

BoE members get a preview of the new budget

By Pete Gawda

At their work session last Wednesday Knox County Board of Education members got a preview of the new budget and heard the disparities in educational outcomes committee.

Gary Spencer, interim finance director, predicted that the first draft of the preliminary budget would be ready by March 1. However, he predicted that the

first draft would change dramatically before the budget is finalized. The goal for finalizing the budget is April 7. It will be presented to the board formally in a mid-month special called meeting. Once it is approved by the board of education it will be presented to the county commission for their approval.

Revenues from state and local sources are expected

to increase, according to Spencer. "All in all revenue projections look good," he concluded.

Spencer predicted pay increases for teachers and classified employees. He also predicted the budget would contain an additional million dollars for transportation. The facilities maintenance budget is predicted to increase over \$1.5 million. Start up costs for the

two new middle schools are predicted to be over one quarter million dollars.

Russ Oaks, chief operating officer, predicted a 2 to 3 percent increase for food service personnel. "It is doable," he said. "We need to see how it will develop. Better numbers will be available in a few weeks."

In response to board members' concern about

cost cutting resulting in staff reductions, Thomas stated that in spite of staffing standards they did not want to jerk numbers up or down dramatically. He said the net gains and losses would be small.

Jered Croom, co-chair of the steering committee on disparities in educational outcomes, reported on his committee's work. "We are all on the same side in

this endeavor," he stated "We are all working together working for better Knox County schools."

In a lengthy report given by several people, the board learned, among other things, that the projected number of suspensions for the current school year should be lower than last years. Arrests on school property are also

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County Codes explained at Powell B&P meeting

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The Powell Business and Professional Association met Tuesday and a large crowd heard from Fred Braden, Head of the Knox County Codes Enforcement Department. The association meets each month on Tuesday at the Jubilee Event Banquet Hall on Calahan Road at noon. The association is dedicated to improving and aiding in the development of the community, supporting local businesses and services and bringing business and community people together.

Newly elected officers for the association include President Bart Elkins, Vice President Laura Bailey, Secretary Tina Marshal and Treasurer Steve Mouser. Director of Communications is Angela Farmer, Events are headed by Laura Bailey, Membership by Teresa Long and Community Enhancement by Justin Bailey and Sandra Clark.

Justin Bailey told The Focus the association has always been the hub of what happens in Powell.

"Our growth has been pretty significant in the last two years under the guidance of past president John Bayless. We achieved a scenic highway designation for Powell Drive," he said. He also mentioned other improvements there including adding 14 acres behind the Powell Library.

"This year we just began our meetings with the Community Design Center to create a master plan for downtown Powell. This was funded by the association and First Tennessee Bank. The downtown area has a lot of potential that has been overlooked far too long. We're excited,"

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High on the Vine



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Vine's Izaiah Bredford (right) soars the highest in this rebound battle during semifinal action against South-Doyle in the Knox County Middle School basketball tournament last week at Karns. Teammate Tayon Wright looks on at left. The Golden Bears went on to defeat Powell 37-28 in Thursday night's championship game. See more photos and stories of the boys' and girls' title games in today's Sports and Recreation section C.



Anna Schloss, stepsister of Anne Frank, with one of her books on life while being held in a Nazi concentration camp. An image of her stepsister is behind her. She will be speaking in Knoxville during Holocaust Education Day.

Holocaust survivor to speak Tuesday

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Recently Knoxville Mayor Madeline Roger announced that Tuesday, February 21 will be Holocaust Education Day in the city. She is asking that everyone recognize that day as significant and to stand united against hatred and prejudice. Anne Frank's stepsister, Eva Schloss, one of the remaining Holocaust survivors, will be in Knoxville that day to speak at 7 p.m. at the Knoxville Civil Auditorium.

The day will also feature an art exhibit at the Knoxville Museum of Art with paintings by Eva's stepfather, Otto Frank, who survived the murder of the Jews by the Nazi regime of Adolph Hitler.

Eva Schloss was a child when her family fled to Belgium and later to the Netherlands. They were captured and taken to Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camps. Her father and brother died during captivity but she and her mother were freed in 1945 by Russian troops. They return to Amsterdam where she continued her schooling and, in 1953, her mother married Otto Frank.

Both of Otto's daughters, Anne and Margot, died while prisoners in 1945 but Anne Frank's diary became an international best seller, giving a day-by-day of her life before her family was betrayed and taken from

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Mayor Rogero: Get involved in the election process

This is an important year politically in the City of Knoxville, with candidates running for five open City Council seats. The primary election is on Aug. 29, but races will be in full stride months before then.

Friday, Feb. 17, was the first day that people mulling a run can pick up a nominating petition. They

have until noon on May 18 to file that petition, signed by at least 25 registered voters, with the Election Commission to begin the process of running for office. All City races are non-partisan, and the first early-voting ballots will be cast on Aug. 9.

Candidates this year will be running for open seats in the 1st,

2nd, 3rd, 4th and 6th Districts. Because all five current Council members representing those districts are term-limited and cannot run for re-election, that means that a majority of the next City Council will be new first-time Council members.

"It's important that Knoxville residents engage in the election

process and understand where the candidates stand on issues," Mayor Madeline Rogero said. "When we choose our Council representatives, we'll be helping to chart the direction of the City for years to come.

"I encourage everyone: Ask questions, get to know the

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Policy Review Committee recommends changes in school board policies

By Pete Gawda

The policy review committee for Knox County Schools met Thursday afternoon to consider possible changes to school board policy sections E on business management and F on facility expansion.

The board looked at the policy Energy and Utility Management in section D. They decided it would be appropriate to move this policy to section E. Gary Dupler, deputy law director, advised that this change would only require one vote by the board and not two readings as required by actual policy changes.

The committee recommended that policy E-121, Fire and Safety Regulations, be rescinded since it would be addressed by revisions to policy E-122, Emergency Preparedness Planning and Training.

The policy Emergency Preparedness Planning and Training was rewritten to define a district wide safety

and security plan and requires each school principal to develop a school specific safety and security plan.

The wording of Policy E-123, Crisis Management, was changed to include the school security officer as a member of the crisis management team at each school along with the principal and guidance counselor and at least two other staff members.

The wording on Policy E-124, Risk Management, was modified to require the person designated to be responsible for the prevention and safety education program to answer to the human resources officer instead of the assistant superintendent. This change reflects current practice.

Policy E-150, Security, was modified to acknowledge the role of the the school security division at each school and to require the principal of each school to notify the director of

schools or the director's representative of any cases of trespassing.

No other changes were proposed to policies in section E.

Turning to section F the committee amended Policy F-100, Facility Expansion Program Goals and Objectives, to require adherence to the capital priorities established by the board. The policy was also changed to require design of facilities to be economically efficient and to follow state of the art design, construction, operational and environmental practices.

Policy F-110, Alterations and Modifications to Facilities, was rewritten to define the types of projects that would require board approval.

The committee recommended Policy F-120, Permanent Structures on School Grounds, be rescinded because it was incorporated into the rewritten policy F-110.

Policy F-121, Building New Athletic Facilities,

was modified to state that all new and renovated facilities must meet all applicable codes and facilities which are financed by outside sources must be fully funded and unencumbered by debt.

Policy F-150, New Project Planning, was rewritten to define criteria for architectural services.

Policy F-151, Capital Planning, was rewritten to establish capital planning priorities.

The committee recommended policy F-160, Recommendation of Architects/Involvement of Architects, be rescinded as it was addressed in the rewritten policy F-150.

The other policies in section F were retained as written except for some minor rewording in some of them.

These proposed policy changes must go through two board readings before they go into effect.

What Does a Court Reporter Do?

While watching a courtroom scene on TV or in a movie, you may have noticed an individual sitting near the judge, staring with great intent at whichever character is talking and furiously pushing buttons on a little device on a stand in front of them.

Who is this person? What in the world are they doing?

This person is the court reporter, and they are transcribing (writing down), everything that is being said by the judge, the attorneys and the witnesses in the case. They are not typing every word out letter by letter as you would do on a keyboard, they are using a stenograph machine and typing what is said in, in short hand.

Court reporters exist because it can often be critical to determine what is specifically being said in a case. The reason they do this is so that there is a written record of what was said by witnesses, and most importantly, what the ruling of the judge is on the outcome of the case.

Not only do court reporters



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work in the courtroom, but they also make transcripts of depositions, which are sworn statements of individuals that occur before the trial occurs. When an individual has given a statement under oath

prior to trial, attorneys can then use the court reporter's transcript of that statement at trial to confirm whether or not a witness is saying the same thing that they said previously.

There are not always court reporters present for cases, because they can be expensive. However, in criminal court cases, the courts have a full-time court reporter in place.

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candidates and determine which of them will best represent you and your priorities for Knoxville's future. Then be sure to vote."

Looking for more information about the 2017 City election cycle? Need to register to vote? Not sure in which City Council district you reside?

Visit www.knoxcounty.org/election or call the Knox County Election Commission at 865-215-2480.

The City of Knoxville's election webpage – www.knoxvilletn.gov/election – also has a City Council district map and useful links, as well as links to archived materials from past elections. As candidates begin to file for City Council seats this year, the webpage will maintain an updated list of who's running, district by district, with the candidates' website addresses.

If you're a student of local political history, you'll discover a real treasure trove on the City's website. Digging through the dusty archives, the City of Knoxville's Communications Department has compiled some interesting data that you can peruse and analyze during the 2017 City election cycle.

To see to a compilation of the past 36 City elections (18 primaries and 18 general elections), starting with the most recent 2015 races and going back to 1981, visit: <http://bit.ly/2ky0ej2>.



The Children's Holocausts Museum in Whitwell, Tennessee, has a German railroad car that transported Jews to concentration camps in Germany. Inside the boxcar are millions of paperclips, sent from around the world, each remembering one of the 6 million Jews murdered by the Nazis.

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hiding to face the horrible life and death in the camps.

Schloss speaks of her family's experiences at educational institutes. She has been honored for her efforts with an honorary doctorate from North Umbria University in England. She is co-founder of the Anne Frank Trust UK. She has three daughters and lives in London.

Her husband, the late Zvi Schloss, was a refugee from Nazi Germany where his father was imprisoned in Dachau.

As children Eva and Anne were playmates. She recalls that Anne's father, her future stepfather, helped her family out during the war.

Following the Tuesday event Eva Schloss has been asked to share her story with 2,500 high

school students.

Tennessee has two Holocaust sites, one in Nashville at the Holocaust Memorial on Percy Warner Boulevard and the other at the Children's Holocaust Museum in Whitwell, north of Chattanooga. The Whitwell museum has a collection of paperclips from around the nation and the world, each clip in remembrance of the 6 million Jews who died at the hands of the

Nazi government.

Tickets range from \$125 up front, reserved seats and a book "Eva's Story" are \$55 and reserved seats are \$35. Tickets can be at the Coliseum Box Office and include all tax and fees. You can buy ticket by phone at (865)656-4444 or (877) 995-9961. Tickets are also on sale at www.evaschloss.tn.com.

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Are They Planning to Pick Your Pockets?

Beware of "Indexed" (Annual) Tax Increases



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Look out people, it's not only Governor Haslam looking to increase your taxes by raising the gas tax. School folks met with members of the County Commission last week and are poking at property taxes; in fact, there was mention of asking the state legislature to "index" the property tax. That idea likely

came from Haslam's notion of indexing the gasoline tax to the cost of living. What that means folks is that as the cost of living rises, so will the gas tax AND the property tax.

Superintendent Buzz Thomas passed out a list of legislative priorities for the Board of Education to consider and have sent them over for the Commissioners to approve. The language is artful double-speak; take for instance the passage pertaining to the property tax:

"The Board opposes the state requirement that net tax revenues be the same before and after quadrennial property reappraisals, which over an extended period of time, forces the property tax rate down to unacceptable levels. Rather than being forced to raise the tax rate

periodically, county commissioners should be given the option to lower it." Do what!?

Let's think about that language for just a moment. Thomas is complaining about forcing the property tax rate DOWN "to unacceptable levels." Have your property taxes ever been forced down to an unacceptable level? Yet Thomas goes on to say Commissioners should be able to lower the sales tax. Now, one doesn't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out something about that is not right. Put that into the context of the conversation at the joint committee meeting between County Commissioners and school board members where it was openly discussed to urge the state legislature to index property tax rates in the four big counties in Tennessee (and yes, that includes

Knox County) it certainly is easy to figure out that this is a backdoor tax increase for Knox Countians. For those of you reading this who chortle that it won't affect you because you're renting, well, think again. Your landlord is going to pass along the cost to you. Businesses paying higher property taxes are going to pass along the cost to consumers.

Keep in mind one of the big priorities for Thomas and the school board is to get another \$10 million to give teachers a 4% pay raise this year. Now what many of you don't realize is teachers got a 6% raise last year; that figure takes into account the raises for teachers provided by the State of Tennessee and Knox County. Thomas intends to take \$4 million in extra BEP money and put it together with \$6

million of your tax dollars to give the teachers a raise. That doesn't sound so bad, but if the State of Tennessee gives teachers another 2% raise, that means within a years' time, teachers will have gotten a 12% raise. When was the last time you received a 12% raise without getting a promotion. Yet these folks are talking about indexing your taxes to the cost of living. When did the cost of living ever go DOWN for you and your family? For that matter, when were you ever guaranteed an annual increase in your salary?

Using the BEP money for teacher raises puts it in the general school budget until the end of time. If the State of Tennessee doesn't send enough the next year, the superintendent and Board of Education will scurry across

the street and cry that Mayor Burchett and the County Commission must "make up the difference."

Only a pluperfect bureaucrat could possibly think tying taxes to the cost of living is a good idea. In fact, it's a downright terrible idea. If you don't like the idea, it's time for you to get on the phone or write some emails. Start contacting your county commissioner, school board member, state legislator, and Mayor Burchett.

Mayor Burchett has been fiscally responsible and has shown he has the guts to stand up to special interests and surely to goodness he will oppose indexed taxes and making one-time money part of an eternal budget.

Get busy people, before they pick your pockets.

County Codes explained at Powell B&P

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Bailey said.

Braden spoke to the Powell association of the many functions of the Codes Enforcement Department including things like yard signs, lawn care regulations, violations, and abandoned autos.

One of the topics on a handout by Braden explained what is and isn't permitted when operating a business from a residential home.

According to the information an occupation taking place in a home can involve only one household member and cannot take up more than 25% of the dwelling. The home business should not change the appearance of the exterior of the dwelling or store anything other than vehicles.

Accessory buildings at a home cannot be used to conduct businesses. Home business signs cannot exceed two square feet in area or 6 feet in height and only one sign is permitted.

Only sales of services or sales of products produced on the premises are allowed. No extra traffic at the home is allowed other than normal traffic

flow and parking on the street or in the yard are not permitted.

The county codes also prohibit equipment or process at the home that increases noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors or electrical interferences.

No equipment or process is allowed to be used that creates visual or audible interference to any radio or television receiver or causes fluctuation in the electric line voltage.

Violators can be given a notice of violation by a Code Enforcement Officer and ten days after the violation the property is re-inspected. If the property owner doesn't comply the property can be turned over to Engineering and Public Works for cleanup and the property owner is billed for the cost.

