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## City's Parking Ordinance Postponed

By Mike Steely  
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The proposed parking ordinance that the Metropolitan Planning Commission has been working on at the request of the city was postponed Thursday afternoon during a four hour long meeting.

The MPC vote, on a motion by Laura Cole, was postponed in a vote of 10-5 and that wasn't the only split vote of the long session. MPC Director Gerald Green had told the appointed commissioners that late comments were received about the proposed rules prompting the postponement.

Voting NO on the postpone were Art Clancy, Elizabeth Eason, Chris Ooten, Scott Smith and Janice Tocher.

Another split vote, 9-5 with one abstaining, came on a concept plan for Westland Oakes subdivision on the Northwest side of N. Campbell Station Road which was also postponed until next month.

Trying to adopt standards for the approval of indoor and outdoor paintball and air soft ranges was denied by the commissioners in an 8-7 vote. The ordinance would have made indoor facilities require a use-on-review before approval in Agricultural Districts.

Caroline Greenwood of Boomerang Lane spoke against the idea saying it didn't give communities enough protection and said the use of a large building in an agricultural area crosses over into a commercial use.

One commissioner compared buildings housing paintball or air soft ranges to corn mazes and pumpkin patches that help farms or agricultural businesses maintain.

Commissioner Charles Thomas said the rural areas need protection and said, "This is going over the line too much to industrial."

The commissioners also split on a vote to approve a Use On Review for the USA Compound on Magnolia Avenue, a proposed 8-unit apartment that will probably house Pellissippi students. The planning staff had asked that the approval be postponed until May. Attorney Arthur Seymour, Jr., speaking for the owner, said that the front elevation drawings were submitted and asked the planners to approve, which they did.

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## Pawn shop rejected by council



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

*This empty building, the former site of Harry Lane Super Store, was to become a pawn shop. The City Council rejected an appeal using the new Alternative Financial Services policy.*

By Mike Steely  
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The city's new Alternative Financial Services policy got its first test Tuesday when Capso Properties requested the city council overturn a denial for a pawn shop at 3515 North Broadway.

The company wanted to operate in the former location of the Harry Lane

Superstore but some of the neighbors objected to any variance from the 1,000 foot distance now required between an alternative financial store and a residence or other such store. The Board of Zoning Appeals had turned down the request in a vote of 4-1 and Capso was appealing this decision.

Tony Cappiello spoke for Capso and said the

proposed business would be like "a Walmart" in appearance and that the company proceeded in buying the building after receiving a letter from the city that the business was approved for that zoning area.

Deborah Thomas of the Oakwood-Lincoln Park Neighborhood spoke in opposition and said the

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PHOTOS BY KEN LAY.

*Athletes from Amherst Elementary School march in the Parade of Champions in the opening ceremonies of the 2017 Special Olympics Track and Field Invitational last week at Hardin Valley Academy. The event played host to 600 competitors.*

## Student athletes compete in Special Olympics at HVA

By Ken Lay

Hundreds of elementary and middle school athletes converged at Hardin Valley Academy for the 2017 Knox County Special Olympics Track and Field Invitational.

The event featured 600 athletes from Knox County Schools, Anderson County Schools, Clinton City Schools, Tennessee School for the Deaf and Oak Ridge City Schools, according to Knox County Special Olympics Co-Director Tim Lee.

Several people helped make it happen on Monday, April 10 but one Hardin Valley senior undertook the task of being director of the meet.

Morgan Jones learned that she and several of her friends would be charged with putting on the meet and for her, it was a labor of love.

"I work in our peer tutoring program here and I love it," Jones said. "I love working with kids and for me, it's an honor to do this."

The festive day had a disc



*Powell Middle School's Daniel Byrd receives a bronze medal in last Monday's Special Olympics Track and Field Invitational. Byrd took third place in the softball throwing competition at Hardin Valley Academy.*

jockey spinning tunes from all eras and was everything that one would expect from a track meet. Winners achieved medals on this sunsplashed mid-spring day and the air had the aroma of grilled hamburgers and hot

dogs.

Jones, who had plenty of help, was there to serve the athletes. But she received a reward of her own.

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## Board of Education adopts budget

By Pete Gawda

After much discussion the Knox County Board of Education approved a general fund budget of \$471,146,000 which is an approximate 4% increase over the current budget year. This budget includes a 3% pay increase for teachers and a \$1 an hour increase for teaching assistants.

With no discussion the board unanimously approved a school nutrition budget of \$28,570,000 which includes a three percent raise for food service personnel. There was also no discussion and a unanimous vote for the school system's capital improvement budget. This budget includes \$5 million for the start up of the two new middle schools, \$1.75 million for physical plant upgrades, \$250,000 for modular classrooms, \$200,000 for environmental testing and remedial projects and \$1.5 million for improvements to the kitchen at Powell Middle School.

Several parents voiced concern over cuts in the assistive technology program. One parent, Jennifer Nagle, mother of two children with dyslexia, called the proposed reduction "equivalent to taking a student's glasses away from them."

Lauren Hopson, president of the Knox County Education Association, stressed that she was speaking for staff and students. She expressed displeasure with what she called a budget that is pushed through so quickly. She also expressed displeasure in funding for assistive technology. She stated that in the budget process there is usually a choice between spending money for teacher salaries or for other things.

New superintendent Bob Thomas stated that what the school board was looking at is the bottom line of broad categories.

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# What's the difference between jail and prison?

When I speak with individuals who do not work in the legal field (and sometimes even when they do), they will use the terms "jail" and "prison" interchangeably. The terms



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"attorney" and "lawyer" mean the same thing, do "jail" and "prison" mean the same thing? No, they do not.

Jails are usually owned and run by counties, and are generally designed for individuals awaiting trial or serving short periods of time in jail. Typically, less than one year. So if someone is sentenced to serve 30 days, 90 days, or even 9 months, more than likely they will be serving that time in jail, and not prison.

Jails have individuals coming in and out all of the time. When someone is arrested for committing a crime, they are taken to jail, not prison. Individuals who have just been arrested typically have a few court dates fairly quickly, and the jail is better suited and more familiar with transporting individuals to and from the courthouse for court dates. Sometimes the courthouse and jail are in the same building (Loudon and Campbell Counties) or right across the street from each other (Sevier and Blount Counties)!

Prison on the other hand is designed for individuals who were either found guilty or who pled guilty and are staying behind bars for a significant period of time. Prisons are run

by the state or the federal bureau of prisons. The conditions for the individuals in prison are usually better than they are for individuals in jail. Jails are often overcrowded with individuals sleeping on the floor, and barely having anything to eat. Prisons, on the other hand, are better funded and are enormous complexes that generally have better programs designed for rehabilitating individuals. Often, individuals prefer their stay in prison to their time in jail due to these factors.

While every county in Tennessee has a jail, there are only a handful of prisons in the state, the closest one to Knoxville, being outside of Wartburg.

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# Student athletes compete in Special Olympics at HVA

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"It's awesome to help these kids and I'm really looking forward to helping these athletes get on the stand and get their medals," Jones said. "It's an honor for me to be here and to be doing this today."

"It really brought me out of my shell."

The athletes marched in the Parade of Champions and carried banners with their school colors and a torch was lit to begin the games.

And things wouldn't have been complete without a local star athlete to speak in the opening ceremonies and on this day, that honor went to former University of Tennessee basketball player Lew Evans.

Evans, a transfer from

Utah State, was a fan favorite for the Volunteers during his one season on Rocky Top. He ended his college hoops career after the 2016-17 season.

But he's far from finished with athletics in Big Orange Country.

"It's a fun day for me," Evans said.

"This is a fun event that they've put together and I always look forward to coming out and watching these young athletes compete."

Monday morning's elementary and middle school meet was the first of three held at HVA early last week.

The adult meet was held last Monday evening and high school athletes took the grand stage and competed on Tuesday.

By **Pete Gawda**

Like the previous week's meeting, attendance was small at a public meeting held last Tuesday evening to discuss the proposed rezoning plan for the schools system's two new middle schools. This meeting was at Hardin Valley Academy and was concerned mostly with zoning for the new Hardin Valley Middle School.

Unlike previous meetings, this meeting was opened by the school system's new superintendent, Bob Thomas, who said his first four working days as superintendent were like "drinking water from a fire hydrant." Thomas went on to say that the rezoning plan they were discussing is preliminary and it is not ready to be recommended to the board of education for final approval.

Rick Grubb, the school system's director of enrollment and transportation, said the expected initial enrollment in the new Gibbs Middle School would

be 600 students, while the new Hardin Valley Middle School was expected to initially have 1200 students. Both schools are scheduled to open in August of 2018.

Grubb went on to explain the process used in rezoning. He said the school system looked at such things as the functional capacity of affected schools, adequate capacity for growth, disparities, transportation, natural and manmade boundaries and location of the new school. They also look at boundaries already in place. He said one of the challenges to overcome was to develop a zoning plan that would still work 10 years into the future.

Grubb said the ideal situation was to develop zones as close as possible to student's homes. However, he went on to say that was not always possible because of the varying capacities of different school buildings. He also said that for students required to change schools

by the rezoning there would be some sort of "grandfathering" to allow them to remain at their current school if they so desired. This grandfathering would also extend to the student's younger siblings to allow them to attend the same school. "We want to limit the number of people moved," he asserted.

One parent whose daughter currently attends Ball Camp Elementary complained that her daughter's classmates would be split among three middle schools.

Other parents echoed the concern that their children would be separated from friends they had previously gone to school with.

Several parents lived in neighborhoods that were on the zone boundary. They felt more connection with the community on the other side of the line.

Grubb asked them to email the specifics of their concerns to rezoning@knoxschools.com and they would

be considered. He went on to say that zone lines are not along streets but along the back of property lines. He said some neighborhoods have only one access point. Therefore all the students would be zoned for the school zone at the access point.

Grubb noted that there are plans to extend Shaaad Road to Ball Camp Elementary. He said that would necessitate changing zone lines again to avoid having students cross a busy thoroughfare.

One parent predicted the new Hardin Valley Middle School zone was too large and therefore the new school would reach capacity much quicker than predicted. "Build it and they will come," he added.

"We don't want to be a part of disrupting families if we can help it," Grubb said. "We have to make the best decision we can and impact as few families as necessary."

# Keep Your Eyes on the Cross

It is, perhaps, the most recognized symbol of Easter. Often displayed inside and outside of churches, the cross is a constant reminder of the most important event in history. While Christmas celebrates our Saviour's birth, Easter marks the burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.



By **Ralphine Major**  
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The story behind one cross in Knoxville, Tennessee, is amazing. Dr. James McCluskey, Pastor Emeritus and former senior pastor who served 37 years at Wallace Memorial as well as interim pastor for many area churches since

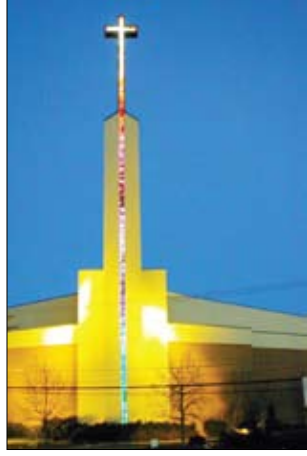
his retirement, shares how the church that started in the Tillery Theater on Clinton Highway came to have the lighted cross on their new worship center built in 1990. It was

discussed that thousands passed by the church every day, but many of them would never enter the inside of the new fan-shaped building. "It was important to give a Christian witness on the outside," McCluskey said. The huge, towering cross would distinguish the new building in a special and unique way. At 180 feet tall, the illuminated cross is high enough to be clearly seen

from nearby Interstate 75.

Shortly after the cross was erected, the church heard from someone who had attempted suicide three times. While driving up the highway, they saw the cross and drove to it. The person felt God speak to them saying He had already sent His Son to die on the cross, and it was time for them to live again. The pastor of an intercity church wrote that each afternoon he drove home on I-75, and the cross was a beacon of encouragement to him every time he looked at it.

May this cross and every cross be a beacon to all of us. Dr. McCluskey's favorite verse is a wonderful way to sum up the message of Easter: "For God so loved



A beautiful picture of the lighted cross, courtesy of **Willing Hearts, Inc.**

the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16 KJV)

# Board of Education adopts budget

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He said there could still be amendments to the budget. Thomas said that moving money from one category to another could be done by board action. Upon approval by the board the budget would be presented to the mayor. Thomas said that for two years in a row revenues had increased and that while fixed expenditures have also increased, they have not increased as much as revenues. This surplus in revenues, he said, would allow for increases in salaries.

In response to questions on assistive technology Malinda Massey, executive director of student support services, said that in the past school year 130 students were referred for evaluation and 140 students were monitored on a regular basis. She said there was a comprehensive plan to train staff and provide services. She said that most people think of computers when they think

of assistive technology, but she said it could be something as simple as a pencil grip. She said there would be specialized training for staff to help students who need extra help and there would be a shifting of case loads.

Board member Jennifer Owen stated that each year she did not receive a detailed budget as requested. "There are concerns in this budget," she added. She said the board should have gotten the budget months ago. She said she only received it on the Friday before that Wednesday's meeting and felt the board needed more time.

Board member Susan Horn also agreed that the board needed more time to study the budget. She claimed the format was confusing.

Board member Amber Rountree expressed concern about lack of detail on funding for magnet schools. She would like to see how similar sized school systems fund their

magnet schools.

"I really hate losing teachers," was the opinion of board member Gloria Deathridge. She said that in the last four years Austin East has lost 12 positions, more than any other school. "We are getting slapped every year," she claimed. While she was not opposed to teacher raises, she said the amount of money devoted to salaries did not leave enough money for other things. She wanted everyone to have a raise but not at the expense of students. "I really have a problem with this budget," she said. "Are we going to educate the students or are we going to play politics?"

Board member Terry Hill said that while she approved of the total amount of the budget she was not comfortable with not having all the pieces of what was presented.

In spite of the misgivings, the board voted nine to one to approve the budget with Deathridge casting the only "no" vote.



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# Publisher's Position

## The End Game



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All too often, it seems like many of us have lost sight of the purpose of education. When everything else is scraped away, all that remains is getting a job and becoming a productive citizen. The culmination of secondary education is to

finish high school and go on to further one's education or get a job.

You could have knocked me over with a feather when I read Rahm Emanuel, the former intimate of Bill and Hillary Clinton and current Mayor of Chicago, has proposed no student receive a high school diploma without having a letter of acceptance from a college or university, or a valid job offer.

My surprise was only beginning. Just a day or two later, I read where Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education under President Obama, endorsed Emanuel's idea. In fact, Duncan called the idea both "timely and needed." Duncan pointed out the obvious: a

high school diploma is "a stepping stone to a job, to college and to life." Arne Duncan also stated his belief the federal government is guilty of "disinvesting in public education and withdrawing from accountability."

