he was glad to return to Powell Middle School.

"We're glad to be back here," said Courtney, who has served as Powell Middle's FCA adviser for six years. "We had some scheduling conflicts here last year."

Courtney's camp staff included former Powell players Andrew Hansen, current Powell Middle player Cameron Ward, special education teacher Steve Waugh, former Powell standout Trey Brooks and others.



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Powell Middle School boys basketball coach Darin Courtney guards Brayden Smith during a drill at last week's FCA Powell Pride Basketball Camp.



PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

Knoxville News-Sentinel coach Zane Duncan ponders his pick at Wednesday night's Pilot Rocky Top League Draft at Doc's All-American Grille.

Pilot Rocky Top League draft kicks off summer season

By Ken Lay

The Pilot Rocky Top Basketball League unofficially kicked off its eighth season Wednesday night with its annual player draft at Doc's All-American Grille. Now Knoxville Area fans can turn their attention to Opening Night.

The season tips off today (June 15) at Catholic High School. Action begins at 6 p.m. with Knoxville News-Sentinel taking on DeRoyal Industries. At 7:30, defending champion Game Time Lights playing Rice Buick GMC. Opening night concludes with H3 Sports tangling with Tillman Companies at 9 p.m.

The draft got underway with Knoxville News-Sentinel selecting former University of Tennessee star Bobby Maze with the first pick. Other first-round selections included Tennessee players Robert Hubbs (Tillman); Armani Moore (Game Time Lights); Detrick Mostella (Rice Buick GMC) and Kevin Punter (H3 Sports). DeRoyal chose former Tennessee standout Wayne Chism.

Other former local stand-outs included Central High School coach Jon Higgins, who

played for the Volunteers; former Bearden player Michael Blue, Lincoln Memorial University's Jalen Steels (a transfer from Mississippi State, who starred at Fulton) and Minnesota's Dre Mathieu (who once starred at Central).

Tonight, the league begins its second summer at Catholic. In 2013, Christian Academy of Knoxville hosted games after Bearden was the venue for the first five seasons.

"Catholic is the best venue that we've ever had," said league commissioner Andre Whitehead. "It's air conditioned and the people at Catholic have been great."

The league underwent a change this summer. No junior college or high school players are participating and that will allow college coaches to attend the games according to Whitehead.

"In the past, we've had Juco and high school players," Whitehead said. "Those were all considered [potential recruits] by the NCAA so the coaches couldn't attend."

In addition, Tennessee had a coaching change when Rick Barnes was named the team's

third coach in three years and Whitehead did a bit of a selling job. Barnes was hired to replace Donnie Tyndall, who was fired after just one season due to NCAA violations at Southern Miss.

"I knew coach Tyndall and I knew coach [Cuonzo] Martin really well," Whitehead said. "I didn't know coach Barnes because he never recruited in Tennessee."

"[At Texas], he recruited talented [in-state] players and had a pipeline in Canada, I reached out to people who knew him and he came aboard."

The coaches are now excited to get the season underway.

"This is a good time to get together with old friends," said H3 Sports coach Scott Barron. "Catholic is a great facility. Now, it's time to coach and find out what kind of talent you have."

Game Time Lights coach Brent Watts returns for his eighth season in the league and he's looking forward to defending his title.

"I love the fact that I got Armani Moore," Watts said. "This is an exciting time of year for me and I am the defending champion."

Fleet Falcon earns football scholarship to Eastern Kentucky

By Steve Williams

Domonique Williams, Fulton High's male Student-Athlete of the Year, played on his third straight state championship football team as a senior. He was a two-time All-State selection and signed a full scholarship to Eastern Kentucky University as a defensive back and kick returner.

Williams, also a receiver in high school, earned All-District and All-KIL honors three years and was a District MVP. He also was selected to play in the Toyota East vs. West and Tennessee vs. Kentucky All-Star games.

A four-year letterman in track, Williams ran on the Falcons' 4x100-meter relay team which won the KIL championship and advanced to the Class A-AA state finals.

Elicia Faulkner, Fulton's female Student-Athlete of the Year, was an outstanding track sprinter for four years, according to AD Jody Wright, and also lettered in basketball four years. She played on the Lady Falcons' state runner-up basketball team as a junior and their sectional finalist squad as a senior.

Other Student-Athletes of the Year, as submitted by their respective schools:

- Alcoa: Kyle Mitchell (football and track) and Cassidy Anderson (basketball and soccer) are the school's honorees, according to athletic director Josh Stephens. Mitchell will be going to play football for the Naval Academy. Anderson has signed with Milligan to play basketball.
- Berean Christian School: Noah Jordan (soccer) was the District 2 A-AA "Player of the Year" for 2015 and has signed with Johnson University, said Berean's Chris Lindsay.
- Catholic: Jordan Anderson (football and basketball) and Gabriella Prevost (soccer and track and field) will now take their talents to the collegiate level. Anderson has signed to play football at Brown University, a member of the Ivy League, and Prevost has signed to play soccer at Transylvania University, reported AD Jason Surlas. Prevost played on the Catholic girls' two state championship soccer teams (2013 and 2014).
- Gibbs: Brendan Wilson lettered in football and basketball and won the Johnny Mauer Award, noted athletic director Jeff Thomas. Brittany

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CAK recognizes Hammaker and Long as top Student-Athletes

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Meanwhile, the wrestling program at Newberry College in South Carolina will be bolstered by the addition of Ryan Long, CAK's male Student-Athlete of the Year.

