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Dr. Tom Kim hosting 9th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

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Dr. Tom Kim invites Knoxville area golfers to join him Wednesday, Sept. 20, for a round at Egwani Farms Golf Course. That's the venue for the ninth installment of the tournament that bears his name.

The Dr. Tom Kim Charity Golf Tournament was launched in 2009 and has become the main fund-raising event each

year for The Free Medical Clinic of America, which Dr. Kim founded 24 years ago. The clinic provides health care for uninsured working adults in Knox and surrounding counties. Eligible patients pay nothing for the treatment they receive. To cover its operating costs, the clinic depends on tournament proceeds and

donations from individuals, businesses and other charitable organizations.

Participants in the tournament, a best-ball event, will receive breakfast, lunch (from Buddy's Bar-B-Q and McAlister's Deli), beverages and snacks, along with a gift bag of valuable merchandise and a quality embroidered golf shirt. They can also compete for prizes, including the \$25,000 grand prize, a 2017 Kia Sportage SUV from Rusty Wallace Kia, for making a hole-in-one on the designated Par 3. Lesser prizes will go to players making a

hole-in-one on any other Par 3.

Other prizes will be awarded to members of the top three teams and winners of several contests - longest-drive, putting and closest-to-the-pin on at least three of the Par 3s.

The tournament planning committee has added a new contest this year, the Point Blank Challenge. For \$5, players will get three shots at a target. If they hit any part of the target area, they win a prize, with the top prize going to the player who

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Ambulance service contract renewed in split vote

By Mike Steely
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Although many were predicting that ambulance service in Knox County would go up for bids instead of renewing AMR-Rural/Metro's five-year contract, the Knox County Commission voted to continue with the company in a split 7-4.

The vote came last week following the August 21 work session when it appeared the majority of commissioners

wanted to postpone a renewal decision or open the service contract up for bids. In the week between meetings the commissioners began receiving correspondence in support of AMR-Rural/Metro from the Knox County and Farragut mayors, the sheriff, hospitals and others.

The pressure to renew apparently changed some minds.

Behind the scenes there were rumors of rewards for votes including positions such as chairman and vice chairman when the commission reorganizes in September. One commissioner told The Focus that he would not take one of the positions even if nominated.

Chairman Dave Wright mentioned "pressure from PR people" in the letters of endorsements and said that he arrived home "irritated" following the work session renewal discussions. He said he began asking private citizens about their opinions.

"Every citizen I talked to asked me to look at it," he said of the contract and renewal request.

AMR-Rural/Metro officials mentioned the company's response to Hurricane Harvey by saying that 16

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Ground broken for new Morning Pointe Assisted Living



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Morning Pointe officials are joined by Knox County and Knoxville City officials in breaking ground for a new 80 resident Assisted Living and Memory Care facility 9649 Westland in West Knoxville. The new facility of two buildings should open in the fall of next year. The company operates seventeen elderly living locations in Tennessee including one in Lenoir City and in north Knoxville near the Tennova Hospital on Emory Road.

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About 100 people attended the groundbreaking last Tuesday for the new Morning Pointe Assisted Living and Memory Care Center on Westland Drive near the Pellissippi Parkway. The West Knox County facility began Phase One of the project and is the fifth such facility by the company in East Tennessee.

Construction on the 18-acre site will bring 200 jobs and, when completed, the center will employ 125 healthcare staff when it opens in the fall of 2018.

Co-founders Franklin Farrow and Greg A. Vital welcomed guests and described the expanding company's 28 facilities in five southeastern states. The Morning Pointe facility will be a one-story building of 58,000 square feet with 80 assisted living apartments with various floor plans. Later, in Phase 2, a separate Lantern at Morning Pointe Alzheimer's Center of

Excellence will feature 60 apartments.

Morning Pointe currently has nearby locations in Clinton, Lenoir City and in Powell near the Tennova Hospital.

Also speaking during the groundbreaking were Patricia Robledo, Business Support Liaison for Knoxville's Mayor Madeline Rogero; Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett; Mark Field, senior vice president of the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce; and Janice Wade-Whitehead, executive director of Alzheimer's Tennessee.

"Everyday 10,000 people turn 65," Vital told the crowd. He went on to say that Morning Pointe Centers are "almost as important to the families as to the residents."

The center will feature physical and occupational therapies, life enrichment programming and Alzheimer's memory care services. Residents will enjoy premier amenities, fine dining with local, farm-fresh ingredients and the highest quality of



The new Morning Pointe Assisted Living and Memory Care Center will provide 80 residential units and is expected to open on Westland Drive in the fall of next year. Rendering courtesy of Amy Clark.

care. The Morning Pointe Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the company, was founded in 2014 and connects educational and wellness initiatives, creates community partnerships and supports caregivers in its mission to advance the care of seniors.

The new Morning Pointe Assisted Living and Memory Care location is adjacent

to Shoreline Community Church. Anyone wanting more information may contact Amy Clark, Corporate Communications Director for Independent Healthcare Properties, LLC, at (423) 208-9684.

Additional information is available online at www.morningpointe.com.

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A local couple prepares to vote in Tuesday's City Primary Election at the polling place inside Norwood Elementary School. Turnout for the election was much better than the last time five seats on the council were on the ballot without a mayor or other candidate.

Women shine in city primary

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Four of the five seats on the Knoxville City Council could go to women in the November General Election. The final Primary Election results still need to be certified and the current City Council may cast the deciding vote to select a candidate for the tied seat in the 4th District race.

Results for that seat, currently held by Nick Della Volpe, have Lauren Rider with 45% of the vote. Amelia (Amy) Parker and Harry Tindell are tied for the second position on the ballot with 23.89% each.

Stephanie Welch is the obvious top vote getter in District 1, with 64.25% of the vote, followed by Rebecca Parr with 16%. Welch

also received the highest percentage of the vote than any of the 30 candidates for the five seats. She was endorsed early by term-limited Councilman Nick Pavlis.

In the 3rd District James Edward Corcoran received 48% of the vote with Seema Singh Perez getting 25%.

In the 6th District of East Knoxville Gwen McKenzie lead a field of 13 candidates with 22% of the vote. She'll face Jennifer Montgomery who received 17%.

The only primary results without a woman coming in number one or two was in District 2 where there was no female candidate. In the four-man race Andrew Roberto received 39% of the vote and Wayne

Christensen came in with 30%.

Much of the attention prior to the primary election was on the 6th District, currently represented by Daniel Brown. The focus has been, and is, on whether an African American will continue to hold the traditional seat. Gwen McKenzie, wife of former Knox County Commissioner Sam McKenzie, could keep the McKenzie name in local politics but Jennifer Montgomery, of the Parkridge Community Organization, is an energetic campaigner and has the organization in place for the General Election.

Provisional ballot doesn't count

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A lone provisional ballot cast in Tuesday's Primary Election created some drama at the Knoxville Election Commission and among candidates last week. The vote could have broken a tie and decided the winner of the second place position in the 4th District Knoxville City Council race.

Elections Commission Director Cliff Rogers told The Focus Thursday morning that the state determined the voter was not eligible. Rogers said the commission will hang on to the unopened ballot for six months as the law requires.

Although candidate Harry Tindell led other 4th District candidates in early absentee ballots with 55%, he tied with Amy Parker with 24% for second place. Laura Rider's 889 votes led all five candidates in the final tally.

Current law calls for the top two candidates in the city primary to advance to the November General Election. It would require a change in the City Charter to add a third name but there's no time for that. The Director of Elections has said

he's never seen a tie vote in previous elections.

On Friday it was announced that a Special Meeting of the city council will be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Large Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 Main Avenue in Knoxville.

The meeting will be held to consider the following matters:

1. The procedure for conducting a vote pursuant to Tenn. Code Annotated Section 2-8-111 as it pertains to the primary of August 29, 2017 in the 4th Councilmanic district.

2. Selecting the second place candidate in the 4th Councilmanic district pursuant to Tenn. Code Annotated Section 2-8-111 and contingent upon the Knoxville Election Commission certifying the results of the August 29, 2017 primary in the 4th Councilmanic district at the Knoxville Election Commission meeting on or about September 15, 2017.

District 4's current councilman, Nick Della Volpe, said it would be nice to have Parker and Tindell address the council prior to the body making a decision.

Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero has invited the public and the remaining candidates to a "Go Vote! Knoxville" event Thursday at the Christenberry Community Center. The 5:30 p.m. event is a "Meet and Greet" so that voters can chat with the General Election candidates.

Brooks thanked for gift to schools



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Knox County School Superintendent Bob Thomas is animated in thanking State Representative Harry Brooks (left) for the donation of more than \$66,000 in campaign funds to local schools in his district. Thomas called Brooks a "proponent of schools" and described the donation as "wonderful and such a surprise." The recognition came at last week's County Commission meeting. Brooks is not seeking re-election.

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vehicles and personnel have been sent to help storm victims in Texas.

While Commissioners Evelyn Gill, Michelle Carringer, John Schoonmaker and Carson Dailey had serious questions about AMR-Rural/Metro's renewal a week earlier, all four voted to renew the contract. Schoonmaker told The Focus Tuesday after the vote that no one opposed to the renewal had contacted him over that week.

Only Chairman Dave Wright and Commissioners Charles Busler, Bob Thomas and Ed Brantley voted against the motion by Commissioner Brad Anders to renew.

Busler challenged the immediate renewal of a contract that won't expire until September of next year. He pointed to several billings for service and said he was pleased with the company but continued to question billing people for fire trucks arriving on ambulance calls

and what he described as "double billing."

During the discussion, Busler continued to point to a clause in the contract agreement that he said set the total charge to non-subscribers to the ambulance service at \$755.25 for first responders.

"What if a person only asked for one service? I don't have a problem with their service, it's the billing," Busler said.

Thomas asked why there have been no public hearings on the contract and Dr. Martha Buchanan, director of the Knox County Health Department, said the renewal "followed the due

process on contracts."

Then Thomas said that KKR, which is looking to purchase AMR-Rural/Metro, is a "leverage company" and added, "They are not a medical company; they are investors. I'm just concerned about them making changes and the service will suffer."

"The \$755.25 plus eight cents per mile is all inclusive," Busler repeated several times. "That's the only thing they should be charged with." He mentioned several bills of more than \$1,400 being sent to homeowners when both a fire truck and an ambulance arrived at homes.

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Publisher's Position Gift Card Hypocrisy



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provider contract between American Medical Response (AMR) and Priority Ambulance, LLC.

Now stay with me, I promise it gets better.

AMR wanted its contract extended a year early, while Priority cried foul and wanted the opportunity to bid on the contract. The county commission ended up voting 7-4 to extend AMR's (formerly Rural/Metro) contract a year early without putting the contract out for bid. You might ask why. Well, evidently, there is a \$2.4 billion sale pending of Envision Health Care Corporation which owns AMR. Obviously any contracts that could be extended early, without bids, could increase AMR's value.

Commissioner Charles Busler has consistently scrutinized AMR as he has persistently stuck up for constituents who have had problems with the ambulance provider. Busler has called into question some practices that he believes might be violations of the contract between Knox County and AMR. Bob Thomas, like Busler, voted against extending AMR's contract citing concerns about AMR's pending sale. Again, this begs the question of what was the rush, a year in advance, to renew the ambulance contract. It also begs the question of

how in the world it would hurt anyone or anything by simply putting the contract out for bid. **Coming to the root of the matter, evidently the Sentinel simply didn't like the way Commissioners Busler and Thomas voted. This was payback, pure and simple; vote against the establishment and for "We The People" and get popped by the Sentinel.**

Trust me, folks, this is not some far-fetched conspiracy theory on my part. First of all, this is the Sentinel's golf tournament. Second, the Sentinel had to approve of the gift cards. Third, the Sentinel had to know who was playing in its own golf tournament. Fourth, numerous elected officials have played in the Sentinel's golf tournament over the last twenty years and have received gift cards. Why now? Why single out Busler and Thomas? Why, after all these years, does the Sentinel have a problem with gift cards? I can tell you why. The establishment which the Sentinel is certainly a part of, wants to control every county commission vote they can. In this instance they wanted to do an end around, one year early extension exclusive contract for AMR without putting it out for bids.

The gift cards in question do deserve explanation. The cards can only be redeemed

at the site of the tournament; it's not like the recipient can purchase goods at Neiman-Marcus or the Dollar General Store for that matter. But as I said, over the years virtually every elected official in Knox County were the recipients of gift cards and/or goodie bags for playing in golf tournaments to benefit a particular cause or charity. I feel pretty sure the high-er-ups at the News-Sentinel have been recipients of similar gift cards and goodie bags for playing in this and other tournaments. Are we to presume those gift cards somehow affected their editorial policies?

The Sentinel self-righteously cited Knox County's ethics policy, after the fact. Why did the Sentinel simply not ban the practice of giving gift cards to participants in its own tournament in the first place? Buried in the Sentinel story is a reference to the county's ethics policy: "The code goes on to say that voting members shouldn't accept gifts from companies looking to obtain business with the county." **The irrefutable fact is Priority did not give out the gift cards. The Sentinel's golf tournament did.** Many entities and organizations, including charities, routinely host events for the commissioners who either hope to do business with the county, or to receive or increase an

appropriation of taxpayer dollars. For instance, the Chamber of Commerce receives something like a million dollars annually from the county government, which of course must be approved by the commission.

The Chamber is constantly hosting high-dollar events, shrimp boils and the like, all of which have a dollar value. While those events certainly attract Chamber members, those same members can network with invited local officials. It is precisely because the Chamber wants to keep and grow the appropriation they receive from Knox County that these folks are invited.

If anything, Knox County's ethics policy should be amended to state that every agency and entity receiving taxpayer dollars should be required to publicly list the cost of events where commissioners are invited. Any entity receiving an appropriation or wanting an appropriation should be required to do the same thing. Events where goodie bags are distributed should be scrutinized as well and the contents of those bags made public.