I agree with both Emanuel and Duncan. Locally, we've seen the school system squirm to avoid greater accountability, which is a major gripe of the teacher's union. While they say they don't mind being held accountable (through evaluations, etc.), they have collectively never supported any real form of accountability.

The era of Jim McIntyre is behind us and a new era has begun under

the leadership of Bob Thomas, a veteran educator and administrator with literally decades of experience under his belt. The Board of Education just last Wednesday adopted a budget that was reasonable and as Board member Mike McMillan pointed out, "does a lot of good" for the schools, the children, the teachers, all without overly burdening the taxpayers. That alone is an accomplishment considering every budget under McIntyre seemed to set off some kind of mini-war.

There were few sour notes by the board and only Lauren Hopson, president of the Knox County Education Association, popped up to do her job, I

guess, and complain that teachers were receiving only a 3% raise instead of 4%. She also took the time to lecture KCEA is not a union; the KCEA merely represents teachers. Probably like the autoworker's union represents autoworkers, the steel worker's union represents steel workers, etc. I will also point out, including step raises, teachers will have received between 12% - 13% in raises in two years' budgets. Teachers were conspicuously absent at that particular meeting, likely because they realized the budget approved by the board was both fair and the best they could get.

When one gives the

matter a little thought, just what is the end game of graduating high school? It's not merely getting a diploma, but a gateway to bettering one's self. After all, what would be the point otherwise? It certainly isn't to perpetuate a school system that does nothing but become a diploma mill. Requiring a student to have a valid job offer or an acceptance letter from an institute of higher learning is a mighty good thing. It's the next logical step.

The future of education is going to depend upon just what we do about the stepping stone to a good life and Mayor Emanuel's idea merits serious discussion and thought.

## City programs highlighted during Community Development Week

The City's Community Development Department will tout its many programs and partnerships during the nationally recognized Community Development Week, April 17-21.

"Our Community Development team achieves so much to benefit neighborhoods and make our city more livable for everyone, especially low- to moderate-income residents," says Mayor Madeline Rogero, who served as the City's Community Development Director from 2006 to 2010 under Mayor Bill Haslam.

"It's important for residents to know how these programs strengthen our whole community."

"This is the perfect time to showcase how the City uses Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and HOME funds, because the President's budget proposes eliminating both of those funding sources," says Director of Community Development Becky Wade.

"Even reducing those funds a slight percentage would make a huge impact on the number of households we're able to assist."

Community Development Week will be marked with these events:

416 W. Jackson Ave.

Six of the department's community partners will receive Equity Awards to commend their contributions to local housing programs, economic development, access and inclusion programs, and community impact.

**Wed., April 19:  
Emerald Academy  
Tour, 1 p.m.**

Emerald Academy, 220 Carrick St.

Community Development staff members will tour the K-8 public charter school and talk to students about the City's community development projects. Students will present the drawings they've made of their neighborhoods.

**Thurs., April 20:  
Columbus Home  
ribbon-cutting, 10 a.m.**

Columbus Home, 119 Dameron Ave.

Community Development partner Catholic Charities of Knoxville will host a ribbon-cutting of Columbus Home Group Home's new flooring, a project supported by CDBG funds. Columbus Home provides supportive housing for boys ages 12 and older who have been removed from their homes.

**Fri., April 21:  
Community  
Development  
Open House, 8-10 a.m.**

Fifth Floor Atrium and Room 549, City County Building, 400 Main St.

Community Development Week concludes with an open house to share a slideshow of home renovations and testimonials from participants in programs like the Owner-Occupied Home Rehabilitation Program and the Commercial Façade Improvement Grants.

The Community Development Department runs and supports several programs that encourage economic investment; provide job opportunities and affordable housing to low- to moderate-income residents; prevent and remediate blight; and prevent, reduce and end homelessness. Funding comes from the CDGB, HOME and ESG (Emergency Solutions Grants) as well as City funds. The department also oversees the Historic Preservation Fund grants program, funded through the Mayor's Office.

For additional information about Community Development programs, visit <http://knoxvilletn.gov/development>.

## 'Why the History and the Archives are Important to All Generations'

"Why the History and the Archives Are Important to All Generations" will be the topic of Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett's address at the annual dinner of the East Tennessee Historical Society on Tuesday, May 2, at the Foundry on World's Fair Park. Both members and the general public are invited to attend. The event begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m. and will be followed by the dinner, lecture, and awards presentations which begin at 6:30 p.m.

Secretary of State Tre Hargett, the chief executive officer of the Tennessee Department of State, which includes the Library and Archives, will address how the Tennessee State Library and Archives (TSLA) houses the collective memory of

Tennesseans. In its vast collections are millions of precious documents, including photographs and maps and the state's constitutions. The Library and Archives preserves these and other irreplaceable state records, as well as family treasures, and provides training, support, and financial assistance to public libraries and county archives throughout Tennessee.

The event will be held at the Foundry on World's Fair Park, 747 World's Fair Park Drive, Knoxville, and is open to the public. Tickets are \$40 per person and include both the lecture and dinner. Reservations are requested by April 27. To make reservations or for additional information call 865-215-8883 or visit [www.eastTNhistory.org](http://www.eastTNhistory.org).

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# MPC director comments on new zoning ordinances

By Mike Steely  
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"We spend too much time looking in the rear view mirror," said Gerald Green on Wednesday in referring to zoning regulations adopted in the 1960s and still in use in Knoxville.

The Neighborhood Advisory Council met for its monthly meeting Wednesday and heard Green, the Metropolitan Planning Commission director, speak about planning and zoning and the effort to update all zoning regulations. He was joined by Deputy Law Director Crista Cuccaro in the presentation and discussion of current and proposed changes.

Green said the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, named recently by Mayor Madeline Rogero to assist with updates to the overall zoning regulations, will meet Tuesday, May 16th, for a public session at the Central United Methodist Church. The city has also

hired a Chicago-based consulting firm, Camiros Ltd. to study current zoning regulations and come with suggestions. The outside input was sought when Green told the city that the huge task was too large for his department to undertake in addition to the MPC's other duties.

The planning director said that Knoxville has been operating under zoning regulations adopted years ago and has been amending the rules and zones as needed. "Zoning, The Once and Future Opportunity" was the theme of Green's talk.

Green and Cuccaro noted that he current zoning regulations must often be altered to fit the demand for changing property and social use. Cuccaro said that zoning of property use in the city is also governed by state and federal laws and those rules must be taken into account in changing and enforcing

local zoning regulations.

"We've got issues we have to address," Green said. He said the city has 44 different zoning ordinances, new zones including Cumberland Avenue and the South Water Front, and Cuccaro noted that "overlay districts sit on top" of some zoned areas.

The Planning Commission is made up of seven county appointments and six city appointments. The volunteer members, named by the two mayors, hear zoning requests. Several city council members and MPC members have noted that the zoning regulations are out-dated and need to be studied.

Cuccaro explained the MPC to the neighborhood council saying that the MPC is not part of the city and compared it to the Knoxville Transit Authority as a separate entity. Green also told of the various other duties MPC does for the city, county, and Town of



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

**MPC Director Gerald Green addresses members and visitors during the Neighborhood Advisory Council Tuesday. Green spoke of plans now underway to totally revise the city's zoning regulations.**

Farragut and also the planner's involvement in the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) which coordinates transportation planning for Knox and the surrounding counties. He also urged the public to visit the MPC's website which he says "holds a wealth of information."

He spoke of the MPC's involvement in the redevelopment of the city corridors leading in and out of the downtown area, redevelopment of the river

front, protection of neighborhoods, and setting standards for "sense of fair play."

"Sometimes it is like Back to the Future," he said of zoning and planning.

He noted that Amy Midis, a Neighborhood Advisory member, is one of the Stakeholder Committee named by Mayor Madeline Rogero. Other local citizens named to that committee are Rick Blackburn, Dr. Martha Buchanan, Terrence Carter, Dr. Caroline

Cooley, Brian Hann, Don Horton, Dave Irwin, Amy Nolan, Joy O'Shell, Joe Petre, Patrick Phillips, Jennifer Roche, John Sanders, Jim Staley, Stephanie Welch and Brenna Wright. Cuccaro and Green also serve on the committee along with Scott Elder.

The purpose of the Stakeholder Committee is to provide feedback to proposed updates of the city's Zoning Code.

## Pawn shop rejected by council

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new ordinance was in place when the building there was purchased.

"There are eleven financial services within a mile and it's right at the entrance," she said of the building's location to her neighborhood.

Another citizen, Jim Brady, called such a business "predatory" and said the request "is not an issue of need."

Cappiello countered by saying the proposed business "is not your pawn shop of old." He told the council, "You can't legislate things you don't agree with."

Councilman George Wallace made what he called a "solo opinion" and asked the council to rethink the issue. He cited the letter from the city to the company approving the location.

"Five months later they learn the city has said that letter was invalid," Wallace said.

"He was told he had the right zoning," Wallace said, adding that the city had made a mistake.

Councilman Duane Grieve asked City Attorney Charles Swanson and Swanson replied that the letter approved a retail business for the location with no mention of a pawn shop.

"The letter could have been more complete," Swanson said. He said the initial letter went out the same day that the new ordinance went into effect.

The council voted to deny the request. Wallace voted "No" and Councilman Marshall Stair abstained from the vote because of his firm's

association with John King, who represented Capso.

In other action the council voted to allot funds for a professional environmental study by S&ME, Inc. for the former Sanitary Laundry and Dry Cleaning on North Broadway and approved the same company and service for the former McClung Warehouse site on Jackson Avenue.

The council also approved an increase of \$58,851 for work on the KAT Employee Parking Lot and upped the Fort Dickerson Gateway Park Project by \$35,364 with Hickory Construction, Inc.

A \$99,000 contract was approved with Roadway Solutions, LLC., for the city-wide guardrail program and a contract for \$322,500 with Galls, Inc., goes to uniform items for the fire department, public service, Transit and Parks and Recreation Department.

The self-service beer ordinance, paving the way for approval of Pour Taproom on Jackson Avenue, was approved on first reading. Council member Brenda Palmer, who chairs the Beer Board, requested passing the ordinance.

The council also approved allowing Lakeshore Park to obtain a beer permit, exempting it from the no-beer in city parks ordinances. The permit would only be issued for special events to authorized vendors.

The city also voted to exempt Agricultural Zoned parts of the city, mainly Knoxville Botanical Gardens, to have chicken lots within 100 feet of a property or roadway.

## City's Parking Ordinance postponed

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The MPC also voted to permit climate controlled self-storage facilities in O-1, Office, Medical and Related Services, after approval of a Use On Review.

A six-acre tract of vacant land on the south side of Dutchtown Road was approved to change zoning there from Planned Residential and Agricultural to Planned Commercial.

They also voted to allow

the construction of two duplexes on the West Side of W. Martin Mill Parkway and the Southside of Crenshaw Road in a Low Density Residential zone.

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## Our Neighborhoods

# Fourth and Gill opening homes for tour

By Mike Steely  
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The Historic Fourth and Gill neighborhood is offering the public a chance to tour several homes and buildings there Sunday. Included in the tour are the Graystone Mansion, now the home of WATE Television, and the stately Central United Methodist Church.

Guests can leisurely walk the neighborhood to visit the featured homes or ride a red trolley bus along with a resident tour guide host.

The 27th Anniversary Tour of Homes will probably attract more than 700 guests who will visit eight to ten residences. The Tour of Homes is a sponsored event and the revenue allows the installation of new banners along the line, installation of a mini-art gallery in the neighborhood park, purchase of street signs that display a historic district symbol, and other beautification efforts.

Jennifer Wright, president of the Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

*The Fourth and Gill Neighborhood is hosting a Home Tour Sunday, featuring historic homes as well as a tour of the WATE TV Graystone Mansion and the Central United Methodist Church.*

Association, is inviting people to the event. The neighborhood hosted a cleanup recently in preparation for the Dogwood Arts Festival, the Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon, and a large neighborhood yard sale.

Wright told The Knoxville Focus the tour begins at the Methodist Church at 201 Third Street at 1 p.m.

April 23. Tickets through April 22nd are \$10 and will go to \$12 the day of the tour when purchased at the church. Online tickets can be found at [www.fourthandgill.org](http://www.fourthandgill.org) under the "Tour of Homes" tag. The tour ends at 6 p.m.

Tickets can also be purchased at Three Rivers Market, Bliss, and Bliss Home.

"This oldest home on this year's tour was built in 1886. Home styles range from Victorian, Craftsman, Queen Anne and Gothic Revival," she said.

"Our neighborhood historian researches the history of every single home, poring through the records housed at the East Tennessee Historical Society. The histories, as

well as photographs, are printed in a tour booklet given to guests at the start of the tour. Some tidbits from the 2017 research include one house that sat vacant from 1969 until 1984, two buildings that are on the National Register of Historic Places and one home that stayed with one family for 74 years," Wright said.

Five neighborhood artists will also be featured on the tour. Guests can see unique works such as collages, freeform sculptured wood bowls, items created by a sewing cooperative of refugee women and even more.

The Central United Methodist Church will feature two concerts by the church's organists, one a Fourth and Gill resident, at 2 p.m. and at 4 p.m. The neighborhood's Facebook page will have updates about the event and the homes leading up to the tour.

"Our planning team has been working hard on this for months and we are excited about the tour," Wright said.



**From State Representative  
Harry Brooks**

Last week, the Tennessee Social Studies Review Committee (SRC) approved language that will incorporate the study of civic matters into the Tennessee social studies standards for the 2017-2018 academic years. The approval is designed to make civics more prevalent in public education courses across Tennessee. The language amended in the standards will include a more thorough focus on civics. Specifically, students will learn the process of becoming a naturalized citizen and also become well-versed in the operation of the U.S. government, civics, and overall American historical information. Supporters of the move agreed on the need to promote the teaching of civics — including the history of government, facts concerning our institutions of American democracy, and the U.S. political process — in Tennessee classrooms.

In 2016, Tennessee was named State of the Year for Economic Development by Southern Business & Development Magazine based on project totals and the variety of industries that invested in the state and created jobs.

So far in 2017, Tennessee is well on its way to living up to this recognition, with multiple major job announcements made since the beginning of the year.

In the past sixty days alone, some of Tennessee's top economic development projects have included:

- Science Applications International Corporation — Creation of 300 new jobs over the next five years in Cookeville
- Rockline Industries — Investment of \$40.3 million and creation of 250 new jobs in Morristown
- Orchid Paper Products — Establishment

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## How Knox County places were named

By Mike Steely  
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If you're new to Knox County or a native-born resident you may have wondered about place names and how the names were chosen. There is some confusion over some of the place names and little is known about the origin of other names.