Long was undefeated (41-0) on the mat last winter as he won his second TSSAA state championship in the 170-pound weight class. He won the state title in the 160-pound class as a junior.

Long also was a two-time qualifier for the national championships in wrestling.

The Newberry College Wolves compete in NCAA Division II.

In addition to wrestling, Long was a valuable

member of the CAK football program.

"Ryan was a three-year starter on the defensive line, which tells you about his toughness given he never weighed more than 175 pounds," said Rusty Bradley, CAK head football coach.

"Ryan was also a captain and All-District as a senior. He was one of the best leaders I have ever had come through the program here at CAK. He is the perfect example of what it means to be a Warrior."

In announcing CAK's top student-athletes, East stated, "Ryan Long is a young man of strong character who has tremendous gifts and talents in his chosen sports."

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NBA hopeful Greene speaks at Powell camp

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learned the game of basketball from legendary coach Mark Blevins. Player and coach still have an active relationship while Greene awaits the chance to play professional basketball.

“Coach Blevins and I still talk all the time and I still come in and work with the guys and help him whenever I can,” Greene said. “Coach Blevins taught me mental toughness.

“If you graduate from four years with coach Blevins, you’ll be mentally tough. You’ll be a man and you’ll be a better player.”

That mental toughness came in handy for Greene recently when he went through a pre-draft NBA workout in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. There, he showcased his talent for numerous professional scouts in the most rigorous workouts of his life.

“You had to be mentally tough,” Greene said. “It was the hardest 45 minutes of my life.

“We had 15 minutes of drills and then we played [non-stop] for 30 minutes and we didn’t even get a water break. You had to continue to play and make shots, no matter how tired you were.”

Greene starred with the Bulldogs while playing for one of Knox County’s most intense and competitive coaches but Blevins wasn’t the only area coach to impact his life.

At West Valley Middle School, Greene played for Chuck Comer and the one-time Catholic High School coach made Greene and former Bearden teammate Rico White the first sixth graders to play for the Wolves.

“When I went to West Valley, the school had been around for about nine years and coach Comer took me and my friend Rico White when we were in the sixth grade. I think I was either the first or second sixth grader to make the team.”

Greene noted that Comer taught him how to play defense correctly.

“Coach Comer taught me fundamentals and he taught me how to play great defense,” Greene said. “They really didn’t have to teach me how to play defense at Bearden.”

After his stellar prep career, Greene took his talent to South Carolina. He was Atlantic Sun Freshman of the Year in 2011-12 but he never forgot where his home was.

“I couldn’t believe the support that I got from the fans in Knoxville,” he said. “One of my dad’s clients came in and asked about me and my dad said that he didn’t even know that the client knew that he had a son playing college basketball.”

Ty spent four years playing at USC-Upstate. He averaged 20.3 points per game and hit a single-season record 103 shots from beyond the 3-point arc. He led his team and was a Top-5 3-point shooter in the conference.

He earned his degree in political science and but hasn’t decided on a career path after basketball.

“I’m going to leave that up to God and there’s going to be a lot of prayer,” Greene said. “I have options but the one thing I want to do is help people.”

Greene never forgot his roots while he was away at school. He was --- and is --- a die-hard University of Tennessee football fan and his time in South Carolina didn’t change that.

“If anything, my time in South Carolina made me a bigger Tennessee fan,” he said.

Lauren Trent will return to Karns Middle School

By Ken Lay

Now that Lauren Trent has graduated from Maryville College she’s coming home to continue in the family business --- education.

Trent, a 2011 graduate of Hardin Valley Academy who went on to play basketball for the Lady Scots, will now return to Knoxville to teach seventh grade social studies at Karns Middle School.

“I do feel like I’m coming home,” said Trent, who was once a student at Karns Middle School. “Karns is the community where I grew up. It’s home and I look forward to the challenges.”

While at Karns Middle, Trent played for coach Tracy Eaton and together, the duo won a Knox County Middle School Championship. Eaton, after a brief hiatus from the middle school game, returned to coach the Lady Beavers after a two-year stint as Karns High’s coach and Trent said that her middle school coach made a lasting impact on her career.

“I think playing for coach Tracy Eaton made me a better player,” said Trent, who graduated from Maryville College recently. “She pushed us.

“We had our practices at 6 o’clock in the morning. We worked harder than any middle school team in town. We worked harder than most high school teams. She definitely made me a tougher player.”

Eaton and Hardin Valley coach Jennifer Galloway definitely affected Trent’s life but her biggest influences came from her home. Lauren’s father Danny is a lifelong educator and he’s the principal at Farragut Middle School. He’s also served as principal at Central High School and Karns Middle (when Lauren was a student there). Her mother Karen teaches kindergarten at Farragut Primary School.