The codes also state that abandoned or inoperable vehicles cannot be stored on public or private lots for more than 48 hours.

The Knox County Codes Department can be reached at (865) 215-2325 or on the internet at "code.admin@knoxcounty.org."

More enter race for City Council

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The majority of City Council will change this November as voters elect five new members. Although the race is nine months away there's already interest growing in being selected to serve on that body. City Council elections are non-partisan and the top two votegetters in the August Primary go on to the general election.

The election of a council person for Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 means the departure of term-limited council members Nick Pavlis, Duane Grieve, Brenda Palmer, Nick Della Volpe and Daniel Brown, respectively.

Last Friday, February 17 was the first day to pick up a qualifying petition and the forms must be returned by noon, May 18, so several other candidates may come forward. May 25 is the last day to withdraw. Early voting starts August 9.

The city elections are a bit different than county, state or federal contests in that only the voters in the districts select their primary candidates but everyone in the city votes in the general election. Although both elections don't require or list a party affiliation it's obvious that the two main political parties play a part in the election. Possibly for

that reason some candidates list their party in the naming of a campaign treasurer with the Knox County Election Commission.

Thus far, in the race to replace Nick Pavlis in District 1, Thomas (Greg) Knox has declared no political party and named Danica Drew as treasurer. Linda Rust also left her party affiliation off and named Janice Tocher as her treasurer.

District 2 candidates to replace Duane Grieve include David Williams, who has named Harr Boss as campaign treasurer, and Andrew Roberto, who has named Elizabeth W. Carroll as treasurer. Williams is President of the Pond Gap Neighborhood Association and a former commission candidate and Roberto resigned his post with the Knox County Election Commission to seek the office. On the application Williams declared himself a Republican and Roberto did not list a party affiliation.

In the 3rd District race to replace Brenda Palmer, James E. Corcoran, III, has named a treasurer, Anna East Corcoran. He specified he is running as a Republican. Jody Mullins has named Tasha C. Blakney as treasurer. Mullins did not designate a party affiliation.

The 4th District race, to replace Nick Della Volpe, has former state

representative Harry Tindell, who lists no party affiliation, and community activist Lauren Rider, who also listed no party. Rider lists Alison Rosenberg as treasurer and Tindell lists his treasurer as Fred (Robbie) Arrington.

Three candidates have named treasurers in the traditionally Democratic 6th District to replace Daniel Brown. David Gillette noted that he is a Democrat and lists Barry Evans, Jr., as treasurer, Michael Covington lists himself as a Republican and named himself as treasurer. Shawnee Rios also lists herself as treasurer and declared she is a Democrat.

Covington is a community activist and founder of the East Knoxville Community forum and ran unsuccessfully for Knox County Commission against Democrat Evelyn Gill. Much attention is focused on the 6th District seat.

The departing council members have been very active in their terms. Pavlis has been involved with the redevelopment of South Knoxville, the waterfront there and the revitalization of Chapman Highway. He and Brown stood against the sale of beer near churches recently.

Duane Grieve has long been active in West Knoxville, the Bearden Council, and spearheaded the city's

much labored new Sign Ordinance.

Brenda Palmer is chairman of the Beer Board and has been active in revising permits and overseeing a campaign to stop sale of beer to minors.

Nick Della Volpe has headed an effort to revitalize northeast Knoxville including East Towne Mall and is known as an outspoken council member on various issues.

Daniel Brown, who served as the first African-American Mayor of Knoxville, is active in preserving history and heritage and civil rights. Brown was selected by the council to fill the void between former Mayor Bill Haslam, who was elected governor, and the election of Knoxville's first female mayor, Madeline Rogero.

Candidates invited to the Neighborhood Conference

Knoxville City Council candidates are being invited to take part in a "Candidate's Corner" during the March 11th Neighborhood Conference at the Knoxville Convention Center.

The candidates, and potential candidates, are being encouraged to attend and distribute literature and actively campaign. Booths will also be available at the event.

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down. This year a new program has been instituted. If a family member of a student is involved with the Knoxville Police Department, an email is sent to school officials so they can provide extra support for that student.

Thomas commented that restoratives practices are being used which tend to build positive relationships rather than promoting punishment.

Carl Wheeler, an interested citizen, addressed the board on the issue. He stated that it is very important for the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Knoxville schools and the Knox County Sheriff's Office and

the Knoxville Police Department to be reviewed every year. He stated that the current MOU has not been reviewed since 2009. It is his opinion that an up to date MOU would have a definite effect on reducing disparities in educational outcomes. He also urged that the juvenile justice system be reviewed.

The superintendent search committee meets again on February 21. Amber Rountree stated that at that meeting criteria will be developed that will be used to select the final applicants. The committee will also be discussing answers that candidates gave to the interview questions and the psychological testing. The committee

will meet again on February 28 to narrow the list down to two members to be presented to the board.

Gary Dupler, deputy law director for Knox County, stated that any suggestions school board members have for the superintendent selection committee be forwarded either to Terri Coatney, executive assistant to the board, or Thomas. Then all suggestions could be forwarded to the committee.

In response to a question Dupler replied that interested board members will be able to view video answers to interview questions and psychological testing on an individual bases the same as committee members.

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Complete Tennessee meets with local educators

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Educators, business people and other citizens met Wednesday afternoon at Pellissippi State University's Hardin Valley Campus to hear from Complete Tennessee about efforts to get 55% of the state's population to obtain a college degree by 2025.

Complete Tennessee is a non-profit group working to improve the scores and proficiency of high school graduates and to continue that effort through state, private or community colleges and other advanced training. Pellissippi President Anthony Wise introduced the speakers including Randy Boyd, former Tennessee Commissioner of Economy and Human Development.

Boyd said that the governor's Tennessee Promise has encouraged 38,000 students to enter college. He also stated that when he speaks with businesses considering locating in the Volunteer State he often hears questions about the workforce available.



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Former Tennessee Commissioner Randy Boyd speaks to educators during the recent Complete Tennessee visit to Knoxville.

Dr. Kenyatta Lovett, of Complete Tennessee, said the Knoxville meeting is the 4th of 9 scheduled "listening tours" and said the regional effort is centered in Knoxville. He said that 55% of the jobs by 2025 will require a degree.

"We want to hear from you," he told the audience.

"Lots of students are not ready," he said of high school graduates. He also said that enrolling students

fear the "hidden curriculum" of registration, loans, etc.

Kaci Murley of Complete Tennessee went over regional information about graduation from high school and said that although 92% finish only 59% go on to college.

"Tennessee is the first state in the country to have free access to college; we want to continue that commitment," she said.

Several other Complete Tennessee representatives spoke and the audience was given a four question handout they were asked to complete and submit back to the group. The questions included how to keep students in school, opportunities available locally or anything else that would help, adults in higher learning and how industry and higher education interrelate.

Nominations sought for City's Business Advisory Council

Know someone who understands what local businesses need? Would that person have the perspective and business knowhow to suggest ways that City government can help make it easier for entrepreneurs to get up and running? Would that person enjoy learning about the different City departments and become a liaison between the business community and the City?

The City's Office of Business Support is seeking nominations for its Business Advisory Council, or BAC.

Members of the BAC will serve in an advisory and partnership capacity to promote regular and open communication between City government and the business community. The BAC aims to provide advice and feedback to the Office of Business Support; to bring issues and concerns related to doing business in and with the City of Knoxville to the attention of the City administration; to propose responses and solutions to address these concerns; and to serve as a sounding board for City initiatives and proposals affecting the business community.

The Business Advisory Council increases participants' understanding of the City's business-development tools and functions, allowing members to direct other business owners to available resources. The BAC should be broadly representative of the business community and made up of a diverse group of business owners.

Twelve business owners will serve on the BAC for two years and will meet every other month. The new BAC will begin meeting in August 2017.

To nominate a business owner, mentor or advocate, please contact Patricia Robledo, Business Liaison, Office of Business Support, by calling 865-215-3155 or emailing probledo@knoxvilletn.gov.

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The League of Women Voters will also be present.

One of the 22 workshops during the annual conference will be "How to Run for

City Council" and moderated by Rynn Dupes of the League. Panelists include Councilman Finbarr Saunders, Cassandra McGee Stuart of the Election Commission, and Gary Drinnen, a campaign consultant.

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Our Neighborhoods

Our iconic sites and signs

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If you're new to Knoxville and Knox County you may wonder about some of the signs and local businesses that seem out-of-time but strangely curious. From one end to the other our city and county have those places that just keep echoing our earlier history.

In West Knox County, at Dixie Lee Junction, there's the empty Court Diner. There for years all types of people came for lunch or just to visit.

Along East Emory Road near the county line is a drive-in movie sign. The drive-in was never there and someone bought the sign and relocated it to their roadside farm.

Clinton Highway, just north of the Walmart Shopping Center, still is home to the Airplane Service Station, which is being preserved and now is the home of John York's Barber Shop. Back in November the original propeller was added to the nose of the plane.

North Central has the historic Freeze-O Sign and Magpie's Bakery features life-sized magpies on its awning.

The mid-century type old Diner Car at the corner of Summit Hill and Central in the Old City, former home of Enterprise Rental Car, is being renovated and will be the home of Merchants of Beer (MOB) and feature local breweries.

The Magnolia Avenue area, including Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, has an original Kay's Ice Cream sign. There's a real Kay's Ice Cream located in South Knoxville with the same "big cone" sign. The East Knoxville neighborhood also has the iconic Drive In Pizza Place and Chandler's Deli



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Magpie's Bakery on North Central has a unique awning with stylized birds. The story is that a group of magpies is good luck.

signs.

Near Chilhowee Park on Magnolia (or Andrew Johnson Highway) is an old sign for Indian Cave. The former commercial cave has been closed for several years but the sign remains, possibly in violation of the city's new ordinance dealing with abandoned signs.

The renovated and huge JFG sign overlooks the city from the south side of the river, reminding people of that brand's history here.

Far west on Kingston Pike is the 11-70 Motor Court sign, a throw-back to the early days of auto

travel when the road there was the Dixie-Lee Highway.

Downtown Knoxville has a huge number of painted walls, although new sign regulations prohibit new large ad signs on businesses. You'll see old and restored signs for Sterchi's, JFG, cola ads, and other paintings here and there, some peeking out from behind or above neighboring buildings that were constructed after the signs were painted.

Mural and graffiti lovers will find lots downtown as well. On 6th Avenue, beneath the interstate, are two paintings for the two joining neighborhoods, Old

North Knoxville and 4th and Gill. A train mural is on Central Avenue in Old City, a music history mural on Jackson Avenue, and there's a Graffiti Wall just off Gay near Market Square.

Students at UT keep things visual with continual painting on "The Rock" there and you never know what you might see on that old boulder.

Knox County is spotted here and there with odd buildings and homes, some from the 1880s and others from the mid-century. There are lots of things to wonder about within the county and other places that are just plain curious.



From State Representative Harry Brooks

The bill deadline was last week and over 1,400 bills were filed in the House alone. As I'm sure many of you are aware, one of the more significant issues the General Assembly is considering this year is a proposed gas tax increase to address transportation and infrastructure needs in the state. Our Highway Fund is primarily funded through our gasoline and diesel taxes, neither of which has been raised since the late 1980's. Since then, when the rate was raised to 21 cents per gallon of gasoline, the value of that 21 cents has fallen to 11 cents. We currently have a backlog of roughly \$10.5 billion in approved and needed road projects. As part of the IMPROVE Act unveiled at the State of the State, Governor Haslam has proposed increasing the gas tax 7 cents and the diesel tax 12 cents per gallon, with all new revenue going only to address our transportation needs. The Governor's plan also proposes over 200 million in tax cuts, including a half percent reduction on the state groceries tax.

While the IMPROVE Act has been the most visible proposal to address our state's transportation needs, alternatives have recently been presented by different members of the General Assembly. House Republican leaders Rep. David Hawk and Rep. Glen Casada have presented an alternative plan to fund the backlog of road projects without raising the gas tax. Under their proposal, a quarter of one percent of our state sales tax would be diverted to the Highway Fund. Another option to pay for the needed and approved transportation projects was announced by Democrats Rep. John Ray Clemmons and Senator Sara Kyle. Their plan,

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Neighbors oppose halfway house

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The Metropolitan Planning Commissions unanimous approval of a zoning change for an Ebenezer Avenue property that may allow a legal use there for a halfway house for women isn't the final say on the issue. Members of the Council of West Knox County Homeowners, Inc. continue to oppose the application for Mandala House Recovery

The rezoning isn't on the Knox County Commission's agenda for February 27 but is expected to

go to them during their March 27 meeting.

The Council represents a dozen or more homeowners groups and is headed by Margot Kline. She told The Focus that the association wasn't represented during the zoning hearing because she received a voice message from a MPC commissioner in a reply to a letter she had written that the request would be tabled.

Instead the request, for OB (office), was passed unanimously by the planners. The attorney for applicant, Joyce Webb,

emphasized that the request was only for zoning and indicated the owners know of community opposition.

"We opposed the rezoning, not sober/transitional living housing. There's a great need for this type of housing considering the number of people who are addicted to opiates in this region," Kline said.

"Clearly this is a huge problem and we will see more and more centers like Mandala House. These are not halfway houses, though, and that needs to be

defined differently than halfway houses," she told The Focus.

In her letter to the planning commission she said the county does not currently have an ordinance dealing with halfway houses. She said the property is next to a Knox County owned park and that it is more than a mile from public transportation.

She charged that Mandala has been operating illegally for the last 11 months in a zone where it is not allowed. She's calling on probation of halfway houses in

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Just one more time

Mother Nature discovered that we humans were much too happy with the balmy temperatures occurring in January. She sent a surge of cold air back through the south the next



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month just to remind us what season it actually was and to dampen our spirits. It's on these cold mornings that I remember life as a child. More to the point, I recall the breakfast menus that we had at home.

Mother had a job each day of making sure three boys were out of bed. Jim was not such an easy one to awaken, so Mother would speak to me and instruct me to "wake up your brother." During our early years, we ran barefooted across wood floors to the coal stove in the living room. There we would dress quickly because the

house never warmed by that one stove.

We'd make our ways to the kitchen afterwards. Most mornings the only light that was on was the one on the top of the stove.

The oven was warming, and we stood in front of it to thaw out just a bit. Before she went to the one bathroom in our house to get ready for work, she'd made breakfast of some kind.

Oatmeal was always good to start the day. We dumped half a truckload of sugar and a boulder of butter into the stuff and stirred it together. Before long, the sugar rush hit, and we bounced around the house for the rest of the morning. Little did we know that in a short time the sugar would be gone and that we'd crash and burn.

Sometimes, Mother made cream of wheat for breakfast. No matter how hard she worked, the gruel always had lumps.

We'd dish out a helping of it and once again add sugar and butter. However, no amount of additives ever dissolved the clots in our bowls. We ate around them or held our breaths before biting into one of those disgusting things.

The best weekday breakfast item was cinnamon toast. Mother spread butter on each slice of white bread and the topped them with cinnamon and spoons of brown sugar. After a few minutes under the broiler, the toast was ready. I still remember the taste but, for some reason, haven't been able to recreate it during my adult years.