Take **Powell Station** for instance. The growing area just north of Knoxville is an old settlement site and some say it was named for Columbus Powell who settled there. "Station" was a name used for communities and even fortified homes in the 1700s.

Others believe it was called Powell Station because of Powell Valley or even for the railroad station that was once there. Other communities and neighborhoods in our area carry the "Station"

name, such as Knox County's Kingsley Station, Campbell Station, Tipton Station and Bean Station.

**Corryton** would seem to be named "Corry Town" originally but it wasn't. The name comes from Corryton Woodbury who tried to establish a town there. Originally called "Floyd" the growing community east of Gibbs is a rural viable community.

**Gibbs** was named for early settler Nicholas Gibbs and his home stands yet today. The new middle school, the elementary school, and the high school there carry that name. Yet there's some confusion between Gibbs and Harbison Crossroads.

The community of Gibbs was originally known as Harbison Crossroads, named for the family of James Harbison, a Revolutionary War veteran who



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

*Powell Station Park is the location of the former railroad depot there. Was Powell Station named for the pioneer "station" there or for the railroad depot?*

settled there in the 1790s and operated a toll gate there. The "Crossroads" comes from the junction of Emory Road and

Tazewell Pike there.

The **Heiskell** community was named for the family of Samuel

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## Thank you, Lord, for Church

I read these thoughts somewhere and I think they are so appropriate, especially at this time of the year. The time when people are so willing to traipse to church on this one day to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is sad the church will be crowded on this day because the pews are not so crowded during the year. Why is this? People give all kinds of excuses: I have to work Sunday mornings, that's the only morning I can sleep in, or, I overslept.

Thank you, Lord, for the place I can go reserved for the worship of you.

Thank you for people who gather to know what's honest, eternal and true.

Thank you for love that exudes from that site, blessing my life in all ways.

I join in the worship, I feel the delight, I offer a heart full of praise.

At my church, we recite Psalm 23 many Sundays. There is another version that is beautiful, written by Henry W. Baker, an English hymn writer:

The King of love, my shepherd is, who goodness never faileth.

I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth,

And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me

And on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing brought me.

The comfort and peace of joining others each Sunday cannot be surpassed and should be enjoyed each week if possible. Not just on Easter Sunday (or Christmas). Our God is there for us every day, shouldn't we worship Him as often as we can?

Thought for the day: There is no more urgent and critical question in life than that of your personal relationship with God and your eternal salvation. Billy Graham

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# Annoying Hospital Stays

I sat in the surgical waiting room as my dear wife underwent a procedure. None of us look forward to any kind of events that concern medical personnel; they are second in unpopularity only to trips to the dentist. Everything about these journeys is less than pleasant.

One of the annoying things about hospital visits concerns time. Amy and I set the clock to get up at 5:00 a.m., although I lay awake by 4:30. We threw off the covers, took the dog out, and hopped in the car for the ride to the hospital. The receptionist greeted us with a quick smile and instructed us to take a seat. We moved to the waiting area and plopped into chairs a few minutes before our appointment time of 6:00 a.m.

After completing paperwork, an admissions specialist escorted us to a room where Amy unenthusiastically put on her hospital gown. Nurses came in and stuck her with needles; another came



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in to tell her what would be going on during the procedure. Then, for almost 2 hours, we waited for someone to roll her to surgery.

A woman at the waiting room desk apologized for not letting me know that the doctor began 45 minutes later than expected. How long I would wait in this room was anyone's guess, but I knew that when things were finished, I would be called up to talk to the doctor and then could find a seat once again to wait.

Another problem with this kind of thing was sitting. In the room where Amy got ready for surgery, the chair in which I dropped my behind consisted of a metal frame and some kind of seat that was hard, thin less than form-fitting. A couple of times I stood and walked around in an effort to improve circulation to my "sitter."

In the waiting room, the chairs were somewhat thicker. However, the pads were still too thin and eventually caused sharp

pains to shoot through bottom flesh and up the spine. A shifting from one side to the other helped only slightly. Just as I set up my computer to complete a little work, the pager, one like restaurants use to call guest to be seated, vibrated and lit up. I walked to the front counter to discover that the procedure is complete. After stuffing things back into my backpack, I followed an attendant to where Amy recovered.

The chair in the room where Amy stayed was more comfortable. It reclined; the seat had collapsed from hours of pressure from the behinds of patient visitors and family members. I flopped into the seat, pushed back, and almost lost consciousness. However, a steady stream of nurses and aides kept me from sleeping for more than a couple of minutes.

Maneuvering on hospital properties was another problem. Because we arrived so early, finding a parking place was easy. I dropped Amy at the front door and parked close to the entrance. After the surgery, I went home to take care of the dog. Upon

my return, I discovered that every single parking space on the premises was taken. Three circuits around the lots failed to spy a car leaving, so I decided to park in the employee lot. The trek to the hospital from there was long; at least the weather was dry.

Inside, reaching a destination was not much easier. The bank of elevators was much too small to handle all the traffic. In addition, the things were SLOW, and arriving at the correct floor took what seemed to take forever. I was also amazed at how adverse folks were to exercise. Instead of taking the stairs to one floor above or below, too many people hopped on elevators. Not many of them had limitations that kept them from simply walking up or down the steps.

My dear wife spent one night in the hospital, and I whisked her home the next morning. For her return to good health I am thankful. I'm also grateful that she didn't have a longer stay at the hospital; my backside and patience couldn't have stood it.

## How Knox County places were named

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Heiskell and **Byington** was named for the family of Moses Brownlow Byington.

The **Bonnie Kate** area in South Knoxville is named for one of the wives of Governor John Sevier. She and Sevier's first wife, Sarah, who died shortly after giving birth to their 10th child, are buried with Tennessee's first governor in the lawn of the Old Knoxville Courthouse

downtown. "Kate" was actually "Catherine" and Bonnie Kate was Sevier's nickname for her.

**Vestal**, the home of Candora Marble Works, was named for the family of Mary Vestal and her two sons. The brothers owned a lumber yard which operated until 1970. The Mary Vestal Park there preserves the name as does a local church.

**Concord**, on the waters of Lake Loudon, was a thriving community that

served as a shipping point for the marble industry. Apparently named for the Concord Presbyterian Church there, "Concord" was a popular name meaning an agreement and often used in the names of churches. The church

began in 1798 when Rev. Samuel G. Ramsey began holding services in a log cabin.

The Chota Masonic Lodge is in Concord. **Chota** is a common term used by the Cherokee and Chota, or Echota, was

the principal town of the Overhill Cherokee near present day Vonore. Chota is also used as the name of the lakeside community in West Knox County.

**Halls**, or Halls Crossroads, like Harbison Crossroads, is aptly named as Emory

Road crosses Maynardville Highway there. Founded by the Thomas Hall family the northern suburb of Knoxville, which many think is within the city limits, is not part of Knoxville but Knox County.

**Robinson Crossroads**, on the Pellissippi and Hardin Valley Road, also carries the "Crossroads" designation. It is now the home of Pellissippi State University and a growing number of West Knoxville subdivisions.

**Karns** is named for the first superintendent of public schools in the county, Professor Thomas Conner Karns. **Ball Camp** is named for an early long hunter Nicholas Ball, who camped there.

The town of **Farragut** was named for America's first Admiral, David Farragut, who was born nearby. Prior to then the community was known as Campbell Station.

**Knoxville** and **Knox County** are named for Gen. Henry Knox, a Revolutionary War hero and friend to President George Washington. Many other places are named for him including Knox Counties in Ohio and Kentucky.

If you know the basis for the naming of Solway, Burlington, Corinth, Tuckahoe or other Knox County communities we'd love to hear from you. You can email [steelym@knox-focus.com](mailto:steelym@knox-focus.com) and share your information.

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*The Chota Lodge in Concord has operated as a Masonic Lodge for many years. The historic building is also the home of a large cemetery. Concord's name comes from a common name given to churches and includes the Concord Presbyterian Church nearby.*

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# Tennessee and American Neutrality

Part Seven

## Pages from the Past



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With the outbreak of war in Europe following Adolf Hitler's invasion of Poland, the United States of America was faced with an unpleasant reality. Neutrality acts had been passed by the Congress in 1936, 1936 and 1937, but the war between Germany, Great Britain and France was eerily reminiscent of the First World War. Memories of that bloody conflict and the number of sons who never came home were still fresh in the minds of millions of Americans. A tidal wave of letters and telegrams flooded the offices of congressmen and senators. Senator Franklin D. Roosevelt had spoken to the nation in early September of 1939 and that wonderful voice took people into his confidence as they gathered around their radios to listen. "I hope the United States will keep out of this war," Roosevelt said. "As long as it remains within my power to prevent, there will be no blackout of peace in the United States." President Roosevelt acknowledged America's status as a neutral nation, but raised an important distinction. "I cannot ask that every American remain neutral in thought as well. Even a neutral has a right to take account of facts. Even a neutral cannot be asked to close his mind or his conscience."

Certainly even in Cordell Hull and K. D. McKellar's Tennessee opinion was hardly unanimous in favor of repealing the arms embargo. J. L. Stewart wrote a letter to the editor of the Nashville Tennessean scoffing that "Senator McKellar says the people he talked to in Tennessee are for repeal of the arms embargo." The writer opined the "senator possibly talked to his 'yes' men who knew how he felt and agreed with him." Stewart believed "85 percent of the people in Tennessee are against going into this war for any reason." Mr. Stewart felt the "few who talk in favor of the United States getting mixed up in this war did not enlist in the last war, do not intend to enlist in this war, but are in favor of sending someone else."

Fourteen other residents of Nashville did not agree with J. L. Stewart and wrote to Senators McKellar and Stewart, as well as Congressman Joseph W. Byrns, Jr., to say they strongly supported the idea of revising the neutrality law and were for the cash and carry provision. Yet they cautioned their representatives exports to belligerent countries should be limited.

Numerous congressmen and senators noticed the cascade of mail they were receiving against repeal of the arms embargo and

the opinions expressed by the people they represented. Many members of Congress had only recently returned to Washington after having been home. Republican Congressman J. Will Taylor represented Tennessee's Second Congressional district. Taylor frankly admitted in late September most of his mail was against repeal of the arms embargo, but "Hillbilly Bill" said he had just come back from Tennessee and had talked to a great many people while home. Congressman Taylor assured a reporter he was confident the "overwhelming sentiment" of his constituents was in favor of the repeal of the arms embargo. Taylor pointed to a resolution he had just received from the American Legion post in Scott County, which endorsed the cash and carry provision and flatly stated "the present law unjustly favors the totalitarian powers." Freshman Congressman Albert Gore said much the same as Taylor. Gore had spent five week inside his district and said his own folks were "overwhelmingly in favor of repeal of the embargo." Doubtless what Gore said was true, if for no other reason the Fourth District was that which had been represented by Cordell Hull for decades. Residents of Tennessee's Fourth District were extraordinarily proud of native son Cordell Hull and it would have been surpassing strange had they not backed the Secretary of State in his efforts.

Walter Chandler, congressman from Tennessee's Ninth District, had come to Washington to represent Shelby County after E. H. Crump had tired of life in the nation's Capitol. Chandler explained he had received exactly two letters and two telegrams. The signatories of the telegrams were opposed to repeal, as was the writer of one of the letters; the writer of the second letter favored repeal.

Senator McKellar paid very close attention to the mail coming into his office. Much of McKellar's personal popularity with Tennesseans was derived from his attention to their problems and his intervention on their behalf. The senator had a standing rule that every letter from Tennessee had to be answered the same day it arrived, if only to acknowledge it and tell the recipient McKellar would write further when he had more information. Upon returning to his Washington office for the special session of Congress, McKellar found some 500 letters opposing repeal awaiting him. The senator was quick to point out only 350 of them were from Tennessee. Having traveled widely through Tennessee before returning



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

*Tennessee's Congressional delegation for the House of Representatives in 1939; from left to right, Carroll Reece, Jere Cooper, Clarence W. Turner, Herron Pearson, Walter Chandler, Joseph W. Byrns, Jr., J. Will Taylor and Albert Gore*

to the Capitol, Senator McKellar had only encountered a single person who expressed opposition to repealing the arms embargo. McKellar surmised those constituents who favored repeal had not bothered to write him, as his own views in support of repeal were so widely known in Tennessee.

The Nashville Tennessean thought it only natural Senator McKellar would receive more mail than any other member of Congress from Tennessee "in view of his high position in senatorial circles and because he draws from the entire state..." Yet Senator Tom Stewart's mail was "comparatively light as compared with McKellar's." A recent speech by Franklin Roosevelt had evidently rallied Tennesseans behind the President and Secretary of State Cordell Hull. Some influential Tennesseans had expressed the opinion a majority of the state's citizens had opposed any revision of the neutrality laws before Roosevelt's speech; following FDR's radio talk, the tide turned. That opinion was likely overstating the case, as it failed to take into account home state pride in Cordell Hull; both Hull and Senator McKellar were highly popular in Tennessee and the Tennessean readily acknowledged the influence of the Secretary of State in convincing the people of Tennessee to change their minds. The Tennessean noted "the fact the administration neutrality program bears the name of Hull is said to have influenced many Tennesseans to favor the program."

The difference in what congressmen and senators heard back home and the mail being delivered to their offices was not a Tennessee phenomenon. Senator John E. Miller of Arkansas had observed the same thing after having been in his own home state. Miller said he recently spoke to a Rotary Club in Little Rock comprised of "300 leading business men and publishers" and announced he favored removing the arms embargo. Senator Miller reported he quickly received approval from all over Arkansas for his stand, although most of his mail remained solidly against repeal of the embargo. Miller noted much of the

mail against repeal of the embargo was worded identically. Clearly, congressmen and senators were receiving mail generated by special interests.

Senator McKellar did not waste much time once the special session convened. On September 25, McKellar introduced a resolution to repeal the neutrality act. The Tennessee senator declared the neutrality act was "in direct conflict with our freedom of the seas policy" and the law should be repealed "outright."

Senator McKellar's proposal, going much farther than even what the Roosevelt administration had proposed, took away the breath of many of his allies and horrified the isolationists. In his typically blunt fashion, McKellar spoke an inconvenient truth when he said the neutrality law should be repealed as the governmental was "paying virtually no attention to it" in any event. McKellar said "no great government should pass a law and then disregard it," noting that was "one of the principal reasons that I voted to repeal the Prohibition law."

