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Bud Armstrong routs Rowell

Owen wins big in 2nd District

Horn tops in 5th, heads to run off in August

By Steve Hunley,
Publisher

Knox Countians went to the polls last week and reelected Knox County Law Director by a thumping good majority. In the last returns available, Armstrong won 78 of 85 precincts with 28,602 votes to 18,608 for challenger Nathan Rowell. Rowell ran a lavishly financed campaign and outspent incumbent Armstrong and was endorsed by the Knoxville News-Sentinel. Armstrong was elected Law Director four years ago after upsetting incumbent Joe Jarrett. Armstrong campaigned on his record while being opposed by much of Knoxville's business community and the establishment who blamed him for Superintendent of Schools Jim McIntyre's fall. Much of the ruling class deeply resented Armstrong's refusal to provide favorable legal opinions on demand.

Election Night was most notable for the establishment taking a beating. Prominent among Rowell's supporters was high-powered public relations maven and lobbyist Cynthia Moxley and her husband



Bud Armstrong

and partner Alan Carmicheal, who seemed to function as a de facto PR firm for the Rowell campaign. Board of Education member Karen Carson gave a hefty donation to Rowell's campaign and while Rowell attended toney gatherings in West Knoxville, Bud Armstrong was out seeing the people all over the county. It came as no surprise that Armstrong's victory was uniform all across the county after campaigning as "The People's Lawyer." Both candidates ran in the Republican



Jennifer Owen

primary and without a Democrat running in the August general election, the GOP nod is tantamount to election.

Armstrong had been severely criticized by those Board of Education members closely tied to outgoing Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jim McIntyre including Carson, Lynne Fugate and Tracie Sanger. The McIntyre clique also took a beating on election night with retired educator Jennifer Owen drubbing Grant Standefer in the most



Susan Horn

stunning defeat of the night. Owen was vastly outspent by Standefer, who was also endorsed by the Sentinel. Jennifer Owen ran a classic grassroots campaign to win with almost 66% of the vote. Owen won the early voting by a two-to-one margin and carried every precinct on Election Day. Standefer was perceived as the candidate most closely aligned with the McIntyre faction. Newcomer Susan Horn led all candidates for school board in the sprawling Fifth District

where she easily outpaced establishment favorite Reuben "Buddy" Pelot. Horn was just a few points away from winning without a run-off election, tallying almost 45% of the vote against 30% for Pelot. The seat is currently occupied by Karen Carson, perhaps McIntyre's most devoted follower on the Board. Carson was also a vicious critic of Law Director Bud Armstrong and had recently lost a special election for the Tennessee House of Representatives despite having the tacit support of the Haslam administration. Susan Horn was also heavily outspent by Pelot who carried the Sentinel's endorsement. Horn and Pelot will advance to the August general election for a final showdown.

Mike McMillan, former Chairman of the Board of Education and a long-time critic of McIntyre, was unopposed for another term on the school board and was the biggest vote-getter of the Board of Education candidates. Once the lone McIntyre opponent on the Knox County Board of Education,

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PHOTO BY DAN ANDREWS.

The Knoxville Trolley stops at Summit Towers every 10 minutes now but in May the trolley will only stop there every hour.

Trolley service cut back for Summit Towers

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The Knoxville Transit Authority is looking to start implementing changes to its trolley services this May. One of the proposed changes, dealing with service to Summit Towers, saw debate for much of KTA's February meeting.

Although the trolley route will add Saturday service and continue to serve Summit Hill Drive every 10 minutes, the door-to-door service to the 13-story

apartment building, located about a block away at 201 Locust Street, will be cut back to once an hour. About 300 people, many mentally or physically disabled, live at the Towers and depend on the current trolley service.

Transit Commissioner Hubert Smith said that new public comments should be taken before a decision is made about the changes of service to Summit Towers. Attorney John Lawhorn said that public comments

were taken in the previous months but added new comments would do no harm. The KTA voted to allow comments and citizen Lincoln Lincoln spoke.

Lincoln said that 53% of the residents there are minorities and that most residents are elderly and disabled. He said he had contacted the state Department of Transportation, which in turn contacted KTA, and said the board was "not doing the right thing for Summit Towers."

Lincoln said the new policy would provide trolley service "only 48 times a week."

Smith said the cut backs to the Towers' service isn't "a compromise" because current service offers 140 stops there per week. He was the only one to vote against the trolley route proposal which included the Summit Towers Apartments reduction in service.

"A compromise is a give-
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City Council

Dollar Store setback upheld by council

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The fight of Kevin Murphy to oppose more Dollar General stores in the area came to the Knoxville City Council Tuesday. Murphy, a Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals member, appealed to the city as a citizen to overturn a City BZA approval to grant JMB Investments' plans for a Dollar General Store front yard setback for 1612 Elm Street.

Councilman Nick Della Volpe informed the meeting that Murphy was in Chattanooga and couldn't make the Knoxville meeting, but asked that the matter be heard based on his complaint. Arthur Seymour, Jr., represented JMB and said the site is unusual in that it has "four front yards" because it is between three streets and the Interstate.

The setback request asks that the normal 25-foot distance from a street be changed to 14 feet.

Seymour also charged that Murphy, who lives on Washington Pike, isn't eligible to file the appeal but City Attorney Charles Swanson said that, in fact, Murphy or any other citizen may do so. Seymour said the reduction of setback will allow truck deliveries to the store. The appeal was rejected without a single objection.

The council also heard from Becky Wade, Director of Community Development, on a request for an additional \$90,000 in Community Block Grants to add five new residential units of supportive housing at 1501 East Fifth Street. The additional dollars for Positively Living, Inc. were authorized.

Also authorized was a \$163,650 engineering study by A. Morton Thomas and Associates
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Amendment Puts Adequate Public School Funding at Risk

When Tennessee legislators last took their Oath of Office, they solemnly swore that "I will faithfully support the Constitution of this State and of the United States, and I do solemnly affirm that as a member



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of this General Assembly... I will not propose or assent to any bill, vote, or resolution, which shall appear to me injurious to the people, or consent to any act or thing, whatever, that shall have a tendency to lessen or bridge their rights and privileges, as declared by the Constitution of this state."

Article XI, Section 12 of the Tennessee State Constitution says, "The state of Tennessee recognizes the inherent value of education and encourages its support. The General Assembly shall provide for the maintenance, support, and eligibility standards of a system of free public schools in such manner as the General Assembly may determine."

Per the 1993 Small Schools Systems lawsuit, the state Supreme Court held that the Tennessee Constitution requires the state provide an "equitable and adequate education to all children in the state for free." Since 1993, the courts have ordered the legislature three times to provide more funding to rural school districts.

While the amendment doesn't take away the requirement for an equitable education - fairly distributing the money across the state, the amount of funding available to spread around would be entirely up to the legislature. At issue is the adequacy of funding. Lawsuits seeking more school funding from the state are pending from Hamilton and Shelby counties and six other districts across the state.

Many have pointed out the inherent dangers of this amendment. In an email to legislators, former state senator Roy Herron, who is representing small school districts at the legislature, said, "The amendment would leave in

the Constitution language that would provide the illusion, but remove the reality, of constitutional protection for public schools. If the proposed language were in the Constitution, school children would be doomed to whatever fate any future legislature decreed. And schools in your district could receive millions less in state funding, leading either to woefully inadequate schools or soaring property taxes or both. It's hard to imagine anything that would adversely impact our students -- or Tennessee's future -- more than stripping our children of their constitutional right to adequate public schools."

According to Chalkbeat Tennessee, Dunn said that the courts potentially could order the state to increase its education spending by \$500 million. He wants the constitution amended to curb the courts' authority and ensure that the legislature controls Tennessee education policies. But so far, the legislature has refused to take up the funding inadequacy issues of BEP (basic education program) 2.0.

Local Education Agencies (LEAs - that's your local school district or Board of Education) have been wringing their hands over the inadequacy of state funding for education under the BEP 2.0 formula for years. Roughly half of the nearly \$500 in additional funding for schools was funded in 2007-2008, with plans to phase in the remaining dollars over time. That hasn't happened.

Just how bad is Tennessee's education funding?

Last week, Drew Sutton, Government Relations coordinator for the Tennessee Education Association, was in Knoxville to discuss important issues facing local schools with educators, parents, and community members. The state's lack of investment in students was a key issue.

No doubt you know that Tennessee ranks near the bottom in total per pupil funding - 46th, to be exact, with \$9,290 average per pupil funding. Kentucky ranks 36th with \$10,490 per pupil, yet Tennessee would need a billion dollar increase in education funding to equal Kentucky's per pupil investment.

The shortfall is a state, not a local funding issue. Only 45 percent of education funding in Tennessee comes from the state. Compare that to Kentucky (55%), North Carolina (56%), Georgia (51%), Alabama (57%), Mississippi (51%), Arkansas (73%) and Missouri (52%), and it's clear where the problem is.

In spite of this, Tennessee schools get the most of every tax dollar, ranking eighth in the nation in graduation rates.

Our legislators need to be held accountable to fully implement BEP 2.0 as well as stopping unfunded mandates. Our children deserve no less. And they certainly don't deserve to lose their Constitutional right to an equitable and adequate free public education, which could happen under the proposed amendment.

City Council

Councilman Brown speaks on Magnolia issue

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Councilman Daniel Brown spoke at the beginning of the Knoxville City Council meeting Tuesday evening and addressed the recent controversy regarding the Magnolia Streetscape Project. Some citizens have voiced their objection to city plans to revitalize several blocks on West Magnolia.

"First of all let me say as a native Knoxville and East Knox resident, born and raised, I have endured segregation and urban renewal in this city. The urban renewal of the 50's and 60's is not the same as this particular plan. I have, myself, marched and protested here and in other cities on many causes. However, this particular plan I do not feel would be a bad plan but would be helpful.

"So I would like to offer my support for the Magnolia Avenue Streetscapes Plan. Many people that I have spoken to or contacted are not in opposition to this plan. I have been present at neighborhood and community meetings where the plan has been presented and heard little or no opposition to the plan by various groups.

"Most are residents or business owners of the area who look forward to improvement to the area. The plan would upgrade and beautify the area which hopefully will lead to private investment, economic development and jobs. Investment opportunities by minorities and others would help to revitalize this area and restore Magnolia and that part of Knoxville to its former glory along with the redevelopment of Walter P. Taylor Homes and other projects, such as the Williams Creek Greenway, Botanical Gardens, improvements at Chilhowee Park and Zoo Knoxville.

"While I do respect the rights of citizens to oppose any plan that spends taxpayers' dollars, as the 6th District Representative I plan to listen to all the people in the district and take into account what is good for the residents, both short term and long term in regards to this matter.

"It is my desire that we, as a community, can and will work together for future improvements on other projects as we go forward as a city of progress."

The former mayor's remarks came in reaction to some very vocal remarks and protests by some opponents to the Magnolia project.

Bud Armstrong routs Rowell

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McMillan emerged as the Chairman of the Board after being opposed by the News-Sentinel, the Chamber of Commerce, and wealthy

elite. Former Knox County Commissioner Tony Norman was unopposed in the Third District, winning 5,802 votes. Known for his gentlemanly demeanor and having served as Chairman of the Knox County Commission, Norman's election was yet another blow to the establishment. Norman has been a critic of Superintendent Jim McIntyre and will replace current Board of Education Chair Doug Harris in September. Harris has been largely supportive of McIntyre.

Former Knox County Property Assessor John Whitehead made an apparent comeback barely edging out Jim Weaver, the favorite of

current Assessor Phil Ballard in the closest election of the night. Whitehead won by 70 votes in spite of the fact Weaver ran a well-financed campaign and enjoyed the endorsement of the Knoxville News-Sentinel as well.

One of the few bright spots of the evening for the establishment was the nomination of newcomer Hugh Nystrom in the Fourth Commission District. Nystrom defeated Janet Testerman and incumbent Commissioner Jeff Ownby. Evelyn Gill upset Rick Staples to win the Democratic nomination and will face Michael Covington in the general election. Gill will be a heavy favorite to win in August. Carson Dailey, long

active in South Knoxville, was unopposed for the Republican nomination and will face off with James "Brandon" Hamilton in August. Dailey is seen as the favorite with deep roots in the district and wide support.

Dave Wright, Chairman of the Knox County Commission, was also unopposed for the GOP nomination and will move to the August general election where he faces a challenge from an independent candidate. Michele Carringer won the GOP nod over former school board member John Fugate to run against Laura Kildare in the Second District to replace Amy Broyles.

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Publisher's Position

Well... Money Can't Buy Everything



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The people of Knoxville and Knox County deserve a big pat on the back for coming out and voting last Tuesday. If anybody doubts the power of voting, last week's election should dispel a lot of preconceived notions; if anybody doubts

the ability of the people to overcome a deluge of cash provided by millionaires and billionaires, repeated endorsements by the Knoxville News Sentinel, and the community ruling elite, you should put your mind at ease.

There were some big losers in the wake of last Tuesday night's election, not the least of which was the *establishment*. Not only did Donald Trump carry Tennessee, but the local elections were a disaster for the ruling trifecta in Knox County. Comprised of the Sentinel, the Chamber of Commerce and the wealthy elite, the trifecta had ponied up almost \$300,000 in local campaigns at last count.

Nathan Rowell spent more than \$100,000 to get the dickens beaten out of him by Bud Armstrong; Grant Standefer spent more than \$40,000 to lose badly to Jennifer Owen. Big spender Buddy Pelot trailed far behind Susan Horn. Jim Weaver, endorsed by the News-Sentinel, lost to former Knox County property Assessor John Whitehead. It was also a bad night for the Knoxville News Sentinel with most of their favored candidates going down to defeat.

Another big loser in last week's election was departing Superintendent of Schools Jim McIntyre. With Jennifer Owen's lopsided victory over Grant Standefer, another critic of

McIntyre's reign is replacing Tracie Sanger. While hardly anybody took Tracie Sanger seriously, Sanger was an ardent supporter of McIntyre and I can't imagine anybody will miss her angry rants. Tony Norman will replace yet another McIntyre backer and it appears Susan Horn is the odds on favorite to succeed Karen Carson, Jim McIntyre's defender-in-chief on the board of education. It is impossible for anybody with a brain to interpret the election results as an endorsement of either McIntyre or the McIntyre majority on the Board of Education. With Carson having been ignominiously beaten in her campaign for the State House by Jason

Zachary and the *establishment* candidates for the Board losing, it is impossible to argue that the results had much to do with McIntyre's tenure. Put plainly, it was a flat out rejection of McIntyre and his minions. The *establishment* has nobody to blame but themselves; the warning signs were there for anybody to see, but the Sentinel, Chamber of Commerce and wealthy elite held on well after there was no longer any life in the body.