On weekends, breakfast became a feast. Mother took the time on Saturday mornings to fry bacon or link sausages. Then she'd mix up a bowl of batter and cook stacks of pancakes. Even better, sometimes she pulled out a big, heavy contraption and made waffles for us. The taste of those waffles has never been reproduced anywhere.

We'd take our mounds

of food to the table and "doctor" them. Sometimes, we turned the bottle upside down and wait as a small river of white Karo syrup oozed over the pancakes. Not until a few years later did we ever taste dark syrup. On occasion, one of us would retrieve a jar of homemade blackberry jelly from the refrigerator. Globbs of the stuff were dumped onto plates, and then they were slathered over every inch of pancake.

These days, breakfast is much healthier. Amy and I eat eggs with a couple of slices of bacon. On some mornings, we simply grab a bowl of cereal before heading out the door. Yes, on rare occasions, we even make a run to Hardee's for something. None of it equals the wonderful tastes of things Mother prepared that remain in my memory. I suppose the dash of love that she added to breakfast items made them so good, and maybe one day, I'll see her again and ask if she has time to make me a stack of waffles ...just one more time.

The joyous gift of grandparents

That's the name of a little book I recently received.



Rosie's
World

And here is the introduction for that book:

"A woman and her granddaughter were spending time together one day. As often happened the little girl was plying her grandma with

questions. Suddenly, with a very serious tone the girl asked, "Grandma, what happens when you die?"

The woman explained to the best of her ability, but the girl only looked at her in wonder. "Does that mean you won't be here with me anymore?" she asked.

The grandmother nodded and said, "Yes, that is true."

"Does that mean you won't be able to bake cookies with me anymore?" asked the girl.

"Yes," said the grandmother, "it's true."

"Does that mean you won't be able to teach me to sew anymore?"

"Yes," said the woman, "it is true."

"Does it mean you won't be able to take me shopping anymore?"

"Yes," said Grandma, "it is true".

"Well," said the girl, "who will do those things, if you are not here?"

The woman responded, "Honey, when that time comes, it will be time for you to do those things for another little girl."

The book went on to say, "yes, the time will come for the next generation to pass it on. Which brings to mind another thought-what will they have from our generation to pass on to the next? What are we leaving

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HB1243, would raise the gas tax by 5 cents and the diesel tax by 9 cents, without including any offsetting cuts.

As we study the details of all the possible plans and work to discover the best option for our state,

I would like to encourage my constituents, and all Tennesseans, to make yourself familiar with the educational tools offered by the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT). TDOT has recently unveiled the Statewide Project Overview Tracker (SPOT).

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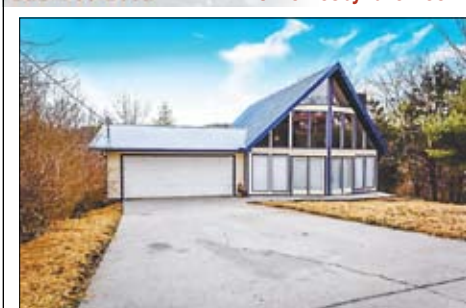
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Another program I want to share with you was recently announced by the Tennessee Housing Development Agency. They have created the Hardest Hit Fund Down Payment Assistance Program to assist homebuyers that want to purchase a home in a neighborhood that was economically hit the hardest and is recovering more slowly compared to other areas across the

state. The program provides qualified applicants with a \$15,000 loan that can be completely forgiven after ten years. This initiative is available in fifty-five targeted ZIP Codes located in thirty Tennessee counties, including ZIP Codes 37924 and 37721 in District 19.

In order to continue our legislative tracking, I want to provide you with an update on HB269. Last week the bill was assigned to the House Business and Utilities Subcommittee. This week I chose to defer any action on the bill to February 21, 2017. This was done to ensure the legislators have ample time

to study the details of the bill and all the implications it will have if it is passed. You can track bills and see more about the schedule at www.capitol.tn.gov

As always, please contact me if I can be of any assistance to you in any way. I love to hear from constituents, and I value the information and opinions you share. My office number is (615) 741-6879, and if you would like to reach me on the weekends my home phone number is (865) 687-5987. It is an honor to serve you and the great state of Tennessee in this capacity.

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Pages from the Past



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Many people are under the misapprehension colleagues of the same party representing the same state in the United States Senate are close friends, or at least friendly. Oftentimes that is not the case. There is frequently a rivalry between colleagues representing the same state, especially amongst those colleagues of the same party. According to the Senate Historian's office, there are numerous examples of Senate colleagues from the same state that positively loathed one another. Senator Styles Bridges and Senator Charles W. Tobey represented New Hampshire and neither would speak to the other. Bridges was deeply conservative, while Tobey was a fire-breathing Baptist who also happened to be a liberal Republican. More recently, Olympia Snowe and Susan Collins represented Maine in the United States Senate. Referred to as "the sisters" by many of their colleagues, the two were both Republicans and apparently detested one another.

Estes Kefauver and Albert Gore both represented Tennessee in the United States Senate and both were liberal Democrats, yet there was a bit of a rivalry between the two. Personal ambitions sometimes caused a clash and both were candidates for the Democratic vice presidential nomination in 1956 along with another young senator from Massachusetts, John F. Kennedy. The rivalry between Kefauver and his senior colleague Kenneth D. McKellar was anything but friendly.

Estes Kefauver had come to the Senate in 1949, after having been elected over incumbent Tom Stewart in 1948. Senators Stewart and McKellar had gotten along quite well. In fact, McKellar had handpicked Stewart to run in 1938. Unfortunately, E. H. Crump, leader of the Shelby County political machine, had decided not to support Stewart again in 1948. Crump had been mortified in 1942 when Stewart had required a healthy majority from Shelby County to win renomination. Some of Crump's underlings had been whispering into the Memphis Boss's ear and Crump announced in December of 1947 that he would not back Senator Stewart. McKellar had tried to change Crump's mind, without success. Crump opted to support an obscure judge from Cookeville, John A. Mitchell, for the senatorial nomination. The Memphis Boss had not even met Judge Mitchell before deciding to support him. McKellar cautioned Crump that he did not think Mitchell could win and the judge's candidacy might lead to the election of Estes Kefauver, a prospect that horrified him. Evidently, Crump expected Senator Stewart to meekly withdraw once it became obvious the

Memphis machine would not support him. Stewart defiantly announced he would run again, with or without Crump's support. McKellar's prediction proved to be accurate; Estes Kefauver was able to win the Democratic nomination in a three-way race. Had Crump stuck with Stewart, the senator would have surely won.

McKellar had come to the United States Senate in 1917, the first person ever to be elected by the people. Prior to McKellar's election in 1916, senators had been elected by the state legislature. McKellar was the longest serving senator in Tennessee's history, a record that remains unbroken to this day. Senator McKellar occupied the chairmanship of the powerful Appropriations Committee and was a member of the Democratic Steering Committee, which parceled out committee assignments for Democratic senators. McKellar was also President Pro Tempore of the Senate, a largely ceremonial post usually held by the Senate's most senior member. K. D. McKellar was one of the Senate's ruling barons when Estes Kefauver arrived as a mere freshman.

Kefauver had begun his political career affiliated with the political organization headed by Senator McKellar when he had served in the Cabinet of Governor Prentice Cooper. McKellar had campaigned for Kefauver when he ran for Congress in a 1939 special election following the death of Congressman Sam D. McReynolds. Over time, driven by his own ambition for advancement, as well as a strongly liberal bent, Kefauver drifted away from his political moorings. Kefauver had seriously considered running against McKellar in 1946 and spent months planning a campaign. After it became clear that the old senator remained a highly popular figure and a formidable political force in Tennessee, Kefauver opted to seek reelection to his seat in the House instead. McKellar jealously guarded his prerogatives and as a bachelor, his entire life centered around his service in the United States Senate. The old senator's dislike for Estes Kefauver turned to loathing.

Kefauver had opposed McKellar when the senator had been feuding with Tennessee Valley Authority Chairman David Lilienthal. At the beginning, Kefauver had supported Senator McKellar against Lilienthal over constructing dams in Tennessee. When Lilienthal appeared before the Senate Appropriations Committee, Estes Kefauver was standing beside him, a fact that caused Senator McKellar's face to turn dark crimson. As Senator McKellar spoke on the Senate floor on behalf of his amendment

to require that TVA pay its proceeds into the national treasury rather than keep it in the Tennessee Valley Authority's revolving fund, Estes Kefauver sat beside David Lilienthal in the Senate Gallery. According to Kefauver's biographer, Charles Fontenay, a shaken Lilienthal looked at the Congressman and sighed, "'Well, Estes, he licked us,'" when the Senate adopted the McKellar amendment. "Not yet, he didn't" Kefauver replied.

Kefauver spoke on the floor of the House against the McKellar amendment and to the old senator's wrath, the full House defeated it.

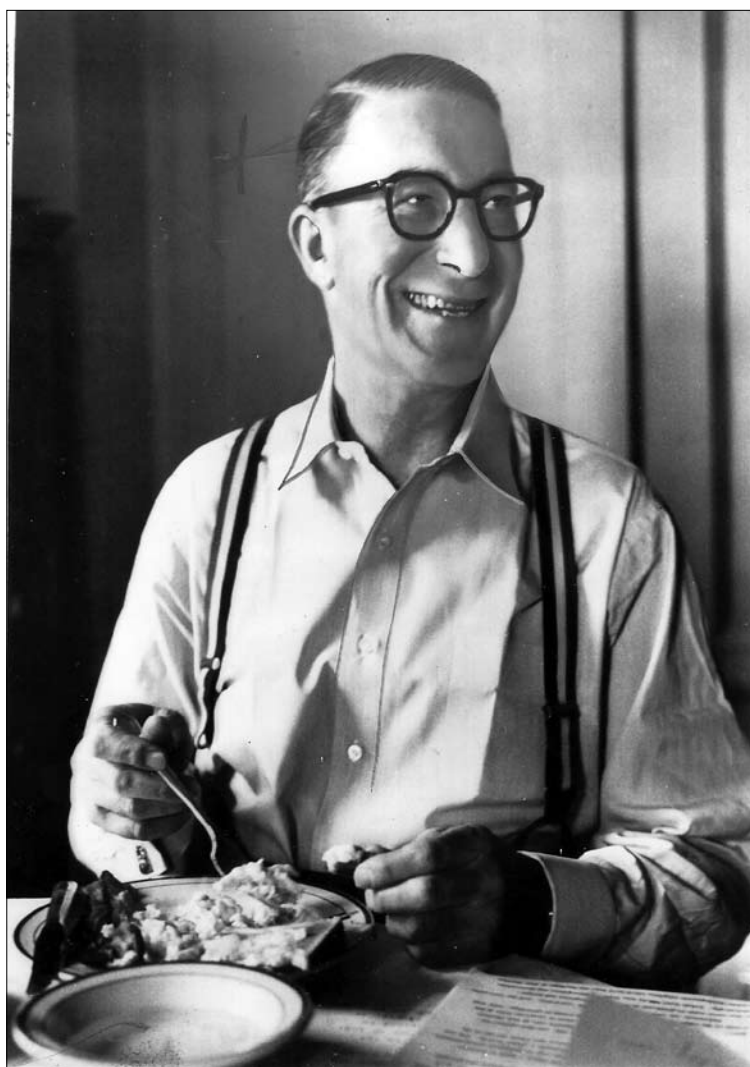
Yet when the TVA coalition in the House could not fight off legislation that would have crippled the Tennessee Valley Authority, it was the vast power of McKellar in the United States Senate that saved the agency.

McKellar's personal regard for Kefauver had never been especially high. McKellar wrote Crump following the 1944 Democratic National Convention, noting the Tennessee delegation had worked together well, except for Kefauver who the senator said "objected to everything". McKellar chortled to the Memphis Boss that Kefauver "had caused some laughter when he claimed Thomas Jefferson as a Tennessee President." Senator McKellar concluded, "he is about as stupid as they make them."

K. D. McKellar's opinion of Estes Kefauver did not rise; if anything, it plummeted.

Once Kefauver won the senatorial nomination, McKellar, ever the loyal Democrat, endorsed the entire ticket, despite the fact the senator intensely disliked both Kefauver and gubernatorial nominee Gordon Browning. McKellar also backed Harry Truman, while E. H. Crump bolted the Democratic Party to support States' Rights candidate Strom Thurmond.

Estes Kefauver had not even taken his seat in the United States Senate when the stuff hit the fan. A man closely associated with Kefauver approached McKellar while the senator was having his lunch at the Mayflower Hotel, where he lived while in Washington. The fellow sat down at McKellar's table without an invitation and quickly wondered if the senator would object to he and Kefauver selecting the U. S. Attorney for Middle Tennessee. Evidently the gentleman had little or no knowledge of Kenneth D. McKellar and seemed surprised when the senator vehemently objected to the notion of anyone else making appointments in Tennessee. McKellar promptly roundly cursed out the hapless would-be politician and when he returned to his Senate office, he dictated a blistering seven-page letter to Kefauver. McKellar related the sequence of events, detailed the history of the 1948 campaign and pointed out Kefauver had done little or nothing to support President Truman's own election campaign. Worse still, McKellar pointed to the fact Kefauver



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Senator Estes Kefauver stopping for a bite while campaigning in New Jersey in 1956.

had already recommended a Republican for a post in Memphis, which was an indication Kefauver had believed Republican Thomas E. Dewey would be the next president. McKellar cited numerous instances of what he considered to be Kefauver's perfidy and repeated that the Congressman had assured him Kefauver wanted to cooperate with him. McKellar snapped that apparently Kefauver's idea of cooperation was to leave the "co" to him while the Congressman did all the "operating".

As Senator McKellar dictated his vitriolic letter, Congressman Kefauver sent word he wished to see him. McKellar noted in his letter Kefauver's request and assured the Congressman he was welcome to come, but thought Kefauver should "have the facts" before arriving. McKellar had his screed hand delivered by special messenger.

Evidently Kefauver was able to calm the famous McKellar temper, but only briefly. McKellar agreed to support Kefauver for a place on the Senate Judiciary Committee, but it was not long before the two were wrangling over political patronage in Tennessee. McKellar had dominated appointments and patronage in Tennessee for decades. His power was enormous and the senator and Cordell Hull had even managed to install a Tennessean as the territorial governor of Hawaii on one occasion. McKellar was enraged when President Truman refused to reappoint Reed Sharp as U. S. Marshall for the Middle Tennessee district. Truman appointed Larry Morphis, who had been recommended by Kefauver. It was a rare victory for Senator Kefauver. Kefauver had strongly objected to former senator Tom Stewart being appointed counsel for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in Nashville, an appointment strongly recommended by Senator McKellar. Kefauver's victories were far and few in between. McKellar won virtually every other squabble.

Kefauver was especially appalled when he sought an appointment with President Truman for boys visiting Washington, D. C. from the

prestigious McCallie School from Kefauver's home city of Chattanooga. The White House replied it would not be possible to arrange such an appointment for the youngsters. The headmaster wisely and quickly appealed to Senator McKellar, who personally telephoned the White House and an appointment was promptly arranged. The young men were able to shake the hand of the President of the United States and have their photograph taken with Harry Truman. It was a profound embarrassment to Estes Kefauver, as well as a demonstration of the power and prestige of McKellar.