McKellar had been invited to a White House conference with President Roosevelt along with other senators and there was immediate speculation by the press the Tennessean had introduced his resolution at the behest of the administration. Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio cried, "Repeal of the Neutrality Act would be equivalent to authorizing the President to conduct an undeclared naval war and I am opposed to it."

While introducing his resolution, Senator McKellar addressed the Senate, candidly saying, "We made a mistake in passing the neutrality laws as they have done no good and have merely cluttered up a situation that was already bad." McKellar made his point that the neutrality laws passed by Congress had hampered the United States in its freedom of

the seas policy, reminding his colleagues, "We have fought two wars in behalf of this policy; one with Great Britain in 1812-14, which we lost with the exception of the Battle of New Orleans..." McKellar cited the other war fought for the freedom of seas policy had been the First World War, "Which we won and then lost in the peace conference" and again "in the Disarmament Conference in 1922."

Senator McKellar noted the freedom of the seas had been a policy followed by the United States "for more than 100 years." McKellar summed up his thoughts succinctly, saying, "I do not believe the neutrality laws will keep us out of war. As long as we keep them on the books Germany will, no doubt, regard them as full evidence we are afraid of her."

Few of the senators in the Senate Chamber wished to tangle with the peppery Tennessean, although New Hampshire Republican Charles Tobey did rise to sneer the neutrality laws had been "enacted under the whip and spur of the present Administration." Styles Bridges, Tobey's colleague from New Hampshire and also a Republican, got up to remind his colleagues he had been one of only six senators to vote against the original neutrality act and he still believed its passage was a mistake.

Following his brief speech on the Senate floor, McKellar was interviewed by longtime newsman Bascom Timmons. McKellar insisted the program supported by the Roosevelt administration offered the best chance for America to avoid involvement in "this unrighteous, uncalled-for, devilish war." McKellar forecast the repeal bill would be approved "by a two-to-one majority in the senate" and repeated his claim the existing law helped Hitler's Germany. "Therefore, as the present embargo act favors Germany, I

approve the repeal of that act (which German propaganda is trying so hard to retain.)" "We cannot now sell to Canada an airplane or a truck if intended for war purposed," McKellar complained.

"We all want peace," McKellar said. "There is no absolute guarantee of peace, of course, but we want to take the most effective steps possible to secure it." Senator McKellar told Timmons he was "utterly opposed to war" and confessed he had received a "few very bitter letters" on the subject, but excused the writers as he believed they would not have been written had the writers been acquainted with the facts.

One of McKellar's close friends, as well as one of the most admired men in Tennessee, Sergeant Alvin C. York, hero of the First World War, announced his support for the Roosevelt - Hull plan. York spoke over the radio and praised the President. "Our duty is to uphold him in his determination that the American desire for neutrality shall not be changed." Sergeant York warned his audience, gently reminding them, "But let us not close our eyes to possibilities already on the war horizon. If war becomes necessary - and when and if, and only if, it becomes necessary - then let us stand behind the President solidly." Although Sergeant York was for peace "because, like the President, I hate war," he was not for peace at any price. "I do not hate war to the extent that I would sacrifice the standing and national honor of my country to obtain an unsatisfactory, unstable peace - - - failure of peace, such as was the conference at Munich last fall."

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and they can hold no offices except parish offices. Although a woman may be a citizen, she is not entitled, by virtue of her citizenship, to take any part in the government, either as a voter or as an officer, independent of legislation conferring such rights upon her. It follows that unless there is some constitutional or legislative provision enabling her to hold office, she is not eligible to the same.”

In short, although a woman was a citizen of the state, she had no right to vote or hold any elected office. Twenty-six years later, on April 17, 1919, Governor A. H. Roberts signed into law Public Chapter 139, an act granting women

the right to vote for electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and for municipal officers. Women in Tennessee could now vote in most elections, but the bar to holding public office remained.

In August 1920, Tennessee became the 36th State to ratify the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution; women throughout the country were then able to vote in the November 1920 Presidential election. In a special election held in January 1921 in Tennessee to fill the vacancy caused by the death in office of Senator J. Parks Worley, his widow, Anna Lee Keys

Worley, was elected by the voters of Sullivan and Hawkins counties as the first female member of any southern state legislature. On March 10, Senator Anna Lee Keys Worley introduced 1921 Senate Bill 737, “an act to make women eligible to hold public office in Tennessee.” It passed both houses and was signed into law by Governor A. A. Taylor, making it 1921 Public Chapter 95, on April 5, 1921.

As we approach May, many committees in the House have begun to close or post their last calendars. The House Education Administration and Planning Committee that I chair will meet for the

last time, barring any special circumstances such as a double referred bill coming from another committee. These committees begin to close in the final weeks to allow the remaining legislation time to make it to the House Floor before session ends.

As always, please contact me if I can be of any assistance to you in any way. My office phone 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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# Knox County has five ‘state best’ times in MS track

By Steve Williams

Athletes from Knox County middle schools own state best times in five events, according to Tennessee Runner Mile-Split rankings as of April 14.

Two Karns girls and a Farragut boys relay team joined the list Thursday in a meet at Karns.

Olivia Neely, a Karns 7th grader, posted a time of 12.87 seconds in winning the 100-meter dash. Teammate Cathryn Jarde, an 8th grader, was clocked in 11:33.98 as she won the 3200 run.

Farragut’s 4x800 relay turned in a state best time of 9:30.13.

Two other Knox County athletes posted top times in the state earlier this season with Riley Duval, a 7th grader at Carter, running 2:12.49 in the girls’ 800 on April 4 and Beckett Anderson, an 8th grader at West Valley, posting a 10:47.81 in the boys’ 3200 on March 23.

Anderson also won the 1600 run with a time of 4:59.06 last week in a meet hosted by West Valley at West High School. Also



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

*Jonathan Diaz of West Valley is an impressive winner as he nears the finish line in the 100-meter dash in a middle school meet last week. A big crowd was on hand at West High as athletes from CAK, Cedar Bluff, Halls, Holston, Powell, Vine, West Valley and Nature’s Way Montessori School competed.*

at that meet, West Valley 8th grader Jonathan Diaz was a double winner in the 100 (11.64) and 200

(24.14). Sixth grader McKenna Hubbard of Christian Academy of Knoxville finished first in the 100 dash

in 13.63. The Knox County Middle School Track and Field Championships will be

held May 1 (prelims) and May 4 (finals) at Hardin Valley Academy.

## Long-running Southern Golden Gloves event this week

By Steve Williams

The annual Southern Golden Gloves boxing tournament will be held this week, starting Thursday night at the “Ace” Miller Golden Gloves Arena, which is located in Chilhowee Park, 401 Lakeside Street, in East Knoxville.

First-round bouts will start at 7:30.

The second round/semifinals are scheduled to get underway Friday night at 7:30 and the finals Saturday at 5 p.m.

The Southern Golden Gloves is a long running program that serves as the feeder for the winners to earn a spot to go to the National Golden Gloves tournament that will be in Lafayette, Louisiana this year, May 1-6, said Tracy Miller-Davis, General Manager of the “Ace” Miller Golden Gloves Arena.

Teams from South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and

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# Everett lifts Powell in sweep of Red Devils

By Ken Lay

Levi Everett’s big early-week series helped the Powell High School baseball team sweep Emory Road rival Halls and remain atop the District 3-AAA standings.

Everett’s walk-off RBI single with two outs in the bottom of the 10th inning lifted the Panthers past the Red Devils 4-3 Tuesday night at Danny T. Maples Field.

“You never expect a game to go more than seven innings, but you never expect a game against Halls to be easy,” said Everett, who got a big hit to plate Skylar Stalcup with two outs. “You always want the chance to be clutch.”

Tuesday’s victory over the Red Devils (9-6 overall, 5-3 in the district) helped Powell keep its perfect record intact.

The two teams played in Halls Monday, April 10 with the Panthers (12-5, 8-0) coming of the field with a 7-1 win. Everett hurled a complete game while surrendering one run and four hits. He finished the contest with six strikeouts.

He didn’t start Tuesday but entered the game as a late defensive replacement in left field before getting the game-winning hit.

The Panthers took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning and Powell scored both of those runs with two out in the frame.

Matt Grim, Powell’s starting pitcher, delivered a two-run double that drove in Parker Stinnett and Cade Rogers, who singled in the inning.

Grim had a no-hitter through four innings although he had four walks and hit a batter early.

Halls finally got a hit with one out in the fifth and tied the game later in the inning. Derrick Lay pulled the Red Devils to within 2-1 when he singled in Sam Beeler, who drew a one-out walk. Halls scored its second run when Graham Elkins had a sacrifice fly that plated Hunter Housewright, who got the first hit of the game for the Red Devils.

Grim left the game after six innings. Stalcup replaced

him on the mound.

The two squads remained embroiled in a 2-2 tie until the Red Devils took a 3-2 lead in the top of the ninth when Housewright walked and advanced to third on a passed ball.

He would score the go-ahead run when Bryce Hodge doubled. Halls could’ve had more by Stalcup wiggled out of a bases-loaded jam.

The Panthers pulled even in the bottom of the frame and again, they scored with two outs.

Mason King’s RBI single extended the game, tying the score at 3-3.

In the top of the ninth, Stalcup issued a pair of two-out walks but escaped



*Left-hander Matt Grim delivers a pitch in Powell High’s 4-3 District 3-AAA victory against rival Halls Tuesday. Grim had a no-hitter through four innings but received a no-decision as the Panthers defeated the Red Devils in 10 innings.*

damage when he caught Trey Messer looking.

That set the stage for Everett’s clutch game-ending single.

Powell coach Jay Scarbro said that Tuesday represented a typical Halls-Powell game.

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# Central football players sign to move on

By Ken Lay

Three Central High School seniors recently made the decision to continue their respective football careers.

Jadarius Sackie, Eli Holbert and Trey Mitchell recently finalized their plans after graduation. All three were key figures on 2016 Bobcats squad, which reached the Class 4A State Championship Game. Sackie signed to play with East Tennessee State University, which reinstated its football program two years ago. With the Buccaneers in Johnson City, he will join former Central standout JaJuan Stinson, who will be a junior in 2017.

While Sackie is will enter ETSU as an undeclared major, he's looking forward to playing his college football in Johnson City's resident NCAA FHS institution, which recently reinstated the sport.

"It's exciting to go up there," he said. "I'm not sure what I'm going to major in yet. It will probably be in sports management or sports medicine.

"But I'm happy to be going there because I'm looking forward to helping them continue to build their foundation."

Stinson is one of several former area high school standouts who are playing for the Bucs but Sackie said that it was the coaches and the campus was what appealed to him about East Tennessee State.

"I talked to a few of those guys and I know that I won't be there alone," Sackie said. "But the big factor was that I loved everything about the campus.

"I also liked the coaches."

Sackie said that he also considered playing at Carson-Newman.

Holbert, his 2016 teammate in Fountain City, will kick for the Eagles in Jefferson City.

He is a member of Central High School's soccer team, which is enjoying success this spring. He

# Everett lifts Powell in sweep of Red Devils

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"When these two teams play, you can throw out the records," he said. "You don't ever want to give these wins back, but everything I drew up backfired tonight.

"But a lot of the credit for that has to go to Halls because they're a really good team.

"They fought us hard and they really gave us everything we wanted and more."



signed to play at Carson-Newman in a ceremony at the CHS Library on Thursday, April 6.

Holbert, who will pursue a sports medicine degree while playing in Jefferson City.

He said that he chose Carson-Newman for several reasons.

"I wanted to go to a school with a solid Christian background and I wanted to be close enough to home where I could come home for a weekend," Holbert said. "I liked the small classes and I liked the coaches.

"I also know some people who are playing up there now."

He also noted that his visit proved that it was the place for him.

"What really drew me in was the fact that it just felt like home."

Mitchell, who was Central's quarterback in 2016, has chosen to attend Palmetto Prep Academy in South Carolina.

His choice will give him the opportunity to continue his education while also playing football. He'll spend the 2017 season in prep school and will re-open his recruitment after the upcoming campaign.

While his college football plans have been temporarily put on hold, he's looking to pursue a degree in chemical engineering.

He didn't have any scholarship offers to his liking.

"I got several offers to play as a preferred walk-on but I want a scholarship," Mitchell said. "Going to prep school will give a chance to play football at a high level.

"It will give the chance to get the full college experience."

Scarbro and the Panthers were jubilant but Halls coach Doug Polston was dejected after taking a tough loss.

"This is hard to take because I felt like my kids fought their guts out," Polston said. "We just couldn't get an out when we needed an out.

"You have to give [Stalcup] credit because he went up there and he got on base. This is a tough one but we'll be fine."

# Goals finally go in for Hawks in win at Farragut

By Ken Lay

To say that Hardin Valley Academy's boys soccer team has had offensive struggles in 2017 might be a gross understatement.

But all that changed at least for one match Thursday night as the Hawks notched a 3-2 District 4-AAA over rival Farragut at Farragut Soccer Stadium.

Hardin Valley (4-3-5 overall, 2-1-2 in the district) got goals from three different scorers and scored more than twice in a game for the first time this season.

The Hawks, who reached the Class AAA State Semifinals in 2015, had just four victories last season.

The offensive struggles continued out of the gate this year, but first-year head coach Nick Bradford never questioned his squad's effort and implored his team to continue to work.

And the labor finally reaped results against the Admirals (10-3-1, 3-1).

"This is good for us," Bradford said. "We played well tonight but Farragut did too.

"They've been a force in soccer for years and they still are. They have nothing to hang their heads about and this is the first time that we've ever won over here."



Hardin Valley Academy's Blake Enis (13) and Farragut's Cannon Beuchley push upfield in the Hawks' 3-2 league victory over the Admirals Thursday night in Farragut.

HVA went up early when Hutch Peter scored in the fifth minute.

That advantage, however, would be short-lived as Farragut's Pablo Herrera tallied the equalizer less than a minute later.

Herrera, a sophomore transfer from Kentucky, gave the host Admirals a 2-1 lead in the 21st minute when he bent the ball off the goalpost, past Hawks goalkeeper Andrew Foster and into the back of the net.

Hardin Valley re-tied the game on a marker by K.C. Rittenberry in the 28th minute.

Heath Martin gave the Hawks the lead for good when he scored in the 35th minute.

Herrera was distraught after the match, which was another installment in one of the county's most heated soccer rivalries. "We had a bad first half and we weren't able to recover," Herrera said. "But we just have to pick our heads back up. We have to bounce back. We have to come back and we have to win the district.

Hardin Valley withstood a late furious rush by the Admirals and hung on and

had a mass celebration after the game.

Farragut coach Ray Dover took responsibility for his side's loss.

"This is on me," he said. "It's on me because I have to do a better job getting my boys into position to win.