Many of McIntyre's rubber stamps on the Board had waged a vicious campaign against Law Director Bud Armstrong and now Gloria Deathridge and Lynne Fugate will likely be the only members of the Board who

are closely allied with the superintendent. Armstrong ran well even in the citadel of the establishment's lair, the Fourth District. It seems likely neither Fugate nor Deathridge will be much of a factor in future Board deliberations.

The *establishment* candidates had every advantage going into this election cycle: awash with cash, the constant endorsement of the Knoxville News-Sentinel and the ruling wealthy elite. What they did not have was the people. You folks made your own choices, your own endorsements and you made it plain... money **can't** buy everything.

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Bits of News About Local Education

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Knox County TNReady Testing Underway...

Finally. KCS Director of Schools Jim McIntyre announced at last Monday's Board workshop meeting that 44 of KCS schools had received the paper tests as of Friday February 26, and the remaining schools in the county received their tests on Monday February 29. The first day of the testing window for KCS schools was Wednesday March 2.

The testing window for the TNReady assessment was originally scheduled to take place between February 8 and March 4. But on the first day of online testing, major network outages on the platform developed by testing company Measurement Inc. led to state education officials canceling this year's online assessment and announcing that the entire state would revert to paper-based tests. The testing window was revised to February 22 - March 18.

Chalkbeat Tennessee reported on February 29 that after technical problems caused the state to cancel the official debut of the online debut of the new online TNReady assessment last month, the majority of the 142 school districts in the state had received printed material for students to take the paper and pencil version of the test.

The state has been using eight printing companies across the nation to produce the materials. Still, printing capacity issues caused delayed shipments to about a dozen districts across the state.

As of February 29, the following districts were still waiting to receive the paper tests:

Tennessee Achievement School District; Bartlett; Hamblen County; Maury County; Madison County; Murfreesboro City; Putnam County; Robertson County; Sevier County; Sullivan County; Tipton County; and Wilson County.

One the tests arrive at schools, they must be unboxed, labeled, and organized. Many of these districts have again delayed the start of the assessments until March 7.

Tennessee Department of Education spokeswoman Ashley Ball said that during the first week of the testing window (February 22 - 26), about 60 districts completed the TNReady assessments. Larger districts will take the assessments later in the new February. 22 - March 18 testing window.

Knox County Schools Recruitment Fairs Planned

In March, April and June, 2016, the Knox County Schools' Human Resources Department will host three recruitment fairs for those interested in starting a career with the Knox County Schools. The first of these took place this past Saturday, March 5 (Priority Staffing Schools Recruitment Fair) as reported in the Daily Focus . The remaining Recruitment Fairs are scheduled for:

- Saturday, April 2: Certified Employees Recruitment Fair
- Saturday, June 25: Classified Employees Recruitment Fair

On Saturday, April 2, the Certified Employees Recruitment Fair will be held at Central High

School (5321 Jacksboro Pike) from 9 a.m. to noon. Certified positions require a license issued by the Tennessee Department of Education. Certified staff members require a valid professional license based on training that covers the subjects or grades taught and/or a specialty service area (e.g. school counselor) in accordance with rules and regulations of the State Board of Education.

On Saturday, June 25, the Classified Employees Recruitment Fair will be held at Central High School (5321 Jacksboro Pike) from 9 a.m. to noon. Classified positions do not require certification in accordance with rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Education and typically include bookkeepers, clerks, maintenance or custodial staff, cafeteria staff, instructional assistants, transportation staff, and security personnel, as well as many central office administrative services positions and part-time staff.

For more information about the recruitment fairs, contact Human Resources at 594-1929.

L&N STEM Academy's Ethics Bowl First in State

The L&N STEM Academy's Ethics Bowl Team won the 2015-2016 Tennessee Ethics Bowl competition held January 23, 2016 in Knoxville, TN. The competition is sponsored by The Department of Philosophy and the Humanities Center of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville Campus, with support from Home



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The L&N STEM Academy Ethics Bowl Team will represent the State of Tennessee at the National Ethics Bowl competition at the Parr Center for Ethics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on April 15-16, 2016. Twenty three teams from across the U.S. (including the District of Columbia) and 1 team from Canada will compete for the national title.

The members of the L & N STEM Academy Ethics Bowl Team include: Madeline Lonas, Katlynn Armstrong, Chase Compton, Max Mylchreest, Justin Cross, and Mattie Collins. Coaches are: Christopher Webb, Georgi Gardiner.

CMA's Principal Invited to Join Tennessee Educator Voice Fellowship

Career Magnet Academy Principal John Faulconer has formally accepted an invitation to join the 2016 inaugural cohort of the

Tennessee Educator Voice Fellowship as a founding member.

As a founding Fellow, Faulconer is among 50 outstanding teachers and principals—selected from nearly 100 applicants and 137 nominees—who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence for Tennessee students and a passion for working to advance effective education policies in the best interest of students, educators, families and communities across the state.

The Fellows met for the first time at a weekend convention on Friday, March 4th, and Saturday, March 5th, at the Sheraton Downtown in Nashville. At the convention, attendees had the opportunity to build their leadership and advocacy skills; learned about the history of state education policies and how to partner with local legislators; gained insight on how to be effective on social media; and heard best practices regarding how to bring classroom success to life in ways that help change the public perception of education policies.

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Rogero pledges support for East Towne area

By Mike Steely
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Amid rumors of Sears at Knoxville Center Mall closing, the East Towne Business Alliance met last week for their regular session and heard Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero say she would be a "cheerleader for this area and you need to be a cheerleader as well."

The Sears and Kmart Corporation announced in January that 50 more stores nationwide may be closing and the Kmart store in Athens, Tennessee is scheduled to close in March.

Knoxville Center Mall, formerly East Towne Mall, is up for sale and local merchants inside and around the Mall have been concerned for the past several

years about the future of the once thriving shopping center. The state has finally approved placing signs with merchants' names at the two entrances and the city has pledged to help remove brush and trees so drivers along I-640 can see the mall from the highway.

"There are rumors and uncertainty," said Alliance President Justin Sterling, adding that he wants the community to "sit tight." He said that malls usually become a better version of themselves after changes and said the mall would be an ideal location for a medical care company to locate because of the need in the area.

"Our number one priority is to promote this area," Sterling told the mayor.

"Things change," Rogero

said, "and you need to be in front of those changes."

The mayor talked of the city's effort to invest public dollars into things like streetscapes and façade make overs and said, "We're partners."

She spoke about city investments downtown, in South Knoxville, the waterfront, Cumberland Avenue, Happy Holler, downtown North, and said the county's Midway Industrial Park will help the mall area.

"I go to the mall for my dental care. I go to Target all the way from South Knoxville," she said.

"You have got a great location with nearly \$329 million spent yearly by customers in this area," she said, adding, "You have infrastructure that already exists and city services.

This area is so promising."

Rogero said she and her staff meet every two weeks and is willing to work with people, like the mall, to make it more visible.

Councilman Nick Della Volpe, who has been seriously involved in getting the exit signs for merchant logos, said that an additional exit ramp for the mall is not a priority with the Regional Transportation Planning Organization. Rogero said she will mention the need for an extra exit to the TPO but added there is a "huge backlog" of transportation funding and that the federal government recently passed a Five Year Plan, which may make funds more available.

Trolley service cut back for Summit Towers

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and-take. What KAT offered was no compromise. To propose to take away something completely and then give a bone, is no compromise," Smith said.

"It's important that our elderly and disabled have access to public transportation the same as everybody else. Only in America do we discount the quality of life for our elderly and disabled. During the daytime you can't throw a rock and hit anybody in the Old City where service will now be offered at the expense of Summit Towers residents, but we know there are many (at Summit) that rely solely on this service to connect with the outside world," he said.

Dawn Distler, Director of Transit, told The Focus that the new hourly schedule to Summit Towers will run from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Saturdays and, just down the hill on Summit Hill, will run at 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and until 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

She also said funding is being sought for a paved pathway from the towers to Summit Hill Drive, with benches along the walk and that a shelter

is planned there at the crosswalk.

The process for changing the routes began last August with informative news releases and signage targeting riders as well as listening sessions seeking public input held as "Trolleys on Tap" and an online survey.

More than 500 responses were received on the survey and more than 40 people attended the Trolleys on Tap group discussions. The meeting last week began with Dawn Distler, Director of Transit, answering a question from Smith and stating that the changes will take place probably in May.

"I was impressed by the number of people who spoke out and got involved," Distler said of the various comments received about trolley service around town.

Councilman Dan Brown asked what will happen if it is found that the routes are not working and Distler said the routes are reviewed but any changes for routes would have to go through the process again.

"This city is growing and developing rapidly and the transit system needs to grow and change," she said.

Towers offer a bit of extra safety

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Whether the Knoxville City Police Department's mobile observation towers are manned or unmanned, the structures, which Public Information Officer Darrell DeBusk says are called "Sky Watch" towers, provide additional security around town.

The two towers are moved here and there depending

on crime patterns or at the request of shopping centers, neighborhoods or businesses. DeBusk says that sometimes an officer is in the towers but even when no one is up there a camera is watching the property below.

"They are usually located in public places and sometimes along greenway trails. The towers are also used at special events

like Boomsday," he told The Focus.

"Anytime there's a crowd control issue officers in the area are told where the towers are located," he said.

Recently one of the Sky Watch towers was taken to Broadway Shopping Center and shoppers and nearby street traffic could not help but notice the tall structure. That's the idea.



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Surprises in the Carter Community

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Of all the neighborhoods and communities in Knoxville and Knox County the eastern community of Carter may be the most surprising. If you haven't visited this rural area across the river you will be pleasantly surprised.

Yes, the Carter public schools and homes with lots of lawn and pasture are there but there's so much more. For local residents and visitors there are also lots of things to do at the two local parks, the senior center and the public library.

The Carter Senior Center sits next to the library at 9040 Asheville Highway and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The 6,200-square-foot Senior Center has a fully-equipped exercise room, a computer lab, rooms for meetings, cards and dance, and a kitchen recreation space.

Tara Stirone is the coordinator and Jessica McCall is the assistant coordinator. The staff and volunteers offer a wide range of activities. For instance, in March, there is the Weekday Walkers, card



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

The water wheel at Paschal Carter Park stands near the site of the historic mill there. The community owned park also has a swimming pool, picnic tables, and is open to the public.

games, quilting, beginning computer classes, Senior Meals, a coffee club, diabetes class, movies, dominoes, veterans services, beading club, bingo, and much more.

You can see the many activities by days and times on the Carter Senior Center website: www.knoxcounty.org/seniors/carter.php. You

can call them at (865) 932-2939.

The Carter Branch Library, next to the senior center, is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Tuesdays from noon until 8 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. It is closed Fridays and Sundays.

Saturdays include

"Stories and Songs" and occasionally manager Melanie Resiegh and local author Laura Underwood tell stories.

Wednesday programs include Baby Bookworms and Preschool Storytime.

A meeting room is available with a reservation and the telephone number is (865) 933-5438.

The Carter Park, just off Asheville Highway and in front of both the senior center and the library, has 30 acres that includes three baseball fields, two softball fields, two concession stands, a playground, restrooms and a walking trail.

The Paschal Carter Park is nearby, just down Asheville

Highway on Carter Mill Road. The park is unusual in that it contains the water mill wheel from the former Carter Mill and is owned by the Paschal Carter Memorial Park Association.

Terry Pollard is president of the association and said that the descendants of Carter donated 13 acres to the community including the mill site. The community then bought 52 more acres and a swimming pool was added in the 1960s.

Pollard said there are two houses nearby owned by the Carter family descendants and that the association owns the house that overlooks the park plus a mobile home site. Both are rented to help pay for the mowing, upkeep and lighting. Membership and admission to the swimming pool at the park also helps support the park.

"Occasionally we'll hold a fund raising golf tournament at Ruggles Ferry Golf Club," he said.

The offspring of Paschal Carter, an early land grant settler, married into various local families and several people in the Carter Community today are descendants of the Carter family.

Proposals sought for community projects

Proposals are being sought to compete for funding at the next Knoxville SOUP dinner on Thursday, April 7. Knoxville SOUP is a dinner and micro-funding event designed to raise money for creative projects that are proposed, voted on and enacted by members of the community.

The most recent Knoxville SOUP, held January 7th, raised money for the Dogwood Outdoor Coalition. The Coalition is made up of almost a dozen partners working together to reclaim and improve an outdoor space behind Dogwood Elementary School.

"Winning the SOUP grant helped the Dogwood Outdoor Coalition purchase bridge materials and safety equipment for some of the 58 volunteers that

participated with us for our MLK work day. It's true worth, though, is immeasurable as it reflects support from a community that encourages outdoor recreation and education for its community members," said Ariel Allen of CAC who presented on the Coalition's behalf.

The top vote getters are not the only winners however. At the November dinner, Tanna Nicely, principal of South Knoxville Elementary School presented a proposal for SKE Scientists in the Library. While this project didn't win the people's choice, it received complete funding from a private source BECAUSE they learned about the funding need through SOUP publicity. Mrs. Nicely was contacted by former

SKE students Mr. and Mrs. Neal who wished to fund it because the project directly impacted students. They sent a check for \$500 right before Christmas to a surprised Mrs. Nicely. SKE utilized the money to buy inquiry-based science experiments for the students during the last week of January.

Also at the November dinner, Jackie Hardin presented a proposal for the Family Friendly Drum Circle @ Ijams. This proposal also didn't win the people's choice BUT the Student Council of SKE is currently collecting money to surprise the drum circle with a drum purchase. Mrs. Nicely and some of the council heard about their outstanding project. "It is an opportunity to

give back to our fine community and show our students what it means to give back and pay it forward."

Along with presentations for community projects, Knoxville SOUP also showcases a local artist at each dinner. Artists of all disciplines are encouraged to complete an online application and have the opportunity to show their art or share their talent. Applications can be completed online at KnoxvilleSOUP.org to submit a community project proposal or to be a featured artist. The proposal application is simple. Just answer four questions about the project and why the project matters to Knoxville.

Project proposals should be submitted online no later than

March 31. Up to four individuals or teams will be selected to present their project at the dinner. If selected, they will be notified no later than April 4th. If a project is chosen, the presenters will give a brief four-minute oral presentation and answer a few questions at the dinner. Winners will be invited back to report on the success of their project at future dinners.

Proposals can be for anything that will benefit the community or society in general. Winning projects in other cities that have SOUP dinners have improved playgrounds, performed landscaping and beautification projects, created free lending libraries at area bus stops,

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15th Annual Halls Crossroads Car Show

Car, truck and motorcycle owners can support the band program at Halls High School by taking part in the 15th annual Halls Crossroads Car Show on Saturday, March 26, 2016.

The show will take place in the parking lot at the Food City in Halls, located at 7202 Maynardville Highway. Open registration will take place from 9 a.m. until noon and judging from noon to 4 p.m.