The two Tennessee senators fought bitterly over a new judgeship for Tennessee. Kefauver preferred a "roving" judge, while McKellar supported another judgeship for East Tennessee. Although a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Kefauver's own bill was rebuffed by his fellow committee members. Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, was a warm personal friend of McKellar, and he was clearly sympathetic to the senior senator from Tennessee. Kefauver had to sit by sheepishly as McKellar's bill sailed through the Judiciary Committee. Senator Kefauver stubbornly fought McKellar's bill on the Senate floor. The eighty-one year old senator responded by putting on a full show of the McKellar repertoire. The full Senate overwhelmingly backed McKellar.

Senator McKellar's continued domination of patronage in Tennessee rankled Kefauver, who constantly complained to President Truman. Kefauver demanded the president use his patronage powers to help "build up a progressive real Democratic party in Tennessee." Highly irritated, Truman snarled it was not his "job to straighten out factional fights in every State in the Union."

Truman had served for ten years in the United States Senate with Kenneth D. McKellar. Truman knew of McKellar's power in the Senate and when he had assumed the presidency following the death of Franklin Roosevelt, the little man from

Missouri had invited Senator McKellar to sit in on Cabinet meetings. Truman did not especially like McKellar personally, which apparently the senator did not know. McKellar's brother, Don, was his Chief of Staff and Don McKellar was a friend of Truman's and admired him. Don died in December of 1945 and his widow, Janice, employed by Senator McKellar as one of his secretaries, remained very fond of the president. However much he may not have liked Kenneth McKellar personally, Harry Truman shared the Tennessean's intense dislike of Kefauver, whom he privately derided as "Cowfever."

Estes Kefauver was one of the first modern politicians to understand the effectiveness of television. When he headed a special crime investigating committee that traveled all across the United States, those hearings were televised, riveting millions of Americans to their television sets. Those same hearings produced some highly embarrassing revelations for well-placed Democrats. When the Kefauver Committee interviewed a fellow promptly labeled "the world's richest cop" by the press, it had disastrous results for the Democratic ticket in Illinois. Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas represented Illinois and had begged Kefauver to delay his hearing until after the 1950 elections. Lucas was hard pressed in his reelection bid by former Congressman Everett McKinley Dirksen. The "world's richest cop" also just happened to be the Democratic nominee for Sheriff of Cook County. He was soundly defeated and Scott Lucas lost his Senate seat. Lucas hated Estes Kefauver for the rest of his life.

Harry Truman was dismayed by Kefauver's refusal and thought the Tennessee senator was driven, not by a sense of duty, but by personal ambition and a love of publicity. Kefauver entered the 1952 New Hampshire presidential primary and beat Truman. The president later announced he was not seeking reelection, but Harry Truman was adamant to keep Estes Kefauver from being nominated. Adlai Stevenson emerged from the Democratic National Convention as the nominee.

That same year saw Senator Kenneth McKellar run for an unprecedented seventh term. Eighty-three years old, increasingly frail and ailing, McKellar lost to forty-four year old Congressman Albert Gore. McKellar retired to Memphis and died in 1957.

Estes Kefauver would remain in the United States Senate until his own death in 1963. Kefauver, unlike McKellar, would never be a Senate insider. Senator Kefauver was disliked by many of his colleagues and his service in the Senate had been colored by K. D. McKellar's original hostility to his junior colleague.

The joyous gift of grandparents

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behind which will be important enough to pass on to the next generation? It's a challenge....but will our generation pass along life principles that are so important they will not be discarded by the next? Let's keep at it and not give up."

Some more thoughts: A grandmother is a babysitter who watches the kids instead of the television. (unknown).

God gave us memories that we might have roses in December. (Sir James M. Barrie)

To know the road ahead--ask those coming back. (Chinese proverb).

It's such a grand thing to be a mother of a mother--that's why the world calls her grandmother. (Unknown).

Wear a smile and have friends; wear a scowl and have wrinkles. (George Eliot).

When my mother's first grandchild was born, she moaned and groaned, "but I'm too young to be a grandmother." When that grandchild's child was born, she didn't say a word. She said later, "I feel so blessed." And I feel truly blessed. This year I will have my twenty-seventh great-grandchild!

Thought for the day: The great gift of family life is to be intimately acquainted with people you might never even introduced yourself had life not done it for you. Kendall Hailey--An American writer

Send comments to rosemerrie@att.net or call 865-748-4717. Thank you.



Picture of Carl and Hattie Luttrell in the buggy pulled by one of their good horses used to deliver the mail, courtesy of Rada Simmons Rolison and Sylvia Simmons Babelay.

Back When (Part 3)

The question was asked by his grandson in an e-mail. "Do you remember what kind/model of car you had to travel back and forth to your grandparents' house?" Navigating through keystrokes and clicks on his computer, the grandfather answered:

"My Luttrell grandparents (Amos C. and Margaret) lived four miles from Luttrell House, down the graveled Washington Pike in the Ritta Community. Frequent trips were needed between their 44-acre farm and our 30-acre farm. Before Dad (Carl Luttrell) bought his first Model T Ford Touring Car in the early 1920s, trips would be by a one-horse buggy, a farm wagon pulled by a team of horses, or, at times riding one of the farm horses as a saddle horse. On rare occasions one might walk--a child would never walk it alone." Then he added, "with that I could consider your question answered, but feel motivated to write more."

How fortunate that the late



By Ralphine Major
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Woodrow Luttrell did write more about his childhood. He described a much different life than we know today, one that most readers know only through books or movies. His remarkable account of life in the early 1900s continues with a focus on their means of transportation.

"Our team of horses, Molly and Prince, were used as saddle horses, buggy horses, and farm horses. When traveling by buggy and having the horse go in a trot part of the way required only about fifteen minutes for the trip. When going by wagon, the trip was usually to haul machinery, feed, farm equipment, small farm tools, and the like. That would take longer. At times, the trip would be made by wagon just to use the team for work on Grandpa's farm. The thin-rimmed tires on the buggy and wagon wheels were made of iron, fashioned and mounted by a blacksmith. Those made a very noticeable sound and a somewhat bumpy

ride on the graveled road," he wrote. This writer is still trying to imagine Washington Pike as a graveled road!

"Grandpa had a two-seated hack, larger than a buggy," Woodrow continued. Items could be hauled with it by removing the back seat. It had a top and an upright splash board providing some protection from the weather. "Grandpa's team was a beautiful pair of well-matched small mules named Maude and Sally," Woodrow wrote. "He would make the trip to Luttrell House and used the hack and team to go to church and most other places."

At about age three or four, Woodrow went with his Grandpa to Knoxville--almost a full day's trip. "He dressed up in his Sunday suit, shoes, and hat; and Grandma had him take a supply of eggs and butter to a store on the way and trade for some supplies," Woodrow recalled. In Knoxville, the team and hack were cared for at a Livery Stable on Vine Street. "That's about all I remember about the trip," he added, "except he bought some candy for me to eat along the way." (To be continued)

Neighbors oppose halfway house

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the county until new standards are created by the MPC and approved.

The Mandala House Recovery is operated by Dr. W. Holland, Hollie Evans and Summer Woods. The company lists itself as a non-profit, spiritually-based transition house for women. The address listed on the re-zoning request is 725 Ebenezer Road but the Facebook page lists 717 Ebenezer as the address.

Attorney Jared Garceau

spoke to the MPC on behalf of the applicant and said the facility is not a halfway house but a recovery center for women. In a response for a statement Garceau said, "Procedurally, the Metropolitan Planning Commission unanimously voted on February 9, 2017, to recommend approval of our zoning request from Transitional to OB (Office, Medical and Related Uses). The rezoning request will now go to the Knox County Commission for a final vote at the end of March."

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Bredwood's double duty leads Vine boys to championship

By Steve Williams

Vine, equipped with an effective box-and-one defense and a resilient attitude, defeated top-seeded Powell 37-28 to capture the boys' championship in the annual Knox County Middle School basketball tournament Thursday night.

The Golden Bears, who won only three games last season, erased a six-point deficit with an 11-point run to end the third period and withstood the Panthers' comeback bid down the stretch at Karns' Thomas L. Duff Memorial Gymnasium.

Defensive specialist Izaiah Bredwood not only blanketed Powell standout point guard J.R. Jones from start to finish, he also led Vine's

scoring with 12 points. A.J. Pruitt added nine points, Ahija Washington six and Javaree Roebuck five.

Vine, the tourney's No. 3 seed, finished with a 22-3 record.

"It's been a long year," said second-year head coach Jerel Heyward. "I want to dedicate this win to our kids. My kids have been through a lot this year off the court. They found a way to bond together even when there were a lot of things against us. It shows what you can do when you do honest hard work and keep a good level head."

"And this win is for our entire community. It's not just for the kids. You saw all that support we had out

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Vine Middle School's boys basketball team celebrates its 2017 Knox County Tournament Championship. The third-seeded Golden Bears outlasted Powell in the title game while the Panthers won the regular-season championship.

Big first half propels Lady Admirals to tourney title

By Ken Lay

Farragut Middle School's girls basketball team completed a rare double Thursday night.

The Lady Admirals, who won the Knox County Middle School Basketball Conference regular-season championship, claimed the James A Ivey Jr. Memorial Middle School Basketball Tournament when they defeated Carter 44-33 before a packed house at Karns Middle School's Thomas L. Duff Memorial Gymnasium.

Farragut (18-3) started fast and opened a 12-2 lead by first quarter's end and surrendered just six points to the second-seeded Lady Hornets over the first 12 minutes of the contest.

"We played pretty good defense," Lady Admirals coach Susan Davidson said. "Our girls have really grown up. They've matured defensively and we were able to beat a really physical, really well-coached team."

"[Carter coach Bronson Parker] does a great job with his team and they'll be right back up there near the top again next season."

Farragut's defense stifled



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

Carter's Sydney Hurst goes one on one against Halls' Leah Beeler in semifinal action of the Knox County Middle School basketball tournament at Karns last week. Carter advanced but bowed to Farragut in the finals.

the Lady Hornets before halftime. Carter managed just one field goal in the first two quarters and the Lady Admirals nearly had a shutout in the first quarter.

The Lady Hornets finally

got on the scoreboard when Reagan Trumm knocked down a pair of free throws to make the score 12-2 with 20.6 seconds remaining in the opening frame. She also made Carter's only field goal of the opening half.

That came in the second stanza.

The Lady Hornets got their only other offensive production over the first 12 minutes came from a pair of second quarter foul

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Middle School bonus coverage

There will be more coverage of Knox County Middle School basketball in The Knoxville Focus' Feb. 27 issue.

The All-Knox County Middle School boys and girls teams for the 2016-17 season will be recognized plus other awards and more!

It should be UT's easiest hire in athletics in 40 years

In 1977 University of Tennessee chancellor Jack Reese had a little fun with the media when he introduced Johnny Majors, one of the Vols' all-time greats, as Tennessee's new head football coach.

"Ladies and gentlemen, after an extensive nationwide search," said Reese, with a slight grin sneaking out over his face, "I'm pleased to have a small part in welcoming Coach Majors ..."

Laughter rippled through the gathering of press members as Majors, who had guided Pittsburgh to the 1976 national championship not long before then, made his way to the podium.

That was 40 years ago, and UT hasn't had an easier hire to make in its athletic department since then, until now.

(Holly replacing Pat was certainly expected, but I'm not counting it due to the sad events leading to that opening)

The only tough thing about the much talked about hiring of today – the selection of a new athletic director – is there are two excellent candidates to choose from. David Blackburn and Phillip Fulmer also are UT guys, the first prerequisite for the position, as far as Volunteer fans are concerned.

There was no need for a search firm, not at all.

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Big first half propels Lady Admirals to tourney title

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shots from Sydney Hurst. “Our guards played great defense tonight,” Davidson said. “Reagan and Sydney are both great players.” The Lady Admirals and Lady Hornets slugged through a third quarter where their respective defenses took center stage. Farragut and Carter each managed to manufacture nine points in the period and the Lady Admirals held a 29-15 lead heading to the final six minutes. The Lady Hornets pulled to within 39-28 when Emily Irwin scored with 1 minute, 15 seconds remaining. But the Lady Hornets couldn’t come any closer. Davidson commended Carter for its effort. “They’re a good team and they play hard,” she said of the Lady Hornets. “You knew that they were

going to make their run and they did. “If we didn’t manage to put them in such a big hole in the first half, we’re probably not talking about this right now. They scored 18 points in the fourth quarter. We scored 15, so they won that fourth quarter.” While Carter struggled out of the gate, Farragut had no trouble finding its stroke. Avery “Ace” Strickland scored 19 points and was named the tournament’s Most Valuable Player. Seventh grader Ashlynn Sheridan added 10 for the Lady Admirals, who won both the regular-season and tournament championships for the first time since 2001. Farragut outrebounded Carter 27-19. “We did a good job on the boards,” Davidson said. Trumm led the Lady

Hornets with 13 points while Hurst added 10. **Powell topples Halls in third-place game:** Keeliegh Rogers scored 11 points and Cayden Baker added 10 to lead the fourth-seeded Lady Panthers to a 41-17 victory over the sixth-seeded Lady Demons. Powell led 22-15 at halftime before putting the defensive clamps on Halls after the break. The Lady Demons held their Emory Road rivals to just two points (and no field goals) over the final 12 minutes of the contest, Macy Kirby had nine points to lead the Lady Demons. All of her offense came in the first half. She made three 3-pointers and three free throws but was saddled with foul trouble in the game. She was called for four fouls before



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

The Farragut High School girls basketball team celebrates its tournament title. The Lady Admirals won both the regular-season and tournament championships for the first time since 2001.

halftime. **All-Tournament Team:** Joining Strickland on the all-tournament team were: Sheridan and Macy Barnes from Farragut. Trumm and Hurst were selected from the Lady Hornets. Halls was represented by Kirby and Brook Cox. Powell also had two selections in Rogers and Savanna Parker.

Ludwig to play football at Kentucky Christian

By Ken Lay

Powell High School middle linebacker Eric Ludwig will continue playing football in college. He made that official when he signed a National Letter of Intent to play for Kentucky Christian University Wednesday in a ceremony in the Powell High School auditorium. The NAIA school is located in Grayson, a small town similar to the Powell Community. “I loved the small-town

atmosphere,” said Ludwig, who also had an offer from Maryville College. “It reminds me of Powell and I really enjoyed the small classes. “It’s also strong in its Christianity and it was everything I wanted and it was where I wanted to be.” While Ludwig loves his hometown, he was ready to leave to play football. “I love Powell and I never want to get out of Powell” he said. “But I wanted to leave to play football. It’s about

three-and-a-half hours away. It’s close enough that my parents can come and see me play but I wanted to be far enough away from home for a while.” While at Grayson, Ludwig said that he will be pursuing a degree in education. His future plans are to become a special education teacher. That too, is a lifelong dream. “I want to teach special education,” Ludwig said. “I’ve been a peer tutor since I was in the sixth grade.”



Powell High School senior Eric Ludwig recently signed to play football at Kentucky Christian University. Ludwig was a three-year varsity player and middle linebacker for the Panthers.