"This was [Hardin Valley's] Super Bowl. Any time somebody plays Farragut, it's always their Super Bowl. We tightened some things up after halftime and I think they only got one shot on goal. We'll be fine."

# Area wrestlers honored by coaches

By Ken Lay

The recently competed 2016-17 high school wrestling season was a banner campaign for local athletes and the area's coaches recently named both the all-area and all-Knoxville Interscholastic League teams.

Halls High School, which won the Region 2-AAA Duals, had a pair of grapplers receive First Team All-Area honors.

Ian Morgan (113 pounds) and Colton McMahan (170) were named to the team. Both won Region 2-AAA Titles for the Red Devils.

McMahan also won the Class AAA State Championships.

Gibbs High's H.T. Fortner was named to the team after he was both a region and state champion.

Tyler McKeefery, Farragut's 106-pound sophomore, made the squad after winning a second consecutive region title.

He was also a state quarterfinalist in 2017.

The Red Devils and Eagles each had two second-team selections.

Halls was represented by Chase Brown (132) and Luke Harp (195). Gibbs had Mathew Maxwell (138) and Noel Leyva (152) named to the team.

They were joined on the squad by Seymour's Isaiah Gorenflo (106 pounds) and Grace Christian Academy's Eric Beecham.

Seven girls received all-area honors.

Hardin Valley Academy's Kenya Sloan (165 pounds) overcame an injury to win a third consecutive East Region Championship and followed that up with a third straight State Championship. The HVA junior has never lost a high school match and she's the first-ever three-time girls state champion. She didn't surrender a point this season.

Gibbs High's Cailey

Griffin won a state title after capturing the region. She's the first female state titlist in the storied wrestling history of the Eagles program.

Aimee Lampkins (HVA, 112 pounds) was named to the squad after posting third-place finishes at the region and state tournaments.

Halls 120-pounder Megann Kiser was the school's first female grappler to earn a state medal as she placed fifth on the grand stage.

Bearden had a trio of selections as Zoe DeJongh (130), Emily Legagneur (125) and Kianna Price (155) were named to the squad. All had deep postseason runs. DeJongh and Legagneur both won the region and Price was a regional runner-up. She was fifth at state and her teammates both posted third-place finishes.

There were no girls all-KIL teams.

First team all-KIL selections for the boys

included: McKeefery; Morgan; Chris Nielson (Halls, 120 pounds); Burns; Maxwell; Beecham; Blake Hunter (Halls, 160); McMahan; Fortner; Harp; Keenan Sloan (Hardin Valley, 220) and Eli Chinique (Christian Academy of Knoxville, 285).

All-KIL second teamers included: Christian Lay (Halls, 106); Nathaniel Harris (CAK, 113); Tanner Thornton (Grace, 120); Tolliver Justice (Halls, 126); Garrett Lay (Grace, 132); William Parish (CAK, 138); Kaleb Sobek (Bearden, 145); Josh Pietarlia (Hardin Valley, 152); Brandon Dougherty (Hardin Valley, 160); Max Grayson (Bearden, 170); Brent Buckman (Halls, 182); Eli Lawson (Gibbs, 195); Andrew Wilkins (Bearden, 220) and Derrick DeBusk (285, Central).

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# New West coach tries to help young men, like he was helped

By Steve Williams

Lamar Brown has had an interesting football career.

As a player, the new West High School head coach, was a standout defensive back in Jefferson County's glory era of the 1980s. While Brown never made it to the state championship game, he played on four straight state semifinal teams.

His last game was even at Neyland Stadium in 1986 when the Patriots bowed to eventual state champion Halls 10-0. The Knoxville Journal reported an estimated 28,000 fans were on hand for that game.

Earlier during the regular season, Brown had played in what was billed a "super showdown" – No. 1 ranked Rhea County vs. No. 2 Jefferson County.

Andy Kelly, who went on to stardom at Tennessee, was Rhea County's quarterback. Kelly and the Golden Eagles won 31-6 as Jefferson County committed six turnovers. That game drew an overflow crowd of 10,000.

Brown went to East Tennessee State to play football, but his college career never got off the ground as he went down with a knee injury. He returned to Jefferson City and went to Carson-Newman.

He coached one year at the University of the Cumberland in Williamsburg, Ky., as an assistant but soon realized the high school level was where he wanted to be.

At Morristown West, he was part of a staff that twice defeated mighty Maryville – once in the regular season and once

in the state semifinals.

After nine seasons as an assistant, Brown was head coach at Morristown West for nine more years. He guided the Trojans to the state quarterfinals three times, including last season when his team was eliminated at South-Doyle

The true beginning of Brown's coaching career can be traced back to his high school playing days at Jefferson County, where Craig Kisabeth was his head coach and Jim Smith his defensive back coach.

"They had major impacts on my life," recalled Brown last week. "That's why I am so passionate about helping young men because I came from a tough situation. I was raised by my grandparents and Coach Kisabeth and Coach Smith were father figures in my life."

"Without the influence of those two men I don't know where I'd be right now. I wouldn't be sitting here. They installed a worth ethic in me and a passion for this game."

They also left an impression on Brown that he's never forgotten and tries to uphold as a high school coach himself.

"On the outside looking in, people are going to say Lamar Brown's teams play a 3-4 defense," he said. "We like to run a power game on offense. We like to be physical."

"But I hope that people that have been within the program and very close to it know that Lamar Brown cares about kids. Lamar Brown is in it to help these young men achieve whatever dreams that they may



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Lamar Brown says he has admired the Knoxville West High football program from afar for a long time.

have."

Brown said legendary Carson-Newman coach Ken Sparks, who recently died after a long battle with cancer, also had a major impact on his life. Brown had been a graduate assistant coach at C-N.

"Morristown West is a great place, with a lot of great kids and a lot of great people," said Brown. "But West High School here in Knoxville has always been a place I kind of had my eye on."

Brown was hired at West on Jan. 17, replacing Jeff Harig, who resigned after his second season as the Rebels' coach. The opportunity to bring four assistant coaches, including his offensive coordinator and defensive coordinator, was a plus.

"I admired West High from afar when Scott Cummings was here," said Brown. "Scott did a great

job of laying the foundation and building the program, which ended with back to back state championship appearances and the title in his last year.

"This school is known for having athletes and we have a lot of great athletes now."

Brown also said the coaching move offered a "a new challenge" and is "perfect timing," with his daughter (Emily) graduating from Morristown West this spring. "It's a good move for my family right now."

Brown's wife, Tonya, is an operating room nurse and works at hospitals in Knoxville and Morristown.

"Hopefully by the beginning of summer we'll be moved to Knoxville," he said.

Surprisingly, the Rebels did not make the playoffs in 2016.

"Winning is going to be

very important here," said Brown. "We're working hard to get this program back on track. But winning is not the end all."

"I think my calling in life is working with young people, helping them grow into young adults and giving them tools to make tough decisions when adversity hits because life is hard. That's what we want to equip them with."

"The trophies are going to collect dust. Nobody is going to remember those things, but I hope that when a kid leaves this program that he can look back on it and say not only was it the best four years of his life, but he also laid a foundation for great success later on in life."

West will have 10 practices this spring and two scrimmages at home against Austin-East (May 5) and Science Hill (May 12).

## Inaugural 5K in honor of Knoxville Childhood Cancer Hero Benefits Pediatric Brain Tumor Research

In their continuing efforts to raise funds and awareness for the fight against childhood cancer, the Phillips family of Knoxville will host the inaugural Tillery's Hustle for Hope 5K on Saturday, May 20 at 9 a.m. at Victor Ashe Park in Knoxville, TN. Proceeds from the 5K will benefit pediatric brain tumor research through TIL Fund through Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF).

In September 2014, Tillery Phillips was diagnosed at 15-months-old with a large brain tumor. Tillery's tumor is not a terminal diagnosis but it is a mass that can never fully be removed. She's had 14 surgeries and two years of chemotherapy. The Phillips family is determined to raise awareness and money until there are better options for families, more choices for the children and ultimately a cure.

The Phillips family was introduced to ALSF in 2014 when they received assistance from the Foundation's Travel for Care program. "We planned to travel home to Tennessee after Tillery's first surgery but her medical team advised we stay close to the hospital. Her social worker coordinated with ALSF to have our hotel room covered," said Alan Phillips, Tillery's mother. "Three days after being discharged from the hospital, Tillery developed a blood clot from surgery and had to be readmitted to the hospital. Being close to the hospital played a huge role in saving our daughter. We wanted to partner with an organization that made such a huge impact on our family."

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# Luke Smith, Sewanee signee, averaged 6.8 assists per game

By Steve Williams

Luke Smith's passing was often as entertaining as his shooting this past basketball season as he led Knoxville Catholic High to the Class AA state finals.

The senior point guard, who signed with Sewanee last week, led Knox County in assists with 225 in 33 games for an average of 6.8 per contest.

Smith, who averaged 19 points, also recently played in the TACA All-Star game in Cookeville, representing the East squad.

Sewanee, also known as the University of the South, is a NCAA Division 3 member and a "solid academic school," said Catholic head coach Mike Hutchens.

Other statistical leaders for Catholic included junior Jack Sompayrac, who could be dangerous from long range. He knocked down 85 of 190 of his 3-point attempts for 45 percent, with many of them coming way behind the arc. Jack also was usually on target from 15 feet

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PHOTO BY KELLY KEARSE

"Excited to say I will be attending Sewanee next year to continue my education and basketball career. Go Tigers," tweeted Catholic standout Luke Smith last week.

# Long-running Southern Golden Gloves event this week

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Tennessee will be competing in the Southern.

One boxer from each weight class will advance to the Nationals to represent

the Knoxville franchise, said Miller-Davis.

The 84th annual East Tennessee Golden Gloves tournament was held at the arena last month.

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# Trey Smith is still trying to blend in, but you can't miss him

When you're 6-foot-6 and 313 pounds, it's kind of hard to blend in. But in a way, that's what Trey Smith did best at University School of Jackson last season, and that's what he's been doing as he begins what could be a very promising career as an offensive lineman in the University of Tennessee football program.

Rusty Bradley recently reflected on the one season he had coaching Smith, which was last fall at USJ, a Division II-A member of the TSSAA.

"ESPN had him as the No. 1 overall player in the country," said Bradley, who has since returned to Knoxville as the new head coach at Grace Christian Academy and was head coach at CAK for nine years before going to Jackson.

"Last season was a lot of fun. Trey was very, very humble. He was just one of the guys. He never really talked about recruiting and did not want to talk about it. He just kind of wanted to blend in, but worked unbelievably hard."

Much like still wearing No. 73, Bradley has noticed Smith's work ethic hasn't changed at UT or his attitude.

"He's gone in there and just blended in," said Bradley. "He hasn't been about promoting himself. He's not really said a lot, but just worked. I think right now he's actually running with the 1's at right tackle."



By Steve Williams

Smith probably won't be the No. 1 attraction in Tennessee's spring game this coming Saturday at Neyland Stadium, but he'll be close behind the quarterback battle between Quentin Dormady and Jarrett Guarantano.

"I won't be surprised at all if Trey starts this season," said Bradley. "He's that talented. He's ready physically to start. It's just a matter of adjusting to the speed of the game and all those things."

A freshman starting in the trenches of the Southeastern Conference is rare, and it's often said the offensive line is probably the toughest position to play as a rookie in the SEC, because those are men in there. And Bradley pointed out that Trey is 17 years old and doesn't turn 18 until the end of June.

Smith was 6-5 and 297 when he was at USJ last season, Bradley also noted, so he's still growing, too.

But Smith is different in many ways.

"A lot of guys spend the summer before their senior year – especially when they are uncommitted – visiting different schools and taking unofficial visits," said Bradley. "Trey didn't do that. He didn't miss one workout. He shut down recruiting and made it about having a good senior year at USJ."

And what a season that was.

"It was a zoo," recalled Bradley. "The week before



PHOTO BY DONALD PAGE/TENNESSEE ATHLETICS.

*Tennessee freshman offensive tackle Trey Smith makes a block during spring drills. Vols fans will get a chance to see Smith in action for the first time at this coming Saturday's Orange and White game at Neyland Stadium.*

Trey announced we had Butch Jones, with three of his assistant coaches, come by."

Butch was followed by Brian Kelly and the O-line coach from Notre Dame and Ole Miss head coach Hugh Freeze.

"The day before he announced," pointed out Bradley, "Nick Saban and three assistants from Alabama came, and 30 minutes later Urban Meyer and the offensive line coach from Ohio State."

"And then he made his announcement live on ESPN."

Bradley was impressed with how Smith handled

all of the attention. Jones stood on the USJ sideline when the Bruins played Briarcrest Christian in Memphis.

"Everywhere we went with Trey it was a red carpet event," said Bradley. "And he just kind of took it all in stride and didn't let it distract him."

Other than being a great football player, Coach Bradley was asked to comment on Trey Smith the person.

"Humble, selfless," replied Rusty. "When society today teaches you to be selfish and be all about yourself, that's not what Trey is. He was a great teammate. I have so much

respect for him and how his family raised him."

What was he like as a high school player on the field?

"He was dominant," said Bradley. "A lot of times he was so dominant that he got personal fouls just because he was manhandling a kid. He wasn't doing anything illegal, but they (the officials) saw Trey just lying on top of a kid and assumed he had held or done something to get him to the ground."

"But he did get pushed because we did play against some good competition," added Bradley, whose team made it to

the state semifinals before falling to eventual state champion Lausanne. "He got pushed against Lausanne, St. George's, BGA and Milan."

"There were some weeks that he was a complete mismatch for our opponents. But he did a good job in practice, doing things to make himself better, and in games he did not let himself get complacent."

He's big man on campus now. But we hear he's trying to blend in even off the field. And he's good at that, too.

## Orange & White Game Preview

By Alex Norman

On Saturday the Vols will play... well... the Vols in the annual Orange & White Game at Neyland Stadium.

This is an opportunity for Tennessee fans to lose their minds with the playing of a scrimmage.

To save you the trouble of actually attending the game or watching it on SEC Network Alternative Plus Web Dot Gif (or whatever channel it airs on), I've taken it upon myself to summarize the activities at Shields-Watkins Field.

Let's light this candle...

The quarterbacks will show that they have the potential to be the best parts of Peyton Manning (think 1997 vs. Kentucky) or the worst parts

of Nathan Peterman (think 2013 vs. Florida).

Junior quarterback Quinten Dormady will remind fans of Drew Bledsoe after he throws a 15 yard button hook to Marquez Callaway. Redshirt freshman quarterback Jarrett Guarantano will be compared by fans to Steve Young when he scrambles out of the pocket and picks up a first down.