“I wanted to go into education because my mom is a teacher and my dad has always been in education,” Trent said. “I’ve always listened to my dad and he says that everything he does is for the kids.

“And when he says it, he means it.”

Lauren’s time at Maryville College certainly didn’t discourage her from pursuing a career in teaching.

“When I was at Maryville, I had great relationships with all my professors both in the history department and in the education department,” she said. “They all knew me on a first-name basis.”

While playing for the Lady Scots, Trent flourished on the basketball court and in the classroom. She graduated with honors and was a member of the USA South Conference’s all-academic team.

On the floor, she also shined. She was a team captain during her senior season. She played in four consecutive NCAA Division III Tournaments and was a part of three conference championship teams. She led the USA South Conference in 3-pointers last season (80). She also holds the Maryville record 3-point baskets in a single game (10). She shot 42 percent from beyond the 3-point arc for her career.

Basketball has always been a part of Trent’s life and throughout her career; the game has taught her some valuable life lessons --- especially during some tough times early in her



Recent Maryville College graduate shoots for the Lady Scots in a game last season. Trent will return to Karns Middle School to teach. She was once a student and basketball player at KMS.

high school playing days.

“Basketball has taught me some life lessons because in the game, you can’t be successful without the other four players,” she said. “It also taught me the importance of hard work.

“During my first two years at Hardin Valley, we didn’t win much. We won 11 games and then when I was a senior, we won a District 3-AAA Championship. It took those first two years of struggling and hard work for us to get there.”

Trent said she knows that she’ll face challenges as a middle school social studies teacher. But she’s ready.

“People see that I’m going to teach middle school and they ask me if I’m crazy,” she said. “But my dad has spent most of his career in the middle schools and I look forward to the challenge and I will instill work ethic into my students.

“History intrigues me because it always seems to repeat itself and I will make it interesting for the students.”

For now, Trent will concentrate on her work in the classroom, but she still has a desire to coach.

“I’ve considered coaching and I will probably coach sooner rather than later,” she said. “If and when the opportunity comes, I will go for it.”

Valentine’s long journey lands him at C-N

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Carson-Newman,” Valentine said. “I’ve gone to their catchers camps since I was eight years old.”

Valentine became a hero for the Hawks during his senior season in 2015 but his high school career, which was at times marred by injuries, had humble beginnings. He entered Hardin Valley’s program as a team manager and part of his duties included serving as a junior varsity bullpen catcher.

“I was actually a team manager,” Valentine said. “[Former] coach [Kirk] Renegar knew that I was a catcher, so he had me start catching pitpens.”

From there, Valentine continued to toil tirelessly and he eventually became a relief pitcher. Injuries all but stole his junior season, but Renegar and his successor Joe Michalski appreciated Valentine’s work ethic.

“Coach Renegar once told me that if I kept working hard that I would make the team and get to play,” Valentine recalled.

He was finally rewarded his senior season when Michalski named him closer for the Hawks and

the newly-named closer responded by mowing down hitters during late-game clutch situations.

He saved a District 4-AAA Tournament Semifinal win against the Admirals and closed out several big wins for the Hawks last season.

“Greg came in here as a bullpen catcher and we worked so hard and he made good grades and he earned the right to play,” Michalski said after Hardin Valley’s district tournament win over the Admirals. “I can’t say enough about what he’s meant to us.”

Valentine loves to take the mound late.

“I love being a closer,” he said. “You come in when the game’s on the line and everybody’s excited.”

His senior season wasn’t without a few pitfalls as the Hawks got off to a fast start before enduring a midseason swoon. The Hawks --- and Valentine --- eventually rebounded to qualify for the Region 2-AAA Tournament, where they faced elimination in a road game and beat District 3-AAA Champion Powell. HVA lost the Region championship game at Farragut but won a sectional road game to make the field in Murfreesboro.

There, the Hawks went undefeated en route to capturing the school’s first state baseball title.

Valentine said that a closer must have a short memory.

He had a stint where he lost some games but he also had stretches where he completely stifled opponents.

“I had a week where things didn’t go well. I had a week when Maryville and Dobyns-Bennett beat me but before that, I had seven games where I gave up one hit,” Valentine said. “Before those games, I pitched seven games and gave up one hit and against Bearden; I pitched three innings and didn’t give up a run.

“You definitely have to have a short memory.”

Valentine admits that he loves to pitch on the big stage but he knows that he can’t let the moment get the best of his emotions.

“I get excited but I try not to get too pumped up,” he said. “I have to stay focused.”

His Hardin Valley teammates and the Hawks’

coaching staff took the same approach in 2015. HVA went 31-15 but stayed on task long enough to win it all.

“Coach told us that those losses against Maryville and William Blount made us tougher,” Valentine said. “We went to Murfreesboro with the mindset that we weren’t going to lose.

“We put our hearts into this thing.”

Valentine, who will major in marketing at Carson-Newman, had a high school career where he beat the odds and worked through injuries but he has no regrets.