Rebels to return to Region 2-AAA Tournament

By Ken Lay

West High School boys basketball coach Chris Kesler issued a challenge to his seniors Tuesday night and they responded. “We challenged our seniors because for most of them, this won’t just be the end of their season, it will be the end of their career,” Kesler said. The Rebels (15-15) not only defeated Lenoir City Tuesday night to keep their season alive in the opening round of the District 4-AAA Tournament at Hardin Valley Academy. “We told them that they had to win or go home,” Kesler said. “We told them that there was no tomorrow. We told them that they had to decide whether they wanted to win and keep playing or they wanted to lose and have

the season end here.” Obviously, the Rebels weren’t ready for their season to end just yet. They returned for the quarterfinals on Thursday and eliminated fourth-seeded William Blount 65-55. That win sealed West’s place in the semifinals (where it played regular-season champion Maryville but results were not available at press time). Thursday’s victory over the Governors landed West High a spot in the Region 2-AAA Tournament, which opens later this week. The district tournament concludes Tuesday night and the Rebels, who qualified for the regionals for the first time since 2012. That season, West reached the state sectional round where they were eliminated by Cherokee in Marble City. Cherokee was then coached by first-year

Bearden head coach Jeremy Parrott. Kesler entered the district tournament knowing that things weren’t going to come easily for his squad, which has had short post-season runs during the last five years. The Rebels made a trip to the Class AAA State Tournament in 2011. “Nothing is easy in our district,” Kesler said after his fifth-seeded Rebels knocked off the Panthers Tuesday. “Lenoir City is a very good, very tough team. “They play hard and they execute and their point guard [Clay Campbell] is a great player and he gave us all kinds of problems. The seeds in this tournament could very easily have been flip-flopped because we’re all so evenly matched.” The Rebels got off to a fast start and opened a 15-9 by

first quarter’s end. Senior Tyrone Patterson all of team’s point in the opening frame. His teammates joined the scoring party when Lenoir City changed defenses. “We came out and T.P. was able to hit some easy shots against their zone,” Kesler said. “We were fortunate to score some baskets against that zone.” Patterson finished with 21 points and Xavier Davis had 14 of his 17 points after halftime against the Panthers. Against William Blount, Patterson again had a huge impact, although this time, he was a late arrival. He scored all 16 of his points after halftime and grabbed six rebounds in the game. The Rebels, who were down 33-26 at halftime, got 12 points each from Davis and Quez Johnson.

Catholic edges Knights in regular-season finale

By Ken Lay

Catholic High School boys basketball coach Mike Hutchens picked up an extra game to close out the regular season. He’s glad he did. “I didn’t want to go a whole week without playing a game before playing the district tournament,” Hutchens said after his Irish outlasted Knoxville Christian 64-56 on Monday, Feb. 13 at Catholic High School. “I picked this game up because Sequoyah canceled twice on us.” Catholic (23-1) was slow out of the gate and the Irish, the District 4-AA regular-season champions trailed 14-12 at the end of a lackluster first quarter but Hutchens, Catholic’s longtime head coach, said that he expected his squad to be lethargic to begin the evening. “I knew this would look like this. We had a tough game Friday [Feb. 10] against Bearden on Senior Night. “I didn’t want to come out and have us look like this in the district tournament. “I’m glad I scheduled this game because this was a good test for us heading into the tournament. They [Knoxville Christian] are a good team. They have skill and they can really give people some problems.” The Knights made things tough early but the Irish had a big second quarter. Catholic engineered a 15-4 run in the period and took a 27-18 lead by halftime. Knoxville Christian managed just a

pair of field goals in the frame. Tim Thomas Jr. and Lorenz Sagebiel had the only points in the stanza for the Knights. The two teams slugged through an even third quarter as both squads scored 17 points and that set the stage for the final eight minutes of the regular season for the Irish. Catholic never trailed after the second quarter but things did get interesting as the Knights were able to hang around. Thomas Jr. had an old-fashioned three-point play to help Knoxville Christian pull to within 46-38 with 6 minutes 20 seconds remaining in the game. The Knights, however, wouldn’t come any closer as the Irish got 40 points from Mr. Basketball Finalist and senior point guard Luke Smith. Smith’s effort last week represented a career-high in scoring. “That was his first 40-point game,” Hutchens said of Smith. “He’s had 36 three times this season.” Catholic also made 14-of-18 free throws over the final eight minutes to help keep the Knights at bay. “Our free throws and Luke were the difference in this game,” Hutchens said. Brock Jancek scored eight points for the Irish while Chase Kuerschen finished with seven. The Knights had three players score in double figures. Arol Kacuol led the way with 17. Thomas Jr. added 13 and Dennis Konstantinovskiy finished with 10.

Webb girls win ‘do or die’ game, advance to region

By Steve Williams

The Webb School girls basketball team notched a sweet win on Valentine’s Day last week, a 51-33 victory over Ezell-Harding Christian School that kept its post-season tourney hopes alive. The win in the Division II-A play-in game at Webb qualified the Lady Spartans (22-9) for region play at Battle Ground Academy and guaranteed them at least three

more games. Webb beat Franklin Road Academy 70-64 in double overtime in the region semifinals Friday. The King’s Academy, which defeated Davidson Academy last week, was to play BGA in the other semifinal contest. The region consolation game and title game were slated for Saturday. The win over FRA guarantees the Lady Spartans a

home game in the Sub-State this Friday (Feb. 24) and nixes a road trip to Memphis. The Webb girls have been a perennial powerhouse in Division II-A, with five state crowns and four runner-up finishes over the past 10 seasons. “I bought the team meal from Brown Bag restaurant for Valentine’s Day,” said veteran Coach Shelley Collier, who also wore pink for the

Valentine’s game. Guards Haylee Luttrell (18 points), Casey Collier (16) and Emily Wyrick (10) were top scorers for the Lady Spartans, who got off to a slow start and led by only 11-7 after one period and 22-16 at halftime, Getting seven points from Collier and six from Luttrell, Webb pulled out to a 37-23 advantage by the end of the third period.

The Lady Spartans’ biggest lead was 21 points (47-26) with 3:39 remaining. Coach Collier praised senior post player Reagan Munday, who returned to action for the first time since suffering a torn shoulder labrum at Fulton Jan. 17. “This was do or die,” said Collier. “It was either win or stay home. What a performance by Reagan. She took two charges during the

game, one right off the bat. She doesn’t score a lot of points, but she does so many things for us. So does Sydney (Collier) and Emily, our other senior. “Emily really runs the floor well, defends well and rebounds. Sydney doesn’t score much for us at all, but what she does as far as defense and being a leader and keeping everybody up, **Cont. on page 4**

A NEW SEASON – HIGH SCHOOL TOURNEY PREVIEW

Lady Bulldogs have made believers out of Underwood and others

By Steve Williams

Bearden High School girls basketball coach Justin Underwood believes his team exceeded preseason expectations and now he's excited to see how far they can go on the tournament trail.

"I don't think many people saw us as 24-1 and ranked No. 4 in the state," said Underwood via email last week. "These young ladies really enjoy each other but have a very focused work ethic about them."

The Lady Bulldogs captured the District 4-AAA regular season title and the No. 1 seed in the district tourney and also earned an automatic berth in the upcoming Region 2-AAA tournament.

"I think this group has the potential to make a deep run in the postseason," said Underwood. "In playoff basketball you have to be ready every night and have a little luck here and there."

Bearden's starters are Trinity Lee, a 5-8 junior; Jalia Arnwine, a 5-6 senior and captain; Grace van Rij, a 6-2 junior; Isabel Soldner, a 6-1 senior and captain; and Shekinah McLaughlin, a 5-5 sophomore.

Key reserves include Jakiyah Davis, a 6-2 freshman post; and Tytiaira Spikes, a 5-8 sophomore wing.

Lee, Arnwine and Rij were named to the All-District 4-AAA team, while Soldner, Davis and Spikes received honorable mention.

Underwood says "balance and leadership" have been strengths of his team.

"We have a great mix of



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

Justin Underwood, Bearden High girls basketball head coach, huddles with his team in a game this season. With post-season tournament play underway, Underwood's Lady Bulldogs are ranked among the state's top Class AAA teams.

inside presence and outside threats," he noted. "These young ladies play so hard for each other. The seniors do a fantastic job leading our program and setting our expectations very high."

Bearden's lone loss in the regular season was to Hardin Valley Academy. Underwood feels his team has responded well since that setback.

"That was the first opportunity for some girls in our locker room to see how they deal with adversity from a loss," he said. "Although we have had some very close, tough games, we have

found a way to win, which I think is important this time of year."

NOTHING'S CHANGED: As District 3-AA tourney time neared last week, John Fisher, head coach of Fulton's highly regarded team, said: "We will just be trying to win every game and play as hard as we can. The expectations do not change."

"I think we have improved and hope for continued improvement. A lot of the post-season has to do with matchups."

"It's very difficult to make it to the state tournament,

but I think we have the ability to make it. You always have to have some breaks fall your way. Hopefully, we will put ourselves in a good position to get there."

After district play, Fulton hopes to advance in the Region 2-AA tourney. Austin-East will host the region semifinals and finals.

The Lady Falcons are led by senior post and University of Kentucky signee Keke McKinney and also count on junior Janae Fuqua, senior Indya Daggs, junior Lay Lay Manning, sophomore Tilia Tinsley, junior Kiyah Latham and sophomore Kyeisha Dalton.

TITLE GAMES: District finals will be this week. The 4-AAA girls finals will be tonight at Hardin Valley, with the boys finals Tuesday night. Clinton will host the 3-AAA girls and boys finals Tuesday night.

The District 3-AA girls finals will be tonight at A-E, with the boys finals on Tuesday night. The 4-AA girls and boys finals will be played Tuesday night at Alcoa.

District 3-A, which includes Grace Christian, will have its girls finals Tuesday night and boys finals on Wednesday night.

Clash at the Joe Takes on Alzheimer's

The Championship Wrestling Federation is scheduled to do battle at Cotton Eyed Joe on March 10 beginning at 6:00 p.m. "The Clash at the Joe" is holding the event in conjunction with the Pat Summitt Foundation. Five matches are on tap for the evening, with proceeds going to the foundation. Cost for the event is \$5.00 per person.

Wrestler Psycho B said the federation is excited to present an evening of entertainment that also helps one of the area's most popular foundation.

"We want to help the Pat Summitt Foundation as it works to battle Alzheimer's," the wrestler said.

The CWF is nonprofit organization. It is a unique ministry that began at Gateway Community Church. It uses sporting events as a means of reaching a variety of groups. The money collected is funneled to programs that help individuals or serve a change agents for the good of the community.

More information on the event is available at the CWF Facebook page.

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Bredwood's double duty leads Vine boys to championship

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there tonight."

Jones and Parker Haley shared scoring honors for Powell with eight points apiece. Logan Sutton chipped in six.

Jones was held without a field goal, getting all of his points on the free throw line (8 of 13).

"I think he (Jones) scored 23 the first time we played them," said Coach Heyward, "and coming into this game, we just decided we were going to try to take him away as much as possible, because he's an elite player. It forced other guys to step up, and as you could see

that worked out real good for us."

Powell led 9-7 at the end of the first period and 19-16 at halftime.

The third period heated up. Trailing 20-16, Vine's Washington received a technical foul when he slammed the ball down on the court after being called for a personal foul. Jones swished in both of the technical foul shots to give the Panthers a six-point advantage with 4:43 on the clock.

Less than a minute later, Powell's Cole Kellenberg was called for a technical foul after making a hard personal foul on Pruitt as he was

shooting. Pruitt missed his two free throws, but Bredwood made both of the technical foul shots.

By rule, the Golden Bears also were given possession of the ball after the technical and Pruitt hit a floater to reduce Powell's lead to two (22-20).

On Vine's next possession, Bredwood was fouled as he drove for a basket and his free throw put the Golden Bears on top 23-22.

An old fashion three-point play by Pruitt and a free throw by Shannon Blair with 3.9 seconds left in the third period capped Vine's winning run.

Powell standout Noah Chapman drew his fourth foul early in the third period and was on the bench during Vine's go-ahead rally.

"That drought was due to some foul trouble and credit to them for shifting the momentum and making some big plays and key buckets," said Powell Coach Darin Courtney, whose team's 23-2 record this season tied a school record for most wins.

The Panthers got as close as three points (28-25) midway through the final period on a layup by Haley but couldn't get any closer.

Chapman fouled out with 1:50 remaining as Roebuck's

free throw gave Vine a 31-26 lead.

The Golden Bears stretched their lead to eight (34-26) with 1:03 to go. Bryce Burkhart made two free throws for Powell and the desperate Panthers came up with the ball again. But Vine got it back and Blair hit a free throw with only 37.9 seconds to go.

Vine players and cheerleaders stormed the court after the final horn.

THIRD PLACE: Bearden upset No. 2 seed South-Doyle 43-28 in the boys consolation game. The Bruins, who outscored the Cherokees

19-9 in the second period to go up 25-13, got eight points from Tyrone Smith and seven apiece from Will Biven and Preston Lamb. DeMarcus Bradley paced S-D with eight.

TOURNEY'S BEST: Vine's Javaree Roebuck was selected the MVP and was joined on the all-tournament team by teammates Izaiah Bredwood and A.J. Pruitt. Other all-tourney honorees were Parker Haley, J.R. Jones and Noah Chapman of Powell, Tai Cates and Ke'on Smith of South-Doyle and Ryan Neal of Bearden.

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It should be UT's easiest hire in athletics in 40 years

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But UT hired one. What a waste of time and energy and tax dollars.

In her first at-bat as UT's new chancellor, Dr. Beverly Davenport gets a look at an underhand lob over the middle of the plate. The only way she can strike out is if she picks a new AD not named Blackburn or Fulmer. Otherwise, it will be a homerun hire.

I wouldn't want to be Beverly if she doesn't homer. This fan base has been down for too long already and should be heard and obliged on this one.

Dr. Davenport and her all-star search committee just needs to look at the two candidates – and only these two – and what they have to offer.

Blackburn is about 20 years younger than the 66-year-old Fulmer and has a lot of experience in athletic administration, having cut his teeth in the business at UT-Knoxville before going on to become the athletic director at UT-Chattanooga, where he has been super successful.

As UT fans know, Fulmer played football at UT, and then rose through the Vol coaching ranks as an offensive line coach, offensive coordinator and head coach. He guided the Vols to the 1998 national championship and was the program's second winningest coach when he was forced to resign in 2008 by then AD Mike Hamilton.

Fulmer can't match Blackburn in athletic administration, but he has money and also is believed to have the backing of UT's wealthiest boosters, some who are on the selection committee.

Blackburn would be the best choice for the long run, but

Fulmer will be the pick because of money.

That – money – is always the deciding factor these days.

The best scenario would be if both came aboard to run UT athletics. Blackburn, however, already has publicly indicated he will not be the No. 2 guy, and that's understandable, considering the progress he has made in his field.

Fulmer hasn't indicated if he would be the No. 2 guy or not, so that remains a possibility. Reportedly, Fulmer threw his hat in the ring only when he heard Blackburn, a good friend and former associate in the Vols' football program, wasn't going to be given strong consideration for the post. Fulmer feels strongly about a UT guy being behind the wheel.