Both quarterbacks will also throw incompletions or (baby Jesus forbid) interceptions, which will make fans stress over the 2017 opener vs. Georgia Tech in Atlanta. "John and Jimmy, thanks for taking my call. You can't make mistakes and be expected to win football games!"

Tennessee head coach

Butch Jones will not tell the media after the game that he has made a decision regarding a starting quarterback. We will all have to wait until August to get that name.

Next up, the running backs.

Jalen Hurd is not going to repel from the top of the Neyland Stadium luxury boxes like "Sting" in the old WCW days. However, Alvin Kamara will show up just so that Jones can underutilize him one last time.

Junior back John Kelly will have a few memorable runs, which will make fans think he will be the guy to win the program's first Heisman Trophy.

The offensive line won't give up a bone crushing sack, which will make

some fans think that unit, which is the most experienced position group on the team, will be ready to dominate the SEC. They'll open up holes the size of the Panama Canal for the running backs, and give the quarterbacks enough time to bake a cake in the pocket. Early enrollee Trey Smith will make a pancake block and fans will call him the second coming of Will Offenheuse.

Of course, any defensive lineman that lays a serious lick on Dormady or Guarantano would be treated with disdain as equal of United Airlines treats its passengers. The number one goal of spring football is to get out of it as healthy as you can, especially at a position like quarterback. So there

ain't no way in Hades that Jonathan Kongbo gets a hand on the QB's.

Fans will watch tight end Ethan Wolf and mistake him for tight end Eli Wolf and vice versa. Aaron Medley will make some field goals and miss a couple, which will cause Tennessee fans to stress over late game situations in the fall.

Trevor Daniel will unleash a 65 yard punt with no rush, and some fan will call Tennessee "Punter U" to his buddy that had a few too many sips of Jack Daniels in the parking garage.

On defense a lineman (the much improved Darrell Taylor perhaps?) will run all the way across the field to make a tackle, and fans will call Brady Hoke the greatest assistant coach hire in

Tennessee history.

In the secondary sophomore Baylen Buchanan will pick up a fumble and run it back 25 yards for a touchdown. A fan will tell his son that Baylen's father is former NFL All-Pro Ray Buchanan.

Linebacker Colton Jumper will be seen on the jumbotron and for some reason a fan will boo.

And the scoring system will confuse everyone to the point that interest will wain approximately 13 minutes into the afternoon.

So there you have it. Saturday's Orange & White Game in all its glory. Enjoy the contest, everyone. It'll be a day to remember!

Yeah. September 4th can't get here fast enough...

## Luke Smith, Sewanee signee, averaged 6.8 assists per game

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as he made 53 of 61 foul shots (87 percent).

Junior Irishmen Brock Jancek was deadly inside, dropping in 230 of 345 shots (66.7 percent).

Other boys' statistical highlights submitted by Knox County schools included:

**GCA:** Senior Connor Arnold made 78 treys as he shot 50 percent from 3-point range. He also hit 80 percent from the free throw line plus averaged 7.0 rebounds per game.

**BEREAN CHRISTIAN:** Senior Preston Piper shot 75.3 percent at the free

throw line and made All-District 2-A for the second year.

"Preston always had the assignment of guarding our opponent's best offensive player and was tremendous at it. He was a true senior leader," said Coach Chris Lindsay.

**AUSTIN-EAST:** Darius Harper and Chris Hunter gave the Roadrunners a strong 1-2 punch inside as Harper averaged 12.2 rebounds and Hunter 8.6 boards.

Harper will be going on to play quarterback at Coast Carolina, while Hunter is expected to take over at QB for A-E this coming

fall.

**FULTON:** Edward Lacy and Markese Sheely were good 3-point shooters, with Lacy hitting 36 percent and Sheely 35 percent.

Sheely also shot 46 percent overall from the field, while teammate Nigel Davis connected on 45 percent and Deshawn Page 52 percent.

Trey Davis led the Falcons at the free throw line, swishing in 77 percent of his attempts.

"Although we averaged 70 points per game, our leading scorer averaged 12 points per game," said Coach Jody Wright.

"We played 10 guys every night and scoring was very spread out."

**BEARDEN:** Ques Glover had a good shooting eye, connecting on 47 of 129 shots from 3-point range (36.4 percent), 204 of 396 overall field goal tries (51.5 percent) and 147 of 174 free throws (84.5 percent).

Also for Bearden, Drew Pember was good on 35.6 percent on treys and Trent Stephney made 49.7 percent on all field goal attempts.

**KARNS:** Isaiah Keeter hit 38 percent from 3-point range and 55 percent of

all field goal attempts.

**POWELL:** Jack Richards averaged 7.7 rebounds, made 50 percent of his field goal attempts and was good on 79 percent of his free throws.

Also for the Panthers, Desmond Billingsley hit 44 percent from 3-point range and 47 percent of all field goal attempts. Matt Samples made 35 percent of his 3-pointers and Josh Woods swished in 49 percent from the field.

**GIRLS'** statistical highlights for the season will be recognized in The Knoxville Focus' April 24 issue.

## Inaugural 5K

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Since August 2015, the family has raised almost \$15,000 for pediatric brain tumor research in honor of Tillery and now they have created a Hero Fund through ALSF. The TIL Fund in Tillery's honor designates all funds raised to pediatric brain tumor research. In addition to the 5K, plans for 2017 include a "Go Gray" in May event, summertime lemonade stands and a "Go Gold" in September event. For more information about the TIL Fund, visit <https://www.alexlemonade.org/affiliation/til-fund>.

For more information or to register, visit [www.HustleforHope5k.com](http://www.HustleforHope5k.com).





## Diagnostic Conundrums

It's hard for me to just be a concerned father when your beloved daughter is sick. There are three types of people in the world: children, adults and parents. I will always be the father of my kids. This sacred relationship transcends any post-modern notions of equality. We all want to be cared for. And studies have shown that children want the boundaries their parents establish - at least until they are teenagers.

So, how can a doctor take off his medical hat and replace it with the concerned father's hat? How can the alpha male in me stay within my boundaries, and allow others to care for my beloved? It's easier to hold my tongue when things are going well, but harder when my girl founders within the dysfunctional medical system.

I'll admit that I have more of the Mr. Spock persona in me than the warm, fuzzy Dr. McCoy. I've explained this to people by asking them whether they would rather my wife, Becky,

answer our telephone or me. Invariably, they all smile knowingly, choosing Becky's warmth rather than my logic. Years ago a cousin of my daughter was ill. She sought answers to her problem, and though I sat at the table, she turned to Becky and asked her what she thought was wrong with her.

Becky is my social conscience. Many times she has corrected my phone persona. I'll admit I'm more like Sergeant Friday during a 2:30 am medical consultation. By comparison, I've observed Becky in late night non-medical phone calls where her warmth is the same as during the daytime.

You can be right and yet be wrong. Because I'm more direct, I've been seen as wrong because I was insensitive to the emotional side of the human equation. In the Myers-Briggs typology, I am an ISTJ (Google it if you need background information because I've previously written about this

useful psychometric tool). My strong suits are observation, reason and decision making. However, by knowing my strengths I can become aware of my secondary, less developed traits and work on them to hopefully become a more rounded and better person.

I can now be calmer and more reflective because my daughter has finally received the correct diagnosis and the appropriate treatment is working. I'll admit it was hard to be in a supportive role during the diagnostic drama. My family knows my heart is in the right place, even though they have had to endure my railing about similar medical scenarios that unfortunately are all too common. My only justification is my advocacy for patients, especially my daughter. During her illness, I was as calm as a father-M.D. could be.

The complaint of a sore throat is a common medical problem. Most of the time sore throats are due to viral infections, post nasal drainage, mouth breathing or allergies, but can be associated with bacteria such as streptococci - ie. strep throat. A typical strep throat infection causes a sore throat, tender lymph glands, fever, headache and exudates on the throat or tonsillar area. Obviously, the greater number of these symptoms and exposure to someone with a strep

throat increases the likelihood of the diagnosis. However, studies have shown that doctors using clinical criteria make the correct diagnosis of a strep infection only 50% of the time.

The gold standard of strep throat is the isolation of this bacteria on a throat culture. Unfortunately, a throat culture takes several days, so doctors often utilize a throat swab to test for the streptococcal protein. If a patient manifests the above clinical criteria and their strep screen test is positive, a doctor can be reasonably certain of the diagnosis and treat with an antibiotic. However, rapid strep tests may be falsely positive in kids up to 21% of the time due to simple colonization and negative in up to 30% of true strep infections. You might be surprised that the major reason to find and treat strep throat is not to just relieve suffering, but to avoid complications of strep infection such as rheumatic fever or nephritis.

Bacteria have been on earth much longer than humans. Thankfully, our skin and immune system usually keep us safe, but can be overwhelmed by the multitudes of germs around us. There are other bacterial causes of a sore throat including streptococcal variants and even gonorrhea. And strep variants (Beta strep) in the genital tract are now routinely

sought and treated to prevent puerperal sepsis in a laboring mother or her newborn child.

Numerous viruses can cause pharyngitis, nasal congestion and low grade fever. Since most of these viral infections have no available treatment, doctors focus on bacterial causes. However, viral influenza and herpes can cause a sore throat and anti-viral agents can be helpful.

Another cause of viral pharyngitis is mononucleosis commonly referred to as mono. This herpes family virus usually infects children, often without recognizable symptoms. Primary infection becomes increasingly symptomatic after childhood. Since the virus is shed in saliva, teenage infection has acquired the moniker "kissing disease" for obvious reasons. And 2% of mono occurs in adults where fatigue and malaise often persist beyond the acute phase symptoms of sore throat, tender lymph nodes, enlarged spleen and hepatitis.

It often takes considerable diagnostic skill to evaluate a patient and institute proper treatment. In straightforward situations a nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, military corpsmen or even less well trained individuals can arrive at the correct diagnosis and Google a treatment. However, in the atypical or complicated patient

a doctor is required; sometimes even specialists are stumped.

So, how do you know if your sore throat or belly ache is a straightforward issue or portentous of something more sinister? That's the "sixty-four dollar question" and I don't have a ready answer. How do you know if your doctor (I bristle at the label, health-care provider) is competent? I know that judgement is required. A physician must recognize his/her limitations. Perhaps you can sense that he/she cares about you. But does your doctor spend adequate time with you and listen, a necessity to avoid mistakes? And lastly, I believe a doctor must have a sense of responsibility for his patient, and this can't be legislated or mandated. It comes from the heart, not from Washington, insurance companies, or bonus checks from the HMO for efficiency.

The Master understood what is needed in a healer, "It's not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick" (Luke 5:31). Prevention is fine, but not at the expense of resources diverted to unproven "wellness exams" and to a system where doctors are relegated to only supervisory roles.

You may email Dr. Ferguson at [fergusonj@knoxfocus.com](mailto:fergusonj@knoxfocus.com)

# Tick Paralysis

I recently had a dental procedure and of all the places for the topic of tick paralysis to come up—the dental chair was one. I always enjoy going to see my dentist; he seemingly asks questions when my mouth is full of dental equipment obstructing tongue movement, making it almost impossible to get much more than an “um ank ye ounds ra...” in response to questions. One would think



By Howard Baker, RN BSN

questions from a dentist would be rhetorical until the question is something like, “Does that hurt?” Trust me—not a rhetorical question! So tick paralysis, the dental chair, and what I learned.

My dentist is a dog lover and as we caught up on the latest with our dogs, he told me how his dog had recently suffered tick paralysis. On a Sunday night he noticed one of his dogs acting oddly

staggering until she could not stand on her hind legs. Shortly thereafter, the dog lost bladder control escalating the situation to an emergency veterinary call. The dog's respirations dropped to approximately five per minute—with the rapid decline it was unclear if the dog would survive. During the veterinarian's examination laboratory values were near normal, intravenous fluids were started, and a tick was found attached to the dog's neck. Within minutes of proper removal of the tick, the dog started improving and in 24

hours the dog was back to normal.

Merck Veterinary Manual Overview of Tick Paralysis in part reads: “Tick paralysis (toxicity) is an acute, progressive, symmetrical, ascending motor paralysis caused by salivary neurotoxin(s) produced by certain species of ticks.” Ticks in our area capable of transmitting tick paralysis are deer ticks, dog ticks and Lone Star ticks.

Female ticks produce the neurotoxin most commonly as they emerge from hibernation from April to June.

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WHEREAS, Quentin D. Sing executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. As Nominee For Suntrust Mortgage, Inc., Lender and Larry A Weissman, Trustee(s), which was dated March 11, 2015 and recorded on March 23, 2015 in Instrument No. 201503230050742, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **April 27, 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 the Eighth Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, lying on the southern side of Thorngrove Pike, and more particularly bounded and described as follows

BEGINNING at an existing iron pipe in the southern right-of-way line of Thorngrove Pike, said existing iron pipe being located in a southeasterly direction 625 feet from the point of intersection of the southern right-of-way line of Thorngrove Pike with the center line of Flint Gap Road, thence leaving said point and place of BEGINNING and along the southern right-of-way line of Thorngrove Pike, South 75 deg 16 min East 100.00 feet to an existing iron axle, thence leaving Thorngrove Pike and along the common dividing line with property now or formerly belonging to Raymond Terry (Deed Book 2099, page 440), and along a fence line. South 04 deg 36 min East 148.82 feet to an existing iron pipe, thence along property now or formerly belonging to Steven T Hutchins (Deed Book 2272, page 313) the following two calls and distances, North 76 deg 33 min West 112.52 feet to an existing iron pike and North 00 deg 18 min East 147.60 feet to an existing iron pipe, the point and place of BEGINNING, containing 0.347 acre as shown by the survey of Bruce McClellan, Tennessee Registered Land Surveyor NO 896, dated March 30, 1999, and bearing Drawing NO 99-188. The address of the surveyor is Trotter-McClellan, Inc, 3377 Regal Drive, Alcoa, Tennessee 37701.

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BEING the same property conveyed to Quentin D Sing by Tennessee Warranty Deed dated 2/08/05 and filed of record in Instrument Number 200502110063957 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

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Current Owner(s): Quentin D. Sing.  
Other Interested Parties(s): N/A

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## COURT NOTICES

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARY JANE ASCHER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78753-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

MARY JANE ASCHER  
Who died Oct 17, 2013, 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

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This the 23rd day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF MARY JANE ASCHER  
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ESTATE OF RUBY JANEWAY BROCK  
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342 CREEK VIEW DR.  
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CHARLES A. CRUZE, JR.  
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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 5th day of APRIL, 2017.