The notion Charles Busler or Bob Thomas voted for Priority or anyone else is just not true; they voted not to extend AMR's existing contract a year in advance for

another six years. Busler and Thomas objected to the contract being voted on early and without taking bids. Even had AMR's contract not been renewed, there was no guarantee Priority would have been the beneficiary. Bids would have been taken, the mayor would have made a recommendation and the commissioners would have voted. It was entirely conceivable AMR could have once again won the contract. The difference is it would have all been done out in the open and the process transparent.

This was merely an example of fake news and were the Sentinel truly serious about being simon-pure, it would have banned gift cards entirely. Yet the Sentinel's golf tournament was about what every golf tournament is about: making money for some particular cause and most will take anybody's money. I don't know of a single charity golf tournament that doesn't gift something to participants to show their appreciation. Perhaps the Sentinel, having invited members of the Knox County Commission to play in the tournament, should have banned any county vendor or department from participating in the tournament. But then there would have been no story at all.

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comes closest to hitting the bulls-eye.

A drawing will be held for additional prizes.

Players will also have the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of Dr. Kim's recently published cookbook, "Eat Half and Move." The book costs \$20 and may be purchased with cash, check or charge card.

One of the most popular features in recent years has been the AR15 rifle that the Knox County Sheriff's Department has retrofitted to fire golf balls. It will be available again this year. For \$5, players get one shot, which can serve as their tee shot on the hole.

A host of sponsorship opportunities are still available, including Presenting, \$5,000; Green Fee,

\$3,500; Corporate, from \$1,000 to \$2,500; Contest, \$500; Team, \$500; Beverage and Snack, \$250; and Hole, \$100 per hole or \$200 for exclusive sponsorship of a specific hole. Individual players (\$125) are welcome; they will be grouped with other singles to form foursomes.

Player check-in runs from 7 to 8 a.m., with a group photo at 8, player instructions at 8:15 and

shotgun start at 8:30.

To guarantee receiving a golf shirt, teams and players must sign up no later than Aug. 31. All participants and sponsors who register by Sept. 15 will be accepted.

To register or to get more information about the tournament, go to www.freemedicalclinic.net and click on Charity Golf Tournament at the top or bottom of

the home page and follow the prompts. Fees may be mailed to the clinic at 6209 Chapman Hwy., Knoxville, TN 37920 or charged using the PayPal service on the web site.

To speak with a tournament official, call clinic office manager Peggy Coley at (865) 577-3733 or (865) 579-1515 or tournament chairman Wade Saye at (865) 777-1490.

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Any private business, public agency, or non-profit organization located in Knox, Blount, Anderson, Jefferson, Loudon or Sevier County is eligible for this

program. This program has become increasingly popular as more people are using their bikes every day for commuting, shopping, socializing and recreation. People are more likely to bike if they are confident that they will find convenient and secure parking at their destinations.

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and prevents bicyclists from locking their bikes to unacceptable fixtures, such as trees, benches or railings. If a bike rack appears insecure or is in the wrong location, bicyclists will not use it.

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How Much Does a District Attorney Make?



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You will often see articles about district attorneys in the newspaper. District attorneys are the lawyers who are employees of the state whose sole job it is to prosecute criminals who are charged with breaking state laws. You will often see articles about someone getting tried for a murder or some other heinous crime and the article will cite the name of the district attorney(s) who are prosecuting the case.

Over the years, district attorneys can become fairly well-known just because their name may make it in to the newspaper for cases that they have prosecuted. They can often be portrayed or viewed by the public as white knights of a sort because their job is to put bad guys in jail, which is kind of cool. While what these district attorneys do is very important, they are definitely not making millions of dollars doing it. Because these attorneys are considered employees of the state, their income is set by statute and is a matter of public record.

How much do they make? Well, let's first talk about the elected District Attorney General (DA). The elected DA is the boss of district attorney's office and is often more of an administrator than an in-court prosecutor. Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) Section 8-7-105, as of September 1, 2006, every elected District Attorney General makes \$124,900.00 per year. And every year after that, they are essentially entitled to a cost of living increase along with every other state employee.

The Assistant District Attorneys (ADA) who work under the elected DA are the prosecutors who are typically in court trying cases. Their incomes are also set by statute at TCA Section 8-7-201 and it is based strictly on years of service. For an ADA with one year of service, they make 60% of what the DA makes. The maximum amount of money an ADA makes is after six years of service, when they make 85% of what the DA makes.

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Guard rail questions, railroad crossings and Canton Hollow zoning

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The five-year contact with Rural Metro wasn't the only five-year agreement to get some comments last week at the Knox County Commission meeting. The Engineering and Public Works Department asked the commission to approve a guard rail contract.

Gary Hibben, owner of Highway Marking Inc., said he holds the current contract that is supposed to run until January. He attended the commission meeting to protest his company's contract being terminated. He said he was "knocked out of the bidding" and the contract should be for one year, not five.

Hibben asked for a postponement of 30 days before consideration of the agreement.

Dwight Van de Vate, Director of Engineering and Public Works, said the county has a right to go back and review contracts yearly.

"We terminated early. The process is by the numbers," he told the commission.

Chairman Dave Wright commented that just because other contracts are for five years is no reason to agree to give Tennessee Guardrail, Inc., such an agreement. The four year agreement has a one-year extension if requested.

"I'll be voting NO on this," he said.

Van de Vate said the agreement would be in one year increments. Wright, Bob Thomas and Ed Brantley voted against the agreement and Charles Busler passed. The agreement passed in the split vote.

The commission also voted to set the county property tax rate, which remains unchanged and voted approve an agreement with Tennessee Department of Transportation for highway rail crossing safety improvements on various county roads.

During the five-hour session the commission also discussed several zoning changes and split

on a decision to approve a request from Victor Jernigan for a development on Canton Hollow Road east of Woody Drive. Changes to the Southwest Sector Plan and the rezoning to permit up to 8 dwelling units per acre came from the planning commission, which approved the request 12-3. This reversed the planning staff's original recommendation against approval.

Jernigan said the development might be completed late next year. The vote saw No votes from Evelyn Gill, Michele Carringer, John Schoonmaker and Carson Dailey. It was approved 7-4.

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Anders noted improvements in ambulance service over the past two years.

"Some people choose to gamble and choose not to subscribe," Anders said.

"Some people don't have the money to gamble," Busler responded.

Carringer mentioned the many letters of support for AMR-Rural/Metro and also said, "911 makes the decision on who to dispatch."

Gill said the contract should be for one year instead of five and Commissioner Hugh Nystrom said that the Knox County Sheriff's office said that



Rural Metro employees watch the debate over renewing the five-year contract with Knox County during last week's Knox County Commission meeting.

problems they had with the AMR-Rural/Metro service 18 months ago no longer exist. He said the renewal is the hardest decision he's made on commission.

Schoonmaker mentioned the Farragut Mayor's

endorsement as being "well served" by AMR-Rural/Metro.

"There's no question about all these quality employees—I just wish it was a year from now," Thomas said of the early

renewal request.

Voting to approve the contract were Anders, Gill, Carringer, Nystrom, Schoonmaker, Dailey and Randy Smith.



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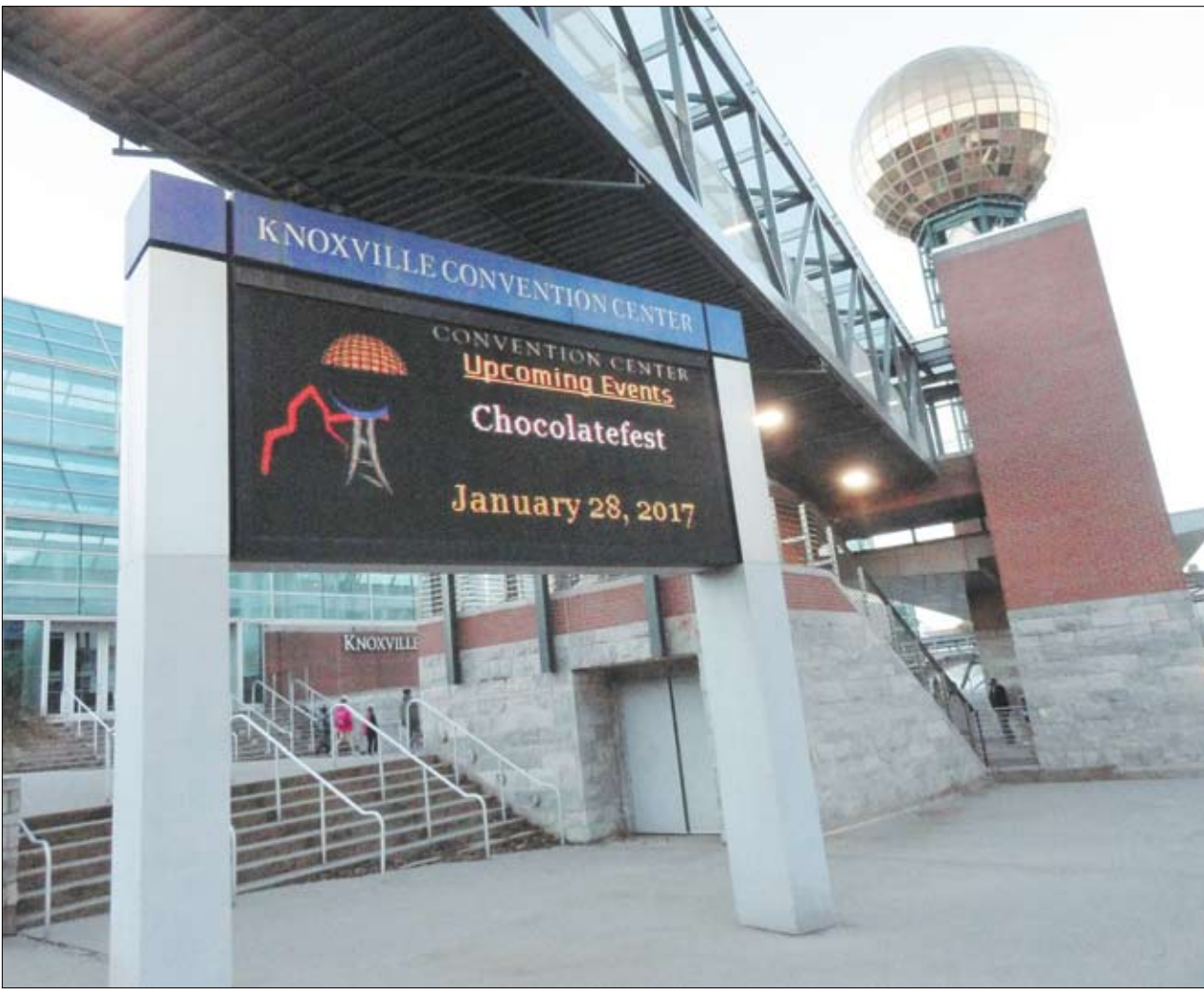
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After some debate the Knoxville City Council authorized the replacement of the marquee screens at the Knoxville Convention Center in a \$125,345 project. Photo courtesy of Knoxville Convention and Exhibition Center website.

Short-term rental issue goes back to MPC... again

By Mike Steely
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Term-limited 2nd District Councilman and Vice Mayor Duane Grieve is hoping to resolve the city's regulations on short-term rentals before he leaves office in November. Like the long bumpy road the sign ordinance, also spearheaded by Grieve, faced it appears that the issue will still be debated long after his term expires.

In Tuesday night's four-hour council meeting the first reading of a planning commission recommendation on establishing regulations on the STR in-home industry was the last item on the agenda and by the time the council waded through all the other business it was apparent the other council members were not ready to consider the proposal.

The MPC struggled with the ordinance also, passing it with no recommendation 8-4. The idea is to add a category to the Knoxville City Code in order to regulate and receive hotel-motel tax dollars from some 300 existing homes that are being rented to visitors who come to town for festivals, sports games and events. Unlike Bed and Breakfast establishments the temporary rental of homes and rooms has no current regulations and has been termed as illegal.

The debate centers on which zones the in-home business will be permitted, how many guests will be permitted per home, and whether or not a neighborhood should approve such rentals.

Council Attorney Rob Frost told the meeting that two or three public hearings have been held. Three citizens spoke against aspects of the

proposed ordinance including Dr. Reuben Pilot, president of the West Hills Community Association, who said the city is trying to legalize something that is illegal.

Pilot said that allowing short-term rentals (STR) in his neighborhood is "totally out of character."

Another citizen, Patty Berrier, told the council she would prefer not allowing STRs in R-1 and R1-A neighborhoods.

Grieve moved to send the ordinance proposal back to the MPC with several recommendations such as the R-1 and R1A question, requiring an owner to be present, notification of neighbors, enforcement and possibly hiring a separate enforcement person, possibly establishing districts, and maybe grandfathering existing STR homes but requiring them to register.

Several council members added instructions to MPC including at least one more public hearing, establishing a STR panel with at least two citizens as members, allowing non-owner STRs in H-1 (Historic) zones, allowing the rentals in and around the urban wilderness, requiring adequate parking and possibly establishing behavior rules for those visitors who lodge in local homes.

Grieve asked for a transcript of those suggestions and wants the recommendations to come back in October or November before he and four other council members leave their positions.

Councilman George Wallace suggested the council and the MPC not rush the recommendations, saying that the public should be a big part of a decision.

Several City tourist sites granted funds

By Mike Steely
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The Knoxville Convention Center, the dock at Volunteer Landing and the World's Fair Park site will be receiving city taxpayer funds for improvements. The Knoxville City Council, after some debate, voted to authorize funds Tuesday.