The event is open to all vehicles, including sports, exotics, antiques, hot rods, customs, trucks and motorcycles. Registration is \$20 through March 16 and \$25 from March 17 to event day. To register, visit hallsband.org/carshow.

Every paid registration includes a goody bag, event T-shirt and five tickets for the door-prize drawings held throughout the day. Door prizes include a wide range of items donated by local businesses and band boosters. Door prize tickets are a dollar each. Funds raised from the car show will support Halls High School's acclaimed band program.

"Every year, the band must acquire and replace instruments and uniforms, and there are a number of operating expenses necessary to meet the needs of our growing program," says Valerie Bronson, who, along with her husband, Jeff, is one of the organizers of the event. Their daughter, Julie, performs with the band. "The car show is a huge undertaking, but has become very popular. The funds raised at the show will help the band program reach the next level of excellence and national competitiveness."

For more information about the Halls Crossroads Car Show, visit hallsband.org/carshow or email the Bronsons at vtbronson@comcast.net.

It has been a great week in Nashville with many different issues underway. As you may know, the House Education Committees met in a joint hearing to start the process of looking into the University of Tennessee's Diversity Office. Last week I mentioned some education budget items for fiscal year 2016-2017. This week I would like to turn your attention to a few different budget items, as well as a positive piece of legislation that I believe you would enjoy knowing more about.

An important aspect of Tennessee's budget is our commitment to infrastructure and job training. The governor's budget seeks to continue the state's investment in creating new opportunities for Tennessee's workforce and to support the growth and retention of the state's base of traditional jobs. The proposed budget would also allow for an appropriation of \$70 million to the state's Fast Track Infrastructure and Job Training. This appropriation is necessary for the recruitment of new businesses, including support of workforce training, marketing, and education initiatives. I believe this to be a great investment for the future of our state. We plan to compete and stay ahead of the states surrounding us, especially when it comes to corporate investments in our state from the automobile and energy industries.

I would also like to turn your attention to HB 1545 by Representative McCormick. This bill passed the House 85-2 and is now working its way through the Senate. If passed and signed into law, HB 1545 would increase the penalty for TennCare fraud from a Class E



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Representative Harry Brooks speaks at his Community Meeting / Re-election Announcement held last month at the Corryton Community Center.

felony to a Class D felony, while creating specific fines for the first and subsequent convictions. TennCare fraud has been a major problem in Tennessee for some time now. According to the latest figures to date, 2,378 people have been charged with TennCare fraud. So what has Tennessee already done to prevent this? We have assigned two separate entities to deal with this problem: the Office of Inspector General and the TennCare Provider Fraud Task Force.

The Office of Inspector General (OIG), which is separate from TennCare, began operation in February 2005 and has investigated cases leading to over \$3 million being repaid to TennCare, with a total estimated cost avoidance of over \$163.6

million for TennCare, according to latest figures.

Since 2007, the Task Force has returned over \$150 million to the State from a variety of companies and healthcare providers who allegedly committed fraud against the State.

In 2008, the efforts of the Task Force were strengthened by passage of a law which made perjury or willfully withholding evidence in connection with an investigation of TennCare fraud a felony in Tennessee.

If HB 1545 were established, it would put harsher penalties on those convicted. Now, a person convicted of a Class E felony in Tennessee only spends around 1.5 years in jail. Making the crime a Class D felony, the conviction will carry a two-to-twelve year sentence. Furthermore, the

legislation increases the fines for subsequent convictions of TennCare fraud: \$250 for the first, \$500 for the second, and \$1,000 for the third. The OIG Cash for Tips Program was established by the Legislature, and Tennesseans can receive cash rewards for TennCare fraud tips that lead to convictions. Anyone can report suspected TennCare fraud by calling 1-800-433-3982 toll-free from anywhere in Tennessee, or log on to www.tn.gov/tnoig/ and follow the prompts that read "Report TennCare Fraud."

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or if I can be of any help to you. I can be reached by email at rep.harry.brooks@capitol.tn.gov or at 615-741-6879. It is an honor to be your representative.

Proposals sought for community projects

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sponsored educational programs, supported other charitable endeavors and

even launched small businesses with a social focus. There are no hard and fast rules to what a proposal should be, only that someone envisions it, asks for it and the diners vote for it.

Doors open at 6 p.m. on April 7th for the dinner at Dara's Garden, 2637 Maryville Pike, in South Knoxville. Suggested donations of \$5 will be collected at the door. Proposals will be presented at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner. Diners will have about an hour to eat, share and connect with others while voting for the project they like best. By about 8:15, the votes will be tallied and

the winning project will be awarded all donations raised at the door.

About the South Knoxville Alliance: The South Knoxville Alliance is a group of businesses and community leaders who have come together to promote growth and improvement in the South Knoxville area. Along with Knoxville SOUP, the Alliance sponsors festivals and other civic events in the region and provides marketing opportunities for its members by bringing businesses into contact with the community. For more information, visit www.southknoxvillealliance.org.



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Charles Evans Hughes

Pages from the Past



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Charles Evans Hughes achieved just about every high office that could come to one man save one: the presidency, and he came mighty close to achieving that as well. Judge Learned Hand once paid tribute to both Hughes and his son, Charles Evan Hughes, Jr., saying, the elder Hughes was the greatest lawyer he had ever known with the exception of the junior Hughes. Governor of New York, jurist, and Secretary of State for two presidents, Charles Evans Hughes was a remarkable man. His personal appearance with his majestic white beard gave him the look of Jove, according to one observer.

Born on April 11, 1862, the Civil War was not even a year old. Hughes was the son of Reverend David and Mary Connelly Hughes. Daniel Hughes was a Baptist minister, but was able to send his son to a private school. Charles Evans Hughes attended what eventually became Colgate University, before transferring to Brown University. Hughes graduated at the age of nineteen, in the top five of his class. Hughes went on to Columbia Law School where he came out with his law degree and highest honors. To help support himself, Charles Evans Hughes taught school.

When he began to practice law, he met Antoinette Carter, who was the daughter of one of the more senior partners in the law firm Hughes worked for; the two were soon married. In 1891, Hughes briefly left the practice of law, having accepted a professorship at Cornell Law School. Two years later, Charles Evans Hughes returned to his firm of Carter, Hughes and Cravath. Hughes did not completely abandon his teaching, as he became a special lecturer at both Cornell and the New York University Law School.

Hughes' first foray into politics came when he was appointed special counsel to investigate utility rates. Hughes quickly discovered corruption, which led to the lowering of gas rates for New Yorkers. The prominence of Charles Evans Hughes caused Republicans to nominate him for governor in 1906, facing William Randolph Hearst, a shrewd manipulator of public opinion and press lord. Hughes defeated Hearst and served two terms as governor, which were significant for his social reforms. When William Howard Taft was nominated for president in 1908, he offered the vice presidential nomination to Charles Evans Hughes, who demurred, as he intended to seek reelection as governor of New York.

Theodore Roosevelt, who did not especially like Hughes, admitted he could have given the nomination

to his fellow New Yorker.

"I could not have nominated an extreme progressive or an extreme conservative but I could by a turn of the hand have thrown the nomination to either Taft or Hughes," Roosevelt immodestly said. "I chose Taft rather than Hughes."

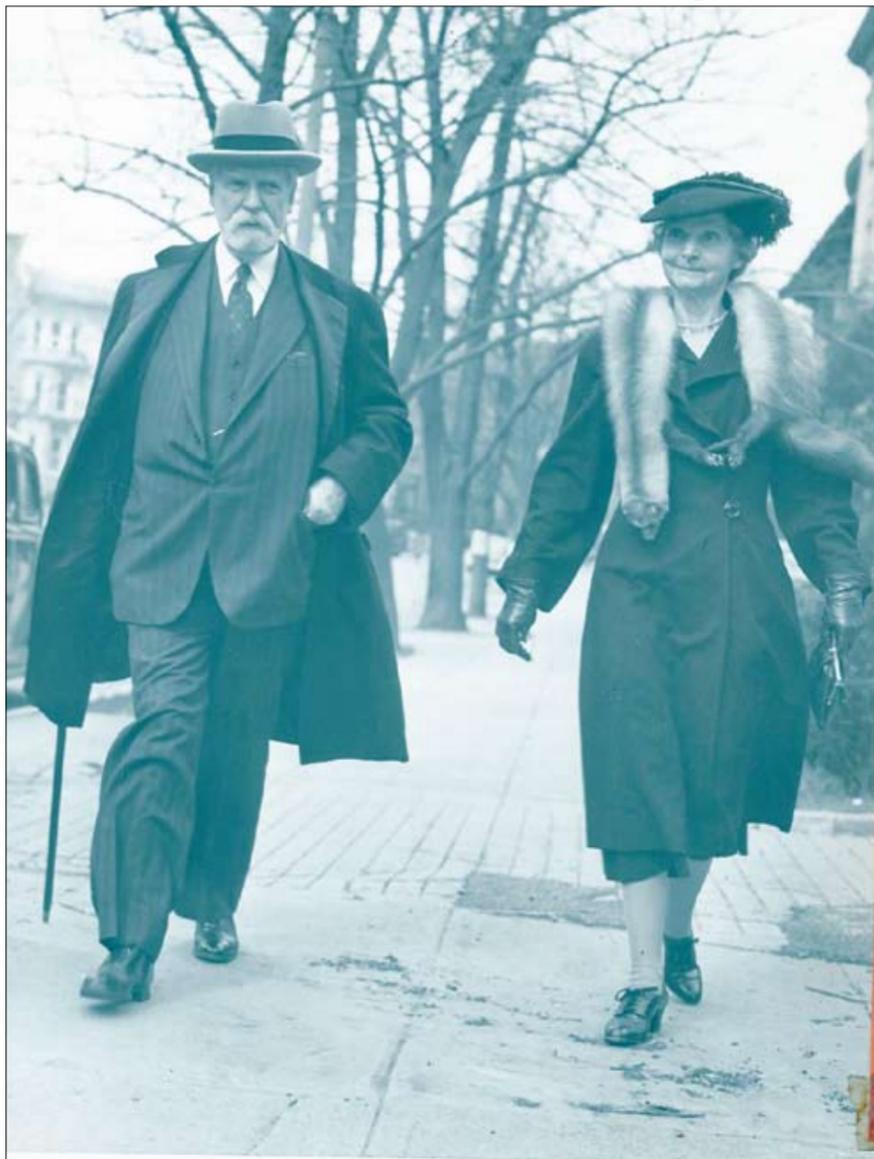
Governor Hughes proved to be an exceptionally able executive and set about to force a law through the legislature, which completely changed campaign finance in New York. Previously, corporations could make unlimited contributions and candidates did not have to report or account for campaign expenditures. The reform supported by Governor Hughes forced candidates to report and account for campaign funds and limited the amount that could be contributed by corporations. Governor Hughes also sought greater control over local officials throughout the state, as well as those who ran many of the state bureaucracies, which allowed him to root out those who were corrupt.

The governor also sought to redefine the workweek for child employees and was successful in introducing a forty-eight hour workweek for those under the age of sixteen. The administration of Charles Evans Hughes was so progressive that one writer complained, "One can distinctly see the coming of a New Statism" and declared "Governor Hughes has been a leading prophet" of the effort to give the state more control over the lives and businesses of the inhabitants of New York.

Hughes reached the pinnacle of the legal profession when he was appointed to the United States Supreme Court on April 25, 1910 to succeed Justice David J. Brewer. Hughes' nomination was approved by the United States Senate on May 2, 1910.

Charles Evans Hughes resigned from the high court on June 10, 1916 to accept the Republican nomination to run for president of the United States. Hughes faced incumbent Woodrow Wilson who campaigned on the slogan "He Kept Us Out of War." Former president Theodore Roosevelt had regretted his decision not to be a candidate again in 1908 and had hand-picked William Howard Taft as his successor. TR led a third party effort when denied the GOP nomination in 1912 and had once again hoped the Republicans would turn to him in 1916. Instead, they nominated Charles Evans Hughes. Theodore Roosevelt campaigned hard for Hughes, as he hated Wilson, yet the former president grumbled the candidate was not aggressive enough in pushing America into

to his fellow New Yorker.



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Former Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes and his wife, Antoinette, strolling in Washington, D. C. in 1944.

the European World War. Roosevelt derisively privately referred to Hughes as "the bearded lady". The presidential contest between President Wilson and Hughes was one of the closest in American history. The election came down to California and perhaps an oversight on the part of Charles Evans Hughes. While visiting California, Hughes was staying in the same hotel as Governor Hiram Johnson, the most popular politician in the Golden State. Johnson was running for the United States Senate and had been Theodore Roosevelt's running mate in 1912 on the Progressive Party label. Evans may not have even known that Johnson was at the hotel, but he never stopped by to visit, a slight, which likely caused him to lose the presidency. Hughes lost California by less than 4,000 votes out of more than 900,000 ballots cast.

There is an old story, perhaps apocryphal, that a reporter called the Hughes residence the morning following the election and was promptly told, "the President is sleeping." The reporter is supposed to have snapped, "Well, when he wakes up, tell him he's no longer president."

Hughes settled into a highly lucrative law practice, but reentered government following the election of 1920 when Warren G. Harding was elected president. Harding selected Hughes to serve as Secretary of State. Hughes remained in office well into the administration of Calvin Coolidge, who succeeded to the presidency following Harding's death in 1923.

Once again, Hughes returned to his law practice and had the pleasure of working with his son and namesake. Charles Evans Hughes, Jr. would eventually serve as Solicitor General of the United States.

The senior Hughes would appear before the Supreme Court of the United States more than fifty times as an advocate. When it appeared that Secretary of

Commerce Herbert Hoover was the leading Republican presidential prospect in 1928, Hughes was sought after by many powerful businessmen to run again for the GOP nomination. Hughes, then sixty-four, replied he was too old to seek public office. Yet it was President Herbert Hoover who returned Charles Evans Hughes to public office.

When William Howard Taft resigned as Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, Hoover nominated Hughes to serve in his place. There was considerable opposition to Hughes' appointment, even inside his own party. Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, a progressive Republican, castigated the Hughes nomination. Borah believed Hughes was too conservative, as well as too close to the industrial and business interests of the country.

In the end, the opposition from progressive Republicans and Democrats did not defeat Hughes' nomination; he was confirmed 52 - 26 by the Senate. Progressives may have been surprised when Chief Justice Hughes voted in support of legislation before the Court upholding civil liberties and civil rights. Progressives had good reason to be disappointed when Chief Justice Hughes resisted much of the New Deal legislation sponsored during the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Hughes became something of a centrist, floating between more conservative and liberal justices. Yet it was the conservatives who were appalled when the Chief Justice joined the most liberal members of the Court - - - Louis Brandeis, Benjamin Cardozo and Harlan Fiske Stone - - - in finding several New Deal bills constitutional.