“When I look back on this, I don’t think I would’ve had it any other way.”

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Tennessee takes its lumps. Again.

By Alex Norman

I give up. Seriously. I give up. From this point forward I refuse to believe that Tennessee's athletic department will ever be back to normal. Much like my refusal to pick the Vols to beat Florida in football, I will no longer believe that Tennessee can go a month without a public relations problem. Let's go back to football for a second. How on earth did the Vols lose to the Gators last fall? That Florida team had no desire to even be out there, with a starting quarterback that was a turnover machine, in front of over 100 thousand fans, most of whom found a way to make

Neyland Stadium look like a giant orange and white checkerboard.

It was perfect... until it wasn't. Despite never having a long sustained drive all day; Florida won 10-9, their 10th straight win over the Vols.

This is the kind of thing that has happened to Tennessee athletics since the firing of Phillip Fulmer in November 2008.

Unexplainable heartbreak.

But in recent months you had the feeling that things were on the upswing.

Dave Hart, Tennessee's embattled athletic director, turned a disastrous men's basketball situation (the hiring and firing of Donnie Tyndall) into a positive with

the quick replacement hiring of former Texas coach Rick Barnes.

For Tennessee football, anticipation for the upcoming season is high. The Vols are in some preseason Top 25 polls and are a dark horse pick to win the SEC East for the first time since 2007. Season tickets sales continue to grow.

But nothing is ever puppy dogs and ice cream for Tennessee.

The next crisis is always somewhere... waiting to rear its ugly head.

Last week news broke that Tennessee freshman quarterback Jauan Jennings was accused of assault, vandalism and theft, stemming from an alleged fight at a bonfire in Lebanon. There have

been no charges brought, and any possible suspension or punishment from Tennessee head coach Butch Jones has not been made public.

But for a football program that has seen multiple players from last year's roster accused of sexual assault, the last thing they need is another player in the news for the wrong reasons.

Jennings may well be innocent, and this might blow over before fall camp begins in August.

But until then it is another headache for Jones.

If this wasn't enough, Hart had to deal with another potential mess, from a very unexpected place.

The Chronicle of Higher Education ran an article

last week which detailed academic misconduct for the men's basketball team at Texas while Rick Barnes was head coach. Both Texas and Tennessee have said that Barnes was not aware of this academic wrongdoing.

In the cesspool that is college athletics (especially in a revenue sport like men's basketball); Barnes has a very good track record, so this had to hit Hart like a sledgehammer. Only a couple of months after Hart was raked over the coals for a lousy vetting process when Tennessee hired Tyndall, he would once again answer questions for a new hire.

Not surprisingly, Hart is all in when it comes to backing Barnes.

In a statement released

by the University of Tennessee, Hart said, "Coach Barnes has a sterling reputation as a person of very high ethical standards at every institution he has represented and we are excited to have him lead our men's basketball program."

In a month SEC Media Days will take place in Hoover, Alabama. When those days get there, summer is unofficially over and the 2015 football season is within reach.

Can Tennessee get to that point on the calendar without something else happening that takes a shot at their already shaky rep?

Don't bet on it...

Tennessee basketball has another dark cloud overhead

Just what we didn't need. Another dark cloud over the University of Tennessee men's basketball program.

Allegations of serious academic wrongdoing in the Texas program when new Vols head coach Rick Barnes was employed there were reported last week.

Both Dave Hart, Tennessee's athletic director, and officials at Texas have said they don't believe Barnes had any knowledge of the misconduct, which reportedly included Texas players cheating on tests and receiving impermissible help on schoolwork.



By Steve Williams

The Chronicle of Higher Education reported three claims of wrongdoing by two former Texas academic advisors, a former academic mentor in the Texas athletic department and a tutor.

This past December The Chronicle also reported results of an investigation that alleged Texas players achieving NCAA eligibility by taking bogus online classes. Since then, an internal investigation by Texas reportedly revealed the university did not have any knowledge of that happening.

Barnes was named Tennessee's coach March 31,

just days after being fired because of the Longhorns' declining results on the court in recent seasons.

The longtime Texas coach was lauded for his coaching resume as he came aboard at Tennessee. For many fans, the sun was shining again on Tennessee basketball.

In his recent defense of Barnes, Hart said he has a "sterling reputation as a person of very high ethical standards at every institution he has represented and we are excited to have him lead our men's basketball program."

Barnes, to my knowledge, has made no public comment on the recent report of academic wrongdoing.

Texas is investigating the allegations, the most recent claim stemming from an incident in the fall of 2013.

Tennessee fired its last coach, Donnie Tyndall, because it believed Southern Mississippi had committed multiple NCAA violations related to academic misconduct and impermissible financial aid under Tyndall.

The NCAA appears to be cracking down on academic misconduct, based on its investigations at Syracuse and North Carolina.

NCAA coaches under investigation also now have to prove they had no knowledge of alleged misconduct and wrongdoing in

their programs.

Whether Barnes is guilty or not in the recent claims made against Texas, one has to wonder if the damage already has been done as far as the Tennessee program is concerned.