The Convention and Exhibition Center, at 601 Henley Street next to the World's Fair Park, was granted \$2.1 million for the Public Building Authority to perform construction on the complex. The council unanimously approved the request from the Departments of Finance and Administration.

Various events are held each year at the Convention Center which is managed by SMG, the company that manages venues there and at Chilhowee Park and the Civic Coliseum and Auditorium.

The request for renovating the marquees at the Convention Center

came under questions by Councilmen George Wallace and Marshall Stair. The \$125,345 project, requested by the Department of Finance, would replace the screens on the computerized signs. Wallace said the Electronic Management Center (EMC) signs are banned for use by businesses inside the city.

Wallace said the EMC renovations would benefit SMG at the expense of the city. He noted that private businesses are forbidden to have similar automated signs.

"We need to push the pause," he said during the discussion.

Mayor Madeline Rogero responded that the Convention Center is a city property and SMG is only under contract to the city.

Vice Mayor Duane Grieve called on Mary Bogert, Convention Center Manager, who told the council the marquee is a

"wayfinding" sign and the work would only replace the screens. She said the center has agreed to turn the sign off at midnight and leave it off until 6 a.m.

Commissioner Nick Pavlis said that SMG has "lived up to what they said they would do" since taking over management of the facility.

"Our halls are booked," Bogert said, adding that without the marquee more billboards would need to be used.

Commissioner Marshall Stair said that since the Convention Center can have the signs and local business cannot, it was "an issue of fairness." He called for a two-week postponement, which Wallace seconded. The motion failed in a 7-2 vote.

Rogero said that the Convention Center events help bring revenue to other local businesses.

Commissioner Nick

Pavlis said that Wallace and Stair were "working against the largest investment the city has made."

The funding of the marquee work was passed with only Wallace voting against it.

The council also voted for \$3 million to go to the Public Building Authority of the City and County for facility improvements at the World's Fair Park Performance Lawn.

They also approved a \$350,000 grant request for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency to fund the replacement of the docks along Volunteer Landing at Calhoun's Restaurant. The popular mooring place for the "Vol Navy" during football games has been deteriorating and was hit by a boat and damaged.

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Rosie's World

What Good Is Fiber?

I read this in a book I received some time ago: "Simply put, fiber is the part of plant food our bodies can't use. That's why for decades fiber was pretty much ignored. It didn't provide nutrients and nobody was clamoring for more fiber in their food. In fact, food manufacturers went to great lengths to remove fiber from grains to make white bread and other processed foods softer and easier to digest. How the tide has turned! We now realize that fiber is vital for health in many different ways. Food manufacturers are finding ways to add fiber to everything from bread to yogurt and boasting about it on their labels.

Since our bodies can't absorb fiber, it's calories don't count! Better yet, high fiber foods make you feel fuller sooner and that feeling lasts longer. Fiber takes a longer time to leave your stomach and you feel more satisfied with fewer calories. Also, fiber actually reduces the absorption of some of the other calories you consume with it.

If you think the only way to eat more fiber is to bulk up on bran flakes, you are in for a delicious surprise. Luscious fruits like avocados, raspberries and bananas are high in fiber.

Here are five easy ways to increase the fiber in your diet:

1. Start out strong. Choose a high fiber cereal with fruit for breakfast.
2. Switch to whole grains. Try whole grain breads and pasta.
3. Eat the whole fruit. Fiber is in the

peel and the pulp.

4. Drop that peeler. Instead, scrub carrots and potatoes.

5. Eat beans or lentils three times a week. They're fiber heroes."

After reading these paragraphs I loaded up on fiber.

Found many succulent recipes in this book and I'm going to share one with you that I've tried.

SUNNY SEED BRAN WAFFLES:

- 2 egg whites
- 1 tab. dark brown sugar
- 1 tab. vegetable oil
- 1 cup skimmed milk
- 2/3 c. wheat bran
- 2/3 c. quick oats
- 1- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 3 tab. toasted sunflower seeds
- 1 c. apple butter

To toast sunflower seeds, cook and stir sunflower seeds in small nonstick skillet over medium heat about five minutes or until golden brown.

1. Beat egg whites in medium bowl with electric mixer until soft peaks form. Blend brown sugar and oil in small bowl. Stir in milk; mix well.

2. Combine bran, oats, baking powder, and salt in large bowl; mix well. Stir milk mixture into bran mixture. Add sunflower seeds; stir just until combined. Do not over-mix. Gently fold in beaten egg whites.

3. Stir nonstick waffle iron lightly with nonstick cooking spray. Heat according to manufacturer's directions. Stir batter; spoon 1/2 c batter into waffle iron for each waffle. Cook until steam stops escaping from around edges and waffle is golden brown. Serve each waffle with 1/4 c. apple butter. Enjoy!

Thought for the day: Life is not a cup to be drained, but a measure to be filled. American proverb

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The Last Vestige of the Crump Machine: Clifford Davis

Part Three

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Clifford Davis had first been selected by E. H. Crump, the undisputed political boss of Shelby County, to go to Congress in a 1940 special election. Davis had remained in Congress since that time and his congressional career had likely been saved when he was shot on the floor of the House by Puerto Rican nationalists in 1954. Crump had reputedly been considering replacing Clifford Davis, but the Memphis Boss was ailing and died that fall. Even Crump had realized Davis had enjoyed a wave of sympathy and support from voters after having been wounded in the attack on the House of Representatives. The passing of E. H. Crump had also significantly changed the political landscape in Memphis and Shelby County. Crump had groomed no successor and the machine he had so meticulously built began to wobble and fall apart. Within a few years, most of the machine office holders had died, retired or been swept out. Clifford Davis was the last significant remnant of the old Crump machine to hold office in 1961.

Tennessee was also continuing to evolve; the Volunteer State had gone Republican in the last three presidential elections, voting twice for Dwight D. Eisenhower (despite Senator Estes Kefauver being on the Democratic ticket in 1956) and once for Richard Nixon. While many Tennessee Democrats admired the young president, support for John F. Kennedy was not universal. There was increasing tensions between conservative Democrats and those who strongly supported the young president. Clifford Davis was viewed by many of those same young Democrats as a Jurassic relic of a time long since past. Cliff Davis certainly was not a part of the age of Camelot at the court of John F. Kennedy. Ross Pritchard, a young political science professor who had dabbled in practical politics, was seen as more representative of Tennessee's new Democrats. Another sign that Clifford Davis was aging and vulnerable was the prospective candidacy for Congress by state senator Lewis Taliaferro. Yet there was no sign Cliff Davis intended to retire. Davis enjoyed Congress and his wife, Carrie, loved the social life in Washington, D. C. Carrie Davis was constantly busy with some social chore or another and was very well liked by most of official Washington. Early in 1962 Carrie Davis had been praised by Ladybird Johnson, wife of the vice president. "She combines the wisdom of Dolly Madison, the warmth

of Rachel Jackson and the energy of Eleanor Roosevelt," Mrs. Johnson said of Carrie Davis during a "surprise luncheon" comprised of some 500 women in Washington to honor the congressman's wife. "She is a sturdy oak with magnolia blossoms," Mrs. Johnson enthused. Carrie Davis was one of the 1,350 Democratic women in "beflowered spring hats and chic ensembles" for a luncheon sponsored by the Women's National Democratic Club in April of 1962.

Congressman Davis also liked the perks of Congress, which included a trip to Paris to attend a meeting of the NATO parliamentarians in November of 1961. Cliff Davis was hardly the only Tennessee congressman flitting about the globe. Congressman Carlton Loser of Nashville had visited Switzerland, Italy, England and France that same year as a "one-man committee" to ascertain just how European legislative bodies might continue to function following a nuclear attack. Congressman James B. Frazier of Chattanooga had gone to Brussels as part of the inter-parliamentary union and went on to Denmark and France. Both Frazier and Loser would be defeated inside the Democratic primary in 1962.

Ross Pritchard, after having taken the temperature of the political waters, announced he was running for Congress on May 17, 1962. A former football star, the thirty-seven year old Pritchard had successfully managed Henry Loeb's campaign for mayor of Memphis. Loeb also just happened to be Pritchard's brother-in-law. Resigning his post at Southwestern university, Pritchard declared, "From Memphis and Shelby County we are called upon to send the best representative we can find, yet year after year we respond with a congressman of low performance and mediocre achievement."

Lewis Taliaferro had already qualified to run for Congress and Cliff Davis made his own announcement he was a candidate for reelection at the end of May. The congressman underscored his opposition to much of the Kennedy White House when he opposed the administration's farm bill, although he was hardly alone in opposing it. Congressmen Howard Baker, Louise Reece (who had succeeded her late husband), Tom Murray, James B. Frazier, and "Fats" Everett all said they were voting against it. Everett, an assistant Democratic whip in the House, represented a rural West Tennessee district and said, "The farmers in my district are opposed to it." Everett readily admitted,

"The administration has put all kinds of pressure on me but I told them I just can't go. I'm not going to play Russian roulette with my constituents. I might miss but I could get killed." Only Congressmen Ross Bass and Joe L. Evins announced support for the Kennedy farm bill. The opposition of many of Tennessee's House delegation helped beat the farm bill 215 - 205, killing it for that session of Congress. Moving to recommit the legislation, only Congressmen James B. Frazier, Ross Bass and Joe L. Evins voted with the administration.



UPI PHOTO FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Congressman Clifford Davis and his wife, Carrie Davis, leaving Bethesda Naval Hospital after Davis had recovered from being shot by Puerto Rican nationalists on the floor of the House of Representatives, 1954.

Cliff Davis was taking his opposition seriously and the congressman was absent from the House during two weeks in July when he deemed it wiser to remain inside his district and campaign than stay in Washington. Clearly, Cliff Davis' decision to campaign hard for reelection made a difference, as he handily defeated both Ross Pritchard and Lewis Taliaferro. Davis won more than 52,000 votes with Ross Pritchard trailing a distant second with just over 32,000 votes. Taliaferro ran third with 21,000 votes; still, the combined votes of both opponents was slightly more than Cliff Davis's total. Davis was basking in a decisive win over two serious challengers, his first real contest since having been elected to Congress in 1940. Both opponents had been highly critical of the congressman's record, accusing him of absenteeism and generally being an ineffective representative for his district. Congressman Davis was rightly flushed with a handsome victory. "I am simply delighted," Clifford Davis crowed.

Davis and his wife had a scare while returning to Washington, D. C. On board an American Airlines turboprop plane, the sixty-five passengers and five crewmembers were seriously frightened when the airliner careened off the runway and crashed during a thunderstorm in Knoxville. Evidently not everyone on board was scared. Seven-year-old Curtis Newman, when asked if he had been frightened, replied, "NAAW, I wasn't scared. But I got my new tennis shoes wet." Arkansas Congressman Dale Alford was also on the flight and was sitting by Carrie Davis during the crash. Alford kept telling Mrs. Davis to "keep calm." "I am calm," Mrs. Davis replied. "You're too calm," Alford retorted.

The passengers had to descend eight feet to disembark from the plane. "There wasn't any grass growing under anybody's feet," Carrie Davis observed. Lewis T. Barringer, a wealthy cotton broker from Memphis, who was traveling with Congressman and Mrs. Davis, noted the "smell of oily smoke" coming from the plane's engine. "After we tanked, everybody started to look for an opening," Barringer said.

Clifford Davis' weakness was revealed in the 1962 general election when fifty-three year old Republican businessman Bob James came within 1223 votes of upsetting the incumbent congressman. It was a sign of a growing GOP in Tennessee, as was the election of William E. Brock as congressman from the Third District after incumbent James B. Frazier, Jr. had been defeated in the Democratic primary. The closeness of the 1962 election guaranteed Bob James would once again challenge Clifford Davis two years later. It also revealed the fundamental political weakness of Clifford Davis to potential Democratic challengers and by February of 1964 local attorney George Grider was already making

the rounds as a candidate for Congress. Grider made his announcement official on April 12, 1964 that he would run against Davis inside the Democratic primary. George Grider had political experience, having managed the campaign of popular former Memphis mayor Edmund Orgill, as well as having been elected to the Shelby County Court in 1959.

Cliff Davis was unable to retire gracefully and insisted upon seeking reelection and found the fifty-one year old Grider a formidable challenger, although most gave the congressman the advantage in the primary. On Election Night Davis was leading Grider, albeit narrowly. The Saturday following the primary election, with 184 of 188 precincts in the Ninth Congressional district, George W. Grider was running ahead of Congressman Davis with 43,401 votes to 35,543 votes for the incumbent. Clifford Davis' long career in Congress was over. Davis remained a loyal Democrat despite losing the primary election. Congressman Davis praised President Lyndon Johnson's selection of Senator Hubert Humphrey as the vice presidential candidate. "I think he would be a credit to the office and is a fine selection," Clifford Davis said. "I will do all I can to help the ticket from top to bottom."

Bob James was once again running hard in the general election, but unlike Clifford Davis, George Grider had no trouble winning the fall election. Republicans had believed they would face Congressman Clifford Davis on the November ballot and had not anticipated Grider winning the primary. George Grider outdistanced James by more than 11,000 votes in November. Yet Clifford Davis' defeat may have had greater implications for

Democrats than they might have imagined. Many of the old Crump supporters drifted into the Republican Party. Memphis businessman Dan Kuykendall had run for the United States Senate against Albert Gore in 1964 and had won a very respectable 46% of the vote. In 1966 Kuykendall ran for Congress against George Grider and won. Kuykendall would remain in the House of Representatives until his own defeat in 1974 by Harold Ford.