Public opinion of the Supreme Court began to shift in the country and Chief Justice Hughes sensed much of the hostility that helped goad President Franklin Roosevelt to commit perhaps his greatest political mistake. FDR, angry the Court

had struck down several prime pieces of New Deal legislation, stunned much of his own party and most of Congress with his announcement he would seek legislation to allow him to expand the membership of the Supreme Court. In fact, Roosevelt proposed to add six more justices to the nine-member court. FDR's proposal sparked a bitter debate in Congress, especially the Senate. The Republicans wisely allowed the Democrats to fight amongst themselves and the senators in opposition were led by Montana senator Burton K. Wheeler, who had been a strong progressive for most of his career. Republican opposition would have made little difference as there were only sixteen GOP senators in the ninety-six member Senate following the 1936 elections. Republican senators allowing the Democrats to take the stage kept the issue from becoming partisan, giving FDR one less tool to work with.

Yet it was Charles Evans Hughes who proved to be Roosevelt's most wily and effective adversary. Chief Justice Hughes hurried the court along to uphold the constitutionality of the Social Security Act. Hughes quickly ushered the court in upholding the constitutionality of the Wagner Act as well. President Roosevelt was attacking the court for being behind on its work, as well as the advanced age of some of the justices. The Chief Justice released a letter to Senator Wheeler, which decimated much of FDR's argument. Hughes' letter was very effective in blunting Roosevelt's drive to enlarge the Supreme Court.

The Senate rejected the court packing bill and overwork led to the death of Majority Leader Joe Robinson of Arkansas. The defeat was astonishing, especially after FDR's landslide reelection in 1936 where he carried every state in the nation, save for Vermont and

Maine. Roosevelt's anger continued to smolder and he sought revenge against those Democrats in the Senate he considered too conservative. Roosevelt's anger inspired his attempt to purge a number of high profile and powerful Democrats, including Senator Ellison D. "Cotton Ed" Smith of South Carolina, Walter F. George of Georgia, Pat McCarran of Nevada, Guy Gillette of Iowa, and Millard Tydings of Maryland. In the end, only a lone Democratic congressman from FDR's home state of New York lost. It was a humiliating defeat.

The Chief Justice had played a vital role in beating back the Roosevelt onslaught against the high court.

Oftentimes viewed as rather too majestic and austere, Charles Evans Hughes apparently enjoyed a happy family life. Once the former Chief Justice was discovered by one of his children, his head covered with a bath towel while playing with one of his grandchildren. "I'm a nun," he explained with an impish grin.

Far from austere to those who knew him personally, Charles Evans Hughes possessed a truly dazzling smile when he laughed, which was often. Hughes was a genuinely warm man to family and friends. He was courtly and correct with those whom he did not know personally.

Unlike many other members of the court, Hughes began to notice his powers were failing and he resigned in 1941. After his retirement, Hughes never sought out public attention and cared little or nothing for any further recognition. Charles Evans Hughes never again visited the Supreme Court Building after he had voluntarily retired from the court. Hughes made only one public appearance, when his successor as chief justice, Harlan Fiske Stone, died in 1946 and the former chief attended Stone's funeral.

The former Chief Justice and Mrs. Hughes traveled, enjoyed their family until Antoinette died in 1945. It was a loss Hughes felt keenly and he began spending summers at the exclusive Wianno Club, located on Massachusetts' Cape Cod. The summers at the Wianno Club helped the aging Hughes avoid the fetidly hot and humid summers of Washington, D.C. for a more congenial climate.

Charles Evans Hughes traveled to Cape Cod as usual in the summer of 1948, but the eighty-six year old former Chief Justice was ailing. He suffered from a serious heart condition and had been unwell when he arrived in Cape Cod. Hughes seemed to enjoy the change of scenery and began to rally but suffered a heart attack, necessitating calls to his family. Charles Evans Hughes, Jr. and two of his daughters were by his bedside when the former Chief Justice quietly slipped away during the evening of August 27, 1948.

Charles Evans Hughes was truly a great and accomplished man.

Home

Not too long ago, I read a Facebook post by Kim Morton. She was a student of mine back when I was young. She and her family are leaving the house her mother called home for



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40 years. I'll steal just a few words from her post to let you get a sense of how she feels:

"Tonight is the last night I will sleep in this house. We've sorted through pictures, letters, newspaper clippings, artifacts, clothing, jewelry, furniture, glassware, and every other sort of thing one collects over forty years. With the sorting came funny stories, not so funny stories, laughing hysterically, crying hysterically and feeling numb and number that this is happening."

Home... it's such a wonderful word. Only "family"

comes close to evoking the same kind of emotions of all kinds. Kim and her family share memories from every year of life. When the time came to leave the house, her family had

the chance to relive some wonderful moments. I know how she feels.

In my life, I have called 2 places home. The first was located on Ball Camp Pike. Mother and Daddy built this house in the 1940's. They worked at Southern Extract. After finishing shifts, both traveled to the country, as Ball Camp was known at that time, and mixed concrete to make the blocks that carpenters used to put the place together. The house was cozy until Jim and I arrived. Then a new kitchen was built and the old one was converted into a bedroom for us.

Throughout our childhood, home was Rt. 18, Ball Camp Pike. We warmed ourselves by coal stoves and then by a black smoke-coughing furnace. In warmer weather, we opened all the windows and relied on a single floor fan to suck enough cool air into the house to keep the sweat away. All five of us somehow managed to share one bathroom.

Over the years, we celebrated birthdays, Easters, and Christmas at home. Extended family dropped in on those occasions. At the center of all gatherings was an old round wooden kitchen table. We extended the table to give everyone a seat for meals by inserting a leaf or two. When we were in high school, our friends visited and sat at the same table. Mother had a way about her that made teens loosen up and talk and feel right at home.

The first somber event to

hit our home was Daddy's passing. He was sick for a year with lung cancer, and he bounced between the hospital and home too many times in those last few months. That house served as the gathering place for family and friends, but it always seemed just a bit lonely with him gone.

The next event many years later was Mother's death. She, too, fought the ravages of lung cancer. Earlier in her life, she stated that if she ever became gravely ill, we boys were to place her in a nursing home. However, when her final days approached, she asked us if she had to go to such a place and let us know that what she really wanted was to be at home. We honored her request, and she passed in her sleep one night. Again, that home stood as a gathering place for all of us, but this time the emptiness only sharpened the pain of loss with

her gone.

Amy and I married in 1974. Four years later, we built our home 300 feet behind Mother's house. She warned us not to make a path to her door, but when Lacey arrived in 1981, it was she who wore the grass into the mud on her way to our place. We had to add onto the 1250 square foot home when Dallas' arrival was imminent. A few years later, we added a family room and kept on until the house had doubled in size.

This home is where we've experienced arguments, tragedies, and more wonderful times than any persons deserve. Christmases were special when the kids were little. We'd finish opening Santa gifts and then make our way to Mother's. It was the best of both worlds. Amy's parents and an uncle and aunt also came to Knoxville for the holiday.

Lacey left for college, and a few years later, Dallas did the same. The house seemed suddenly too big and empty. Over the years, Amy and I have settled down into our life here as a couple might settle on a comfortable couch. We love our time together, and nothing brings us more joy than to come home to each other at the end of a work day.

Neither of my two homes were perfect. We had plenty of rough times in both of them. What mattered most of all was that we were family in both places, and the love we shared there sustained us through the toughest occasions. Mother's house is owned by a family that has reintroduced love and laughter and wonderful memories. I hope that when Amy and I leave this world that our house will also become a new "home" for a family.



Hobo enjoys Stones River National Battlefield

Who's In Control?

Hobo the Wonder Dog and I enjoy traveling together seeing the sights and enjoying an array of different experiences. I must



By Howard Baker,
RN BSN

say we meet our fair share of people who do not share our enthusiasm for exploring the world. Recently, Hobo enjoyed the Big South Fork National Park and Stones River National Battlefield which are dog friendly.

When I travel with Hobo I travel with a purpose, I take time to research area attractions to see what locations are dog friendly and those that are not. Once you have selected your destinations go prepared, carry supplies to clean up accidents immediately when they occur. Remember, when you are out with your dog you are representing all dog owners for which the next dog will be judged by your actions.

So who's in control? There is nothing better or more rewarding than having a well-behaved dog. The essentials for traveling and taking your K9 companion is simply having control of your dog. Before you take your dog on a busy street or shopping

at your favorite store, you should first master the basics. Loose leash walking, sit, down, stay, and come, should be the basic obedience a dog has before

taking them out into the community. A well-socialized dog interacts with people and other dogs with ease. The adage "children should be seen not heard" well, this goes double for dogs. No one wants to hear a dog barking in public places.

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4. Basic obedience training. Knowing and using the basics will serve you well for years, and is the most important component to keeping your dog safe.

Retractable leashes may have a place but they are not for a dog in public places or situations. They are dangerous for the handler, the dog, and people in the area. Long leash lengths can become tripping hazards causing personal injury and property damage and in some cases may cause amputation of fingers. Replace worn collars and leashes; it is a sick feeling when equipment fails and you lose control. Proper fit of collars and harnesses are essential to you and your pet's safety. Having the proper fit of the equipment for the job being performed is not only for safety but for proper performance.

Hobo and I encourage you to spend as much time in as many places as possible with your K9 companion. The first step to enjoying your pooch in public is to master basic obedience training. Remember, when you travel with your dog you represent all people and dogs who travel together. Be a good K9 ambassador by maintaining a well-behaved dog, clean up behind your dog, and never let your dog potty in front of stores or in landscapes.

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Lady Falcons get revenge plus a region championship

By Steve Williams

It wasn't just a championship celebration. Fulton High's girls basketball team turned the Region 2-AA tournament into a payback party.

After going 0-3 against Union County and 0-2 against Gatlinburg-Pittman in previous games this season, the Lady Falcons got revenge against both of those opponents en route to the region title last week.

The Fulton girls eliminated Union County in the semifinals and then turned the tables on G-P with a 59-55 overtime win in the finals at Alcoa High Wednesday night.

"We came together as a team and we balled," said tourney MVP Keke McKinney after the hard-earned win over Gatlinburg-Pittman. "We just pulled it out. That's it."

The Lady Falcons also received a post-game

compliment from former Fulton player Qua Hines, who transferred to G-P after her freshman season at FHS.

"They just outthusted us all over the floor," said Hines, who led all scorers with 29 points.

Hines, now a junior point guard, was asked what it's like playing against former teammates. "I just play them like any other team. They're enemies on the floor and friends off the court."

Fulton head coach John Fisher said: "I think it came down to who was the tougher team. Our kids didn't want to be denied. They had a lot at stake. The two schools have a lot of history. We wanted it - I think that was the difference."

Indya Daggs hit one of two free throws to give Fulton the early lead against Gatlinburg-Pittman in the 4-minute OT period.

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PHOTO BY CHRISTY BROWN

Fulton High won the Region 2-AA girls basketball championship for the third year in a row with a 59-55 overtime win over Gatlinburg-Pittman.

Webb girls share the load in state semifinal win

By Steve Williams

A "total team effort" powered Webb School's girls basketball team to a 48-39 semifinal win over Ezell-Harding in the Division II-A state tournament Thursday at Lipscomb University in Nashville.

That's how Coach Shelley Collier described it.

"We had different people step up and make shots at different times in the game, which didn't allow them to concentrate on Micah (Scheetz) as much," noted Collier via e-mail.

Scheetz scored 16 points and the Lady Spartans (22-10) also got 11 points from Casey Collier and 10 from Evey Satterfield. Haylee Luttrell added six and Kayleigh

Hames five. Coach Collier also said Reagan Munday and Sydney Collier did not score but stood out in the victory.

"Our defense against their post player was a big key, with Evey, Reagan and Kayleigh all defending her at different times," stated Coach Collier.

Satterfield and Scheetz connected in the third period, with Satterfield scoring six of her points. Scheetz made big plays in the fourth period to seal the win. "They did what seniors are supposed to do - lead their team," said Coach Collier.

"I thought Casey handled a lot for us as well and showed great leadership and composure for a freshman. Haylee Luttrell and Casey Collier starting the game hitting

two big 3-point shots each set the tone early that they were not just going to have to guard Micah."

The Lady Spartans were scheduled to play Northpoint Christian (30-2) in the state title game Saturday afternoon.

Webb's boys bowed to Harding Academy 65-63 in the state semifinals. Early foul trouble proved to be costly for the Spartans.

RAMS ROLL: Grace Christian Academy defeated Meigs County 63-55 to capture the Region 2-A championship Thursday night. The Rams will host Cosby in the state sectionals tonight (March 7) starting at 7 o'clock.

Oak Ridge knocks off Bearden 49-35

By Ken Lay

For the first time in six years the Oak Ridge girls basketball team is the Region 2-AA champion.

The Lady Wildcats won their first title since 2010 when they upset host Bearden 49-35 in the regional title game Wednesday night.

It was the third victory and second upset win that Oak Ridge notched in the region tournament. The Lady Wildcats (27-4) opened their Cinderella run with a win at home over Heritage. They then beat William Blount on Monday, Feb. 29 to earn a shot at the Lady Bulldogs (27-6) and a berth in the state sectional round.

Oak Ridge won the District 3-AAA regular-season championship and tournament title but first-year

head coach Paige Green said that her team's post-season run has surprised her.

"Honestly, I like that word 'upset.' Nobody expected us to be here," Green said. "It's something amazing and it speaks volumes about where we started this year and where we are now."

"We've talked about this moment all year. The only difference is that we're here now. People know our name from the past and now, they'll know us for who we are now."

Wednesday night's victory netted the Lady Wildcats a 21st region title since girls in Tennessee began playing full-court basketball.

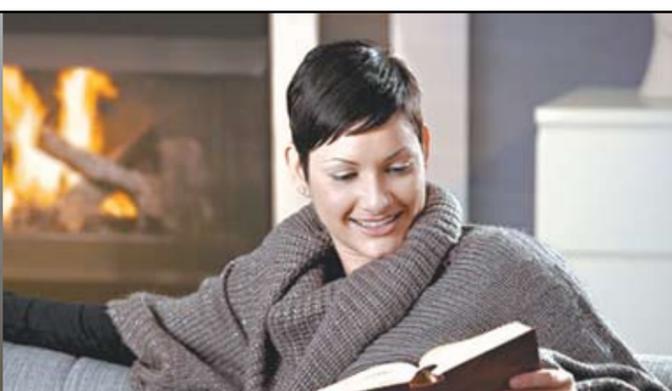
Both Oak Ridge and the Lady Bulldogs advanced to Saturday's Section 1-AAA

games. The Lady Wildcats hosted Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett while Bearden played at Morristown West. Results were not available at press time but the Lady Bulldogs were without one of their best players. Senior Chanler Geer, the District 4-AAA Tournament Most Valuable Player, suffered a serious knee injury late in the first quarter and did not return. Bearden coach Justin Underwood said that Geer likely suffered an ACL injury.