Will other schools use these accusations against Tennessee in the recruiting wars? Will Barnes still be able to effectively recruit the nation's top prospects with this black cloud hanging over head?

Before Barnes and before Tyndall, Tennessee had a basketball coach who had a sterling reputation. And the last time I looked, there was no black cloud hanging over Berkeley, Calif.

Fleet Falcon

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Cavalaris was a four-year starter in basketball and scored over 1,000 points.

- Grace Christian Academy: Kobe Kelley (football and basketball) and D'Anna Johnson (soccer, basketball and softball) are GCA's honorees, according to athletic director Mike Doig.
- Halls: Senior Colby Jones was the Red Devils' team MVP in football and first-team All-District and All-KIL. He also was All-District in basketball. Senior Daniele Beeler was All-District in volleyball and made the All-District tournament team. She also was All-District in basketball.
- Hardin Valley Academy: State champions Weldon Wright and Tamia Crockett capped outstanding prep careers in track and field and were recognized by HVA athletic director George Ashe. Wright won the long jump (23 feet, 7 inches) and triple jump (47-5½) in Class AAA, while Crockett, a Missouri signee, prevailed in the shot put (42-4¼) and discus (143-11) events.

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The third annual Big Clinch River Cleanup starts at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 25, with a breakfast and briefing for all registered volunteers at the Museum of Appalachia, 2819 Andersonville Highway, Norris. The cleanup will wrap up about 2 p.m.

Everyone who enjoys the river, from anglers to kayakers to wildlife watchers, is invited to help remove litter from the Clinch and its banks. The communitywide cleanup is an expansion of annual pickups run for many years by members of the

Clinch River Chapter, Trout Unlimited. Last year, 105 volunteers and 28 boats marshaled by the chapter were deployed to gather tires and trash from the river.

This year, the first 125 volunteers to register will qualify for the free full breakfast -- to sign up, please visit <http://crctu.org> and click on Big Cleanup Registration. For more information, contact Buzz Buffington at buzz.buffington@gmail.com or (865) 463-7167, or Jim Ferguson at jimferguson41@gmail.com or (865) 494-8081.

The event will be held rain or shine (in case of severe weather, the breakfast will be held but volunteers will stay on shore).

Clinch River Chapter TU works to preserve and protect the Clinch River tailwater and its watershed through conservation projects and through education of children and adults in aquatic natural resources. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month in the parish hall at St. Francis Episcopal Church, Norris, except when outdoor activities are scheduled.

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Telling the Truth

A challenge for many people today is being truthful. It is so easy to twist the truth. We may not flat out lie, we convince ourselves. We just embellish a little. The Word of God asks His followers to be known for speaking the truth. “Speak the truth to each other” (Zechariah 8:16). “Therefore, each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body” (Ephesians 4:25).

Speaking truth is important. There are times; however, we may not want to know the truth. If



By Mark Brackney,
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you want people to be honest with you, then be careful what you ask for. For example, a wife might ask her husband: “So what do you think of my haircut?” First, you have to give your husband time to notice it (at least I am pretty slow about seeing things right away). Second, you have to give your husband time to warm up to it. Third, if you want your husband to be honest, don’t ask the question if there is a chance you will get upset at the response.

We are to speak the truth, but we do so in love (Ephesians 4:15). Here is a loving truthful answer to the haircut question: “Honey, I think you are beautiful no matter what your hair looks like. To be honest, I liked it better before, but I love you no

matter what.” How is that for diplomacy?

I have often told my kids that we are to always be honest. There is no place for lying. If and when we mess up, we admit to it and suffer the consequences. But if you lie, the consequences will be greater. Today, it is as if we congratulate someone for telling the truth. After a child fesses up for hitting his sibling, you hear things like: “O precious, thank you for telling the truth. Because you didn’t lie, you are not in trouble. But next time, don’t poke out the eye of your brother.” Honesty should be a given, not something to be rewarded. But unfortunately, in a day of cheating and lying in order to “get away with it”, we are tempted to buy into this rewarding of doing the right thing since so many do the wrong thing.

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If you struggle with honesty, don’t give up. Pray, asking God to help you in this area of your life. Lying and deception did not creep into your life overnight. It will likely take some patience as you ask God to help you deal with this sin issue. You may need to go back and apologize to some people you lied to or lied about. Confession and repentance are important steps in spiritual transformation. God will help you tell the truth in love.

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- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 (15-ounce) can navy beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 (14-ounce) can artichoke hearts, drained and chopped

Combine spelt and 2 1/2 cups water in a medium saucepan; bring to a boil. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 30 minutes or until tender and liquid is absorbed.