At the end of Clifford Davis' career in Congress, his wife Carrie was reportedly being considered for a post in the Johnson administration. Carrie Davis was a very close friend of Ladybird Johnson and while Congressman Davis might very well have obtained a federal appointment for himself, he did not want one. Davis was eligible for a \$15,000 (the equivalent of more than \$114,000 today) annual pension, which he could not collect if he were appointed to another federal office. Congressman Clifford Davis announced he intended to open a "public relations" office in Washington, D. C. and "represent private interests" in the Capitol. The sixty-five year old congressman would spend the rest of his professional life as a Washington lobbyist. As he prepared to leave office, Clifford Davis put his wife on his Congressional payroll until his term ended January 3, 1965. Davis paid Carrie a very generous \$1,398.91 per month following his defeat in the August Democratic primary.

Little more was heard of Congressman Clifford Davis, at least in Tennessee. The former congressman maintained his home in Washington and lobbied for his clients while Carrie remained active in social affairs. Carrie lead the guests of honor in a procession during a Congressional Club breakfast honoring her friend, First Lady Ladybird Johnson.

Carrie and Clifford Davis continued to live outside the bright lights of the halls of Congress in Washington, D. C. in comfortable semi-retirement. On June 8, 1970, the seventy-two year old former congressman suffered a heart attack at his home in Washington and died. Survived by his widow and three children, Cliff Davis' body was brought home to Memphis for burial.

Today, little is remembered about Clifford Davis save for having been wounded during the attack on the House of Representatives by Puerto Rican nationalists and that he had been the last vestige of the old Crump machine in office.

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Not so fast

Well, I'm sure of it. We've lost our minds and our ability to use common sense. If anyone doesn't believe it, just look at what is going on in our country. We don't need to act so fast sometimes.



By Joe Rector
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Knee-jerk reactions never help situations.

In Charlottesville, Virginia, groups go after each other during protests. That's not so different from years past. However, several things involved in it are what leave most of us scratching our heads and uttering "Huh?" For one, what in the world are we doing when we allow Neo-Nazis, white supremacists, and other racists to march in the streets? Yes, citizens have the right to free speech, but when groups take advantage of that right with the intention of causing friction, we have to use some common sense in passing out permits to them. These very groups are ones against which our country has already waged wars. They lost but seem hell bent on reviving and going for round two. The very mention of "Nazis" and "KKK," and "racists" sickens me. Those words and groups associated with them should have no places in our country.

All of a sudden, it seems,

the removal of statues from cities around the country has become a priority. Many of them have been in place for as long as a century, but for some reason, they now are eyesores. I do realize

that many of the monuments in the South memorialize Confederate generals and political figures. Yes, I also know that the war waged by the South to continue slavery was especially despicable because it shed blood because the mistreatment of an entire race of folks. However, removing a few statues and memorials won't change what happened. In fact, the leaving of those things should be a constant reminder of man's inhumanity to man; their existence should keep us from ever again allowing slavery to exist.

In Memphis, the yearly showing of "Gone with the Wind" has ended. According to news accounts, The Orpheum Theater decided to end a 34-year tradition of showing the film because it offended some viewers with "its racist content." A big "DUH" goes out to those who complained. The movie has contained the same material since its premier. It is set during the Civil War in

the South. Of course it has racist material. However, far beyond that, "Gone with the Wind" is a classic movie that presents the struggles of a woman who has been displaced by the war and who watches her entire life and culture destroyed as the Union sweeps across the Confederacy and eradicates slavery. That's the beauty of the movie: it disparages those who were misguided and puts to shame mistaken lifestyles of slaveholders and Southern sympathizers.

I never want anyone to feel oppressed because of the color of his skin. Shame on every person who espouses such disgusting ideas. At the same time, it is important to keep in mind, in some form or fashion, the South that held people in chains and treated them no better than livestock. The old saying, "Those who do not learn history are doomed to repeat it" applies in this situation. One question I ask is how many folks have ever given a second thought to the monument at Fort Sanders? Another is do folks know that "Gone with the Wind" was responsible for a Hattie McDaniel receiving the first Academy Award given to a black actress? It seems that something good can come from something bad on occasion. A little more insight into things might just prevent violence, hatred, and destruction.



The beauty of a peaceful mountain stream is such a drastic contrast to the raging, violent floodwaters of the recent storm, courtesy of Steve Ellis, Light House Studio.

Americans Helping One Another

The heart-wrenching images are humbling. Just days after the historic eclipse, Hurricane Harvey hit Texas and later Louisiana. Though it had been predicted,

the scenes are staggering. Record rainfall has turned roadways into rivers, covered cars completely, and ruined thousands of homes. The magnitude of destruction has been overwhelming to watch.

First responders, the military, neighbors, and long lines of volunteers from across the country have manned boats, helicopters, jet skis, and dump trucks to rescue people and their pets. Nursing home residents could be seen sitting in waist-deep water. Buses are used to transport



By Ralphine Major
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evacuees to shelters. Sadly, there has been loss of life in the floodwaters, which makes the news of a baby's birth even more joyous. I have heard many leaders, including Rev. Franklin Graham of Samaritan's Purse, asking Americans to pray for all those affected by this catastrophe. Many have lost everything. Toys, pictures, the family Bible, and keepsakes are gone. Homes and cars are destroyed. Even comforts of daily life often taken for granted, such as a coffee pot, a couch, a glass of water, clothing, and shoes, are all gone. Jobs and incomes have been swept away, and entire neighborhoods and towns have disappeared under floodwaters. Even several oil refineries have

been shut down.

Images of people carrying their pets to safety bring to mind the Bible story of Noah and the ark and God's promise in Genesis 9:15 (NIV): "Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life." The rainbow is a reminder of God's promise. Count your blessings if you have shelter, food, and clothing. Pray for those Americans who have suffered so much loss.



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From military leader to the new voice of the people

Vito Sagliano announces candidacy for Congressional Seat

Local veteran Vito Sagliano has announced his intent on becoming the next 2nd Congressional District's Congressman, stating his decision came from looking around and seeing what he calls "name-brand politicians."

Sagliano, a Carter High School graduate, says these politicians claim to be different than their predecessors and then ignore the people once they are elected. When asked what makes him different, he stated, "I am not a politician, but one of you. I have seen the concerns and I am tired of them not being properly represented. I honorably served my country through a career in the United States Navy as a leader and want to bring that leadership role to the floor of congress where I will assure all of your voices and concerns will be properly addressed. My core focus is and will remain on the people I serve, bringing a voice back to them."

Sagliano said he wants the people in the district to give him a chance regardless of party, saying, "Let's sit down, discuss your concerns and build a solid foundation to earn your trust." He encourages everyone to feel free to email him at vitoforcongress@gmail.com or message him on Facebook at any time.

He understands that he does not have the name recognition but is fine with that as he prefers his name to be learned through earning the respect of the voters rather than by status quo.

When asked if he worries about other candidates with name recognition such as Tim Burchett, Jimmy Matlock, Brad Fullington, Joshua Williams and others

that may enter the race he stated, "I can't say that I am (worried). I don't know any of them personally so I can't speak on their sincerity or if they are a great guy at heart. I only know what is in my own heart."

He stated, "Fiscally managing budgets, material, equipment and personnel ranging from hundreds of thousands to tens of millions of dollars on multiple continents across the globe simultaneous with real consequences and actual lives properly builds an understanding only few are given an opportunity to gain."

Sagliano began his naval career as a United States Navy Seabee in the mid-90s. Serving under multiple administrations, he earned multiple military honors. During his time in the service he opened and successfully operated a small business based in Virginia. Due to his deployment and operational commitments, his wife also a local small business owner, remained at their family home in Knoxville. He now assists with his wife's business while enjoying retirement. He has received recognition for his volunteer efforts to improve the lives of those around him.

He believes that his experiences over the years have helped develop him into being the right person to represent the people.

Many politicians speak of being willing to sacrifice themselves for the greater good. That's a nice sentiment, but are they? I've lost many brothers and sisters with whom I have served. Many have given the ultimate sacrifice. I don't want another politician offering something to the people while unwilling to do it themselves."

OUR VETERANS NEXT DOOR

The Vietnam War

By Randall Baxter

Ever wonder what went wrong in Vietnam, and why we had to lose enough soldiers to fill half of Neyland Stadium, not counting the wounded. Nor the ones suffering from Post Traumatic Stress.

France considered Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia as their possessions. When France fell at the beginning of World War II, power was released to the Japanese. A freedom fighter, who eventually took the name HO CHI MINH, worked with the American OSS to interfere with the Japanese occupation. When an American pilot was downed over French Indo China, it was highly possible he would be saved by one of Ho's groups.

On 9/2, 1945, Japan surrendered. In Saigon, violence between rival Vietnamese factions and the French forced martial law. The Viet Minh leaders responded with a call for a general strike.

Some 200,000 Chinese troops arrived in Hanoi to accept the surrender of the Japanese occupiers in northern Indochina. This was before the successful Maoist revolution, and peace agreements between the Chinese, French and Vietnamese governments broke down when the Chinese left. Massacres and famine soon followed. France seemed to have no intention of letting go. HO was a Communist supporter and the Vietnamese military force was called the Viet Minh, named after Ho Chi Minh.

After the crushing defeat of French forces at Diem Bien Phu the 1954 Geneva Accords allowed Ho's forces to regroup in the North and anti-communist groups settled in the South. Ho's Democratic Republic of Vietnam relocated to Hanoi and became the government of North Vietnam, a communist-led one-party state.

There was to be a 300-day period in which people could freely move between South Vietnam and North Vietnam. More went South than North. The nation was then partitioned leaving the nation of Vietnam out of the process.

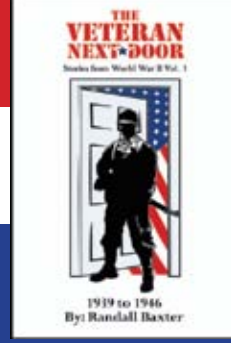
The US position was, "We shall seek to achieve unity through free elections supervised by the United Nations to insure that they are conducted fairly."

Executions in the North, and political purges in the South widened the separation gaps in Vietnam.

Late 1959, Ho began requesting aid to the Viet Cong's uprising in South Vietnam. North Vietnam invaded Laos in 1959 and established the Ho Chi Minh Trail. Tipping the balance of power. By early 1965, U.S. combat troops began arriving in South Vietnam, first to protect the airbases, later to take on most of the fight, as "More and more American troops were put in to replace Saigon troops who could not, or would not, get involved in the fighting."

As fighting escalated, widespread aerial and artillery bombardment all over North Vietnam by the U.S. Air Force and Navy began with Operation Rolling Thunder. Fearing defeat in July 1967, Ho and his government concluded the war had fallen into a stalemate. With Ho's permission, the Viet Cong planned to execute the Tet Offensive to begin on January 31, 1968. Gambling on taking the South by force and defeating the U.S. military. The overly positive spin that the U.S. military had been attempting to achieve for years came crashing down. The bombing of Northern Vietnam and Ho Chi Minh trail was halted, and U.S. and Vietnamese negotiators began to discuss how to end the war.

Oversimplified, but true.



"THE VETERAN NEXT DOOR"

by Randall Baxter

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It's not just football time in Tennessee

John Currie's job as Director of Athletics at the University of Tennessee is not all about firing and hiring, but that's an important part of it. He must have coaches who know how to win and get it done.



By Steve Williams

College athletics too are not just about winning, but that's a big part of it, particularly in this day and age of multi-million dollar athletic budgets and coaching salaries and what have you done for me lately.

Currie couldn't have arrived at a worse time in the modern history of UT athletics as far as winning. That was validated when Tennessee's men's and women's teams combined finished 46th in the Directors' Cup standings

in the 2016-17 school year - the school's worst showing since the first year of the Directors' Cup in 1993-94.

It was further bore out in the National Collegiate All-Sports Rankings I compiled for The Focus in July. In my survey, which ranks the men's and women's programs separately, the Vols tied for 48th place and the Lady Vols shared 64th place with three other schools.

Tennessee athletics have seen much better days. Tom Satkowiak, Assistant Athletic Director for Media Relations, noted Tennessee's all-time best finish in the Director's Cup was seventh in 2006-07.

In the National Collegiate

All-Sports Rankings for men's programs in 1972-73, Tennessee ranked No. 3 in the country behind UCLA and Southern Cal. During that glorious year, with Bob Woodruff serving as the UT Athletics Director, the Vols captured the national championship in cross country and were national runners-up in swimming and diving, plus were fifth in track and field, eighth in football and tied for 14th in tennis.

The UT athletics program also ranked sixth in the nation in 1971 and 1972.

Currie made his first coaching change at UT in early May, just a little over a month into his new job, when he fired tennis coach Sam Winterbotham and promoted Chris Woodruff to head coach. A month after that, Dave Serrano, as

expected, stepped down as baseball skipper and Currie filled that post with Tony Vitello, an assistant coach at Arkansas.

The new school year is underway. Tennessee's soccer and volleyball teams got off to winning starts. Cross country teams were scheduled to run in their first meet this past weekend and the football team was to have played Georgia Tech in Atlanta Labor Day night.

It is a critical year for UT sports across the board. Some coaches could be facing make-or-break seasons and should be.

It's not just football time in Tennessee. It's time for UT to return to the glory days of being a frontrunner on the national collegiate all-sports scene.

Coleman's special season masked track team's deficiencies

By Steve Williams

I have taken a closer look at Tennessee team performances for men and women on the SEC and NCAA levels during the 2016-17 school year. From an overall standpoint, it's not a pretty sight.

In 2009, UT put men's and women's cross country and track into one program, which is currently directed by Beth Alford-Sullivan. That combined arrangement certainly didn't produce quality team results this past school year.

In men's cross country, Tennessee finished ninth in the SEC meet and 10th in the NCAA South Regional.

Super sprinter Christian Coleman's efforts masked Tennessee's overall team deficiencies in indoor and outdoor track on the conference and national levels. His victories in the NCAA Indoor 60-meter and 200 dashes accounted for all 20 of the Vols' points as they tied for 10th place in team scoring.