"When she went down, some of the wind went out of our sails," Underwood said. "Chanler does so much for us and we struggled to get into a flow offensively but a lot of the credit for that has to go to Oak Ridge's very good defense."

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Fulton beats CAK for Region 2AA Title

By David Klein

In Thursday night's Region 2AA Title game at Alcoa, Fulton took CAK's best counterattack and thwarted a Warrior rally. Withstanding an 18-4 Warrior run in the third quarter, the Falcons picked up their defense in the fourth quarter, and Regional MVP Kentel Williams provided 12 of his 23 points to give the Falcons the Regional 2AA Title with a 75-62 win over CAK.

Larry Roe had 15 points to assist the Falcons. The Falcons advance to the sub-state round, where they will host Greeneville Monday at 7 p.m. CAK travels to Elizabethton.

Fulton got off to a blistering start, forcing 13 CAK turnovers in the first half and led the Warriors after the first quarter 25-12. Roe scored 12 of his 15 points on four 3-pointers in the first quarter.

"I knew if I got the first one in, I was good," Roe said of his 3-pointers. He also mentioned the senior leadership. "Me, Joe, and Kentel are the three leaders of this team," he said. "So if we can keep them (the rest of the

team) calm and everything else, they play good."

Fulton continued to turn up the defense in the second quarter. The Warriors' Cole Smith tried to do his part to keep the game from getting too out of hand and had eight points at half-time.

CAK made a move in the third quarter. The Warriors held the Falcons scoreless for nearly three minutes in cutting a 14 point deficit to five. The clock scoreboard went out three different times during the Warriors' run, including one time for nearly five minutes. The intermittent delays did not seem to affect CAK as they closed the third quarter with an 18-4 run.

However, Fulton's seniors sparked the Falcons to start pulling away. Williams scored 12 points in the fourth quarter, including a breakaway dunk. Fulton stretched the lead to 15 points before winning 75-62.

After the game, Williams talked about the significance of winning the regional title.

"It means a lot," he said. "Knowing we're about to



Fulton Falcons celebrate their Region 2-AA championship after Thursday night's 75-62 win over Christian Academy of Knoxville. Fulton will host Greeneville in the state sectional round tonight at 7.

PHOTO BY LORI BEELER

have home court advantage to play in sub-state, it gives us a lot of momentum. Going into those games, you just feel confident you're going to win."

"I thought we came out

with a lot of energy and intensity in the first half," Fulton Head Coach Jody Wright said. "I think we took our foot off the gas," he said of the third quarter. "We came out in the third quarter and

got up to 20 and we thought it was over. I knew it wasn't over. I told them at half-time, they're going to make a run. This game's going to get down to single digits. And it did. Luckily, we found

our sea legs a little bit there and made some stops, got some buckets and held on. I'm proud of our guys for the energy they brought tonight."

Lady Falcons get revenge plus a region championship

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After G-P missed two foul shots, Tink White drilled an 18-footer from the left corner for the Lady Falcons. G-P missed a layup and McKinney connected on a 10-footer from the lane to give Fulton a five-point advantage (56-51) with 1:35 remaining.

An interception and layup by Sophie Henry finally ended G-P's scoring drought with 44 seconds to go in overtime, but White answered with an open layup and the Lady Highlanders wouldn't get any closer than four the rest of the way.

McKinney, 6-2 junior, totaled 21 points and her defensive play against Hines also was effective at key times, particularly in the fourth period and overtime when Hines only scored four points.

"I thought McKinney's height would bother her some," said Fisher. "Keke's a good defender. She's long and she can move. Twenty-three had a great game, but we had a little bit better game."

Fulton also got 13 points from Lay Lay Manning and nine points from Janae Fuqua.

Fulton led 10-9 at the end of the first period. A 19-4 run, which included 13 points by Hines, staked the Lady Highlanders to a 12-point lead (28-16) with 2:21 showing in the second period. Fulton cut the deficit to 30-25 by halftime.

The Lady Falcons continued to chip away and a power move by Fuqua tied the score at 39-39 with 30 seconds to go in the third.

Fulton had a four-point lead (51-47) with 2:34 left in regulation. Two clutch free throws by Macce Tinker with 10.2 seconds to go tied the game. A jumper by Fulton's Manning from the right wing in the closing seconds just missed.

"I thought our girls showed a lot of fire by coming back and tying it up, but in overtime we had a really hard time scoring at critical times," said G-P Coach Katie Parton.

Fisher said his team had a "great defensive performance" in its 33-24 win over Union County.

"Lay Lay Manning probably had the best defensive performance of any player I've ever had," he added. "They held their best player to zero points. That was huge and Keke held their other best player to six. It was a huge win for us."

Fulton's third consecutive region championship set up what Coach Fisher called a "rubber match" against Grainger in the Class AA sectionals, which was scheduled to be played this past Saturday night at Fulton.

Grainger prevailed last season in the sectionals, after Fulton had defeated the Lady Grizzlies in 2014.

G-P was slated to play at Elizabethton in the sectional round.

Sectional winners advance to the TSSAA state tournament, which gets underway this week in Murfreesboro.

ALL-TOURNEY: Lay Lay Manning, Janae Fuqua, Keke McKinney (MVP), Fulton; Riley Patterson, Qua Hines, Gatlinburg-Pittman; Madison McClurg, Alcoa.

Karns falls to Oak Ridge in Region 2-AAA boys finals

By Steve Williams

Karns' attempt at slowing down Oak Ridge lasted a little over a quarter Thursday night at Wildcat Arena. Then the dam busted loose and not even the Beavers could patch it.

The highly regarded Wildcats ran away to a 70-40 victory in the Region 2-AAA championship game and earned home-court advantage against David Crockett High of Jonesborough in tonight's 7 o'clock sectional showdown.

Crockett handed Oak Ridge (34-2) one of its two losses this season, an 87-85

double-overtime decision in the Arby's Classic during the holidays. The Pioneers, however, were upset 48-46 by Johnson City Science Hill in the Region 1-AAA finals.

Karns (23-8) was in its first region title game since 1994-95. The Beavers will travel to Science Hill tonight with hopes of also earning a berth in next week's TSSAA state tournament in Murfreesboro.

"In the second half they came out a little more intense and we couldn't buy a

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The Lady Bulldogs were struggling before Geer was taken from the floor. Her 3-point shot with 3 minutes, 32 seconds remaining in the first quarter represented the first points of the contest for the Lady Bulldogs and trimmed the Lady Wildcats' lead to 8-3.

Bearden managed just six points in the opening frame. The Lady Bulldogs stepped up the defensive intensity in the second frame and scored the period's first 12 points to

open an 18-11 lead. Oak Ridge, which endured a long scoring drought that lasted nearly seven minutes, scored the final four points of the first half to pull to within 18-15.

The Lady Wildcats, who used a 12-4 third-quarter run to retake the lead by stanza's end, really blew things open in the fourth quarter.

Oak Ridge, which led 28-24 after three periods, got a game-high 17 points from region tournament MVP Jada Guinn. Jaymi Golden added 13 and made three crucial

3-point shots after half-time. Mykia Dowdell scored 12 points.

Anajae Stephey scored 16 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Lady Bulldogs, who lost the Region 2-AAA Championship Game on their home floor for the second consecutive year.

"We're not out and that's the good thing," Underwood said. "We've been in this situation before and we've come out of it. "Now, it's a single-elimination setup."

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Peter's late goal nets cup for Admirals

By Ken Lay

It took a late goal and perhaps an extra game but the Farragut High School hockey club was able to win its third consecutive Moore Cup Championship Thursday night.

"We did what we set out to do and we got 41 shots," Admirals coach Jeff Lindsay said after his squad notched a 2-1 victory over the Bearden/Karns Ice Dawgs before a spirited crowd at the Icearium. "Bearden played a great game and it was a clean game."

"This is an intense rivalry game and it's a good rivalry game."

The top-seeded Admirals forced a decisive game in the Moore Cup final when they beat the second-seeded Ice Dawgs 4-1 Tuesday night. Bearden/Karns handed Farragut its third loss of the season in the semifinals. It was Farragut's first loss to an area team and it forced the Admirals to emerge from the loser's bracket.

This game wasn't easy for Farragut, which claimed the title while down two men thanks to a pair of slashing penalties with 16.2 seconds left.

Those penalties came just 1 minute, 16 seconds after Tyler Peter scored the eventual game-winner with the Admirals on the power play. The Admirals may have won the game and skated with the Moore Cup for the third straight year, but Ice Dawgs junior goaltender Braden Ross sparkled on



Photo by Dan Andrews.

Farragut's Tyler Peter and his teammates celebrate the winning goal in the Moore Cup Championship game Thursday at the Icearium. The Admirals edged rival Bearden/Karns 2-1 to win the cup for the third consecutive year.

this night as he stopped 39 shots, including 21 in the first period.

"He's a great goaltender and he always gives us problems," Peter said after scoring the game-winner with help from league scoring champion Steven Popovich and sophomore playmaker Kenny Richter.

Both the Ice Dawgs and Admirals advance to the Blue Division State Tournament March 12-13 at the Icearium and Bearden/Karns coach Aaron Barnes

is eagerly awaiting the upcoming state championships in Knoxville.

"We still get a chance to go to the state and that has to be our focus now," Barnes said after watching his team suffer a heartbreaking loss. "These kids didn't quit and that's the thing that I love most about this team. They never quit."

"We gave up a goal on the first shift of the game and we hung in there and it's tough to come back after you give up a goal on the

first shift of the game. But that's what happened when we beat them before. They scored on the first shift and they didn't score the rest of the night."

The Admirals got on the board first on Thursday night when league scoring champion Steven Popovich tallied just 55 seconds into the contest. He scored an unassisted goal when he chipped the puck past Ross, who earned accolades from Lindsay.

"Braden played a great

game again," said Lindsay who guided the Admirals to the Moore Cup last season after a disappointing regular season that saw Farragut (the defending 2014 State Champion) finish fourth only to win the post-season tournament and make a deep run at state in suburban Memphis in 2015.

Ross and Farragut freshman netminder James Brinkley then stole the show. Brinkley made 13 saves but the Admirals surrendered

the equalizer when Jake Foard knotted the game 1-1 with 3:27 remaining in the third period. The power-play goal was assisted by Keaton Gaddis.

For his part, Ross is looking forward to his first-ever State Tournament appearance.

"We haven't been to state since I've been in high school and it should be a good and fun experience for us," Ross said.

Farragut's Cool named Coach of the Year

By Ken Lay

When the 2015-2016 high school basketball season began in November, no one knew what to expect from Farragut's boys team.

The Admirals flew in under the radar and ended up writing a story full of present surprises. They finished second in the District 4-AAA Standings and won 19 games before falling in a 39-30 nailbiter to Oak Ridge in the Region 2-AAA quarterfinals.

Farragut's Cinderella Story of a season earned coach Chris Cool the respect of his peers and was recently named District 4-AAA Coach of the Year by the league's coaches.

Cool guided the Admirals to a 19-12 record and saw his team knock off archrival Bearden and district regular-season champion Maryville during the campaign,

which ended with the narrow loss to the Wildcats in Oak Ridge on Saturday, Feb. 27.

The veteran coach credits his players for his squad's success in the season that ended with three consecutive losses for the Admirals, who earned a regional tournament berth by virtue of its second-place finish during the regular season.

"We did what we had to do," Cool said after his Admirals suffered the season-ending loss at Oak Ridge. "That's the first time in 14 games that they've had a game [decided by] less than 30 points."

"We had just great leadership from Luke Janney and [Alexander] Rather and they bought into everything that we tried to do and they got the other guys to buy in. I'm just so proud of this team."

In addition to Cool earning

Coach of the Year honors, Farragut junior guard Nick Rogers was named the district's Player of the Year. He was also one of three Admirals to make the all-district team along with Rather and Janney.

Bearden and Maryville also had three all-district selections. The Bulldogs were represented on the squad by Quez Fair, Jason Smith and freshman guard Tent Stephney. Blount County's Rebels were represented by Easton Upchurch, T.D. Blackmon and Tristan Upchurch.

Hardin Valley Academy had two all-league selections in Tyler Thompson and David Henson.

West High, Lenoir City and William Blount each had one player named to the squad. Shandel Willis made the team from the Rebels. Brandon Hunt was the lone representative from the

Panthers and Isaiah Hannah was selected from the Governors.

District Tournament Champion Heritage had Calvin Keeble and Brandon Davis selected. The Mountaineers won the district tournament championship as the fifth seed.

The girls all-District 4-AAA Team was also announced recently.

Bearden, which won both the regular-season championship and tournament titles, had three selections including seniors Anajae Stephney and Chanler Geer (who was the district tournament's Most Valuable Player) and sophomore guard Trinity Lee.

Farragut had Morgan Carbaugh and Miranda Burt selected to the squad. Hardin Valley Academy's Abbey Cornelius and Symphony Buxton were honored after The Lady Hawks finished fourth in the district and third in the

tournament and made a regional appearance.

Heritage's Katie Wolfe, Lenoir City's Amberlee Zellar and West's Kyra Burris were also named to the team.

Maryville, which finished third during the regular season but had a short stay in the district tournament, was represented by Madison Coulter and Olivia Pepperman.

William Blount's Lindsey Roddy received Player of the Year honors and made the team with fellow Lady Governors Summer Morris and Lexi Campos.

William Blount's Todd Wright was named Coach of the Year after guiding the Lady Governors to a second-place finish in the regular season and a runner-up trophy in the district tournament.

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Tennessee among several schools to offer former Carter standout

I put in a phone call to the University of Tennessee men's basketball office shortly after Rick Barnes was named the Vols' new head coach last year and left him a message about Jordan Bowden, who had just finished an outstanding high school career on the hardwood at Carter.

My message was Bowden was one of the most exciting high school players I had seen locally over the past 40-plus years, and being a longtime UT fan, I just wanted to make sure Coach Barnes knew about him.

The athletic Bowden was listed as a shooting guard and point guard on the Carter roster, but he also played above the rim. I could



By Steve Williams

just imagine how his play could put a charge in Big Orange fans in Thompson-Boling Arena. But not only was he an exciting player, in my contact with him as a newspaper reporter, Jordan also was a humble, articulate and well-mannered young man, who was making high marks in the classroom, too.

After Carter's sectional win over Greeneville last season, which put the Hornets in the state tourney for the second straight year under Coach Joby Boydstone, Bowden told me, "My dream is to play Division 1 basketball, but if that doesn't happen, I've got to figure out something."