ESTATE OF CHARLES A. CRUZE, JR.  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CHARLES A. CRUZE, III; EXECUTOR  
7628 TANGLEWOOD LANE  
WESTCHESTER, OH 45069

ROBERT W. GODWIN  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
4611 OLD BROADWAY  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LELA ANN B. GRANING**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78817-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of APRIL 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

LELA ANN B. GRANING  
Who died MAR 22, 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:

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This the 11th day of APRIL, 2017.

ESTATE OF LELA ANN B. GRANING  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
GWENDOLYN HART GRANING, EXECUTRIX  
34150 POND CREEK RD.,  
PHILADELPHIA, TN 37846

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
1810 MERCHANT DR., STE. 1,  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JAMES LEON IVNES**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78814-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of APRIL 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

JAMES LEON IVNES  
Who died Feb 26, 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:

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This the 11th day of APRIL, 2017.

ESTATE OF JAMES LEON IVNES  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
OCTAVIA YVONNE WEBB; EXECUTRIX  
604 WORCESTER RD.,  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF KATHERINE M. OTTINGER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78798-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of APRIL 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

KATHERINE M. OTTINGER  
Who died Mar 26, 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:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 5th day of APRIL, 2017.

ESTATE OF KATHERINE M. OTTINGER  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ANN MARIE TUGWELL; EXECUTRIX  
123 S. GAY ST., STE. 160,  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

ROBIN M. MCNABB  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
625 S. GAY ST, STE 160  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARY BEELER QUALLS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78764-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

MARY BEELER QUALLS  
Who died Sep 23, 2014, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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This the 28th day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF MARY BEELER QUALLS  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DONNA S. LOY, EXECUTRIX

1208 GLEN OAKS DR.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. QUALLS, JR.**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78763-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

WILLIAM C. QUALLS, JR.  
Who died FEB 15, 2013, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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This the 28th day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. QUALLS, JR.  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DONNA S. LOY, EXECUTRIX  
1208 GLEN OAKS DR.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT STEVEN WALKER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78762-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of APRIL 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

ROBERT STEVEN WALKER  
Who died Feb 26, 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:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 28th day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF ROBERT STEVEN WALKER  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SANDRA PATTI WALKER; EXECUTRIX  
3037 TIPTON STATION RD.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

J. NOLAN SHARBEL  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
9111 CROSS PARK DR., BLDG. D, STE. 200  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF FRED ELMO WALLACE**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78768-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

FRED ELMO WALLACE  
Who died Dec 3, 2016, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 29th day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF FRED ELMO WALLACE  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

DAVID L. WALLACE, EXECUTOR  
8209 POINT OAKS DR.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

BROOKE GIVENS  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
110 CODGILL RD.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR.**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 78778-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of

ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR.  
Who died Jan 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:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 30th day of MARCH, 2017.

ESTATE OF ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR.  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

JOHN WILSHIRE; EXECUTOR  
5321 ROBERTS ROAD  
CORYYTON, TN 37721

ROBERT A. COLE  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
3715 POWERS STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: UNKNOWN FATHER,**  
**IN RE: AVA MARIE THORNTON**  
**NO. 192031-3**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, UNKNOWN FATHER, 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 UNKNOWN FATHER.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Joseph Della-Rodolfa, an Attorney whose address is, 120 Suburban Road, Ste. 203, 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 will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 27th day of March, 2017  
Howard Hogan  
Clerk and Master

4/3; 4/10; 4/17; 4/27

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: HECTOR BARON-VILLA;**  
**IN RE: ELIZABETH BARON v.**  
**HECTOR BARON-VILLA**  
**NO. 19304-0-2**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant HECTOR BARON-VILLA 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 HECTOR BARON-VILLA it is ordered that said defendant HECTOR BARON-VILLA file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Charles Deas, an Attorneys whose address is, 384 High Street Maryville, TN 37804 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you



# Life through Death

On the night of Passover, the Hebrew Nation was told to put the blood of the Passover lamb on the beams of their doorways (Exodus 12:21-27). They would then enter in through the blood-stained doorway and stay inside their houses. The next morning, when they once more passed through that doorway, it would be to leave the land of bondage, to leave their old lives, and to enter a new life and ultimately a new land. The



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

blood of the lamb transformed the doorways into a portal by which they could leave an old world and enter a new one. Centuries later would come another Passover, another Lamb, and another door or portal. The death of Jesus would come on beams of wood and they would be marked by the blood of the lamb.

The cross is not just an execution stake, but a doorway, like the set of beams that forms the doorway

marked by the blood of the Passover lamb. One must enter through that door/curtain (Hebrews 10:19-20). When one comes into contact with the blood of Jesus, through faith, repentance and baptism, one enters through a portal to a new reality. You leave your old life and enter a new life. You leave the realm of Egypt known for its slavery (slavery to sin), and enter the Promised Land, a land of freedom.

Each day two sacrifices were made in the Temple on the altar. The morning lamb would be offered up

at the third hour of the day, which is 9 a.m. With its death, the Temple trumpets would sound and the Temple gates would be opened for worshippers to enter and offer sacrifices. Then at the ninth hour, that is 3 p.m., the evening sacrifice would be slain and offered on the altar, at which time all the sacrifices would be finished and the gates of the Temple closed. Jesus was crucified at the third hour, the same time as the morning lamb was slain on the altar. The evening lamb was sacrificed at the Temple at the ninth hour, the same time

Jesus died on the cross. The sacrifice of Jesus took place during the six hours of the Temple sacrifices. It was also at the ninth hour on the day the Passover would be eaten that the Passover Lamb was sacrificed. This was the exact moment when Jesus breathed His last and the veil of the Temple was torn in half. Through the death of Christ, all could now come into God's presence.

We are all infected with a deadly disease that will ultimately take our lives. This disease is called sin. This pandemic will not

only claim our physical lives, but will also doom us in eternity if we don't receive the cure. Through the death of Jesus on the cross, we have hope. That is a paradox – life through death. But that is what Jesus offers.

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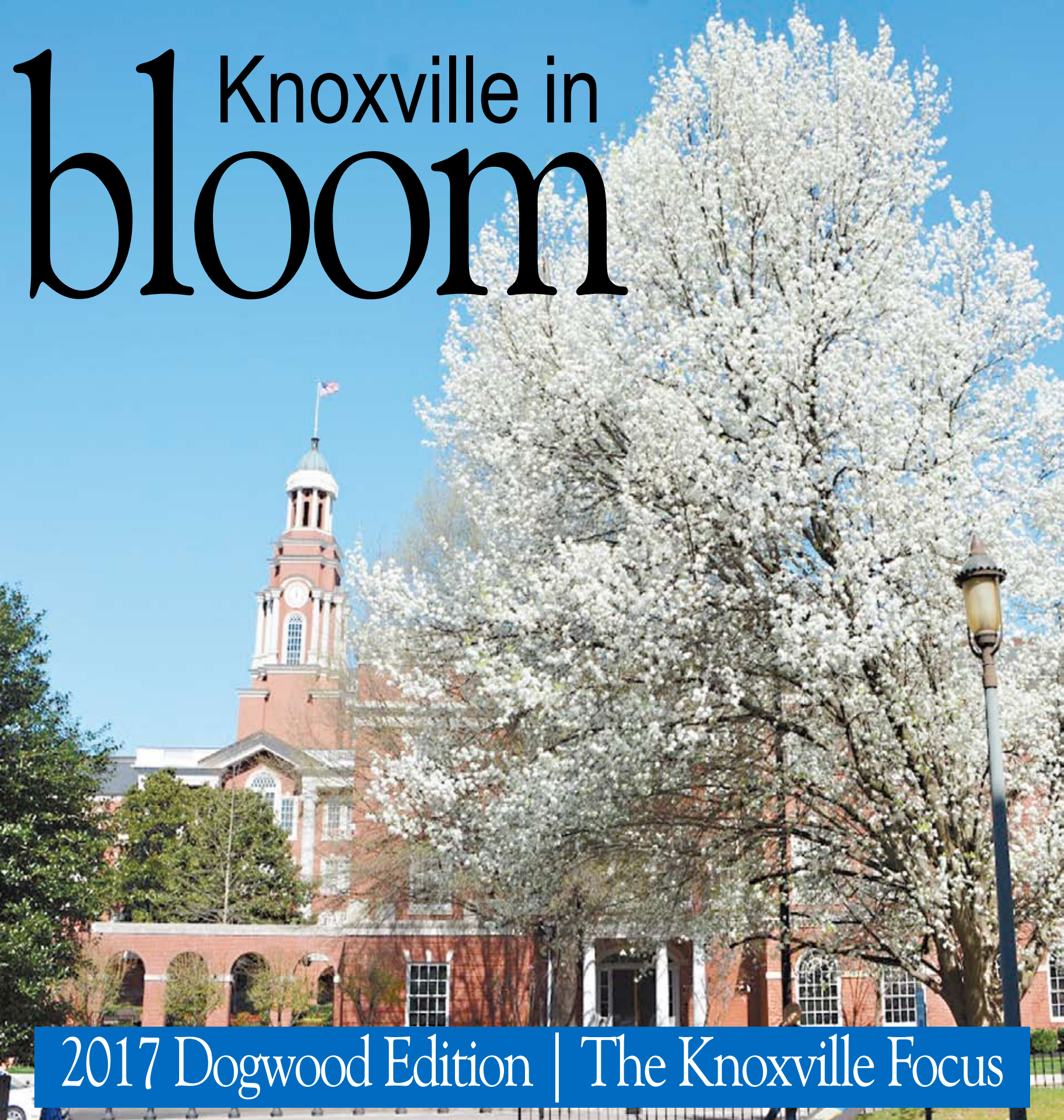
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and Southbound 8-mile guided rides, led by Jim Richards of the Knoxville Botanical Garden & Arboretum, allow riders to enjoy Knoxville's natural beauty the lean, green way.

## Dogwood Arts Festival on Market Square

April 28-30, 2017: A Knoxville tradition, the Dogwood Arts Festival on Market Square is a lively street fair showcasing the juried artwork of local and national artisans. Entertainment is around every corner from live performances on entertainment stages, food trucks to children's art activities, and more. #DAFKnox

## Art Slam

April 30, 2017: Experience a live art competition and silent auction showcasing Knoxville's up and coming artists at the Dogwood Arts Festival.

## Dogwood Art DeTour

May 6 & 7, 2017: Dogwood Art DeTour gives the public a glimpse into the creative process as local artists invite you into their working studios.

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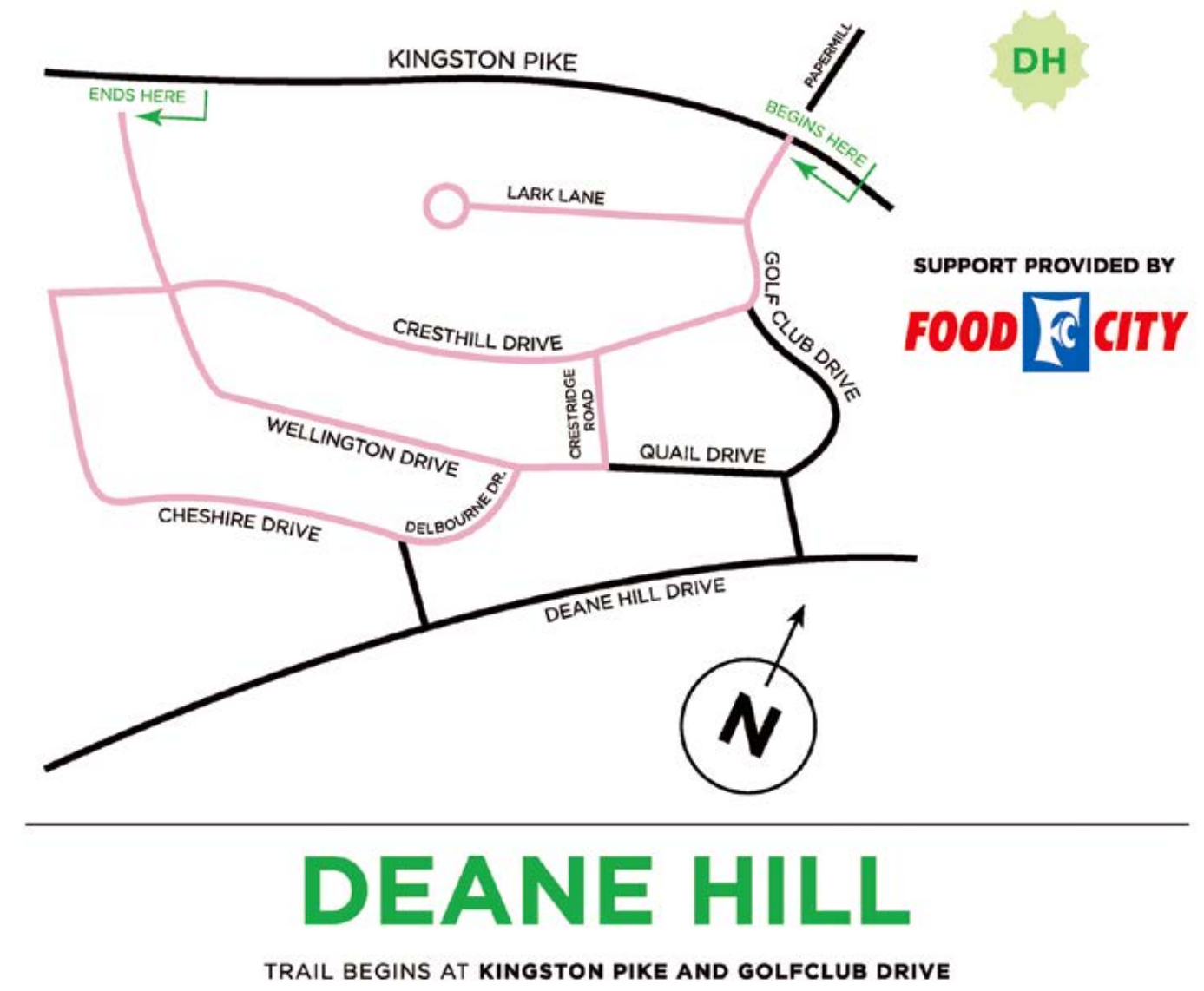
**Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Sunday, April 23, 2017 from 12:00-5:00 p.m.**  
Dogwood Arts is honored that the owners of these private gardens are opening their magnificent gardens to share with the public for this one week-end in April. Each one is unique in design and offers a variety of plant materials and special features. We hope you enjoy a private tour of these

gardens as we celebrate another blooming spring and the region's natural and cultural beauty. This event is free though a \$5 donation on-site is suggested.  
[1] **DR. ALAN SOLOMON**  
**2705 Riverside Drive, Knoxville 37914**  
Included in the Smithsonian Institution's Archives of American Gardens, GATOP [God's Answer To Our Prayers]

features many hundreds of botanical specimens such as conifers and hollies, extensive displays of wildflowers, perennials, and groundcovers, as well as numerous water features and large marble outcroppings. Complimenting this unusual garden are stainless-steel, iron, bronze, and stone sculptures.  
[2] **BAXTER GARDENS**  
**3901 Sam Cooper Road, Knoxville 37918**  
Baxter Gardens sits atop Black Oak Ridge in Fountain City, with initial plantings installed 25 years ago, in 1992. Since that time, over 20 acres of gardens have been designed, landscaped and planted on the ridge top. There are multiple gardens with various themes and plantings, but the Dogwood

Ramble and the Azalea Garden are the stars in April. There are over 300 Dogwood trees throughout the property, with 30+ varieties featured in the Dogwood Ramble. These include Cornus Florida and Cornus Kousa trees, shrubs, hybrids, dwarfs, and weeping specimens, arranged along a creek which pools at a Gazebo down the walking path. The Azalea Garden is just beyond the Gazebo and is comprised of over 300 Azalea, Rhododendron, Camelia, and Mountain Laurel specimens. Multiple colors and varieties of Azalea are represented, including evergreen, deciduous, American and Korean. The plantings are arranged along a stone path and steps, with

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## 2017 Seymour Farmers Market Season Starts June 3

The Seymour Farmers Market will begin their summer market in the parking lot of Seymour First Baptist Church on Chapman Highway on Saturday, June 3rd. The market will be open from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Local gardeners and farmers are encouraged to become part of our market. Produce vendors must raise the products they wish to sell. Produce vendors should come to the parking lot of Seymour First Baptist Church from 9:00-10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 6th to register. The fee for the entire season is \$25 or vendors may choose to pay \$5/week. If you cannot make this date

and/or time, please contact Marjie Richardson at 865-453-0130 or email her at creekhappy@hughes.net.