Tennessee's men came in 10th in the SEC Indoor meet and tied for ninth in the SEC Outdoor meet. Thanks to Coleman, the Vols tied for seventh in the NCAA Outdoor meet, as his wins in the 100 and 200 dashes once again

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Veteran volleyball coach looks to reverse Central's fortunes

By Ken Lay

Lorri Johnson may be new to Central High School but she's no stranger to high school or collegiate volleyball in the Volunteer State.

Johnson, who is in the midst of her first season at the helm for the Lady Bobcats, said that she knows that her first task is to rebuild a program that has struggled on the court over the past several seasons.

"I was looking and this one came open," said Johnson, who spent the 2016 season at Knoxville Christian School. "I spent the last year at Knoxville Christian helping them get their volleyball program headed in the right direction.

"But I couldn't afford to stay there. I had to look to build up my retirement."

Johnson, however, isn't planning on going anywhere too soon. She's injected some enthusiasm into a Lady Bobcats program that has had a revolving door of coaches in recent years. She also seems to be enjoying herself in Fountain City, where she also serves as a Special Education Teacher's Assistant.



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Lorri Johnson, a longtime high school and college volleyball coach, has come to Fountain City to oversee a rebuilding Central High School program.

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A GLANCE BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD



PHOTO BY MELYNDA YOUNG

As fog rises, so do the Karns Beavers' emotions as they prepare to take the field before their Aug. 25 game against Halls. The Beavers won the game 39-21.

Old city rivals A-E and Fulton set to collide again

By Steve Williams

Jeff Phillips called Austin-East's win

at Fulton in 2016 "a signature win for our program."

The 20-13 victory over their city rival sparked the Roadrunners to a 12-2 season and a run to the Class 2A state semifinals.

"Fulton was beating us like a drum a couple of years and we just could never seem to put things together mentally," recalled Phillips in a pre-season interview in August.

Going into last season's game, Fulton had averaged 59 points per game against the Roadrunners and

captured three Class 4A state championships since the last time Austin-East had won in the series.

"We kept losing our focus mentally in that game," added Phillips, who is in his fifth season as A-E's head coach. "Last year we put it together. So for our program, it meant you've come so far. You've continued to make strides. You've continued to go out and do things better. That just showed how far we had come."

The Roadrunners' victory ended

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Halls sweeps past young and 'improving' Lady Bobcats

By Ken Lay

Black Oak Ridge Rivals Halls and Central tangled on the volleyball court early last week and the Lady Devils swept past the Lady Bobcats in Fountain City.

Halls started fast and cruised to a 25-15, 25-13, 25-9 victory at Central on Monday, Aug. 28. The decision might've looked a bit lopsided in a match that lasted just 54 minutes between the geographic and one-time District 3-AAA rivals. But Lady Devils coach Jerilynn Carroll said that her squad felt fortunate to leave Central with a victory.

"Central is a good team and they're doing a good job," said Carroll, Halls High's longtime volleyball coach. "It's nice to come over here and get a win and we feel fortunate to have gotten it."

The Lady Devils and Lady Bobcats were knotted a 3-3 when Halls took a 4-3 lead on a side-out before senior Bethany Karnes served up nine consecutive points to give her team a 13-3 lead.

Central got a spark from Cameron Flatford, whose modest service run helped the Lady Bobcats pull to within 14-9 before the Lady Devils reassumed control and went on to take a 1-0 lead in the match.

Carroll said that she was pleased with her team's effort on this night.

"We've been getting out ahead a little bit and then we've been falling back," Carroll said. "It was good to get ahead and continue to play well and finish."

The Lady Devils raced out

to a 10-5 advantage in the second set before the Lady Bobcats pulled to within 10-8 thanks to consecutive service aces by sophomore Katherine Redden.

Lauren Lawson of Halls responded by scoring six consecutive points (including three aces) after the Lady Devils regained serve to make the score 17-8. The visitors would go on to score eight of the set's next 13 points to close out the set and take a commanding 2-0 advantage in the match.

In the final game, the Lady Devils opened a 14-4 lead and closed the match with relative ease.

Despite seeing her young team have its struggles early last week, Lorri Johnson, Central's first-year coach, was upbeat.

"We're improving," said Johnson, who came to coach in Fountain City after stints at South-Young, Carson-Newman, Soddy-Daisy and Knoxville Christian School. "We scrimmaged Halls earlier and it was disastrous.

"We're getting better and we're learning to compete."

The Lady Devils got strong performances from Lawson, Emily Washam and Cassie Norris.

Lawson had three blocks. Washam dished out 20 assists and Norris finished the match with 11 kills.

Grace Cochran and Jolly Knight had five kills each for the Lady Bobcats, who also got two aces, two kills and five digs from Flatford. Knight also added five digs.

Veteran volleyball coach looks to reverse Central's fortunes

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"I'm new here but I'm not new to volleyball," she said. "I got my Master's Degree and I started coaching at South-Young in 1981 in the old Knoxville City Schools System."

From there, the Carson-Newman graduate went on to coach the Lady Eagles between 1991-1995.

She's also coached at Van Buren County in Spencer, Tennessee before moving on to Soddy-Daisy, where she coached both volleyball and tennis. Under her guidance, Soddy-Daisy's volleyball team reached the state tournament.

Many of her former

players went on to play college volleyball.

"At Soddy-Daisy, we had 16 kids go on to get full rides or partial scholarships to play volleyball," Johnson said.

Lorri's husband, Junior, is a former basketball player and coach at Carson-Newman. He also has deep volleyball ties. He is a volleyball official and he's served as a volunteer assistant to Lorri and many of her previous coaching stops.

As for her new coaching job at Central, Johnson said her work with the Lady Bobcats is already beginning to pay off.

"We only have one senior but we're improving," Johnson said after Central was swept recently at home by Black Oak Ridge rival Halls. "We scrimmaged Halls earlier and it was disastrous."

Away from volleyball, Johnson said she enjoys walking her two 10-year old Siberian Huskies.

She and Junior are also hosting a Nigerian Foreign Exchange student who will play basketball at Catholic High School this season.

Farragut stays undefeated, beats Morristown West 33-10

By Alex Norman

The Farragut Admirals were the kings of the castle in Class 5A one year ago.

So far in 2017? They aren't too shabby in their return to Class 6A football.

On Thursday, August 31st, the Admirals got 318 yards passing and four touchdowns from backup quarterback Gavin Wilkinson, and beat Morristown West 33-10 in their home opener at Bill Clabo Field. But this team feels that there is a lot they can get better at going forward.

"We were disappointed in the lack of discipline and focus in our performance in the game," said Farragut head coach Eddie Courtney. "We do feel that as a team we are making improvement each week to get to where we need to be as to our expectations."

Neither team did much on their opening drive of the game. On the Admirals second drive, they started on their own 18.

The drive really got going on 2nd and 15 when Wilkinson hit Tennessee commit Jacob Warren for a 27-yard pickup. A couple of plays later, Wilkinson found Andrew Williams over the middle. Williams caught it at the Trojans 35, ran past the defense and into the end zone.

The extra point was blocked, and midway through the first quarter, it was 6-0 Farragut.

The Admirals defense then forced a three and out, and the Trojans would have to punt the football away.

Starting at their own 45, it only took the Admirals three plays to get on the doorstep of another score. The big play on this drive was a 39-yard hookup from Wilkinson to Tanner Corum that put Farragut on the two yard line. On the next play, Isaiah Gibbs ran to the near corner and scored the Admirals second touchdown of the night.

They went for two, and got the conversation on a pitch and catch from Wilkinson to Warren.

With 3:10 to go in the first, it was 14-0 Farragut.

A terrific punt return by Gibbs got the Admirals going once again, as they started their next drive at the Morristown West 20. Two plays later, Wilkinson had his second touchdown pass of the evening, a 14-yard lob to the back corner of the end zone. Jaden Gibbs grabbed it on the final play of the first quarter.

It was 20-0 Farragut following another blocked extra point. Farragut (3-0, 1-0 in Region 1-6A) had

three extra points and one field goal either blocked or not converted on bad snaps/holds in this game.

"Youth and inexperience has been a part of our breakdowns on special team play," said Courtney. "As the season goes on we feel that these players have the ability to become the type of players we expect them to be."

The Trojans fought back, and drove down to the Admirals 2. On fourth down Jaden Payne took the handoff, followed his blockers up the middle, twisted and turned and stretched the football over the goal-line. With 7:20 to go in the second quarter, it was a 20-7 ballgame. Morristown West (1-2, 0-1 in Region 1-6A) tacked on a field goal, and had the deficit cut in half at intermission, 20-10.

With under 5:30 to go in the third quarter the Trojans took a risk, going for it on 4th and 1 from the Farragut 44. Zach Young's pass fell incomplete, and the Admirals took possession back.

There's something to be said for momentum, and after that play the Admirals had that in droves. On third and long from the Trojans 38, Wilkinson threw it to Andrew Williams, who ran into the end zone for a

touchdown. This time the extra point was good, and Farragut was up 27-10 with 3:20 remaining in the third quarter.

Following another hold from the defense on 4th and short, the Admirals thought they put the game away. Twice. First it was a 67-yard run by Isaiah Gibbs. That touchdown was brought back by a penalty.

Later, Wilkinson threw to Warren, who caught it at his own 48, then outran the Morristown West defense for what would be a 59-yard touchdown. Except for another Farragut penalty.

Finally, the Admirals did in fact score that elusive touchdown. The snap got past Wilkinson, but he showed great poise in picking the football up, scrambling to buy time, and then throw to a wide open Wyatt Lucas for a 27-yard touchdown, making it 33-10 with 7:03 to go. That would be the final score as well.

Eddie Courtney had praise for his signal caller. "He has improved each week and is gaining more confidence in his play, and is allowing us to add to the things we want him to be able to do," said Courtney.

On Friday night Farragut will look for their 14th win in a row when they host rival Oak Ridge.



PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Farragut High School football coach Eddie Courtney receives the East Tennessee CAREacter Star Head Coach of the Year award before Thursday night's game. Pictured with Courtney are CAREacter Star Founder Coach Dave Moore, CAREacter Star Board Member Gregg Bostick, Courtney's wife Anita (who also received a CAREacter Star award and Farragut athletic director Donald Dodgen.

Farragut unveils, lights up new scoreboard at Clabo Field

By Ken Lay

Farragut High School's football team played its first home game of the 2017 season at Bill Clabo Field and the Admirals wasted little time lighting up their new scoreboard Thursday night.

Farragut improved to 3-0 overall and picked up a key early-season 33-10 Region 1-6A victory over Morristown West.

The Admirals, the defending Class 5A State Champions, scored 20 first-quarter points. The new scoreboard was three years in the making and features a Jumbotron, which features rotating advertisements and shows game highlights.

The school began raising money and accepting bids three years ago and the new scoreboard was completed at approximately 8 p.m. on Wednesday, just 24 hours before Farragut was set to tangle with the Trojans in a locally televised Rivalry Thursday contest between two teams that met for the first time late last week.

Longtime Admirals head coach

Eddie Courtney said he was happy to see the new scoreboard, which is perched behind the west end zone at Farragut Stadium.

"They left here about 8 o'clock last night and I'm just really pleased and excited about the way this looks," Courtney said Thursday night after his Admirals routed the Trojans (1-2), who left West Knox County after suffering a second consecutive lopsided loss.

Farragut athletic director Donald Dodgen echoed Courtney's sentiments and said that the scoreboard was the product of a total team effort.

"I'm really grateful to the community, the Farragut High School Football Booster Club and coach Eddie Courtney," Dodgen said. "Without the effort and hard work of those people, we wouldn't have the scoreboard."

The scoreboard was the latest in a series of improvements at Farragut High's home football facility. The school was one of the first to benefit from a grant from Pilot Flying J and the Haslam Family. It received its new turf



Farragut High School unveiled its new state-of-the-art scoreboard and jumbotron before the Admirals' 2017 home opener against Morristown West Thursday night.

field prior to the 2016 season and it also had its track renovated.

There are also new restrooms on the visitors' side of the field.

"We have a new turf field, a new track and new restrooms," Dodgen said. "We're going to make some upgrades to some of our other facilities at the school soon."

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Bearden starts fast, downs Lady Irish 4-0 in soccer

By Ken Lay

The Bearden High School girls soccer team wasted little time flexing its offensive muscle Tuesday night. The Lady Bulldogs scored a goal in the first minute of their 4-0 victory over Catholic at Blaine Stadium. "You really had two teams going at each other and Catholic came out hyped up," Bearden coach Ryan Radcliffe said. "Scoring that first goal early was really big for us. "I think that that early goal really took the wind out of their sails, especially on a set play like that." The Lady Bulldogs (5-1) scored in the opening minute of the game when

sophomore forward Abby Brewer took a corner kick and promptly banged it past Lady Irish goalkeeper Miriam Janoyan. And that was only the beginning. Bearden would go on to add two more markers in the next 13 minutes to open a 3-0 lead. Addie Crawford, a senior, extended Bearden's advantage to 2-0 in when she tallied in the 11th minute. Alex Smith added a third goal in the 14th minute to really put a talented Lady Irish squad in precarious straits. "I think this was one of the better games that we've played this season," Radcliffe said. "That was really encouraging because

we have to head to Memphis [for the Rivals Tournament] next weekend [Sept. 8-10]." Catholic (3-1-1) continued to struggle in the second half as Lady Bulldogs' goalkeepers Abby Mink and Maggie Jones combined to record Bearden's fifth shut-out of the 2017 campaign. Bearden has surrendered just one goal this season and that came in the Bearden Invitational in a 1-0 loss on Saturday, Aug. 19 to Springboro High School, a defending state champion from Ohio. Bearden has shut out Christ Presbyterian Academy, West High, Morristown East, Bartlett and the Lady

Irish this season. Catholic coach Vahan Janoyan said that his team didn't have its best match Tuesday night. "We didn't play like we can tonight," he said. "I think if I had one word to describe us, it would be 'off.' "We were just off. Bearden is a good team but we were better than we played tonight. These girls know that and that's why they're so emotional about it. They're a great group and they're really coachable." The Lady Bulldogs, who outshot the Lady Irish 12-5, took a 4-0 lead when Brewer scored her second goal of the game in the 67th minute.