At that time, he had received offers from Lee University in

Cleveland and King University in Bristol. East Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech, Furman and UNC-Wilmington had shown interest.

Al Pinkins, a UT assistant former head coach Donnie Tyndall's staff, had come to see him play one game. That was the night Bowden scored 50 points in a 110-91 win over Alcoa.

After Tyndall was fired, and with Barnes and a new coaching staff coming aboard, I just wanted to make sure they knew about Bowden. I don't know if Coach Barnes got my message or not, but I was glad to recently hear the news that Bowden has received an offer from Tennessee.

In fact, Bowden has really blossomed on the national recruiting scene in his prep year playing for

22 Feet Academy in Greenville, S.C. He is considered one of the best uncommitted prospects in 2016. He's listed as a 6-5, 175-pound shooting guard. But that's deceiving. Think helicopter.

Bowden received his first high-major offer from Utah on Jan. 11. The Utes currently are in second place behind Oregon in the Pac-12 Conference and ranked No. 13 in the nation.

The Vols made their offer to Bowden on Feb. 29. That same day he also received offers from Cincinnati and Providence. Before that, he had gotten offers from ETSU and Marquette.

Bowden has been preparing and putting in the work. It sounds like he has become a gym rat. I'm not surprised.

Jordan says what he's looking

for on the next level is a good relationship with the coach and just a place where he can be comfortable so he can reach his full potential.

A year ago, I asked Jordan if it would be a dream to play for Tennessee.

"It's always a dream to play for your home state," he answered. "It would be fun to play with them."

It would be fun for me to see that happen.

But I'm even happier that Jordan now has that opportunity.

Last year, the headline on my column was, "High-flying Bowden will make an exciting landing somewhere."

Today, I wish him the best wherever he lands.

Will Peyton Keep Playing?

By Alex Norman

Let's put aside the allegations of HGH use by Al Jazeera.

Let's forget about the disputed details of an incident from 1996 in the Tennessee training room.

Let's just talk about football, and whether or not Peyton Manning will be on an NFL roster this fall.

Yes, an article about the actual athletic part of sports regarding Peyton Manning. I'm not sure any of us are actually ready for this, but we will do our best.

When the clock struck zero in Santa Clara, Manning's Denver Broncos had dispatched the Carolina Panthers, giving Manning his second Super Bowl title. He joined an exclusive list of only 12 quarterbacks to win multiple Super Bowls.

The irony of course, was that 2015 was Manning's worst season as a professional, yet it ended with

a Lombardi Trophy. Perhaps that is fitting, since so many of those great Colts and Broncos teams led by Manning didn't close the deal. The football gods smiled on Manning this time.

In 2015 Manning missed 6 weeks due to injury. His arm strength isn't there anymore. Come fall he will be 40 years old, and as we have all learned, time waits for no one.

He has the MVP awards, he has the records, and he has the Pro Bowl selections. And he had the perfect ending. Joining John Elway, Jerome Bettis, Michael Strahan as Hall of Famers whose final game was a victory in the Super Bowl.

Except that this might not be Peyton Manning's last game.

The scuttlebutt is that Manning isn't exactly enthusiastic about his playing career being over. He's considering playing in 2016.

If that is the case, it certainly

won't be in Denver. Manning's base salary in 2016 is \$19 million. There is no way that the Broncos are going to want to cut that kind of check for a quarterback whose best days are certainly behind him. The Broncos also have Brock Osweiler as the heir apparent to Manning.

Osweiler played very well when Manning was on the shelf in 2015. The Broncos certainly don't get home field advantage without Osweiler righting the ship. The Broncos went 4-2 in games that Osweiler played the whole way. Denver doesn't get home field advantage in the AFC playoffs without those wins, and even with that great defense, I doubt they beat the Patriots in Foxborough in January.

Free agency starts on Tuesday the 8th, and the Broncos don't want to lose Osweiler. He is the future of the Denver Broncos and Peyton Manning is the past.

So if Manning wants to keep playing, and the Broncos aren't going to pay him, where could he end up?

Well, it certainly won't be with the Tennessee Titans, no matter how much Vols fans want that to happen. The Titans have Marcus Mariota as the future of that franchise. Manning isn't going to want to go to Cleveland, no matter how good a relationship he has with the Haslam family. Manning would take a beating.

As bad as quarterback play is in the NFL, many teams still have "their guy."

The two obvious landing spots for Manning are Los Angeles and Houston. Let's start with the Rams. They are new in town and want to make a splash. Why not have one of the greatest quarterbacks ever at the helm? They have a solid defense and a very good running game. And Manning with a broken throwing arm

is still better than Nick Foles or Case Keenum.

As per the Texans, people forget this was an AFC playoff team last year despite having Brian Hoyer, Brandon Weeden, Ryan Mallett and T.J. Yates start games for them at quarterback. Put a healthier Manning under center, a Manning that realizes you can win big as a "caretaker" QB, and maybe that gets them over the hump.

Manning wouldn't go someplace he didn't think he could win. Those two teams at least have a shot.

I still think Manning is going to retire and I hope he does. There is way too much "Joe Namath in LA, Johnny Unitas in San Diego" potential here.

But it he decides he wants to lace up the cleats one more time? Houston or Los Angeles will be the places most likely for it to happen.

Karns falls to Oak Ridge in Region 2-AAA boys finals

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happy to break away and run a little more than they had in their previous two outings.

"Karns also was a little more patient than they normally are in the first half," added Green. "When that's the case, you've got to be patient yourself, set down and guard and be solid."

In their big run, which saw the Wildcats turn an 18-15 lead into a 40-17 command, their defense had much to do with it.

"We did a really good job of defending in the half court and making them shoot low-percentage shots," said Green. "And defending well led to us getting some easy baskets in transition."

The third period ended with Oak Ridge on top 54-26.

The old "Nah, nah, hey, hey, good-bye" chorus broke out with about five minutes left. Reserves finished up.

Coach Green took his team's surprising sectional matchup in stride.

"There are no good matchups in the sectional," he said. "All the teams are good. Based on records, that Science Hill win over Crockett would be considered an upset, but it would be a tough game either way."

"It's going to be two really good teams playing on Monday night, so we'll see how it goes."

shot," said Karns head coach Lee Henson. "If you don't make them against these guys, they get run-outs and go on 10 and 15-point spurts."

A 22-2 run that started in the second period and lasted on into the third period turned a close game into a blowout.

Geevantay Gee scored 15 points to lead the Oak Ridge attack. Ej Bush and Tajion Jones contributed 11 points each. Eight other Wildcats tallied, including Tee Higgins with eight.

Karns got 13 points from Oklahoma State football signee Devin Harper.

It was OR's fourth win over the Beavers this season. The first meeting at Karns was a 4-point game. The others weren't very close.

Karns was the third team in the region tourney that tried to hold down the score against the Riders. Farragut and Powell had more success at it before falling.

"The bottom line is you're trying to win," said Oak Ridge head coach Aaron Green. "A 30-point win is the same as a 1 one-point win."

Green thought his players were

Blevins retires from Bearden after long, successful tenure

By Ken Lay

When the 2015-16 basketball season came to an end recently for the Bearden High School boys basketball team, it concluded a tumultuous chapter in the program's storied history.

It was also the final game for legendary coach Mark Blevins, who had to fight his own battles this season.

Blevins, who coached the Bulldogs for 22 seasons, announced his retirement from coaching and teaching at the school after Bearden came up on the short end of a 64-59 decision against Powell at home in the Region 2-AAA Quarterfinals on Saturday, Feb. 27.

"I am very appreciative for all the well wishes, encouragements, thanks and kind words that have been extended to me and [my wife] B.A. at this time," Blevins said in a released statement. "I am ending both my basketball and teaching careers at Bearden. I am closing that chapter of my life."

"B.A. and I are officers in our church and will be looking to take a more active role. We'll see what lies ahead. I want to thank all my great players (many of whom are my best friends), the Bearden community, the student bodies and the wonderful ever changing faculties that we have had through the last two

decades for making it a memorable and exciting journey."

Blevins undoubtedly leaves behind a stellar legacy as both a coach and a teacher at Bearden High School. In 22 seasons there, he compiled a record of 582-154 and won an astonishing 22 district championships (either regular-season or tournament titles). He leaves Bearden's as the program's winningest coach.

He has also achieved high honors in the classroom as an educator. He received Summative Level 5 recognition as a United States History teacher. That honor made him one of the top teachers in Knox County Schools during that period.

This season the Bulldogs finished 18-14 and played for a District 4-AAA Tournament Championship as the third seed. Bearden lost to Heritage in overtime in the game last month but qualified for the Region 2-AAA Tournament.

All of this in spite of the fact that Blevins was handed a one-month suspension from coaching in mid-December for "unprofessional conduct." The allegations in his reprimand included those of player belittlement, excessive practice during preseason camp, invading a player's personal space and allowing an injured player to practice.

The case was referred to the

Tennessee Department of Children Services, which refused to investigate or press charges.

Blevins missed 11 games due to the suspension, which left many of his current players bewildered and hurt. While he was away from the game, he continued to teach and received many letters of support from his former players.

When he returned to coaching, he did so in front of a packed house of basketball fans and well-wishers. The Bulldogs beat Heritage that night and Blevins commended his players for their perseverance and toughness.

It was the same toughness that he has attempted to instill throughout his coaching career. He himself learned that value at an early age.

"I am a coach that tries to instill toughness, discipline, loyalty, grit and accountability in all my players," Blevins said. "I was taught that long ago by a little crippled lady who raised two sons by herself with no car and no TV while working [for] minimum wage her whole life; to always work harder than anybody else."

"My mom was my hero." Blevins tenured a 30-day retirement notice to Knox County Schools on Wednesday, Feb. 24. He will continue to teach throughout the notice.



The Doctor is in

a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Caesar

By the time you read this the die will be cast. Tennesseans in record numbers had a chance to voice their opinion in perhaps the most important election in decades. It's not over on the Republican side, but it's just a formality for the Democrat's choice of standard bearer. Actually, Bernie never had a chance, but served as a useful foil in that party's illusion of democratic process.

Metaphors are figures of speech where words or phrases are used as symbols of something else. In 49 BC Julius Caesar led his powerful army out of Gaul (France) towards home and Rome. As one of the most successful generals in history, Caesar threatened the leaders of Rome and the status quo (a Latin phrase). Caesar was told that if he crossed the Rubicon, a small river in northern Italy, it would mean civil war. Caesar made his decision telling his generals,

"the die is cast." "Crossing the Rubicon" means there is no turning back - the second metaphor in this historical lesson. It is said, "History repeats itself," and so it does even today as mighty generals compete to lead the American republic.

Some years ago I was a community columnist for the Knoxville Sentinel and wrote an essay titled "The Barely Civil War." In that paper I described the division in our country which has now progressed to uncivil discourse, just shy of a shooting war. Rodney King's now famous and oft misquoted question, "Can we all get along?" remains unanswered. Hope and change certainly hasn't brought Americans closer together, and after seven years the world certainly doesn't love us more or respect us as much.

The world is certainly changing just as is our perception of reality. Becky and I now

have a "houseboy." But before some of you take offence, our houseboy is a robot named Roomba, so named by his manufacturer, iRobot. Roomba does "samba" as he vacuums room to room. Though we are not clean freaks, I've been amazed by the dirt Roomba collects from our otherwise "clean" floors. It's a bit scary, like those microscopic pictures of tiny bugs which apparently live in everyone's rugs and bed sheets.

The father of microbiology was a Dutchman named Leeuwenhoek. In 1670 he was the first to use a rudimentary microscope to see and describe bacteria. It took years for the experts to acknowledge his discovery of an unseen world. Almost two hundred years later, Semmelweis made the association between contamination and sepsis. His discovery was ridiculed by the "experts." However, just a decade later Louis Pasteur published his germ theory that was quickly proven. Now, we take for granted the wisdom of the "pasteurization" process which reduces the amount of bacteria more than 99.9%.

If I didn't have a microscope I wouldn't see the bacteria on my skin. If technology had not given us an electron microscope, I never would have seen an atom pictured in an electron micrograph.

Interestingly, the ancient Greek, Democritus, in 400 BC postulated a fundamental building block of matter. The Greek word for cut is "tom," and adding the prefix "a" describes his theory that these fundamental particles (atoms) could not be cut into smaller pieces. Of course Democritus was wrong because atoms are made of protons and neutrons and these are comprised of quarks, and who knows how far it goes?

Two years ago I wrote an essay called "Swimming" and, among other things, the essay described the discovery of the Higgs boson, another of the "fundamental" building blocks of matter. Now, scientists, using very sophisticated measuring devices, have discovered gravity waves which were predicted by Einstein in his general theory of relativity. These waves are ripples in the fabric of space analogous to ripples in a pond produced by a pebble. You might ask how is this relevant as the world burns and our politic churns? Well, you could make the argument that scientific inquiry is often not relevant at the moment of discovery. However, I believe we are at our best when we are exploring and trying to figure things out rather than assuming we know everything. And science fascinates me and distracts me, at least for a

moment, from politics. Discovery produces facts. Organization of facts builds a compendium of workable knowledge. Wisdom comes from the successful and virtuous use of knowledge. A friend once challenged me with the notion that facts are conditional. I objected when he challenged my notion of reality, but as I thought about it I concluded he was right. Isaac Newton conceived the laws of gravity, yet Einstein proved Newton wrong. Newton's equations work most of the time, but not in all places such as near massive bodies like the sun or black holes. Therefore even scientific facts and knowledge are conditional.

Is anything for sure besides death and taxes? And Jesus debunked the former. Can we be sure of anything we see or hear in this political season of sound bites taken out of context and gotcha moments? The best option is to ask yourself why the politicians are saying such and such rather than dwelling on what they're saying. The same might even be said for yours truly!

I read a book some years ago called "The Practice Effect." The perspective in this science fiction novel was far more compelling than the prose. In this fictional place and time everything comes about from

practice. As an example, repeatedly rubbing a piece of wood produced a chair or a house. And if there was no "practice" or work on the house (or chair) it quickly fell into disrepair and eventually dissipated into nothingness. Perhaps there is a practical lesson for us in this story beyond the science fictional exploration of entropy and the second law of thermodynamics (Google the terms if you're interested).

On a more practical level, Caesar is again on the march whether we like it or not. He's already crossed the Rubicon and is preparing for the assault on Rome - or is it Washington? Our representative republic, like the Roman republic, hangs in the balance. Will it be overwhelmed by Caesar or a Caesurette? Will we return to practicing honor and service to God and country or will we embrace new vapid and deceitful slogans and continue the disintegration through self-absorbed disinterest and sloth? November will be America's Rubicon.

If you were challenged by this story, remember my book of stories, "Well... What Did the Doctor Say?" available at Amazon and Barnes&Noble. And tell your friends!