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Sale at public auction will be on **July 27, 2015 on or about 11:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by **SHERRY WARREN**, to **WESLEY D. TURNER**, Trustee, on May 18, 2005, as Instrument No. 200505270095469 in the real property records of Knox County Register’s Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: **DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-R6**

The following real estate located in Knox County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

BEING IN THE SEVENTH (7TH) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 30TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, THE SAME BEING LOT 5, VELROSE ADDITION, AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 51-S, PAGE 31, IN THE REGISTER’S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, SAID PROPERTY BEING BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF THE AFORESAID ADDITION, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF G.T. TROTTER, JR., SURVEYOR, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, DATED MARCH 16, 1992.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO SHERRY ANN WARREN ON 02/04/97, BY DEED FROM GABRIEL LYNN WARREN, FILED FOR RECORD ON 02/24/97, IN BOOK 2241, PAGE 106, REGISTER’S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 082LE-01604
Current Owner(s) of Property: **SHERRY WARREN**

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **1005 Andes Street, Knoxville, TN 37914**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: NEIGHBORHOOD CODES ENFORCEMENT AND JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF SUPERIOR FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-117 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the

State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities’ right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney.

MWZM File No. 15-001314-670
JASON S. MANGRUM, J.P. SELLERS, LORI LIANE LONG, Substitute Trustees
PREMIER BUILDING, SUITE 404
5217 MARYLAND WAY
BRENTWOOD, TN 37027
PHONE: (615) 238-3630
EMAIL: TNSALES@MWZMLAW.COM
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the debts and obligations secured to be paid by Deed of Trust (“Deed of Trust”) dated March 27, 2006, and recorded in Book 1167, page 432, in the Roane County Register of Deeds Office, Jason Perry, single, (“Grantor”) conveyed in trust to Thomas R. Underwood, as Trustee for Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, a certain tract of land located in Roane County, Tennessee, and the owner of the debt secured, Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, having requested the undersigned to advertise and sell the property described in and conveyed by said Deed of Trust, all of said indebtedness having matured by default in the payment of a part thereof, at the option of the owner, this is give notice that the undersigned will, on **July 6, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Roane County Courthouse, Roane County, Tennessee proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

LYING AND BEING in the Third (3rd) Civil District of Roane County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING Lot No. 26, Block A, in the Dogwood Shores Subdivision No. 4 (Lake Tannease Resorts, Inc.) as appears of record in Plat Book 5, page 83, in the Register’s Office of Roane County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for more complete description.

There is further conveyed the right of ingress and egress upon and over and a common use of that certain area identified in the recorded Plat of Dogwood Shores Subdivision No. 1 in Plat Book 5, page 9, in said Register’s Office and known as Dogwood Shores Private Boat Dock Area and being the area bounded by Spruce Lane, Willow Lane Drive, Hickory Lane and 750 contour line of TVA, and said rights herein conveyed are subject to restrictive covenants of record in Deed Book N, Series 9, Page 481, and subject to utility easements or drainage easements as are reflected on said recorded Plat and/or subject to any restrictions or easements, if any, placed on the property conveyed from TVA to C.R. Fielden, which is recorded in Deed Book E, Series 9, page 561, being a 24.2 tract.

There is also conveyed herewith a right of way easement for the purposes of ingress and egress, non-exclusive in nature, to use the existing roads in the Dogwood Shores Subdivision.

BEING the same property conveyed to Jason Perry by Warranty Deed from Charles W. Perry and wife, Betty Anne Perry, dated March 27, 2006 and recorded in Warranty Book 1167, page 430 in the Roane County Register of Deeds.

This conveyance is made subject to applicable restrictions, building setback lines, all existing

easements, and to all conditions as shown on the recorded map.

The proceeds of the sale will be applied in accordance with the terms and provisions of the above-named Deed of Trust. Said sale is being made upon the request of Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, due to the failure of the makers to comply with all provisions of the Deed of Trust.

Other parties interested as defined by Tennessee statutes and to whom the agent for the Trustee has given notice of the sale include the following: Roane County, Tennessee.

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; and restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender and/or agent for the Trustee. Should the highest bidder fail to comply with the terms of the bid at the public sale, then the agent for the Trustee shall have the option of accepting the second highest bid, or the next highest bid with which the buyer is able to comply.

This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as agent for Trustee, and subject to the approval of the Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representation or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular purpose.

Jedidiah C. McKeahan
The Hurley Law Firm, P.C.
Agent for Trustee
205 Mohican Ct.
Knoxville, TN 37919
865 523-1414

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated March 25, 2005, executed by **REBECCA GAMBRELL**, conveying certain real property therein described to **ROBERT M. WILSON, JR.**, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register’s Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded April 7, 2005, at Instrument Number 200504070079423; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to **THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-3** who is now the owner of said debt; and WHEREAS, the undersigned, **Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC**, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register’s Office of Knox County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, **Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC**, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **July 9, 2015 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the

highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. 6 OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TN AND BEING ALL OF LOT 16, BLOCK G, KINGS GATE SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, REVISED AS SHOWN BY MAP OF SAID SUBDIVISION OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 55-S, PAGE 1 IN THE KNOX COUNTY REGISTER’S OFFICE, SAID LOT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN ON MAP OF SAID SUBDIVISION OF RECORD AFORESAID TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Parcel ID: 152KB-010
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **11924 BERWICK LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): REBECCA GAMBRELL
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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2015-06-15, 2015-06-22

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, **Kamillah T. Chavez** executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for **SunTrust Mortgage, Inc.**, Lender and **Larry A. Weissman, Trustee(s)**, which was dated December 30, 2008 and recorded on January 6, 2009 in Instrument No. 200901060041614, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, **SunTrust Mortgage, Inc.**, (the “Holder”), appointed the undersigned, **Brock & Scott, PLLC**, as Substitute Trustee, by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Knox County, Tennessee, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust; and

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, **Brock & Scott, PLLC**, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **July 9, 2015, at 10:00AM**.