Coleman's special season masked track team's deficiencies

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produced all 20 of the Vols' points. Elsewhere around Big Orange Country, Butch Jones' football Vols were 4-4 in conference play, 9-4 overall and ranked No. 22 in the national poll after their 38-24 win over Nebraska in the Music City Bowl. By Tennessee standards over the past 25 years, it was a so-so showing magnified by high preseason expectations. The UT men's swimming and diving team was sixth in the SEC Championships and 20th in the NCAA meet. But the Vols scored only 55 points, while Texas racked up 542 points in capturing the title. Matt Kredich is head coach of the men's and women's swimming and diving teams.



PHOTO BY JAREN WILKEY / BYU PHOTO

Tennessee junior Christian Coleman, who turned pro this summer, wins the NCAA 200-meter dash in Eugene, Ore., on June 9.

a national power not too many years ago, finished 3-9 in the conference and 13-14 overall this past spring. They were ousted by Texas A&M in the quarterfinal round of the SEC tourney. The baseball Vols failed to finish in the top 12 of the SEC standings, which left them out of the conference tournament again. They were 7-21 in regular season SEC games and just over the .500 mark (27-25) overall. The UT women's sports teams fared much better overall than the guys in 2016-17. In fact, I gave the Lady Vols - and they'll always be the Lady Vols in my grade book - a "B" in softball. Co-head coaches Ralph and Karen Weekly guided their team to a 48-12 overall record and

a 16-7 worksheet in tough SEC play. This is the best program going on the UT campus right now - men or women - but despite their success, the Lady Vols' season didn't end liked they had hoped. UT, which hosted the SEC tourney, was ousted by LSU 6-2 in the quarterfinals in front of a record 2,448 fans at Sherri Parker Lee Stadium. The Lady Vols bounced back to win their NCAA regional, but lost two of three to visiting Texas A&M in the Super Regional to fall short of a trip to Oklahoma City and the national tournament. They ended up with a No. 11 national ranking. The women's swimming and diving team placed fourth in the SEC Championships and 22nd in the NCAA meet. These aren't

sparkling numbers, but they show promise. Lady Vols basketball under Holly Warlick continued to be a hard-to-figure program. It was 20-12 overall and 10-6 in the SEC - good enough for other programs, but this is a program that once was the best of all. Talk about scratching your head - the Lady Vols fell to Alabama 72-64 in the second round of the SEC tournament after upsetting Mississippi State 82-64 in Starkville in the regular season finale. State went on to finish as the national runner-up to South Carolina. UT beat Dayton in the NCAA tourney, but lost at Louisville 75-64 in the second round. Warlick has brought in the nation's No. 1 recruiting class, and hopefully this

addition will eventually help get the program back to the Final Four and contending for a national title. Coach Brian Pensky's soccer team was 11-9-1 and 5-5-1 in the conference. Tennessee beat Ole Miss in the SEC tourney, and then lost to Auburn 3-1 in the quarterfinals. Auburn, by the way, made a good showing in the NCAA tournament and finished with a No. 8 national ranking. South Carolina had an even stronger run in the nationals and was ranked No. 5. It's good to see SEC teams in this sport do so well on the national scene. The women's tennis team was 4-9 in the SEC but 19-12 overall and made it to the NCAA tournament under Coach Alison Ojedo, a former UT player. Her Lady Vols beat Alabama in the

SEC tourney before losing to Mississippi State in the second round. In the NCAA tournament, UT defeated Winthrop but fell to Duke 4-1 in the second round. Coach Judi Pavan's golf team was seventh in the SEC meet and eighth in the NCAA regional, missing the six-team cutoff, but her program has made 10 NCAA Championship appearances in the last 14 years. The volleyball program has been wobbling. The Lady Vols posted a 17-14 record and tied for seventh place in the SEC last season. Rob Patrick, in his 21st year as head coach, recently notched his 400th career win at Tennessee. Patrick's 2011 squad captured the SEC title, but UT had back-to-back 13th place finishes in 2013 and 2014 and tied for eighth place in 2015. His Lady Vols took third place in the NCAA tournament in 2005, but have not returned to the tourney since 2012. We live in a great part of the country for rowing, but I still can't get used to Tennessee competing in the Big 12 Conference Championships in this sport. The event was held on beautiful Melton Hill Lake outside of Oak Ridge. Texas finished first, Oklahoma second, UT third and Alabama fourth. The Tennessee women finished last in the SEC Cross Country meet and were 12th in the SEC Indoor. They did not have a team score in the NCAA Indoor. In the outdoor season, the Lady Vols finished 11th in the SEC meet and scored two points to tie for 62nd place in the NCAA meet. Those numbers speak for themselves.

Old city rivals A-E and Fulton set to collide again

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a five-game losing streak to Coach Rob Black's Falcons. A-E and Fulton will square off again Friday night off Magnolia Avenue at Sam Anderson Field. Kickoff is at 7:30. **HEADLINERS:** Other top local attractions in Week 4 include Oak Ridge at unbeaten Farragut, Jefferson County at Carter, Central at Hardin Valley, Bearden at South-Doyle and The King's Academy at Greenback. Two region battles will pit Powell at Karns in Region 3-5A and Middle Tennessee

Christian at Concord Christian in a Division II-A East contest. **COMPUTER SAYS:** Knoxville Catholic's football team, which plays at Cleveland this week, was No. 4 in the state counting all classifications in the Sonny Moore Computer Power Ratings after the first two weeks of play. The Irishmen's rating was 148.26. Other Knox County teams rated in the Top 25 included No. 8 Fulton with a rating of 143.24 and No. 15 Farragut with a rating of 136.08. Murfreesboro Oakland,

which defeated Maryville 17-14 in Week 2, was the top rated team in the state with a rating of 159.04. Maryville's 69-game winning streak in regular season play was snapped in the road loss. Brentwood Academy, which is scheduled to play at Catholic in Week 6, was No. 2 with a 155.43 rating and Maryville was No. 3 with a 152.06 rating. Alcoa was No. 13 with a 136.97 rating. **RARE OCCASION:** All four Blount County football teams lost in Week 2, something that hadn't happened

in almost 23 years. In addition to Maryville falling at Oakland, Alcoa was nipped 22-21 by Corbin, Ky., Heritage was handed a 10-3 defeat by Sevier County and William Blount was trounced by Anderson County 56-16. Austin Bornheim of The Daily Times reported the last time it happened was on Oct. 14, 1994. **INJURY REPORT:** Maryville senior quarterback Dylan Hopkins suffered a shoulder injury in his team's season-opening with over Catholic and was sidelined for the game against Oakland.

First-year Maryville Coach Derek Hunt said Hopkins would play in Week 3 against McMinn County. **PREPS OF THE PAST:** Ten years ago, on Sept. 7, 2007, Skylar McBee, junior quarterback for Rutledge, scored five touchdowns in a 44-26 win at Pigeon Forge. He rushed for 126 yards on 23 carries and completed three of four passes for 58 yards as the Pioneers evened their record at 1-1. (Since then, Rutledge High turned into the Grainger Grizzlies and McBee played basketball for Bruce Pearl and the

Tennessee Vols.) Also on that night, senior quarterback Clark McMillan threw for 106 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 149 yards and two more TDs to lead Central past Halls 28-13 in the Region 3-4A opener at Central. Courtland Styles snagged both of the TD passes. Coach Joel Helton's team had lost their first two games of the season, but took a 14-0 halftime lead over the Red Devils. Wesley Kitts' 22-yard TD run shaved the deficit, but McMillan and Styles hooked up for their second TD to make it 21-7.

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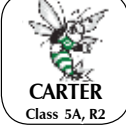








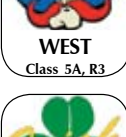







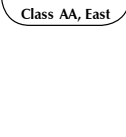
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Team	W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11
 AUSTIN-EAST Class AAA, R2	vs. Gibbs W, 28-0	vs. Brainerd W, 43-20	vs. Kingston W, 36-6	vs. Fulton	OPEN	vs. Halls	vs. Scott	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman	vs. Pigeon Forge	vs. Northview Academy	vs. Alcoa
 CARTER Class 5A, R2	vs. Anderson County L, 27-55	vs. Cocke County L, 13-21	vs. Seymour W, 23-15	vs. Jefferson County	vs. Halls	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Fulton	vs. Central	OPEN	vs. Gibbs	vs. Sevier County
 CENTRAL Class 5A, R2	vs. Tennessee High W, 33-19	vs. Fulton L, 0-41	vs. Sevier County L, 6-20	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Seymour	vs. Clinton	vs. Halls	vs. Carter	OPEN	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Gibbs
 GIBBS Class 5A, R2	vs. Austin-East L, 0-28	OPEN	vs. South-Doyle L, 12-20	vs. David Crockett	vs. Campbell County	vs. Morristown East	vs. Sevier County	vs. Seymour	vs. Halls	vs. Carter	vs. Central
 HALLS Class 5A, R2	vs. Powell L, 15-26	vs. Karns L, 21-39	OPEN	vs. West	vs. Carter	vs. Austin-East	vs. Central	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Gibbs	vs. Sevier County	vs. Seymour
 SEYMOUR Class 5A, R2	vs. David Crockett L, 8-13	vs. Clinton L, 8-13	vs. Carter L, 15-23	vs. Cherokee	vs. Central	OPEN	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Gibbs	vs. Sevier County	vs. Karns	vs. Halls
 SOUTH-DOYLE Class 5A, R2	vs. Heritage L, 16-31	vs. Cherokee L, 20-23	vs. Gibbs W, 20-12	vs. Bearden	vs. Sevier County	vs. Carter	vs. Seymour	vs. Halls	OPEN	vs. Central	vs. Powell
 FULTON Class 5A, R3	OPEN	vs. Central W, 41-0	vs. Powell W, 35-8	vs. Austin-East	vs. Karns	vs. Maryville	vs. Carter	vs. Clinton	vs. Campbell County	vs. West	vs. Oak Ridge
 KARNS Class 5A, R3	vs. Cocke County L, 34-41	vs. Halls W, 39-21	vs. West L, 6-38	vs. Powell	vs. Fulton	vs. Scott	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Campbell County	OPEN	vs. Seymour	vs. Clinton
 POWELL Class 5A, R3	vs. Halls W, 26-15	vs. Cumberland County W, 42-13	vs. Fulton L, 8-35	vs. Karns	vs. Clinton	vs. Lenoir City	vs. Campbell County	vs. West	OPEN	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. South-Doyle
 WEST Class 5A, R3	vs. Bearden L, 3-17	vs. Hardin Valley W, 6-3	vs. Karns W, 38-6	vs. Halls	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Farragut	vs. Clinton	vs. Powell	OPEN	vs. Fulton	vs. Campbell County
 CATHOLIC Class 5A, R4	vs. Maryville L, 42-49	vs. Baylor W, 56-24	vs. Eagle's Landing L, 10-55	vs. Cleveland	vs. Soddy Daisy	vs. Brentwood Academy	vs. Rhea County	vs. West Greene	vs. Walker Valley	OPEN	vs. Lenoir City
 BEARDEN Class 6A, R1	vs. West W, 17-3	vs. Cleveland L, 23-28	vs. Jefferson County W, 23-0	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Science Hill	vs. CAK	vs. Dobyms-Bennett	OPEN	vs. Farragut	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Morristown West
 FARRAGUT Class 6A, R1	vs. Bradley Central W, 27-21	vs. McMinn County W, 36-14	vs. Morristown West W, 33-10	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Jefferson County	vs. West	vs. Science Hill	vs. Dobyms-Bennett	vs. Bearden	OPEN	vs. Hardin Valley
 HARDIN VALLEY Class 6A, R1	vs. Oak Ridge L, 20-21	vs. West L, 3-6	vs. Heritage W, 44-26	vs. Central	vs. Morristown West	OPEN	vs. Jefferson County	vs. Science Hill	vs. Dobyms-Bennett	vs. Bearden	vs. Farragut
 Concord Class A, East	vs. Zion Christian L, 6-12	vs. Lookout Valley L, 6-20	vs. Mt. Juliet Christian L, 7-47	vs. Mid Tenn Christian	vs. Grace Baptist Chattanooga	vs. DCA	vs. King's Academy	vs. Cosby	OPEN	vs. Ezell-Harding	vs. Friendship Christian
 KING'S ACAD Class A, East	vs. Silverdale Academy W, 35-0	vs. Grace Christian W, 21-6	vs. Mid Tenn Christian W, 12-6	vs. Greenback	vs. Mt Juliet Christian	OPEN	vs. Concord Christian	vs. Grace Baptist Chattanooga	vs. Friendship Christian	vs. DCA	vs. Ezell-Harding
 CAK Class AA, East	vs. Christ (NC) L, 11-28	vs. Greenback L, 7-42	vs. Notre Dame L, 10-41	vs. Lenior City	vs. Chattanooga Christian	vs. Bearden	vs. Silverdale Academy	vs. GCA	OPEN	vs. Knoxville Webb	vs. Boyd Buchanan
 WEBB Class AA, East	OPEN	vs. Asheville NC W, 26-16	vs. Ensworth L, 14-35	vs. McCallie	vs. GCA	OPEN	vs. Notre Dame	vs. Boyd Buchanan	vs. Chattanooga Christian	vs. CAK	vs. Silverdale Academy
 GCA Class AA, East	vs. Alcoa L, 14-30	vs. King's Academy L, 6-21	vs. Boyd Buchanan W, 42-3	OPEN	vs. Knoxville Webb	vs. Greenback	vs. Happy Valley	vs. CAK	vs. Notre Dame	vs. Silverdale Academy	vs. Chattanooga Christian