You may email Dr. Ferguson at fergusonj@knoxfocus.com

Getting Your Song Back

We all go through moments of discouragement, rejection, and heartache. Jesus, likewise experienced all of these emotions. In Luke 21, Jesus describes the pending destruction of the city and its inhabitants that He loved, Jerusalem.



By **Mark Brackney**, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

In 70 A.D., about forty years after Jesus uttered these words, they came to fruition. Jesus wanted His followers to be prepared when the difficult days

came. Max Lucado tells the story of a woman who had a parakeet named Chippie. She loved Chippie because he was such a happy little song bird. Chippie's constant chirping just seemed to brighten her day. One day, the

woman was cleaning the bottom of Chippie's cage with a vacuum cleaner when the telephone rang. She reached for the telephone without

removing the nozzle of the vacuum cleaner from the cage, which was a mistake. The vacuum cleaner nozzle got pointed in the direction of poor little Chippie, and he was suddenly sucked up into the machine.

When the woman looked back at the cage and realized what had happened, she was horrified. She dropped the telephone, turned off the vacuum cleaner, and ripped open the dust bag to get to her little bird. Chippie was a real mess, but he was still alive. She raced to the kitchen sink and turned the water full

force on Chippie. The more she tried to wash him, the worse he looked. Next, she took him to the bathroom and started trying to dry Chippie with her hair dryer - full force and high heat. Finally, she got the bird dry and put him back in his cage.

Several days later, a friend called and asked how Chippie was doing. "He's alive," she said, "but he just sits in his cage and stares out into space." And, she added thoughtfully, "Chippie doesn't sing much anymore."

Have you ever had a day like Chippie's before? One

minute life is going along just fine, and the next thing you know your life is being sucked out of you. You never saw it coming. You feel all washed up and blasted. When you are going through a day like Chippie's, it may take some time to get the song back.

The good news is that with Jesus, you can get your joy back. God's faithful remnant always had something to sing about for Jesus is our champion, our deliverer. Jesus told us that problems would come, but not to lose heart. He said, "Be always on the

watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen [destruction of Jerusalem], and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man" (Luke 21:36).

Let us keep watch for one day Jesus will come back for the last time. Don't be caught off guard or lose patience. I'm sure there were many who after forty years wondered if Jesus' words would come true. They did. Pray for strength to keep your stand. Don't give up or give in.

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FORECLOSURE NOTICES NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 25, 2005, executed by WILLIAM EDWARD HOOPER, JANELLE TURNER, conveying certain real property therein described to EMMETT JAMES HOUSE OR BILL R. MC LAUGHLIN, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded August 29, 2005, at Instrument Number 200508290019042;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to REGIONS BANK D/B/A REGIONS MORTGAGE who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **April 7, 2016 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 THE SEVENTH (7TH) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE THIRTY-EIGHTH (38TH) WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, BEING ALL OF LOT NO. 4 IN BLACK OAK CREST REVISED SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 16, PAGE 139, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE, AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF G. T. TROTTER, JR. SURVEYOR, DATED AUGUST 31, 1976, SAID PROPERTY BEARS THE STREET ADDRESS OF 5722 SANFORD ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37912. THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION IS THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE.

Parcel ID: 068DC004
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **5722 SANFORD RD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37912**. 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): WILLIAM EDWARD HOOPER, JANELLE TURNER
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: CAPITAL ONE BANK, Tennessee Housing Development Agency 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 SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated November 30, 2009, executed by TOMMY JOE NEWMAN, conveying certain real property therein described to ANDREW C. RAMBO, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded December 8, 2009, at Instrument Number 200912080039467;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **April 14, 2016 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:

TRACT ONE: SITUATE IN DISTRICT NO. TWO (2) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 16TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 15, BLOCK B, PLANTATION HILLS SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 24, PAGE 157 AS REVISED IN MAP BOOK 26, PAGE 64, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR REFERENCE. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 1113, PAGE 147 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE FURTHER SUBJECT TO 5 FOOT UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT ALONG ALL LOT LINES AS SHOWN ON AFORESAID MAP OF RECORD, AND FURTHER SUBJECT TO 35 FOOT BUILDING SETBACK LINE ALONG CHANTILLY DRIVE. TRACT TWO: SITUATE IN DISTRICT NO. TWO (2) OF KNOX COUNTY,

TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 16TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 14, BLOCK B, PLANTATION HILLS SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 24, PAGE 157 AS REVISED IN MAP BOOK 26, PAGE 64, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR REFERENCE. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTION F RECORD IN DEED BOOK 1113, PAGE 147 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE FURTHER SUBJECT TO 5 FOOT UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT ALONG ALL LOT LINES AS SHOWN ON AFORESAID MAP OF RECORD, AND FURTHER SUBJECT TO 35 FOOT BUILDING SETBACK LINE ALONG CHANTILLY DRIVE. THIS PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE CONDITIONS, COVENANTS, RESERVATIONS, EASEMENTS, CHARGES, LIENS, LEASES, PERMISSIVE USE AGREEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD IN BOOK OR PLAT IN THE AFORESAID COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS' OFFICE. SUBJECT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS IN EFFECT THEREON. SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, BUILDING LINES, CONDITIONS AND MATTERS OF RECORD. TAX ID# 0700 E 013 & 0700 E 013.01
Parcel ID: 0700-E-013.00013.01
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **3121 CHANTILLY DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37917**. 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): TOMMY JOE NEWMAN
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: ASSET ACCEPTANCE LLC, Tennessee Housing Development Agency 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, Kimberly A. Mierzejewski and Mike Mierzejewski executed a Deed of Trust to Charter One Mortgage Corp., Lender and Mid-South Title Corporation, Trustee(s), which was dated March 27, 2001 and recorded on March 28, 2001 in Instrument No. 200103280064252, 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, Citizens Bank NA F/K/A RBS Citizens NA, (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 **March 29, 2016, 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 the Sixth (6th) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of any municipality in the State of Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot Number Eight (8), SMITHFIELD SUBDIVISION, as shown by map of record in Map Cabinet L, Slide 328A, Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, to which map reference is here made for a more particular description thereof.

BEING the same property conveyed to Kimberly A. Mierzejewski and husband, Mike Mierzejewski by deed dated March 13, 2001 and recorded as Instrument No. 200103280064251 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.
Parcel ID Number: 142JM008
Address/Description: **313 Heathermoor Drive, Knoxville, TN 37934.**

Current Owner(s): Kimberly A. Mierzejewski.
Other Interested Parties: TN - Department of Revenue; Southern Motion, Inc.; James D. Hutchinson; Capital Investments, Inc.; Wendy L. Lattimore; American Furniture Manufacturing; Erlander Health Systems; University Heart Surgeons; Department of Labor and Workforce Development; WJTT FM; and Knoxville Cardiovascular.

In addition, this sale shall be subject to the right of redemption by the TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, TAX ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, pursuant to T.C.A. 67-1-1433(c)(1) by reason of the following tax lien(s) of record in: Instrument 200609070021445; Instrument 200701120057145. Notice of the sale has been given to the State of Tennessee in accordance with T.C.A. 67-1-1433(b)(1).

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any and all liens against said property for unpaid property 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; a deed of trust; and 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.: 15-21187 FC02

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 1, 2013, executed by DORIS WILLIAMS, conveying certain real property therein described to FRANK ALVSTAD, ESQ., STEWART TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 19, 2013, at Instrument Number 201302190054171;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to 1st Alliance Lending, LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **April 7, 2016 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:

THE LAND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SITUATED IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, COUNTY OF KNOX, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BOOK 1605, PAGE 1043 ID# 072H-B-030, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 15, BLOCK D, UNIT 3, HOLSTON ACRES SUBDIVISION, FILED IN MAP BOOK 39-S AT PAGE 11.
Parcel ID: 072HB-030
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **6421 MOUNTAIN LAUREL ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37924**. 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): THE ESTATE AND/OR HEIRS OF DORIS WILLIAMS, DORIS WILLIAMS, Whitney Williams, Heather Williams
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: TARGET NATIONAL BANK 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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Ad #94115: 2016-03-07 2016-03-14, 2016-03-21

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 24, 2007, executed by DAVID T ERVIN, conveying certain real property therein described to PRPLAP, INC., as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded August 28, 2007, at Instrument Number 200708280018295;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **March 31, 2016 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 TWO (2) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHIN THE 16TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE AND BEING KNOWN, AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 22, BLOCK L, COKER AND BUCHANAN'S NORTH PARK ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP CABINET A, SLIDE 289-D (MAP BOOK 9, PAGE 37), IN THE REGISTER'S DEEDS OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Parcel ID: 082AB044
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **2207 COKER AVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37917**. 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): DAVID T ERVIN
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: KNOXVILLE UTILITIES BOARD, WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL

BANK 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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Ad #94058: 2016-02-29 2016-03-07, 2016-03-14

SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **April 14, 2016 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North Side Entrance, City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by ROBERT HOLIFIELD, TO PARK PLACE TITLE & ESCROW, Trustee, on November 18, 2011, as Instrument No. 201111220028269 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee and re-filed as Instrument No. 201512180036886 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC
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:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
SITUATED IN THE SIXTH (6TH) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT NUMBER NINETEEN (19), FOXWORTH SUBDIVISION, UNIT 4, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP CABINET P, SLIDE 121-D, REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP REFERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION THEREOF.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ROBERT HOLIFIELD FROM JEFFREY A. COOK AND VIRGINIA R. COOK, BY WARRANTY DEED DATED _____, RECORDED ON 11/22/11, IN BOOK _____, PAGE _____, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.
Tax ID: 046EC019/24913
Current Owner(s) of Property: ROBERT HOLIFIELD

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **8541 Rayworth Trail, Powell, TN 37849**, 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 WITH-OUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON AN-NOUANCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUS-TEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUS-TEE 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: None
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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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 15-000286-670
JASON S. MANGRUM, J.P. SELLERS, LORI LIANE LONG, JOHN R. ROAN, Substitute Trustee(s) Premier Building, Suite 404 5217 Maryland Way Brentwood, Tennessee 37027 PHONE: (615) 238-3630 EMAIL: tnsales@mwzmlaw.com

SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **April 4, 2016 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 JERRI A TABOR, to TITLE ENTERPRISE SERVICE CO. LLC., Trustee, on December 2, 2004, as Instrument No. 200412080046909 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee and re-filed as Instrument No. 201009280019306 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2005-RS3

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:
SITUATED IN DISTRICT 4 OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE AND BEING DESIGNATED AS A 1.00 ACRE TRACT LOCATED

ON THE NORTHWEST SIDE OF FLINT GAP ROAD, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT ENTITLED SUBDIVISION OF THE LOCKEY D PRYOR PROPERTY, OF RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO 200702230068165, REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HERBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

BEING A PORTION OF THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JERRI TABOR, UNMARRIED, BY WARRANTY DEED FROM AMOS A. PRYOR AND LOCKEY B. PRYOR, FOR THEIR LIFETIMES WITH THE LIFE ESTATE BEING MEASURED BY THE LIFETIME OF THE SURVIVOR OF THEM, WITH THE REMAINDER TO JOHN KEVIN PRYOR, DATED DECEMBER 22, 2004, AND RECORDED ON DECEMBER 8, 2004, IN INSTRUMENT NUMBER 200412080046908, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

FOR FURTHER REFERENCE PLEASE SEE CORRECTION WARRANTY DEED RECORDED 04/20/07, INSTRUMENT NO 200704200058506.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS AND BUILDING SETBACK LINES OF RECORD.
Tax ID: 09716301
Current Owner(s) of Property: JERRI A TABOR

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **6311 Flint Gap Road, 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 refer-enced 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 WITH-OUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON AN-NOUANCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUS-TEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUS-TEE 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: None
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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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-000077-670
JASON S. MANGRUM, J.P. SELLERS, LORI LIANE LONG, JOHN R. ROAN, Substitute Trustee(s) Premier Building, Suite 404 5217 Maryland Way Brentwood, Tennessee 37027 PHONE: (615) 238-3630 EMAIL: tnsales@mwzmlaw.com

SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **April 4, 2016 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 LISA DIANE PERRY AND OLIVER PERRY, TO WESLEY D. TURNER, Trustee, on February 24, 2006, as Instrument No. 200603010072827 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR ARGENT SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-W3
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:

SITUATED IN THE FIRST (FORMERLY SECOND) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE THIRTEENTH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING LOT 39 OF THE EMMA AUL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 6, PAGE 37, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND D-SCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTHERN LINE OF MANSION AVE. AND THE WEST LINE OF CONNEX AVE.; THENCE WITH THE NORTHERN LINE OF MANSION AVE., SOUTH 63 DEG. 11 MIN. WEST 136.39 FEET TO A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF DALLAS STREET; THENCE WITH THE EAST LINE OF DALLAS STREET, NORTH 35 DEG. 10 MIN. WEST, 75.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 63 DEG. 52 MIN. EAST, 139.21 FEET TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF CONNEX AVE.; THENCE WITH THE WEST LINE OF CONNEX AVE., SOUTH 33 DEG. 43 MIN. EAST, 69.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; AS SHOWN BY THE SURVEY OF STANLEY E. HINDS, SURVEYOR, DATED AUGUST 12, 1996.

BEING THE SAME PROP-ERTY CONVEYED TO OLIVER L. PERRY AND WIFE, LISA D. PERRY FROM EARTHA WYNN NIKIA EARTH GARNER AND HUSBAND, RANDOLPH GARNER BY WARRANTY DEED DATED FEBRUARY 24, 2006 OF RECORD IN INSTRUMENT NO. 200603010072826, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.
Tax ID: 071PJ-040
Current Owner(s) of Property: LISA DIANE PERRY AND OLIVER PERRY

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **238 Dallas 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 refer-enced 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 TRUS-TEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUS-TEE 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: GEORGE FER-GUSION, SR AND DR. YOHUANNA ALTAWIL AND STERLING JEWELERS INC. DBA MARKS & MORGAN JEWELERS AND LVNV FUNDING AS ASSIGNEE OF WELLS FARGO AND ARGENT MORTGAGE CO AND THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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 Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-000079-670
JASON S. MANGRUM, J.P. SELLERS, LORI LIANE LONG, JOHN R. ROAN, Substitute Trustee(s) Premier Building, Suite 404

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY WHEREAS, Michael H. Ross executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for E-Loan, Inc., Lender and Lenders First Choice, Trustee(s), which was dated February 18, 2004 and recorded on March 4, 2004 in Instrument No. 200403040082721, 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, STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2004-11XS, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., (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 **March 22, 2016, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public out-cry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NUMBER 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 NUMBER SIXTEEN (16), BLOCK "F" OF THE MAS-CARENE HILLS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 7, AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD IN MAP CABINET E, SLIDE 381D (FORMERLY MAP BOOK 71-S, PAGE 41) IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND ON SURVEY BY WADE B. NANCE, DATE JUNE 3, 1992 DRAWING #A10926 TO WHICH MAP AND SURVEY SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Source of Title: Book 2284, Page 476 (Recorded 04/29/98)
APN: 093 IK003
Parcel ID Number: 093IK003
Address/Description: 4136 Mascarene Road, Knoxville, TN 37921.
Current Owner(s): (The Estate of) Michael H. Ross.