The previous sale scheduled for July 2, 2015 has been cancelled. The sale will be held at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in District No. Five (5) of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 43rd Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being known and designated as all of Lot 12, Block B, Unit 1, Mascarene Hills Subdivision, as shown by map of same of record in Map Book 52-S, Page 41 (Map Cabinet E, Slide 23-C), in the Register’s Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particularly description.

Being the same property was conveyed to **Kamillah T. Chavez**, unmarried from **Ekua Davis** by Deed dated 12/30/2008, and of record in Instrument 200901060041613 in the Register’s Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: 093HB043
Address/Description: **4300 Mascarene Road, Knoxville, TN 37921.**

Current Owner(s): **Kamillah T. Chavez.**
Other Interested Parties(s): Secretary of Housing & Urban Development.

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and

All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

This office is attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
277 Mallory Station Road
Suite 115
Franklin, TN 37067
PH: 615-550-7697 FX: 615-550-8484
File No.: 13-20787 FDC03
2015-06-08 2015-06-15, 2015-06-22

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated July 16, 2004, executed by **ELLEN BLUM**, conveying certain real property therein described to **DIXIE WITH ARNOLD M. WEISS, ATTORNEY**, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register’s Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded July 20, 2004, at Instrument Number 200407200005677; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to **THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-9** who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, **Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC**, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register’s Office of Knox County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, **Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC**, as Substitute Trustee or his

duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **July 9, 2015 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS ON THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 23, ANDREW PLACE TOWNHOUSES, UNIT 1, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET L, SLIDE 155-B, IN THE REGISTER’S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF DEAN A. ORR, DATED DECEMBER 16, 1996, TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS IN AND TO THE COMMON AREAS AND JOINT PERMANENT EASEMENTS OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 1967, PAGE 151, IN THE REGISTER’S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD AFORESAID AND AS A MEMBER OF THE ANDREW PLACE TOWNHOUSES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. THE FEE TITLE TO ANY LOT DESCRIBED AS BOUNDED BY ANY STREET, LANE, WALKWAY, PARK, PLAYGROUND, LAKE, POND, POOL OR ANY OTHER COMMON PROPERTY WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DEDICATED TO OT ACCEPTED BY THE PUBLIC AND THE FEE TITLE TO ANY LOT SHOWN ON THE RECORDED MAP OF ANDREW PLACE TOWNHOUSES ABUTTING UPON ANY SUCH COMMON PROPERTY SHALL NOT EXTEND UPON SUCH COMMON PROPERTY AND THE FEE TITLE IS RESERVED IN THE ANDREW PLACE TOWNHOUSES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE COMMON ENJOYMENT OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Parcel ID: 1050C-02723
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **9006 BELL BROOK LANE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): ELLEN BLUM
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: FIRST TENNESSEE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, ANDREW PLACE TOWNHOUSES HOMEOWNERS’ ASSOCIATION The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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NOTICE OF
SUBSTITUTE
TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated January 31, 2006, executed by RICHARD EARL MCDANIEL, conveying certain real property therein described to CHARLES E. TONKIN, II, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 1, 2006, at Instrument Number 200602010064810; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, in trust on behalf of J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust 2006-CW2 who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **July 9, 2015 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SEVEN (7) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING WITHIN THE 36TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEING ALL OF LOT NO. TWENTY-SIX (26) AS SHOWN ON THE REVISED MAP OF LOTS 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16 AND 17 IN BLOCK 52 OF THE P.M. SMITH'S ADDITION TO FOUNTAIN CITY, OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 11, PAGE 33-B, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A STAKE AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF SMITH STREET WITH THE WEST LINE OF JACKSBORO PIKE, RUNNING THENCE NORTHWARDLY WITH THE WEST LINE OF JACKSBORO PIKE 52.3 FEET TO A STAKE; RUNNING THENCE WESTWARDLY 134.3 FEET TO A STAKE; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 52 FEET TO A STAKE IN THE NORTH LINE OF SMITH STREET; RUNNING THENCE EASTWARDLY WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SMITH STREET 128.5 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, AND IS IMPROVED WITH A DWELLING.