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The Doctor is in
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I pay more attention to rainfall than I once did. Perhaps it's because I'm semi-retired and have a big garden. Perhaps it's because we rely on a well for our potable water, and when it doesn't rain I begin to worry about the aquifer being depleted. We are frugal with water and collect rainfall in a gutter system at our mountain cabin which we use for showers and toilets. We've even installed rain barrels at the four corners of our new house to collect runoff from the gutters. We use this water on our shrubs and flowers to avoid wasting this most precious commodity. The reason our area and mountains are so green is because Knoxville receives an annual rainfall of about 47 inches. We probably take abundant rainfall for granted except in times

of extreme drought as we had several years ago. I remember large cracks in the dry ground, the foliage of distressed trees and grass crunching underfoot as I similarly experienced during a drought in southwestern Colorado. I admit that I would rather it be too wet than too dry, just as I would rather it be too hot than too cold. Our East Tennessee high ground and TVA dams largely protect us from the type of flooding now causing such destruction in Texas. History teaches that our Tennessee River (now Ft. Loudon Lake) used to regularly flood. And those same Tennessee hills separated by gullies still sometimes flood in big storms referred to as gully-washers by old-timers. I'm teaching a Sunday school series on the covenants of the Bible. After the

so called Noachian flood, God promised to never again destroy the world with water. As I watch the misery in Texas, inundated with more than 50 inches of rain, I thought about the biblical flood in Genesis. We postmoderns often apply science and reason to biblical stories and miss the intended teaching point. A person in antiquity living in the flat delta of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers, might conclude that the entire world had been flooded- and he'd be right. That alluvion covered everything, farther than his eye could see. And without modern search and rescue technology and the support of a compassionate nation, Texans might feel similarly. We no longer live in an isolated world as did the biblical patriarchs or even farmers of the Tennessee Valley a 100 years ago. Two-thirds of the seven billion humans on our planet own a cell phone and are now connected. Yes, there are people who are not on the net or watch TV or listen to the radio, but there are fewer and fewer of these increasingly isolated individuals. Some have asked if we are better off with our internet and 24 hour news reports of the latest catastrophe. Cautiously, I would

say yes, as I think of John Donne's immortal poem, "No man is an island...." You should read and reflect on the poem today. On a personal scale I have had patients who died from flooding. No, not the alluvion of torrential rain, but an internal flooding. We carry around beneath our skin the micro environment of the oceans from which we came. There is a delicate balance between too little water and dehydration or too much water flooding of our lungs, abdomen and legs. Balance is maintained by the kidneys, the heart and vascular system, as well as the endocrine (hormone) systems. Failing kidneys can't control water and salt balance. Failing hearts can't pump adequately to maintain circulation. And scarred livers (cirrhosis) retard blood flow and back up to overflow like house gutters choked with leaves. And eventually, even the compensatory mechanisms of the endocrine system fail and flooding ensues. Unfortunately, the media's alluvion threatens to drown my soul. We are flooded by a steady downpour of negative stories and fake news. Actually, news has become little more than politically

motivated pronouncements. Case in point is the brouhaha created by The NY Times who misquoted President Trump's Charlottesville statements five times. No matter that the Times was forced to retract all these "mis-statements," after being repeated by the rest of the media. The damage was already done. Now, even Paul Ryan and Nancy Pelosi have mustered the courage to contradict their handlers and agree with President Trump's comments about Antifa and other anarchists. I've noticed that I've become more sensitive. I often have to suppress my anger when I hear the ignorant statements of Congressional politicians who are so often duped by the media. And I am appalled that some Americans know so little history. People used to study history to understand their present situation and to make decisions for the future. Now, the postmodern mantra is, "if it hasn't happened to me or in my memory it's irrelevant." And the arrogance of our ruling class threatens to take all the Christian out of me. I like to find the perfect word and I've always liked the sound of antediluvian.

Historically, it referred to a time before the Genesis flood. However, I think it can refer to a time before the Texas flood or maybe before the media sold their souls and flooded us with their fake news. Was there an antediluvian time in Congress before it was flooded with partisan politics? Was there a time in education before the flood of politically correct indoctrination, as is rampant in Ivy League schools like Dartmouth or at Berkeley? The University of Missouri's enrollment has decreased 30% since its race riots, and Ole Miss had to recently cancel a Greek Retreat after a black coed saw a banana peel and tearfully perceived racism. What company would hire such a snowflake who sees racism in a piece of fruit? Even our UT has suffered in the diversity wars and demands for group speak. I'm reading a book in which the author maintains that Christians should shine grace into a broken world. I agree. The ethics and morality of the early Christians were eventually seen by the Roman Empire as superior to those of the pagans. I can only hope that history repeats itself. You may email Dr. Ferguson at fergusonj@knoxfocus.com

Trees Knoxville Volunteer Forester Training

The Trees Knoxville's Second Volunteer Forester Training begins Monday September 18, ending on Monday, October 9. The four three-hours sessions on consecutive Mondays meet at different locations in the city, the first at the Public Service Complex at 3131 Morris Road. While Knoxville and Knox County have a greater tree canopy than many other urban areas, parts of the city and county need more trees, especially within the inner-city neighborhoods of the city and along the west Knoxville commercial corridor. The recently organized Trees Knoxville aims to increase the tree canopy of Knoxville and

Knox County through the help of Volunteer Foresters who know how to plant and care for trees. "We also welcome anyone from the landscape business community," said Tom Welborn, president of Trees Knoxville. "This training will especially be practical for anyone who plants, prunes, and cares for trees." Those who complete the training program are certified as Trees Knoxville Volunteer Foresters. Trees Knoxville needs trained volunteer to lead other volunteers in its upcoming tree planting projects in Knoxville. Also, the Volunteer Foresters can help prune and manage trees during

a tree's critical first years after planting. A number of different arborist and tree professionals will assist in the training. Volunteers will learn about tree selection and proper tree planting, the science and art of tree pruning, and tree health and invasive species. CEU credit is available for completion of the Volunteer Forester training sessions. Registration for the training sessions is \$50 payable at the first session. Those wanting to learn more and to register can visit the Trees Knoxville on Facebook.

EPA declares Knox County in attainment for fine particulate matter

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced recently that Knox County has been designated in attainment for two important National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS): the 1997 annual particulate matter (PM) 2.5 criteria and the 2006 24-hour PM 2.5 criteria. The annual designation is effective immediately; the 24-hour or daily designation is effective Sept. 27, 2017. The designation area, which includes Anderson, Blount, Knox and Loudon Counties, and a portion of Roane County, met the standards in December 2015 but was awaiting official EPA designation. "I'm proud of our Knox County staff and all the local leaders who have worked to improve air quality in East Tennessee and make attainment a reality," said Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett. "Clean air is not only good for the environment, but it's an important factor in encouraging new businesses and industries to come to our region." This designation is based on quality-

assured, certified air quality data collected from 2013 to 2015 by Knox County Air Quality Management and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. Studies have shown fine particulates, which are 2.5 micrometers in diameter or smaller than the diameter of a human hair, can be a significant public health problem. Because of their small size, fine particulates can be inhaled into the deepest recesses of the lungs. People with heart or lung diseases, older adults and children are most likely to be affected by particle pollution exposure. Particle pollution exposure has been connected to a variety of health issues, including irritation of the eyes, nose and throat; coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath; reduced lung function; irregular heartbeat; asthma attacks; heart attacks; and premature death in people with heart or lung disease. Fine particulates are generated by motor vehicles, power plants, **Continue on page 3**





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A Brown Bag Lecture with Cindy Stuart

Using Genealogy Research to Solve the Mysteries of Quilts

Quilts often pose mysteries, such as where did the quilt come from, who are all these people whose names are on the quilt? In a Brown Bag Lecture on Wednesday, September 13, Cindy Stuart will use "mystery quilts" as examples to explain the research techniques she uses to find answers, many of which, she notes, are free or inexpensive and available

online. Ms. Stuart is from Maryville and a member of the Blount County Genealogical Society. As a certified quilt appraiser and a facilitator for the Tennessee Quilt Study Group, she teaches classes on dating quilts and quilt restoration and has a small business called the "TN Quilt Doctor."

The lecture is held in conjunction with the new feature exhibition

Stories in Stitches: Quilts from the East Tennessee Historical Society's Permanent Collection. From histories handed down to mysteries that remain, the new feature exhibition at the Museum of East Tennessee History provides visitors the opportunity to learn the "stories in stitches" from the quilts that have been entrusted to the East Tennessee Historical

Society. Stories in Stitches features more than two dozen quilts with dates ranging from c. 1820 to 2001. The exhibition is on display in the Rogers-Claussen Feature Gallery of the East Tennessee History Center through January 2, 2018.

The program is sponsored by the Gentry Griffey Funeral Chapel and Crematory and is free and

open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a "Brown Bag" lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

FORECLOSURE NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, James E. Bay and Kimberly C. Bay executed a Deed of Trust to National City Mortgage a division of National City Bank, Lender and John O. Rhea, Trustee(s), which was dated December 11, 2007 and recorded on December 18, 2007 in Instrument No. 200712180047892, 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, PNC Bank, National Association, (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 **September 14, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in District Number Six (6) of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 26, of the SANDER'S CROSSING Subdivision, as the same appears of record in Map Cabinet M, Slide 2740, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which Map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

BEING the same property conveyed to James E. Bay and Kimberly C. Bay, Husband and Wife, by Deed dated May 25, 2004, of record at Instrument No. 200405260108590, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The undersigned, spouse of Grantor, joins herein solely for the purpose of consenting to this Deed of Trust, and releasing and conveying to the Trustee, any and all rights, title, and interest the undersigned may have in the property, whether arising by virtue of marriage or otherwise, and any and all rights, liabilities or obligations stated in Note and Deed of Trust.

Parcel ID Number: 104MG026

Address/Description: **1204 Hearststone Lane, Knoxville, TN 37923.**

Current Owner(s): JAMES E. BAY and wife KIMBERLEY C. BAY.

Other Interested Party(ies): Citibank, N.A. and Beneficial Tennessee Inc..

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

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

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

Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

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File No.: 17-11302 FC01

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **September 19, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by SAM LOVE, to BROADWAY TITLE, INC, Trustee, on May 10, 2013, as Instrument No. 201305160075427 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Live Well Financial, Inc.

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

082KT-017.00

2625 Parkway Avenue Knoxville, TN 37914

SITUATED, LYING and BEING in District One (1) of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 14th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 10, in block KK, in the COLD SPRINGS ADDITION, as same appears of record in Map Book 3, Page 106 in the Register of Deeds Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the Northwestern line of Parkway Avenue, said point of beginning being located 300 feet in a Southwesterly direction from the point of intersection wherein the Northwestern line of Parkway Avenue intersects with the Southwestern line of Harrison Street, and also corner to Lot 11 of said Addition; thence in a Northwesterly direction along the dividing line between Lots 10 and 11 in said Block of said Addition 120 feet to an iron pin in the Southern line of an alley; thence along the line of said alley in Southwesterly direction 50 feet to an iron pin corner to Lot 9 for said Block in said Addition; thence along the dividing line of Lots 9 and 10 of said Block of said Addition in a Southeasterly direction 120 feet to an iron pin in the Northwestern line of Parkway Avenue; thence in a Northeasterly direction along said line 50 feet to the point of BEGINNING, as shown by survey of G.T. Trotter, Jr., dated June 14, 1963, and being improved with dwelling bearing street number 2625 Parkway Avenue.

BEING the same property conveyed to SAM LOVE, JR., Deed dated January 5, 1998, recorded August 6, 1988 and shown of record in Deed book 2295, Page 846 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

THIS CONVEYANCE is subject to any and all restrictions, easements, setback lines, conditions, plat of record, and encumbrances of record in the Register's Office for the aforesaid county.

Tax ID: 082K T 017

Current Owner(s) of Property: SAM LOVE

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **2625 Parkway Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37914**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL

HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None

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

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

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

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. 667-1-1433.

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

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the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 3, Block A, Logan Court, a subdivision of Knox County, Tennessee, as shown by map of said subdivision, of record in Map Cabinet L, Slot 187B, in the records of the Knox County Register's Office, said lot being more particularly bounded and described as shown by map aforesaid, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description and as shown by survey of Batson, Himes & Norvell, dated March 10, 1989.

The above description is the same as the previous deed of record, no boundary survey having been made at the time of this conveyance.

BEING the same property conveyed to First Party, by Warranty Deed dated November 29, 2006, recorded as Instrument No. 200612050046951, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

THIS CONVEYANCE is made subject to any and all applicable restrictions, easements and building setback lines as are shown recorded in the Knox County Register's Office and further to any matter and/or condition which would be disclosed by a current, accurate survey or inspection of the property herein described.

Parcel ID Number: 080NK-003

Address/Description: **4608 Baverton Court, Knoxville, TN 37921.**

Current Owner(s): David C. Collins.

Other Interested Party(ies): First Tennessee Bank National Association; ABA Funding Solutions, LLC; and Citifinancial, Inc..