Personally, I will be glad when Fulmer takes over the reins of the UT Athletic Department. He will strive to make UT strong in all sports once again. He is smart when it comes to managing money and will surround himself with advisors to handle matters he lacks expertise. With his deep roots in UT, he also will excel in fund raising, and much more than Blackburn could.

The most important duty of an athletic director is producing championship programs. To be successful at it, an AD has to have coaches who can win championships. Fulmer will excel in this most important area as well. He's been there and was a winner and a champion.

I look forward to seeing the Vols and Lady Vols climb back up in the all-sports rankings on the SEC and national levels.

Hopefully, Blackburn will still be interested in filling the UT post someday when Fulmer is ready to retire.

Webb girls win 'do or die' game, advance to region

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you've just got to have players like that.

"Our team is starting to come together. This was a great win for our program."

Casey Collier, who was named district MVP this season, was hustling all over the court from the start of the game until she was removed with 1:14 to go after driving through the opponents' defense for a layup.

"She had a solid effort, her and Haylee both," said Coach Collier.

Caitlyn Parsons led the Eagles from Antioch with 11 points. Sydney Smith contributed three 3-point baskets and Britany Miller also tallied nine points.

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Hooting

I have to admit that I've never cared much for Valentine's Day. Maybe it was because I was a boy, but the heart shaped candies and little Valentine cards in grammar school never did much for me. People complain about the commercialization of Christmas, but the hoopla for Valentine's Day is beyond the pale. I suspect the dreariness of February has something to do with this pseudo-holiday, aided in no small measure by Hallmark, florists and chocolatiers.

A friend of mine from a different Christian denomination doesn't celebrate any holidays, even Christmas. He holds that all days are special, and the Psalmist who penned 118:24 would undoubtedly agree with him. Perhaps what is needed is a balance. I'm not critical of those who want to acknowledge their beloved on a certain day, but I believe it should be

done on a regular basis rather than once a year. Recently, Triple H asked on the radio if you can say, "I love you" too much. I don't believe you can as long as you're sincere.

The origin of Valentine's Day is lost in the shrouds of history. Some say it evolved from the Roman fertility festival of Lupercalia. Others say it evolved from the Christian priest Valentine who penned a note to his beloved on the way to his execution for defying the Emperor Claudius. In 14th century England, Geoffrey Chaucer (Canterbury Tales) championed the sentiment of courtly or romantic love, which later evolved into the custom of offering flowers, candy or greeting cards known as "valentines."

How the world has changed. Now, many Muslim countries ban Valentine's Day affections because they don't "reflect Islamic culture." I

read recently that there are more Christian martyrs now than at any time in recorded history. Worldwide persecution exists because Jesus' message threatens religions, cultures and governments. The Governor of Jakarta, Indonesia, is on trial for blasphemy because an edited transcript of a campaign comment (fake news) was said to blaspheme the Quorum. Governor Ahok who is a Christian may lose his reelection bid and his freedom or his life in no small part because he's Chinese and because he is not a Muslim in this most populous Islamic nation of the world.

I believe we celebrate Valentine's Day as a distraction from February which is ordinarily so miserable. However, this year is an exception. Despite Punxsutawney Phil's prediction, daffodils, Lenten roses, fruit trees and crocus are blooming. Weather is cyclical. Someone should inform the pseudo-scientist and politician, Al-Gore of this fact, and of the politically doctored data in the recent NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) report. Recently, I saw satellite images of California and the entire state was green except for the snowcapped Sierra Nevada mountains. A comparison shot from a year ago showed the entire state

brown from drought which has now ended. Hopefully, the Oroville dam about seventy-five miles from Sacramento will not collapse from rain and snow melt.

I heard nature's Valentine card this morning from an owl in the nearby woods. I'm not smart enough to tell whether the cadenced hoo-hoo-hoo-hoo-hoo of a great horned owl is from a male or a female. But I think I recognize ardor and the winsome call of spring in "his" hooting for a mate.

It's becoming harder to hear nature's announcement of spring due to the whining, sniveling and petulant hoots of the media, Holly-weird and the Democrats. Even though liberals comprise only 27% of the American population, they seem to be able to cause an inordinate amount of noise. The media especially have never encountered someone who calls them out and throws their bias and hypocrisy back in their faces. Now they call foul and cite the First Amendment because Trump refuses to bow to their bullying. Apparently, the media believe they are allowed to concoct fake news and destroy people, but can't take the heat when the tables are turned on them as Trump did in his February 16th press conference. Good for him, and for Jimmy

Duncan who had the kahunas to say no to a townhall meeting which would allow liberal progressives operatives a venue to rant about their November 8th loss.

Obama and his policies were defeated in 2010, 2014 and in 2016. The Democrats have now lost more than 1200 elected seats at the Federal, State and local levels. They no longer control Congress or the Presidency, only the Judiciary. Democrats control just five states and are no longer a national party. All they have left is Congressional obstruction, judicial advocacy, fake news from their media operatives and the hooting nutjobs of Hollywood whose persona is fake and an illusion. That's why it's tinsel town.

In recent weeks I've written about the "fourth branch" of our government and the "fifth column" elements embedded throughout. If you're unfamiliar with these terms, you should regularly follow my columns. You can catch up at knoxfocus.com through the archives. Suffice it to say, the news of security breaches in the intelligence community and at the Department of Justice have born out my contentions.

I wish I could talk of peace and comity, even mercy, but the latter is only possible when the vanquished

acknowledge their defeat. Yes, we are at war with each other and within our government. Lincoln quoted Jesus who said, "A house divided against itself cannot survive." The Master was right. The American people and their new champion Trump will either win this war against what some have called Obama's "shadow government" and the perverse media or we will end up on the ash heaps of history like so many civilizations before.

To quote Thomas Paine, it is no time for "the summer soldier and the sunshine patriot." The hooting of Ashley Judd types, Democrats and CNN is engineered to make Americans feel isolated and out of touch. I assure you that we are not the ones out of touch! The Spirit of America rally (not a protest march) is being held in Nashville on Saturday March 4th from 11-1pm (central time) in support of our country and President. Similar rallies are being held in all state capitols across the nation on this day. Stand up for America. Join Becky and me in Nashville on March 4th. This is something we can all do to help Make America Great Again.

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

Spring break travelers encouraged to take precautions against mosquito-borne disease

With many community members making plans for spring and summer vacations and mission trips to warmer climates, the Knox County Health Department is encouraging travelers to take precautions against mosquito-borne disease. These diseases, including chikungunya, dengue and Zika, are transmitted year-round in some areas because their climates are continuously conducive to mosquito habitats. Mosquitoes can contract these viruses when they feed on an infected person and then spread the disease to others through bites.

"When traveling, people should be aware of the infectious diseases in the country or region through which they are traveling and take appropriate precautions; this includes protecting yourself from mosquito bites," said KCHD Director Dr. Martha Buchanan. "Unfortunately, we do not have a vaccine for chikungunya, dengue or Zika, which is why awareness and preparation prior to travel are so important."

What to know before you go:

- The affected areas/countries can change. Stay

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Smoky Mountain Hospice Celebrates Heart Month



Smoky Mountain Hospice recently relocated its operations office from Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue to 7051 Strawberry Plains Pike. Earlier this month, the staff donned red in recognition of Heart Month.



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up to date on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's travel recommendations by visiting <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel>.

In addition to the Caribbean and South America, local transmission of Zika has been found in Florida and Texas; chikungunya has been locally transmitted in Florida. Although dengue rarely occurs in the continental U.S., it is endemic in Puerto Rico and in many tourist destinations in Latin America, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands.

dengue or Zika, avoiding mosquito bites is the best protection.

- The mosquitoes that spread disease can bite during the day or at night.
- Mosquito repellants containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535 are recommended.
- Pregnant women should avoid traveling to areas with Zika.
- Zika can also be transmitted through sexual activity. With proper use, condoms can reduce the chance of getting Zika from sex.
- If you or your partner are trying to get pregnant, consider avoiding nonessential

travel to areas with Zika. And, be sure to talk to your health care provider about your travel plans.

What to do while you're there:

- Use mosquito repellants.
- Wear permethrin-treated clothing. Some permethrin products may also be used on shoes, bed nets and camping gear. Permethrin is not to be used directly on skin.
- Do not use perfume, cologne or other scented products when outside.
- Wear loose-fitting, long-sleeved shirts and long pants if possible.

- Empty standing water from outdoor containers.
- Use air conditioning and keep windows and doors closed or covered with screens.
- Use a bed net if air conditioned or screened rooms are not available or if sleeping outdoors.

What to be aware of when you get back:

- To avoid spreading disease once you come home, protect yourself from mosquito bites for three weeks.
- If you feel sick after your return from your trip, seek medical care and tell your provider about your recent travel.

• With chikungunya, symptoms usually begin three to seven days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. The most common symptoms include fever and joint pain. Other symptoms may include headache, muscle pain, joint swelling or rash.

• With Zika, symptoms typically begin three to 12 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito.

- Protect yourself and your partner during sex, especially if your partner traveled to an area with Zika or if you are pregnant or considering getting pregnant.
- The primary symptoms of dengue fever are high

fever, severe headache, severe pain behind the eyes, joint pain, muscle and bone pain, rash, and mild bleeding (e.g., nose or gums bleed, easy bruising). Symptoms can take up to two weeks to develop.

Many people infected with Zika virus won't have symptoms or will only have mild symptoms that last from several days to a week. Severe disease requiring hospitalization is uncommon; however, there is a link between Zika virus infection in pregnant women and subsequent birth defects.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 23, 2007, executed by EPHRAIM A PHILLIPS, TRACI ANN WALDO, conveying certain real property therein described to EFS-EXPRESS FINANCIAL SERVICES, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded March 5, 2007, at Instrument Number 200703050071049;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon as trustee for Nationstar Home Equity Loan Trust 2007-B who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee. NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **March 23, 2017 at 12:00 PM** at the North side 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 SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 3, BLOCK C, CONCORD WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, AS SHOWN ON MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 68-S, PAGE 4, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, SAID PROPERTY BEING BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN ON MAP OF AFORESAID ADDITION, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION; AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF LARRY A. DOSS, DATED NOVEMBER 26, 1998.

Parcel ID: 1538E002
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **11224 CONCORD WOODS DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): EPHRAIM A PHILLIPS, TRACI ANN WALDOOTHER

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

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THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY
WHEREAS, Robert Gordon Petree and Karen S. Petree a/k/a Karen Petree executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB, Lender and Robert M. Wilson, Jr., Trustee(s), which was dated August 23, 2007 and recorded on October 15, 2007 in Instrument No. 200710150031334, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **March 14, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in District Eight (8) of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being a tract of land lying on the Southwest side of McGinnis Road and being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin in the Southwest line of McGinnis Road, corner to Norton, same being distant 110 feet Northwesterly from the center line of Roberts Road thence from said beginning point with the Norton line, the following calls and distances: South 60 degrees, 58 minutes West, 150.95 feet to an iron pin, South 09 degrees 59 minutes East, 88.71 feet to an iron pin; South 51 degrees 06 minutes West, 75.67 feet to an iron rod, corner to the property of Bost; thence North 43 degrees 45 minutes West 226.3 feet to an iron pin, connected to the property of Bost; thence North 60 degrees 58 minutes East, 285 feet to an iron pin in the Southwest line of McGinnis Road; thence with said road, South 41 degrees 28 minutes, East 125 feet to an iron pin, the point of beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less, according to tile survey of Michael E. Luethe, dated May 26, 1998, revised June 3, 1998.

Being the same property conveyed to Robert Gordon Petree and wife, Karen Petree by deed of even date, which deed is being recorded simultaneously herewith as Instrument Number 200710150031333 or Book Page in the Registers Office said County.

Karen Petree and Karen S. Petree are one and the same person.
Parcel ID Number: 031 081
Address/Description: **4301 McGinnis Road, Corryton, TN 37721.**

Current Owner(s): Robert Gordon Petree and wife Karen Petree.
Other Interested Party(ies): Midland Funding

LLC as assignee of HSBC Card Services, 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
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, Ralph J. Ham and wife, Marlene G. Ham, executed a Deed of Trust to Gregory D. Shanks, Trustee, which was dated February 8, 2013, and recorded on February 11, 2013, as Instrument No. 201302110052471 in the Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds; and

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 holder of said indebtedness, Alma Margaret Tipton (the "Holder") appointed the undersigned as Substitute Trustee, by an instrument recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Knox County, Tennessee, being Instrument No. 201603230054652, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original trustee named in said Deed of Trust.

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, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me, will on March 13, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., at the City County Building within the corridor of the Main Street entrance near the Large Assembly Room, North Entrance, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property, situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in District Eight (8) of Knox County, Tennessee and being more fully described as follows:

TRACT 1:
BEGINNING at a point which is located North 38 deg. West, 306 feet from the North side of the Thorn Grove Pike, being the Northeast corner of the Floyd Emert Tract; thence North 38 deg. West, 499 feet to a mark on a rock, corner to Blackburn; thence South 14 deg. West with Blackburn's line, 82 feet to a mark on a rock; thence South 37 1/2 deg. East with Beanson's line, 455 feet to a stake, corner to Floyd Emert; thence with his line, North 43 3/4 deg. East, 75 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

ALSO a right-of-way 12 feet wide, running from the beginning corner herein Southeast along Floyd Emert's Easterly line approximately 306 feet to the Thorn Grove Pike.

TRACT 2:
BEGINNING at a point which is located North 38 deg. West, 306 feet from the North side of the Thorn Grove Pike and in the line of Branson; thence North 43.75 deg. East, 75 feet to a stake in the North edge of the right-of-way and the line of Blackburn (formerly W. R. Monday); thence with the Blackburn line, South 38 deg. East, 306 feet to a stake at the point where the Blackburn line

intersects the North line of the Thorn Grove Pike; thence with the North line of Thorn Grove Pike in a Southwesterly direction, 78 feet to a stake in the Branson line; thence with the Branson line, North 37 1/2 deg. West, 306 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

TRACT 3:
BEGINNING at a stake in Branson's line; thence North 43 3/4 deg. East, 75 feet to a stake at the North edge of a right of way and in the Monday line; thence with the Monday line, South 38 deg. East, 106 feet to a stake at the North edge of the right of way of Monday line; thence South 43 3/4 deg. West, 76 feet to a stake in Branson's line; thence with Branson, North 37 1/2 deg. West, 106 feet to the BEGINNING and being a lot.