Parcel ID: 0580K-019

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **5307 JACKSBORO PIKE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37918**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): RICHARD EARL MCDANIEL

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, Johnetta Underwood and Katherine R Upton executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Lender and Arnold M Weiss, Trustee(s), which was dated April 2, 2002 and recorded on April 10, 2002 in Instrument No. 200204100084157, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds, and modified by document recorded on December 4, 2013 in Instrument No. 201312040034906, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Knox County, Tennessee, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust; and

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **June 30, 2015, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in District Five (5) of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 19th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 22R-1, Resubdivision of Lot 22, Richards' New Deal Addition, as shown by map of record in Instrument No. 200005160032629, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

The above description is the same as the previous deed of record, no boundary survey having been made at the time of this conveyance. Being the same property conveyed to Johnetta Underwood, unmarried, and Katherine Upton, unmarried, by Ray Allen Hyde, married, by Warranty Deed dated April 2, 2002, and recorded as Instrument No. 200204100084155, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee

Parcel ID Number: 080LE-02001

Address/Description: **1436 Lantana Lane Northwest, Knoxville, TN 37912.**

with the Clerk of the Juvenile Court of Knox County, Tennessee, 3323 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, and to serve a copy of that Answer upon Heidi Wegryn, Attorney for Monica Perdue, 5731 Lyons View Pike, Suite 211, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, which will be July 6, 2015 and/or appear for trial on August 18, 2015, at 9:00 AM, at Knox County Juvenile Court. If you fail to do so, a judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. 36-1-117(n), Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P., and Rules 1 and 39 of the Tenn. R. of Juv. P. for the relief demanded in the petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents in the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office at 3323 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

ENTER this the 9th day of June, 2015.

Honorable Timothy Irwin, Judge

PREPARED BY:
Heidi Wegryn,
BPR #017171
5731 Lyons View Pike Suite 211
Knoxville, TN 37919

06/15, 06/22

ORDER OF
PUBLICATION

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR
KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE
Docket No.
MARY JOHNSON,
Petitioner
v.
MICHAEL JOHNSON,
Respondent

IN THE MATTER OF:
RYLEIGH JOHNSON DOB: 7/17/09

A CHILD UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE

It appearing to the Court from the sworn allegations of the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and the Affidavit of Diligent Search in this cause that the whereabouts of the Respondent are unknown and cannot be ascertained by diligent search so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, it is, therefore, ORDERED that Respondent be served by publication of the following notice for four (4) consecutive weeks in the The Knoxville Focus, a newspaper of general circulation published in Knox County, Tennessee.

It is further ORDERED that if the Respondent does not enter an appearance or otherwise answer the petition, further personal service or service by further publication shall be dispensed with and service of any future notices, motions, orders or other legal documents in this matter may be made upon the Respondent by filing the same with the Clerk of the Juvenile Court of Knox County, Tennessee.

NOTICE

Mary Johnson has filed a petition against you seeking to terminate forever your parental rights to Ryleigh Johnson. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby ORDERED to file an Answer to the Petition to Termination of Parental Rights with the Clerk of the Juvenile Court of Knox County, Tennessee, 3323 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, and to serve a copy of that Answer upon Heidi Wegryn, Attorney for Mary Johnson, 5731 Lyons View Pike, Suite 211, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, which will be July 6, 2015, and/or appear for trial on August 18, 2015, at 9:00 AM, at Knox County Juvenile Court. If you fail to do so, a judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. 36-1-117(n), Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P., and Rules 1 and 39 of the Tenn. R. of Juv. P. for the relief demanded in the petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents in the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office at 3323 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

ENTER this the 9th day of June, 2015.

Honorable Timothy Irwin, Judge

PREPARED BY:
Heidi Wegryn,
BPR #017171
5731 Lyons View Pike Suite 211
Knoxville, TN 37919

06/15, 06/22

ORDER OF
PUBLICATION

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR
KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE
Docket No.
MARY JOHNSON,
Petitioner
v.
JESSICA GILES,
Respondent

IN THE MATTER OF:
RYLEIGH JOHNSON DOB: 7/17/09

A CHILD UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE

It appearing to the Court from the sworn allegations of the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and the Affidavit of Diligent Search in this cause that the whereabouts of the Respondent are unknown and cannot be ascertained by diligent search so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon her, it is, therefore, ORDERED that Respondent be served by publication of the following notice for four (4) consecutive weeks in the The Knoxville Focus, a newspaper of general circulation published in Knox County, Tennessee.

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Estate of
BEVERLY J. HOFFMAN
Docket Number 76374-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of June, 2015, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BEVERLY J. HOFFMAN who died May 6, 2015, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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This the 4th day of June, 2015

Estate of BEVERLY J. HOFFMAN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA MARIE HOFFMAN; Executrix
1801 Chatham Ave.
Charlotte, NC 28205

Anne McKinney
Attorney-at-Law
1019 Orchid Ave.
Knoxville, TN 37912

PUBLISH: 6/8 & 6/15/15

NOTICE TO
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Estate of
IVA LEOLA FORD
Docket Number 76357-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of June, 2015, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of IVA LEOLA FORD who died May 5, 2014, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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Estate of IVA LEOLA FORD
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TOM FORD; Executor,
8224 Goddard Lane
Knoxville, TN 37920

RICHARD FORD; Executor,
4305 Candora Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37920

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Estate of
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Docket Number 76355-1

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
REBECCA L. HELAL; Administratrix,
7709 Ridgeview Rd
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