Other Interested Parties: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.; Terry G. Vann; RI REGI-TN OAK, LLC; and Deere Credit, Inc..

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any and all liens against said property for unpaid property 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; a deed of trust; and any matter than 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.: 15-12968 FCD1

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE

Default having occurred under the terms of that certain Deed of Trust dated September 29, 2008, from Nadine King, of record as instrument 200809300022528 in the Knox County Register's Office, and the undersigned Substitute Trustee having been so requested by Colony Village, LLC, the holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, notice is hereby given that the undersigned Substitute Trustee will sell at public auction to be held inside the front door of the City County Building, on the Main Street level near the Main Assembly Room, at 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, beginning at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Monday, March 21, 2016, the following described property:

5238 Blue Star Lane, Knoxville, TN 37914
Knox County tax map/parcel: 071AL-077
Complete legal description contained in the Warranty Deed recorded as instrument 200809300022527 in the Knox County Register's Office
Said sale shall be made to the highest and best bidder for cash and in bar of the statutory right and equity of redemption, and all homestead, dower, marital, or any other right or exemption rights, as stated in said Deed of Trust, but subject to any prior encumbrances, unpaid taxes and all applicable easements and restrictions.
Other parties interested: None known
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
Dated: February 23, 2016

Robert L. Kahn, Substitute Trustee
Frantz, McConnell & Seymour, LLP
P.O. Box 39, Knoxville, TN 37901
(865) 546-9321
Pub. dates: 2/29/16, 3/7/16, 3/14/16

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: DEBBIE THOMAS JOHNSON, DANIEL THOMAS AND MARK THOMAS
IN RE: BILLY HALL v. DEBBIE THOMAS JOHNSON, DANIEL THOMAS AND MARK THOMAS
NO. 190577-1
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendants, DEBBIE THOMAS JOHNSON, DANIEL THOMAS AND MARK THOMAS, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon DEBBIE THOMAS JOHNSON, DANIEL THOMAS AND MARK THOMAS, it is ordered that

said Defendants, DEBBIE THOMAS JOHNSON, DANIEL THOMAS AND MARK THOMAS, file an Answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Gail F. Wortley, an Attorney whose address is 3751 Powers Street, Knoxville, TN 37917 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division 1, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.
This 26th day of February, 2016.
/s/ HAROLD G. HOGAN
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: TODD ALLEN HOWLAND
IN RE: TRACY RUTH HOWLAND v. TODD ALLEN HOWLAND
NO. 191102-1
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant, TODD ALLEN HOWLAND, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon TODD ALLEN HOWLAND, it is ordered that said Defendant, TODD ALLEN HOWLAND, file an Answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Carole Cole, an Attorney whose address is 1203 Suburban Road, Suite 203, Knoxville, TN 37923 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication. It is further Ordered that if the Defendant fails to appear and answer the Complaint within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication, the Plaintiff shall be permitted to file a Motion and Notice for Judgment by Default and you, the Defendant, will be served by leaving copies of the Notice and Motion for Default Judgment with the Clerk and Master of this court. This cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division 1, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.
This 26th day of February, 2016.
/s/ HAROLD G. HOGAN
Clerk and Master

NOTICE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CROCKETT COUNTY
AT ALAMO TENNESSEE
NOTICE
No. 10022
TO: Andy Tamborino, whereabouts unknown.
You are hereby commanded to serve on Harold E. Dorsey, Petitioners' attorney, whose address is 5 South Johnson Street, Alamo, Tennessee 38001, an answer to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights and Adoption which is sworn to and filed against you in the case of Crystal Jeaneen Reynolds and Justin Davis Reasons vs. Andy Tamborino, in the above Court, within thirty (30) days after the last publication hereof, or judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

It is ordered that this Notice be published for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Knoxville Focus, a weekly newspaper, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of ROBERT D. BUTLER
Docket Number 77333-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT D. BUTLER who died Dec 7, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 22nd day of February, 2016
Estate of ROBERT D. BUTLER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KAREN B. HUNLEY, Executrix
6406 Spring View Lane
Knoxville, TN 37918

ROBERT W. GODWIN
Attorney at Law
4611 Old Broadway
Knoxville, TN 37918

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of DONALD T. CHAMBERS
Docket Number 77340-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DONALD T. CHAMBERS who died Jun 2, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 23rd day of February, 2016
Estate of DONALD T. CHAMBERS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DORIS K. CHAMBERS, Executrix
3715 Guinn Rd
Knoxville, TN 37931
LARRY D. PERRY
Attorney at Law
11464 Saga Lane
Knoxville, TN 37931
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of MILDRED KNIGHT COCKRUM
Docket Number 77339-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MILDRED KNIGHT COCKRUM who died Jan 8, 2016, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 23rd day of February, 2016
Estate of MILDRED KNIGHT COCKRUM
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROY E. COCKRUM, Co-Executor
445 S Gay St, Ste 306
Knoxville, TN 37902

CAROLYN A. COCKRUM, Co-Executor
445 S Gay St, Ste 306
Knoxville, TN 37902
P. NEWMAN BANKSTON and
STEPHEN A. MCSWEEEN
Attorneys at Law
PO Box 2047
Knoxville, TN 37901
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of ROBERT KENNETH CROSSLAND
Docket Number 77297-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT KENNETH CROSSLAND who died Nov 10, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 10th day of February, 2016
Estate of ROBERT KENNETH CROSSLAND
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
REBECCA CROSSLAND, Executrix
514 Dixon Road
Knoxville, TN 37934

PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of BARBARA N. CRUTCHFIELD
Docket Number 77346-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA N. CRUTCHFIELD who died Sep 16, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 24th day of February, 2016
Estate of BARBARA N. CRUTCHFIELD
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA CRUTCHFIELD, Executrix
2901 Bradley Lake Lane
Knoxville, TN 37921

PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of VIVIAN ATCHLEY DEBORD
Docket Number 77309-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIVIAN ATCHLEY DEBORD who died Jan 4, 2016, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 12th day of February, 2016
Estate of VIVIAN ATCHLEY DEBORD
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM RANDALL DEBORD, Co-Executor
5132 W Emory Rd
Powell, TN 37849

(4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1) (A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 12th day of February, 2016
Estate of VIVIAN ATCHLEY DEBORD
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM RANDALL DEBORD, Co-Executor
5132 W Emory Rd
Powell, TN 37849

RICHARD SAMUEL DEBORD, Co-Executor
5132 W Emory Rd
Powell, TN 37849
CAROLYN LEVY GILLIAM
Attorney at Law
10805 Kingston Pike, Ste 200
Knoxville, TN 37934
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of CHRISTOPHER GEORGES
Docket Number 77326-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHRISTOPHER GEORGES who died Sep 8, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 19th day of February, 2016
Estate of CHRISTOPHER GEORGES
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOY GEORGES MCCABE, Executrix
307 Dominick Point
Knoxville, TN 37934

LAUREN S. BROWN
Attorney at Law
110 Cogdill Rd
Knoxville, TN 37922
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of LORALEE ELINOR BOEGLY
Docket Number 77318-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LORALEE ELINOR BOEGLY who died Dec 12, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 17th day of February, 2016
Estate of LORALEE ELINOR BOEGLY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM GEORGE BOEGLY, Administrator
312 Masters Rd
Hixson, TN 37343
BILL W. PETTY
Attorney at Law
705 Gate Lane, Ste 202
Knoxville, TN 37909
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of ROBERT T. MIDDLEBROOKS
Docket Number 77334-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT T. MIDDLEBROOKS who died Jan 15, 2016, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 23rd day of February, 2016
Estate of ROBERT T. MIDDLEBROOKS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ANNE MCKISSICK, Executrix
901 Graves St
Knoxville, TN 37915
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of JOSEPH VINCENT PALAZZOLO
Docket Number 77314-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH VINCENT PALAZZOLO who died Dec 5, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 22nd day of February, 2016
Estate of JOSEPH VINCENT PALAZZOLO
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GEORGE MANOLARAS, Administrator
503 SE Ruby Ct
Port Saint Lucie, FL 34984

DAVID S. REXRODE
Attorney at Law
102 Chaha Rd
Knoxville, TN 37934
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of INEZ SUE SHELTON
Docket Number 77347-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of INEZ SUE SHELTON who died Dec 23, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 24th day of February, 2016
Estate of INEZ SUE SHELTON
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROSEMARY ORR, Administratrix
3400 Tazewell Pike #C-1
Knoxville, TN 37918
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of KIMBER W. YOST
Docket Number 77330-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of KIMBER W. YOST who died Jan 12, 2016, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 19th day of February, 2016
Estate of KIMBER W. YOST
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LISA W. GAMMELTOFT, Executrix
110 Cogdill Rd
Knoxville, TN 37922
NATALIE J. IVEY
Attorney at Law
110 Cogdill Rd
Knoxville, TN 37922
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of BARKLEY J. BARTON
Docket Number 77323-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of February, 2016, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARKLEY J. BARTON who died Jan 17, 2016, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This 18th day of February, 2016
Estate of BARKLEY J. BARTON
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WANDA GRADY, Executrix
2504 Pressnell Lane
Knoxville, TN 37924
PUBLISH: 2/29/2016 & 3/7/2016

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: JAY KANNEGEITER
IN RE: ROBIN DENISE STILES NEEB v. JAY KANNEGEITER
NO. 187373-1
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant JAY KANNEGEITER, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon JAY KANNEGEITER, it is ordered that said Defendant, JAY KANNEGEITER, file an Answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with GLEN B. RUTHERFORD, an Attorney whose address is 418 South Gay Street, Suite 204, Knoxville, TN 37901 within thirty (30) days of the last publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division 1, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.
This 11th day of February, 2016.
/s/ HOWARD G. HOGAN
Clerk and Master

To be published: 2/15/2016, 2/22/2016, 2/29/2016 and 3/7/2016

MISC. NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization
Executive Board Meeting, March 23, 2016
The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board will meet on **Wednesday, March 23rd at 9 a.m.** in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Visit www.knoxtrans.org/meeting for preliminary and final Agendas or contact the TPO if you would like a copy of the final Agenda. If you need assistance or accommodation for a disability please notify the TPO three business days in advance of the meeting and we will be glad to work with you in obliging any reasonable request.
865-215-2694 or dori.caron@knoxtrans.org.

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:
RFP 2359, Construction Services, due 3/30/16;
Bid 2360, Vehicles, due 3/29/16
For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Purchasing Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/purchasing. To bid on Knox County surplus

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAR Meeting

Bonny Kate Chapter DAR will meet Wednesday, March 9, 2016, 1:00 p.m. at 2nd Presbyterian Church, 2829 Kingston Pike. Charlotte Miller will be speaking on the topic, "Confederate Women Spies."

Dante Church of God

Dante Church of God will be distributing boxes of blessings (food) on Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or until boxes are gone. Anyone who would like to come and receive a box of blessings is invited. You must be present to receive a box of food. One box per household. For more information call 865-689-4829.

Ed and Bob's Night Out

Ed and Bob's Night Out in Knox County will be in Fountain City this month! Knox County At-Large Commissioners Ed Brantley and Bob Thomas will be at Sam & Andy's at 2613 West Adair Dr. just off of North Broadway on Tuesday, March 22nd from 5 to 7 p.m. to meet the people of north Knox County and listen to their concerns.

Garden Workshops Pruning Roses

Join Master Gardeners Carolyn Kiser, Carolyn Noey, and Marsha Lehman for a hands-on workshop where they will prune nine KnockOut roses. Bring your own pruners, gloves, and kneeling pads if you have them. Check www.knox-countymastergardener.org

for cancellation due to weather.

This free public event is scheduled on Saturday, March 12, from 10:30-noon at the Demonstration Garden at All Saints Catholic Church, 620 N. Cedar Bluff Rd, Knoxville TN 37923, phone UT Extension at 865-215-2340.

Raised Beds: Build 'Em and Fill 'Em

Wood is not the only choice to build raised beds. Master Gardener Michael Powell will discuss various materials and shapes for raised beds. Learn what constitutes good fill and where to get it.

This free public event is scheduled on Thursday, March 24, from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. at the Humana Guidance Center, 4438 Western Avenue, Knoxville TN 37921, phone 865-329-8892.

Ready, Set, Sow: Don't Jump the Gun

Join Master Gardener

Barb O'Neil to learn about direct seeding peas, potatoes, spring greens and annual flowers, plus setting out seedlings in your garden.

This free public event is scheduled on Monday, March 21, from 1-2 p.m. at Davis Family YMCA, 12133 S Northshore Dr, Knoxville TN, phone 865-777-9622.

"A Focus on Fashion"

A Focus on Fashion, the 15th annual fashion show benefitting the Historic Ramsey House and the first major fundraiser of 2016 will take place on March 22 at Cherokee Country Club, 5138 Lyons View Pike, Knoxville.

Guests may enjoy shopping in the boutique from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

A variety of merchandise will be offered from area vendors including clothing and accessories, shoes, jewelry, makeup

and accessories for the home. Enjoy a lovely luncheon and fashion show beginning at noon where a selection of fashions will be presented by five area stores.

A number of door prizes will be presented at the end of the show. Spending a wonderful day at Cherokee Country Club is a great way to get a head start on Spring.

The cost of the luncheon and fashion show is \$50 per person. This event is open to the public, but reservations are required by March 16 and can be made with a check payable and mailed to Historic Ramsey House, 2614 Thorngrove Pike, Knoxville, TN 37914.

For further information please call Charlotte Brown, Chairperson at 865-300-6267 or Historic Ramsey House at 865-546-0745.

Heiskell Seniors Meeting

The Heiskell Seniors Group monthly luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, March 10 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at their new location at 1708 W. Emory Road in Powell, TN. Program will be about Foster Care and information survey from Evoncia Watson about new Medicare Programs. Meet and Greet at 10 a.m., program at 11 a.m., lunch at noon, bingo at 1 p.m. Bring a dessert and a friend. For more information call Janice White at 865-548-0326.

Old Harp Singing

Tuesday, Mar. 16th, 7 p.m. Sevier County Monthly Old Harp Singing, Middle Creek United Methodist Church, 1828 Middle Creek Rd., Pigeon Forge, TN. David Sarten at 865-428-0874.

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ALTERATIONS

JOANNE'S ALTERATIONS
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