BEING the same property conveyed to Ralph J. Ham and wife, Marlene G. Ham, by Alma Margaret Tipton, by Warranty Deed dated February 8, 2013, and recorded as Instrument No.: 201302110052470, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID number: 097-101
Address: **5923 Thorn Grove Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee 37914**

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat or deed; 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, and upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

The entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of certified funds. To this end, a bidder must bring sufficient funds to outbid the Holder. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Dated February 14, 2017

Edward L. Summers, Substitute Trustee
5401 Kingston Pike, Suite 130
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919
Phone: (865) 546-8706

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

THIS LETTER IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

NAMES OF INTERESTED PARTIES:
CHRISTOPHER CASTRO
DARLENE CASTRO

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Gregory D. Shanks, Substitute Trustee, pursuant to an Appointment of Substitute Trustee, recorded in Book TD254, page 207, in the Register's Office for Union County, Tennessee, which said Appointment of Substitute Trustee vest Gregory D. Shanks with all authority vested in the Trustee by that certain Deed of Trust executed to Ryan P. McNally, Trustee, by Christopher M. Castro and Darlene Castro recorded in Book TD191, Page 72, in the Register's Office for Union County, Tennessee, the undersigned will, at about 11:00 o'clock A. M. on March 9, 2017, at the front door of the County Courthouse in Maynardville (Union County), Tennessee, offer for sale, and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, in bar of the right and equity of redemption, all homestead and dower rights, and the statutory right of redemption, which are waived in said Trust Deed, property conveyed by said Trust Deed, which is described as follows:

SITUATED in District Two (2) of Union

County, Tennessee, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING on an iron pin on the southeast right-of-way of a 12 foot right-of-way and the northwest right-of-way of Tazewell Pike and the said iron pin is approximately 220.0 feet southwest from the center of Wallace Road adjoining the property of Kenneth Ailor South 51 deg. 30 min. West 288.9 feet to an iron pin adjoining the Mary Jane Chase property; thence with the said Chase line North 38 deg. 30 min. West 98.0 feet; thence South 51 deg. 30 min. West 124.0 feet to an iron pin adjoining the property of Clarence Beeler; thence with the said Beeler line North 38 deg. 30 min. West 152.4 feet to an iron pin, a corner in the Elbert Warwick line; thence with the said Warwick line North 51 deg. 20 min. East 399.3 feet to an iron pin; thence North 43 deg. 45 min. West 163.2 feet to an iron pin; thence North 50 deg. 48 min. East 265.9 feet to an iron pin; thence North 74 deg. 30 min. East 168.2 feet to an iron pin on the westerly right-of-way of Wallace Road; thence with said right-of-way South 9 deg. 23 min. East 98.4 feet to an iron pin a corner to the Clear Branch Church property; thence with the said church property line South 76 deg. 22 min. West 167.2 feet; thence South 44 deg. 53 min. West 76.7 feet to an iron pin, a corner to the cemetery lots; thence with the said line between the cemetery lots property and the property herein described North 44 deg. 32 min. West 73.1 feet to an iron pin; thence South 44 deg. 53 min. West 24.0 feet to an iron pin; thence South 50 deg. 48 min. West 96.2 feet to an iron pin on the northeast right-of-way of a 12.0 foot right-of-way leading to Tazewell Pike; thence with the said right-of-way as follows: South 43 deg. 45 min. East 151.2 feet; South 44 deg. 13 min. East 65.7 feet to a corner adjoining the Ailor property; and thence with the Ailor line South 35 deg. 30 min. East 183.2 feet to the point of Beginning, containing 2.80 acres, more or less.

BEING the same property conveyed to Christopher M. Castro and wife, Darlene Castro, by Warranty Deed from Dale A. Heidenreich and wife, LeAnn M. Heidenreich, dated March 19, 2013, filed for record in Book M8, page 24 in the Union County Register of Deeds Office.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1312 Tazewell Pike, Corryton, Tennessee 37721 Control No. 078-055.00, 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 herein shall control.

In the event the high bidder at the foreclosure sale should fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Trustee shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply, or re-advertise and sell at a second sale.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time set forth above.

Said sale is being made upon the request of Dale A. Heidenreich and LeAnn M. Heidenreich, the owners and holders of the indebtedness secured by said Trust Deed due to the failure of said makers to comply with all provisions of said Trust Deed.

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GREGORY D. SHANKS, SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY
WHEREAS, Alma Thornhill executed a Deed

of Trust to The Cit Group/Consumer Finance, Inc., A Delaware Corporation, Lender and Ernest B. Williams, IV, Trustee(s), which was dated December 17, 2001 and recorded on December 28, 2001 in Instrument No. 200112280052890, 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, The Bank of New York Mellon, the successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for CIT Home Equity Loan Trust 2002-2, (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 14, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in District 1 Knox County, Tennessee within the 12th ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee and being known and designated as Lot 21 Border Addition as shown by map of record in Map Book 14, page 167 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee to which map specific reference is hereby made and incorporated herein as if copied verbatim.

SUBJECT to restrictions of record in Deed Book 716, page 536 in said Register's Office.

SUBJECT to governmental zoning and subdivision ordinances and regulations in effect thereon.

FOR PRIOR DEED REFERENCE SEE DEED BOOK 1645, PAGE 672 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SEE ALSO ESTATE OF LORA KIZER (KNOX COUNTY PROBATE COURT DOCKET #P-97-538543-3) . ALMA THORNHILL MAKES OATH THAT SHE IS THE SOLE SURVIVING LEGAL HEIR AT LAW OF LORA KIZER, WIDOW OF CLAUDE. KIZER. SHE FURTHER MAKES OATH THAT HER BROTHER, EUGENE KAISER (KIZER) IS DECEASED (D.O.D. 12-4-96) AND THAT HE DIED INTERSTATE, UNMARRIED, AND WITHOUT ISSUE. TAX ID # 082 MB 020

Property Address: 1419 Border Street, Knoxville, TN 37914

Parcel ID Number: 082MB 020
Address/Description: **1419 Border Street, Knoxville, TN 37914.**

Current Owner(s): Alma Thornhill.
Other Interested Parties: N/A

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
6 Cadillac Drive, Suite 140
Brentwood, TN 37027
PH: 615-550-7697 FX: 615-550-8484
File No.: 16-13315 FC02

My Heartbeat Goes To The Dogs

Six years ago this month I started advocating for pacemaker donations from human to animals and I am proud of our small contribution. A few weeks ago a friend of Hobo the Wonder Dog handed me a small package containing a pacemaker for donation. The timing of the gift marked the anniversary of My Heartbeat Goes to The Dogs. I am honored and humbled to be involved in advocating for such a great program. The latest donation will total six pacemaker donations to the University of Tennessee College of Veterinarian Medicine in six years.

As a nurse I am a strong proponent of organ donation, and I am an organ donor myself. When you see organ recipients and their families, you are able to conceptualize the magnitude that organ donation has on both the donor and the recipient. From a donor's viewpoint you know that you have made someone else's life better, stronger, and have made the ultimate humanitarian gift – life. The recipient is often given a new



By Howard Baker, RN BSN

freedom in life and is better able to enjoy the things most of us take for granted.

Our pets become part of our family, and according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention pets can help decrease blood pressure, cholesterol and triglyceride levels and feelings of loneliness. Dogs, cats and horses can also suffer from the same kinds of cardiac abnormalities similar to humans and exhibit identical symptoms such as fainting episodes and exercise intolerance.

Being an animal lover, I have a lot of difficulty thinking about animals suffering needlessly or at the hands of neglect. Since I am a proponent of organ donation, it didn't take long to get my head around the concept. I started thinking about all the people I knew and the patients I have cared for who have pacemakers. Since you cannot donate pacemakers from human to human, the benefits of donation from human to animal became clear. So why not keep the beat going in a beloved pet? It becomes easy to see there are a lot of

pacemakers out there that could benefit another life and keep the joy and smiles in the hearts of many.

I think about the service dogs for the blind, military and community that are not easily replaced. A simple life-saving pacemaker could prolong their lives and the lives they serve. Pacemakers have been estimated to prolong a dog's life by as much as five years. Pacemakers cost around \$6,000 making them cost prohibitive for most. It is estimated that 90% of dogs needing pacemakers don't

get them. Manufacturers will donate pacemakers when their expiration dates are nearing; however, these devices are too few to serve all the needs.

Think about all the ways animals enrich our lives; they put smiles on faces old and young alike. Why not will your pacemaker, or donate a loved one's pacemaker, to extend the life of a beloved pet or service animal? Donating or willing a pacemaker is simple; ask the funeral home to remove the pacemaker and give it to you or a loved one. If they are being cremated

the pacemaker has to be removed anyway so funeral homes are experienced in their removal.

Donated pacemakers can benefit horses, cats and dogs, and those who love them. You can make a difference in a

defenseless life and the lives they touch.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 5, 2003, executed by ANTHONY R. WRIGHT, MIRIAN K. WRIGHT, conveying certain real property therein described to DAVID R. WILSON, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded May 12, 2003, at Instrument Number 200305120102832;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, in trust for registered holders of Chase Funding Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-4 who is now the owner of said debt;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **March 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING ALL OF LOT 16 AND LOT 17 IN BLOCK A, UNIT TWO, PLAMER HILLS SUBDIVISION, AS APPEARS OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 46S, PAGE 82, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. THIS CONVEYANCE IS SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, SETBACK LINES, CONDITIONS, PLAT OF RECORD, AND ENCUMBRANCES OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR THE AFORESAID COUNTY.

Parcel ID: 039AA-017

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **7301 PALMYRA DR., KNOXVILLE, TN 37918**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): ANTHONY R. WRIGHT, MIRIAN K. WRIGHT

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: HALLSDALE POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT, NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, SUNTRUST 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 setback 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, and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated April 20, 2001, executed by JOYCE ANN SEAL AND CLARENCE EUGENE SEAL, conveying certain real property therein described to TRANSCONTINENTAL TITLE COMPANY of Knox County, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded April 26, 2001, at Instrument Number 200104260073122;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY FKA BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A. AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE AAMES MORTGAGE TRUST, 2001-2, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2001-2 who is now the owner of said debt;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **March 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. THREE (3) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 20TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 544 AND PART OF LOT 543, BON VIEW ADDITION, AS SHOWN BY THE MAP OF THE SAME RECORD IN MAP BOOK 7, PAGE 140, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, SAID PROPERTY BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE SOUTHERN LINE OF WEST OAKHILL AVENUE, SAID IRON POST BEING LOCATED IN A EASTERLY DIRECTION, 63 FEET, MORE OR LESS, FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF ELM STREET; THENCE WITH THE SOUTHERN LINE OF WEST OAKHILL AVENUE, NORTH 55 DEGREES 01 MIN. EAST, 62.59 FEET TO AN IRON PIN, CORNER TO LOT 545; THENCE WITH THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN LOTS 544 AND 545, SOUTH 35 DEGREES 01 MIN. EAST, 123.39 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE NORTHERN LINE OF AN ALLEY; THENCE WITH SAID LINE, SOUTH 54 DEG. 05 MIN. WEST 62.76 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 34 DEGREES 56 MIN. WEST, 124.41 FEET TO AN IRON PIN THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Parcel ID: 081NA006

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **734 WEST OAK HILL AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37921**. 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): ESTATE AND/OR HEIRS-AT-LAW OF CLARENCE EUGENE SEAL

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or setback 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 SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated December 29, 2010, executed by CRAIG A. SIBLEY, THERESA SIBLEY, conveying certain real property therein described to CHARLES E. TONKIN II, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded January 5, 2011, at Instrument Number 201101050040993 (as modified by "Loan Modification Agreement" at Instrument number 201508140010172);

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. who is now the owner of said debt;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **March 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 8, BLOCK C, IN STONEBROOK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET E, SLIDE 159-A (MAP BOOK 62-S, PAGE 2), IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE SOUTHEASTERN LINE OF STONEBROOK DRIVE AT COMMON CORNER OF LOT 8 AND LOT 7; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERN LINE OF STONEBROOK DRIVE, FOLLOWING A CURVE TO THE RIGHT WITH A RADIUS OF 225 FEET, NORTH 59 DEGREES 53 MINUTES EAST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 129.94 FEET TO AN IRON PIN MARKING A COMMON CORNER OF LOTS 8 AND 9; THENCE ALONG THE DIVIDING LINE OF LOTS 8 AND 9, SOUTH 21 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 157.93 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE SOUTH 70 DEGREES 10 MINUTES WEST 61.80 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE ALONG THE DIVIDING LINE OF LOTS 8 AND 7, NORTH 47 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 40 SECONDS

WEST 151.69 FEET TO AN IRON PIN, THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF JERRY M. SIZEMORE, SURVEYOR, DATED JULY 12, 1977, DRAWING NO. ML-239. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, BUILDING SETBACK LINES AND ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS AND PROVISIONS, AS SHOWN ON THE RECORDED PLAT AND IN PLAT CABINET E, SLIDE 159-A (MAP BOOK 62-S, PAGE 2), IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 106HK-012

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1936 STONEBROOK DR., KNOXVILLE, TN 37923**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): CRAIG A. SIBLEY, THERESA SIBLEY

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Secretary of Housing and Urban Development 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 setback 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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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **March 14, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** 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 JANICE H POWELL, to PRIORITY TRUSTEE SERVICES OF TENNESSEE, L.L.C., Trustee, on February 18, 2005, as Instrument No. 200503020068442 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-0PT2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates

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 9th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 29th Ward of the City of Knoxville, and being known and designated as Lot 48, Edwards Subdivision No. 3, as shown on Map of the same of Record In Map Book 19, Page 88, Cabinet B, Slide 305C, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and being more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point in the Northwest line of Lichen Lane, corner to Lot 55; said point being distant 150 feet Southwestly from the point of intersection of the Southwestly line of Redwood Road and the Northwest line of Lichen Lane; Thence from said beginning point with the line of Lichen Lane, South 48 Degrees, 37 Minutes,

West 149.51 feet to an iron pin; Thence North 39 Degrees, 49 Minutes, West with the West line of the subdivision 150.02 feet to an iron pin; Thence North 48 Degrees, 37 Minutes, East 145.4 feet to the corner of Lot 55; Thence with the dividing line between Lots 48 and 55, in a Southeasterly direction 150 feet to the Place of Beginning. This conveyance is made subject to all applicable restrictions, building setback lines, and any easements which may be of record in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee. Being the same property conveyed to Janice H. Powell, unmarried from Pauline H. Kirkland, widow and not re-married, by Warranty Deed, dated September 10, 2004 of Record in Instrument No. 200409210024578 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 123E-D-004

Current Owner(s) of Property: JANICE H POWELL

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **617 LICHEN LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920-5245**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: MERS** AND DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR CARRINGTON MORTGAGE

LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2005-0PT2, ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, BY AND THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY IN FACT HOMEWARD RESIDENTIAL, INC. F/K/A AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE SERVICING, INC. (SUCCESSOR TO OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION) AND LIS PENDENS - AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE COMPANY

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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. 567-1-1433.

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

MWZM File No. 16-002832-670

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY
WHEREAS, Sarah M. Morse and Timothy R. Morse executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Primary Capital Advisors LC, Lender and Southeast Title & Escrow, LLC, Trustee(s), which was dated January 30, 2013 and recorded on February 6, 2013 in Instrument No. 201302060051507 and modified by a Loan Modification Agreement dated February 9, 2016 and recorded on April 4, 2016 in Instrument No. 2016040040506989 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, Primary Capital Mortgage, LLC, (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 **February 28, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in District No. Eight (8) of Knox County, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 11, Block A, Unit 2, Emory Chase Subdivision, as shown by map of same of record in Map Cabinet P, Slide 139-C, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

Being the same property conveyed to Sarah M. Morse and husband, Timothy R. Morse from Christina Oliver and husband Matthew Oliver by Deed dated January 30, 2013, and of record in Instrument 201302060051506, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: 029CM011
Address/Description: **7745 Emory Chase Lane, Knoxville, TN 37918.**

Current Owner(s): Sarah M. Morse and husband Timothy R. Morse.