As a farmers market, we cannot have more than 20-25% of our total vendors be craft vendors who are selling only non-agricultural products. Craft vendors for the season will be selected by a committee who will review samples of the products for sale. All crafts must be made by the vendor. Quality work and originality in design are desired. Crafts should be appropriate for sale in an outdoor setting where exposure to sun and rain occurs. We limit the number of

vendors of a specific type of product due to the size of our market. To apply, send your name, address, phone # and email address, along with a description your craft. Please attach photographs representative of what you wish to sell. Submit your application to creekhappy@hughes.net. Deadline for application is the end of April. The committee will contact you by mid-May with a decision. Fees for craft vendors are the same as for produce vendors. Please state in your application if you are interested in coming to our market periodically, rather than every week.

## Farragut Open Gardens & Camera Sites

### 30. Michael & Mary Bates

513 Altamira Drive, 37934

A 24 year old spring woodland garden which originated with plants acquired from the owner's mother and grandmother. Pink and white dogwoods mingle with azaleas, spring bulbs and perennials.

### 31. Mark and Lisa Caldwell

11617 Georgetown Drive, 37934

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### PUBLIC GARDENS

#### 32. Founders Park at Campbell Station

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### ROSE GARDENS

Stroll through either open rose garden presented by members of the Tennessee Rose Society. Open weekends of May 13th & 14th and 20th & 21st from 10:00AM – 5:00PM.

### 30. Michael & Mary Bates

Open Rose Garden

513 Altamira Drive, 37934

World travel created a lifelong love of roses for these property owners. Their garden is home to over 300 roses including hybrid teas, floribundas, climbers, David Austin English Roses and easy-care shrub roses.

### 34. Steve & Hannah Franklin

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The Franklin's rose garden features a formal boxwood edged parterre filled with hybrid tea roses. Miniature roses and miniFlora roses accent the pool area.

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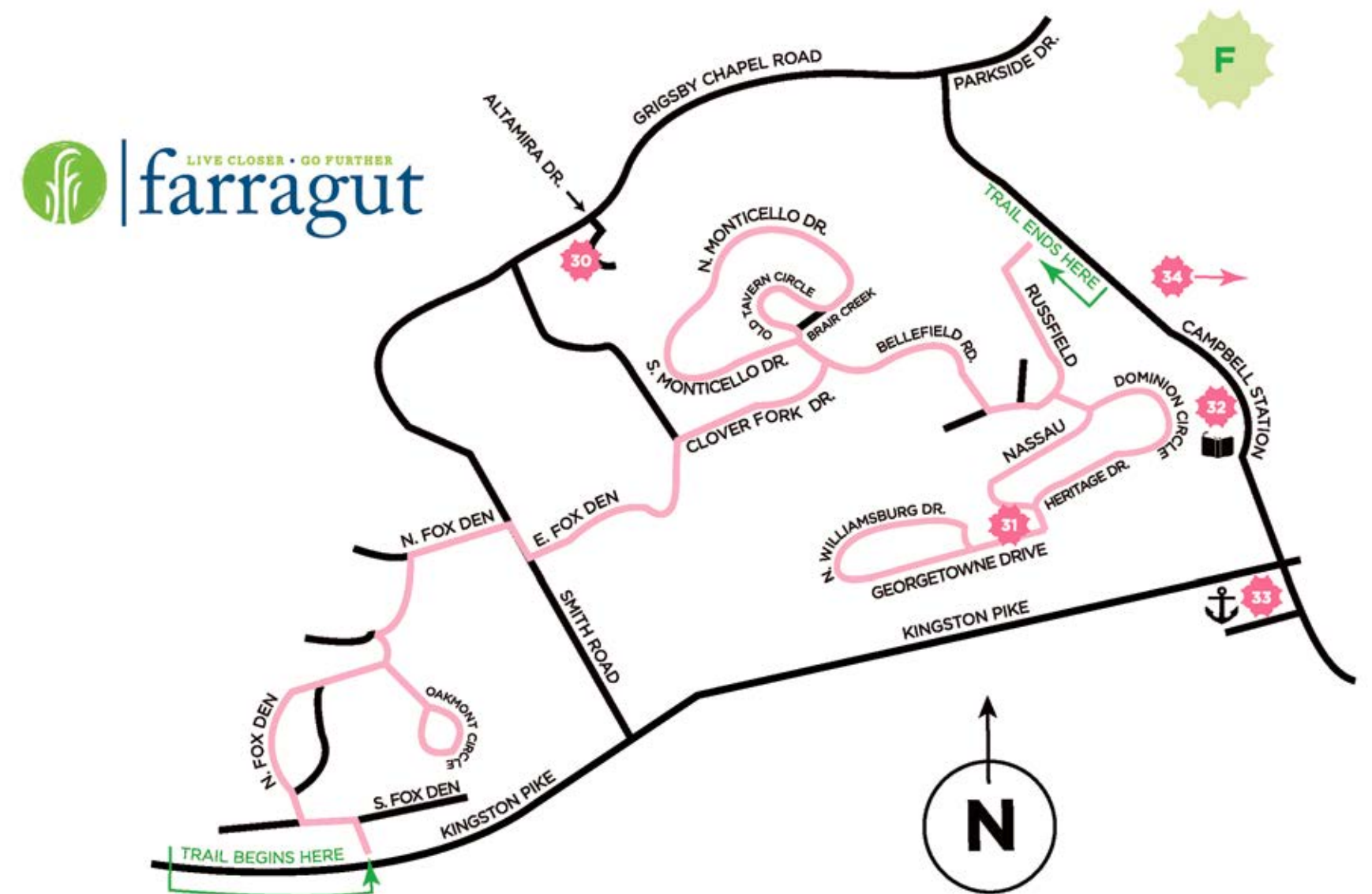
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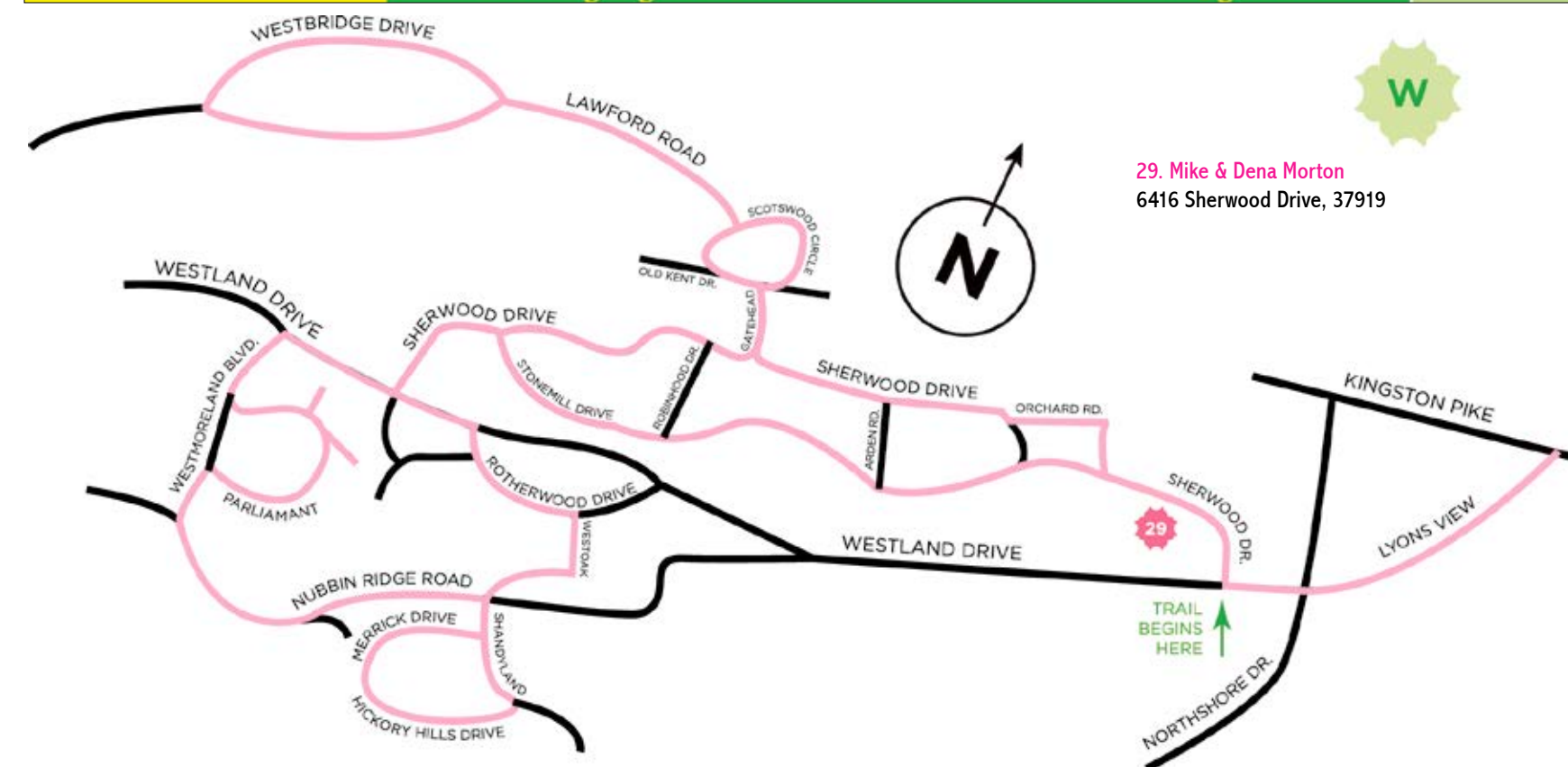
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benches and fountains through the garden.

**3] SAVAGE GARDEN**  
3237 Garden Drive,  
Knoxville TN 37918

One hundred years ago this year, Arthur Savage began his garden in Fountain City. Inspired by a visit to his native England, he began building stone walls, ponds, arbors, and multiple follies. Savage became known as “the father of rock gardening in Knoxville.” The garden is quirky and eclectic, combining multiple themes. Although

the main arbors and pagoda reflect a Japanese influence, the latter is topped with a “Dutch Girl” weather vane and there are two “Irish” water towers. After many years of extensive restoration, including rebuilding stone walls and borders, constructing faithful copies of the original arbors and gates, and planting thousands of trees, shrubs, and perennials, Savage Garden is once again the kind of magical place envisioned by Arthur Savage. The springtime features hydrangeas, wildflowers, and bulbs, as well as several state and county champion trees. Savage Garden is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



*Smiling faces visit the Knoxville Focus table at the Fountain City Easter Egg Hunt held Saturday, April 8.*



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# Five Points Up coalition hosts fourth cleanup event

Five Points Up is hosting its fourth East Knoxville Communitywide Cleanup on Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event kicks off at the Harvest Plaza parking lot, 2410 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

"We are doing this cleanup in order to positively transform our environment into a more nurturing and supportive community," said Michelle Neal, Five Points Up member and president of OUR Community Organization (OCO), an area neighborhood group.

Participating community residents will meet for a kickoff at Harvest Plaza and then disperse into their neighborhoods to

pick up litter. Snacks and beverages and the use of cleanup tools, gloves and supplies will be provided to participants at no cost. The event will also feature tips on maintaining a clean community. The coalition is encouraging everyone who lives, works, worships and plays in the area to participate.

Five Points Up has formed two new partnerships to support this year's efforts:

- The Tennessee Clean Water Network is working with the coalition to clear the Williams Creek Urban Forest area, located on Brooks Avenue and Dailey Street, of litter.

- The Boy Scouts of America Great Smoky

Mountain Council – Cherokee District is participating in the cleanup for the first time and will be helping with additional beautification efforts in the area throughout the year.

Event partners include the Knoxville – Knox County Community Action Committee (CAC) East Neighborhood Center, CAC Housing and Energy Services, Boy Scouts of America (Great Smoky Mountain Council – Cherokee District), Knoxville's Community Development Corporation (KCDC), East Knoxville Business and Professional Association, Keep Knoxville Beautiful, Knox County Health Department, Project GRAD Knoxville, Smoke-

Free Knoxville, The Village of Knoxville, Burlington Residents Association, Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch, Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch, OCO (OUR Community Organization), Great Schools Partnership, Tennessee Clean Water Network, and City of Knoxville's Public Works and Save Our Sons Initiative.

A community-led group, Five Points Up hopes to improve the health of those living and working in the area by increasing the sense of community through local activities and events. The group's mission is to unify and beautify East Knoxville through increased

community engagement and community pride.

According to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, promoting meaningful community participation builds trust and relationships among neighbors, empowering them to become advocates for their communities. Neighborhood involvement produces numerous benefits, including mobilizing the community to reach health-related goals and empowering residents to change behaviors and improve health outcomes.

About Knox County Health Department:

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