Other Interested Party(ies): First Financial Investment Fund VI, LLC.

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
6 Cadillac Drive, Suite 140
Brentwood, TN 37027
PH: 615-550-7697 FX: 615-550-8484
File No.: 15-17836 FC02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **March 6, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** 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 ROBERT MARK HUDGINS, to EVERGREEN TITLE & ESCROW, Trustee, on September 3, 2003, as Instrument No. 200309100030545 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, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2003-RS10
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 NO. 7 OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS:

WITHIN THE 17TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOTS 4 AND 5, BLOCK 32, IN SCOTT'S OAKHILL ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION TO KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF SAID SUBDIVISION, OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 9, PAGE 8, IN THE KNOX COUNTY REGISTER'S OFFICE, SAID LOTS BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN BY MAP AFORESAID, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION WAS TAKEN FROM THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, AND BUILDING SETBACK LINES OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 9, PAGE 8, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JENNIFER L. MEDLEY, UNMARRIED, BY WARRANTY DEED DATED JULY 7, 2000, FROM JOHN D. SEIVERS AND GIGI L. SEIVERS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, OF RECORD AS INSTRUMENT NO. 200007120002382, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO DEED DATED , 2003 AND OF RECORD BY INSTRUMENT NUMBER 200309100030544 IN THE REGISTERS OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 081FE004-17
Current Owner(s) of Property: ROBERT MARK HUDGINS

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **514 EAST CHURCHWELL AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37917**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER

PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: PHEBE & HUMBERTO ARMAS

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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagor or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-003281-670
MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)
Premier Building, Suite 404
5217 Maryland Way
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027
PHONE: (615) 238-3630
EMAIL: tnsales@mwzmlaw.com

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY
WHEREAS, John F. McCracken and Martha R. McCracken executed a Deed of Trust to Wells Fargo Financial Tennessee 1, LLC, Lender and Kenneth Hayes, Trustee(s), which was dated November 25, 2005 and recorded on December 2, 2005 in Instrument No. 200512020048425, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on March 7, 2017, 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:

LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN CITY OF POWELL IN THE COUNTY OF KNOX. AND STATE OF TN AND BEING DESCRIBED IN A DEED DATED 12/02/2003 AND RECORDED 12/05/2003 AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 200312050059631 AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE SET FORTH ABOVE, AND REFERENCED AS FOLLOWS

Lot: BLOCK:
SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 9, BLOCK K, POWELL HEIGHTS, UNIT 4 AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 49-S, PAGE 61, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE NORTHEAST LINE OF LITTLE JOE ROAD AT THE COMMON CORNER OF LOTS 9 AND 10, SAID POINT BEING 282.51 FEET IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION FROM THE INTERSECTION OF LITTLE JOE ROAD AND HOSS ROAD, THENCE FROM SAID BEGINNING POINT ALONG THE LINE OF LOTS 9 AND 10 NORTH 48 DEG. 09 MIN. EAST, 150 FEET TO AN IRON PIN, CORNER TO LOT 2, THENCE WITH THE LINE OF LOT 2, SOUTH 41 DEG. 11 MIN. EAST, 100 FEET TO AN IRON PIN, CORNER TO LOT 8, THENCE WITH THE LINE OF LOT 8, SOUTH 48 DEG. 09 MIN. WEST, 150 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE LINE OF LITTLE JOE ROAD; THENCE WITH THE LINE OF LITTLE JOE ROAD, NORTH 41 DEG. 11 MIN. WEST, 100 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF G. T. TROTTER, JR. SURVEYOR, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE DATED JULY 31,1974. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JOHN F MCCracken AND WIFE, MARTHA R. MCCracken, FROM RONALD C. THOMAS AND WIFE, REBA E. THOMAS, INDEED DATED 12/2/2003 AND RECORDED 12/5/2003, INSTRUMENT #200312050059631, KNOX COUNTY RECORDS.

PARCEL NO. 056 CE 12
Parcel ID Number: 056CE 012

Address/Description: **8012 Little Joe Road, Powell, TN 37849.**

Current Owner(s): John F. McCracken and wife, Martha R. McCracken.

Other Interested Party(ies): University Health Systems; TD Bank USA, N.A., successor in interest to Target National Bank; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC as successor in interest to "GE Capital Retail Bank/Loans"; and Abercrombie Radigical Consultants, 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.

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Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
6 Cadillac Drive, Suite 140
Brentwood, TN 37027
PH: 615-550-7697 FX: 615-550-8484
File No.: 16-16407 FC01

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY
WHEREAS, Sandra L. Clark executed a Deed of Trust to Executive Mortgage, LLC, Lender and Mattingly Ford Title Services, Trustee(s), which was dated October 21, 2005 and recorded on November 10, 2005 in Instrument No. 200511100042658, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **March 14, 2017, 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, lying, and being in the Seventh (formerly Second) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 18th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot No. 23 and the Southern or Southwestern one- half (1/2) of Lot No. 24 in what is known as Thos. Brown's addition to Knoxville, Tennessee, a recorded map of said addition being of record in map book No. 4, Paige 139, in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee, said Lot and said portion of said Lot lying adjacent former one boundary and having a total combined frontage of 75 feet on the northwestern side of Elkins Street (formerly Charity Street) and extending back in a Northwesterly direction therefrom between parallel lines 150 feet, more or less, to the Southeastern line of an alley, said property is improved with a dwelling house bearing City No. 4227 Elkins St. Knoxville, Tennessee.

Being the same property conveyed to Sandra L. Clark, from Dwayne Richard Clark and Roseanne Carter, by Quitclaim Deed dated 2-9-2004 and recorded 3-8-2004 in Instrument No. 200403080083363 in the office of the Register of Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: 069ED 012

Address/Description: **4227 Elkins Street, Knoxville, TN 37917.**

Current Owner(s): The Estate of Sandra L. Clark.

Other Interested Party(ies): N/A

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.

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File No.: 16-18254 FC01

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: MICHAEL TODD WOODS,

IN RE: ANGELA ANN WOODS v.

MICHAEL TODD WOODS

NO. 192346-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint

filed, which is verified, that the Defendant,

MICHAEL TODD WOODS, is 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 MICHAEL TODD WOODS.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Melanie Campbell-Brown, an Attorney whose address is, 9111 Cross park Drive Knoxville, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice for publication in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 30th day of January, 2017.

Howard Hogan,
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: NINA W. TWEED AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF HOUSTON E. JACKSON AND AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE CORPORATION,

IN RE: SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC v. NINA W. TWEED AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF HOUSTON E. JACKSON,

NO. 192685-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint

filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, NINA W. TWEED AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF

THE ESTATE OF HOUSTON E. JACKSON AND AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE CORPORATION, is 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 NINA W. TWEED AS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE

OF HOUSTON E. JACKSON AND AMERIQUEST

MORTGAGE CORPORATION, IT IS ORDERED

that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk

and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville,

Tennessee and with Nicholas H. Adler, an Attorney

whose address is 6 Cadillac Drive, Suite 140, Brentwood, TN 37027, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 26th day of January, 2017

Howard Hogan,
Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of EULA STALSWORTH HALE
Docket number 78524-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 26TH DAY OF JANUARY 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EULA STALSWORTH HALE who died OCT 26, 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.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (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 26TH DAY OF JANUARY 2017

Estate of EULA STALSWORTH HALE
VICKIE L. PURKEY; EXECUTRIX
110 FELIX RD. KNOXVILLE TN 37918
PUBLISH: 2/13/2017 & 2/20/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of EVELYN MAE AGNEY HOLMES
Docket number 78558-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EVELYN MAE AGNEY HOLMES who died JAN 7, 2017, 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.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (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 7th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017

Estate of EVELYN MAE AGNEY HOLMES
RON HOLMES; ADMINISTRATOR
6717 E. EMORY RD. KNOXVILLE TN 37938
PUBLISH: 2/13/2017 & 2/20/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of BENNY GENE KOONTZ
Docket number 78547-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BENNY GENE KOONTZ who died JAN 1, 2017, 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.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (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 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017

Estate of BENNY GENE KOONTZ
DANNY W. KOONTZ; ADMINISTRATOR
1734 NORTHFIELD DR.
MARYVILLE, TN 37804

H. STEPHEN GILLMAN; ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
P.O. BOX 870 KNOXVILLE TN 37901
PUBLISH: 2/13/2017 & 2/20/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of HELEN WRIGHT KOSIER
Docket number 78504-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HELEN WRIGHT KOSIER who died NOV 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.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (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 7th Day OF FEBRUARY 2017

Estate of HELEN WRIGHT KOSIER
SCHERYL DENISE MELROY; EXECUTRIX
3285 OAKVIEW COURT
MORGAN HILL, CA 95037
SCOTT B. HAHN; ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
5344 N. BROADWAY, STE

101 KNOXVILLE, TN 37918
PUBLISH: 2/13/2017 & 2/20/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of MATTIE LEE LYONS
Docket number 78088-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 31ST DAY OF JANUARY 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MATTIE LEE LYONS who died AUG 24, 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.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ask the Commissioner

Commissioner Carson Dailey will be meeting with the 9th District residents on February 28 from 5-7 p.m. at the Gap Creek Market, 2138 Kimberlin Heights Road. Everyone is welcome.

Commissioners Night Out

Knox County At-Large Commissioners Ed Brantley and Bob Thomas are headed to South Knoxville for their next Ed & Bob Night Out in Knox County. Ed and Bob will be at Kay's Ice Cream at 6200 Chapman Highway, Wednesday, February 22 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. to meet the people of south Knox County and listen to their concerns.

Free Gym Use

Roseberry Baptist Church opens its large and well-equipped gym and weight room each week day, year round, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Members of the community are welcome to come and walk the indoor track (they even have pedometers so you can count your steps), use the free weights and machines, or just share a cup of coffee with the other friendly folks who come. Church membership is not a requirement. The church is at 2920 Roseberry Rd, Mascot, just off Rutledge Pike. Phone is 865-933-3831.

Junior Volunteer Applications for Summer Now Available

LeConte Medical Center is now accepting applications for teenagers (ages of 14 - 17 years of age by May 1, 2017) who are interested in volunteering at the medical center and nursing home this summer. Complete details and application materials are available at: www.lecontemedicalcenter.com/juniorvolunteers. To be considered for the summer program students must make and maintain A/B grades, complete all application materials on time, and commit to six weeks of service during the summer, providing 4 hours of service weekly.

All applications and accompanying forms are due by Friday, April 14, 2017. If you have any questions please contact Mary in the Volunteer Services office at 446-8406.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful Events

The Orchids Awards: March 7, 2017 - 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. at The Standard.

The Orchid Awards have been presented to Knoxville and Knox County's most beautiful properties since 1979. Join Keep Knoxville Beautiful to celebrate the people who are beautifying our dynamic city. Enjoy music, a silent auction with complimentary beer and wine reception, dinner, live painting and the awards ceremony. Purchase tickets at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2722049>

South Knoxville Cleanup: Saturday, March 25, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful will be hosting the community-wide South Knoxville Cleanup which will be held on Saturday, March 25 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., followed by lunch. The event will kick off at Sam Duff Memorial Park. We are looking for individuals, neighborhood groups, businesses, and more to participate!

Lady Parts: Knoxville's Women's Bike Maintenance Class

Lady Parts is an all-female and femme bicycle maintenance class. It is a safe and inclusive space for women to learn about how to fix their bikes. In its second season of courses, Lady Parts is collaborating with DreamBikes Knoxville, 309 N. Central St., to teach classes at their non-profit bike shop.

DreamBikes with Sasha Reed and Zara Alexandra will hold classes at 7:00 p.m. on Feb. 21, March 7, March 21, April 4 and April 18.

Music from the Mount

A Celebration of Music Featuring wonderfully talented alumni and faculty from Mount Olive Elementary School from the past 75 years will be held at Mount Olive Baptist Church on Monday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. with a reception to follow.

The event is free and open to the public! In lieu of charging admission, donation jars will be present at the doors to help raise money for new posture chairs in the Mount Olive Elementary Music Room. Checks may be made out to the Mount

Olive Elementary PTA with "Musical Chairs Fund" written on the memo line.

Are you a Mount Olive school alumnus who would be interested in performing? Are you unable to attend the event but would still like to make a donation to the "Musical Chairs" Fund? Do you have any questions about the event? If so, please contact Music Teacher, Mr. Robert Huffaker, by phone at 579-2170 ext.17622 or by email at robert.huffaker@knox-schools.org.

Tobacco talk

Sevier County Agricultural Extension Leader Alan Bruhin will give a talk on "Agriculture: Then and Now," including the history of tobacco growing in Sevier County at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21 at Seymour Public Library, 137 W. Macon Lane, Seymour. The talk is free. Former tobacco growers are invited to share their experiences. The evening is part of the "How We Live: Then and Now" series sponsored by Friends of Seymour Library.

For more information, call the library at 573-0728.

PK Hope Is Alive Parkinson Support Group Meeting

PK HOPE IS ALIVE Parkinson Support Group of East Tennessee would like to invite everyone to our upcoming meeting on Tuesday, February 21st at Kern United Methodist Church in their Family Life Center located in Oak Ridge at 451 East Tennessee Ave.

We meet monthly on the third Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join this Knoxville/Oak Ridge Support Group. Family and care support partners are always welcome. The speaker for this month will



KCDP District One Group poses after the February 6 meeting. The next meeting of the District One Group will be at 6:00 p.m. on March 6 at the Burlington Branch Library, 4614 Asheville Highway. The most important item on the agenda is for all precinct chairs to be present to elect District One delegates to the March 25th KCDP convention.

be Julia Price, JD. Associate Attorney with Elder Law of East Tennessee. Julia Price works closely with clients and families who are facing care of their loved ones and may be worried about how to find and pay for needed care.

For more information about the monthly meetings, please see visit www.pkhopeisalive.org or contact Alan Zimmerman at 865-693-5721.

Successful Seed Starting

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Tennessee Stage Company Announces Auditions For Shakespeare On The Square

The Tennessee Stage Company will hold auditions for the 2017 Shakespeare On The Square season on Saturday, March 4, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 5, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Emporium Building, 100 S. Gay Street. Auditionees are

requested to prepare two contrasting monologues, at least one classical, of no more than one minute each. Please bring two copies of a resume and standard theatrical headshot. All Auditions are by appointment only. For appointments please contact the Tennessee Stage Company by calling 546-4280 or by e-mail at tennesseestage@comcast.net.



Members of the Confederate Coffee Drinkers in Knoxville raised \$1,260 to contribute to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, VA for maintenance of their stained glass window. Pictured L-R are Mark Blevins, Sam Miller and Ray Welch, Treasurer of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. The Confederate Coffee Drinkers meet the last Wednesday of each month at Shoney's at Walker Springs and Kingston Pike in Knoxville.

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