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

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

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MWZM File No. 17-000181-220

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)

PREMIER BUILDING, SUITE 404

5217 MARYLAND WAY

BRENTWOOD, TENNESSEE 37027

PHONE: (615) 238-3630

EMAIL: TNSALES@MWZMLAW.COM

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **September 28, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by HELAL ZIADEH AND FIDAH ZIADEH, to Meridian Title & Escrow, LLC, Trustee, on May 31, 2007, as Instrument No. 200706070100611 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: OWB REQ, LLC

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

SITUATED in District Seven (7) of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 33rd Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being more fully described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin on the Northern side of Washington Pike at the Southwest corner of property now or formerly belonging to Richards; thence South 52 deg. 08 min. West, with the northern line of Washington Pike, 90 feet to a stake; thence North 37 deg. 52 min. West 163 feet to a stake; thence in an Easterly direction 90 feet or more to a stake which is in the line between the property now or formerly belonging to R.D. Powers and the property now or formerly belonging to Richards and which is 150 feet northwardly from the Northern line of Washington Pike; thence South 37 deg. 52 min. East, 150 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

Being the same property conveyed to HELAL ZIADEH, MARRIED by virtue of a deed from MICHAEL C. MILLER, TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF MILDRED J. MILLER, dated May 30, 2002 and recorded in the Register of Deeds' Office for Knox County, Tennessee in Instrument Number 200206030099400.

THIS PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ALL applicable easements, permissive use agreements and restrictions of record in the Knox County Register of Deeds' Office. Also conveyed are all rights in and to any and all applicable easements and permissive use agreements of record at the Register of Deeds Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 070JA-047

Current Owner(s) of Property: HELAL ZIADEH AND FIDAH ZIADEH

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 3081 Washington Pike, Knoxville, TN 37917, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL

HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

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

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. 667-1-1433.

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

MWZM File No. 17-000121-515

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)

PREMIER BUILDING, SUITE 404

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BRENTWOOD, TENNESSEE 37027

PHONE: (615) 238-3630

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **September 19, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by MARY ENGLAND, to FIRST CHOICE SETTLEMENT, LLC, Trustee, on April 30, 2012, as Instrument No. 201205300067402 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: FINANCE OF AMERICA REVERSE LLC

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

The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Knox, State of Tennessee, and is described as follows:

Beginning on an iron pin in the Northeast right of way line of Jim Wolfe Road, said iron pin being distant 904 foot in a southeast direction from the intersection of the Northeast right of way line of Jim Wolfe Road and the center line of Clement Road, said iron pin also being distance 793 feet in a Southeast direction from the corner of the England property; Thence with a line severing the herein described property from remaining property of grantors, the following three courses and distances: (1) North 57 deg. 57 min. 38 sec. East 200.00 feet to an iron pin; (2) South 37 deg. 38 min. 47 sec. East 361.08 feet to an iron pin; and (3) South 63 deg. 28 min. 33 sec. West 201.69 feet to an iron pin in the Northeast right of way line of Jim Wolfe Road; Thence with said right of way line of Jim Wolfe Road, the following two courses and distances: (1) North 38 deg. 48 min. 22 sec. West 270.90 feet to an iron pin, and (2) North 34 deg. 08 min. 15 sec. West 71.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.618 acres, as shown on survey by Eddy R. Garrett, surveyor, dated August 22, 1991.

For info only: Premises known as **7840 Jim Wolfe Road Corrorton, TN 37721**

Parcel ID: 006 04101

Tax ID: 006-04101

Current Owner(s) of Property: MARY ENGLAND

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **7840 Jim Wolfe Road, Corrorton, TN 37721**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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MWZM File No. 17-000184-220

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OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None

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Parcel ID: 006 04101

Tax ID: 006-04101

Current Owner(s) of Property: MARY ENGLAND

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EPA declares Knox County in attainment for fine particular matter

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residential wood burning, forest fires and some industrial processes.

"While our air quality has improved greatly over the past two decades, this official designation is a culmination of the combined efforts of local governments, TDEC, EPA, industry and the citizens in our region to improve our air quality where we work, live and play," said Knox County Air Quality Management Director Lynne Liddington. "The Knoxville area is now in attainment for all federal air quality standards measured in this area."

The primary responsibility of Knox County's Air Quality Management Division is to achieve and maintain the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in Knox County for all criteria pollutants designed to protect health and welfare. This is accomplished through several activities including the continuous monitoring of the ambient air; issuance of air quality health alerts; permitting of industrial air contaminant sources. The department also performs compliance and complaint investigations, issues residential open burning permits, and provides technical and educational services.

The older I get, the more I see how fallen this world is and the more I encounter lament at a personal and corporate level. I see brokenness around me. I see it more clearly in my own life as a sinner that desperately needs God's grace. I see it in this city of Knoxville I call home. I see it in the people I am called to minister to. I see it in the news. This world is not "The Truman Show" where everything is controlled. This was a movie that came out in 1998 where Truman Burbank was the star of the show but doesn't know it. He lived in a protective bubble and everyone

watched his life on a nonstop TV show while Truman was totally unaware. His quaint hometown was actually a giant studio set where the folks living there were actual actors, including his bubbly wife. They were all just playing a role. We do not live in a protective bubble like this. By the way, Truman finally catches on that the life he was living was not real. The fact is, reality stinks. We live in a broken, fallen world. We need to stop pretending that if we just have more positive thinking or were to live a better life for God, everything in this life is going to be rosy. It is not. Many Christians have bought into a form of the gospel of health and wealth...that complete satisfaction can be yours this side of heaven. The fact is, this world is full of loss, grief, hunger, racism, illness, abandonment, financial ruin, and

death. The sooner you come to terms with this, the better off you will be. You will not try to find something in this life that it can't deliver. We are not living in the Garden of Eden right now. Larry Crabb wrote: "Beneath the surface of everyone's life, especially the more mature, is an ache that will not go away. It can be ignored, disguised, mislabeled, or submerged by a torrent of activity, but it will not disappear. And for good reason. We were designed to enjoy a better world than this. And until that better world comes along, we will groan for what we do not have. An aching soul is evidence not of neurosis or spiritual immaturity, but of realism."

Paul uses a great word picture to describe our current experience: groaning. "We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the

pains of childbirth right up to the present time" (Romans 8:22). I have never met a mom that told me after child birth that the pains of the contractions and the birth were not worth it. In fact, you can't remove the joy of giving birth from the pain. Without the pain, you have no child. Without groaning you don't have life. So lament is not bad. It is good. It is necessary. It is critical in order to understand what hope is. Hope is not the absence of pain in our lives. Hope is not a question mark: "I sure do hope that what I believe is true." Hope is an exclamation point: "My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus blood and righteousness." Hope is found in lament. So don't lose the value of lament in your life. Redemption is coming.

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death. The sooner you come to terms with this, the better off you will be. You will not try to find something in this life that it can't deliver. We are not living in the Garden of Eden right now. Larry Crabb wrote: "Beneath the surface of everyone's life, especially the more mature, is an ache that will not go away. It can be ignored, disguised, mislabeled, or submerged by a torrent of activity, but it will not disappear. And for good reason. We were designed to enjoy a better world than this. And until that better world comes along, we will groan for what we do not have. An aching soul is evidence not of neurosis or spiritual immaturity, but of realism."

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated July 29, 2002, executed by GLORIA H. KEESSE, WILLIAM E. KEESSE, conveying certain real property therein described to L. KIRSCHENMAN, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded August 1, 2002, at Instrument Number 200208010009480;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company who is now the owner of said debt;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **October 5, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATE IN THE THIRD (3RD) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 11TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING THE WEST ONE-HALF (1/2) OF LOT 108, MOSES MAYFIELD ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF THE SAME RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 5, PAGE 268 IN THE REGISTERS OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: SAID LOT HAS FRONTAGE OF 50 FEET ON THE NORTH SIDE OF HOITT AVENUE AND EXTENDS BACK NORTHERLY THROUGH PARRALLEL LINES 150 FEET. SAID PREMISES BEING IMPROVED WITH A DWELLING BEARING CITY NO. 1609 HOITT AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 082HJ030
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 1609 HOITT AVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37917. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNERS: TIMOTHY S. TILLERY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: BULLHEAD INVESTMENTS, LLC , CAPITAL ONE BANK N.A. , HEALTHSTAR PHYSICIANS , REPUBLIC FINANCE, LLC The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

This office is attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
4360 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Ste 310
Atlanta, GA 30341
PH: 404-789-2661 FX: 404-294-0919
File No.: 16-16606 FCO1

& Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **September 26, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN (7) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHIN THE 31ST WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOTS NUMBERS 7, 8, 9, 10 AND 11 OF THE RIVERVIEW DIVISION CHILHOWEE HILLS ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 10, PAGE 98 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WHICH IS MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE SOUTHEASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SEMINOLE DRIVE, SAID IRON PIN BEING LOCATED IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION, 150.0 FEET FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SEMINOLE DRIVE WITH THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COMANCHE STREET; THENCE WITH LOT 6 OF SAID ADDITION, SOUTH 63 DEG 55 MIN WEST, 124.90 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE WITH LOTS 46 THRU 50 OF SAID ADDITION, NORTH 43 DEG 23 MIN 37 SEC WEST, 125.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE WITH LOT 12, NORTH 63 DEG 55 MIN EAST, 124.90 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE SOUTHWESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SEMINOLE DRIVE THENCE WITH SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, SOUTH 43 DEG 23 MIN 37 SEC EAST, 125.0 FEET TO AN IRON PIN, THE POINT OF BEGINNING ACCORDING TO SURVEY OF KENNETH D. CHURCH DATE MAY 20, 1984 BEARING WORK ORDER NUMBER 84-5-26.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED FROM HERMAN X. PHILLIPS, TENANCY NOT STATED, TO TANYA D. PHILLIPS, TENANCY NOT STATED, BY DEED RECORDED 11/8/00, IN INSTRUMENT 200011080032228, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 71JD006

Parcel ID Number: 071JD 006
Address/Description: **323 Seminole Road, Knoxville, TN 37914.**

Current Owner(s): TANYA D. PHILLIPS.
Other Interested Party(ies): Midland Funding LLC as successor in interest to Beneficial and Citibank South Dakota, N.A..

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any and all liens against said property for unpaid property taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; a deed of trust; and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

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File No.: 16-16606 FCO1

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: RHONDA KAY LEE

IN RE: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION v. JAMES RICHARD LEE NO. 193602-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant RHONDA KAY LEE 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 RHONDA KAY LEE it is ordered that said defendant RHONDA KAY LEE file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Lawrence W. Kelly, an Attorneys whose address is, 4170 Ashford Dunwoody Rd Suite 460 Atlanta, GA 30319 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pidmore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 4th day of August, 2017.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

To: THE KNOXVILLE FOCUS JUAN TOMAS DOMINGO -Vs- MICAELA JUAN DOMINGO PASCUAL Docket # 140729

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant MICAELA JUAN DOMINGO PASCUAL 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 MICAELA JUAN DOMINGO PASCUAL.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by JUAN TOMAS DOMINGO, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with TROY WESTON, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 400 W. CHURCH AVE. SUITE 101 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. This the 3RD day of AUGUST, 2017.

S/Mike Hammond
MIKE HAMMOND
Clerk
S/Kathy Lewis
KATHY LEWIS
Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

GETT WALLACE MONDAY -Vs- CHRISTINA BEELER MONDAY Docket # 140449

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant CHRISTINA BEELER MONDAY 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 CHRISTINA BEELER MONDAY.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by GETT WALLACE MONDAY, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with L. CLAY WHITE, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 312 S. GAY ST. SUITE 204 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. This the 11TH day of AUGUST, 2017.

Mike Hammond
Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ANGEL GERONIMO; IN RE: ELSIE GERONIMO v. ANGEL GERONIMO NO. 194340-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ANGEL GERONIMO 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 ANGEL GERONIMO it is ordered that said defendant ANGEL GERONIMO file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Stacie D. Miller, an Attorneys whose address is, P.O. Box 300 Knoxville, TN 37901 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pidmore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 22nd day of August, 2017.

Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHELIA WEBSTER HILLARD DOCKET NUMBER 79332-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23RD day of AUGUST 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SHELIA WEBSTER HILLARD who died Jun 16, 2017, were issued the

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

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

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or

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

This the 23RD day of AUGUST, 2017.

ESTATE OF SHELIA WEBSTER HILLARD PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) HAYLEY ERIN HILLARD; ADMINISTRATRIX 4906 E. EMORY RD., KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

KEVIN A. DEAN ATTORNEY- AT-LAW P.O. BOX 39, KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LINDA L. PAPPAS DOCKET NUMBER 79360-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30TH day of AUGUST 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LINDA L. PAPPAS who died Jul 29, 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 30TH day of AUGUST, 2017.

ESTATE OF LINDA L. PAPPAS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) NICOLE PAPPAS; EXECUTRIX 450 CREEKVIEW LANE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KENNETH L. YATES DOCKET NUMBER 79340-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 25TH day of AUGUST 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of KENNETH L. YATES who died Jul 25, 2017, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the 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 the first publication; or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A);or

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

This the 25TH day of AUGUST, 2017

ESTATE OF KENNETH L. YATES PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) BOBBIE ANN YATES TEMPLE; EXECUTRIX 413 WOODLAWN GARDENS WAY, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

EVIN A. DEAN ATTORNEY- AT-LAW P.O. BOX 39, KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EDAO ODA BORU DOCKET NUMBER 79354-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 29TH day of AUGUST 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of EDAO ODA BORU who died Jul 18, 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 29TH day of AUGUST, 2017.

ESTATE OF EDAO ODA BORU PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) LENSAL BORU; ADMINISTRATRIX 410 TAMPA DR., NASHVILLE, TN 37211

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KATHERINE MAE LEE COLLINS DOCKET NUMBER 79219-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 16TH day of AUGUST 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of KATHERINE MAE LEE COLLINS who died Apr 28, 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 16TH day of AUGUST, 2017.

ESTATE OF KATHERINE MAE LEE COLLINS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) RICK COLLINS; ADMINISTRATOR 1909 NICKERSON AVE., KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:

Bid 2588, School Buses for Head Start Centers, due 10/6/17;

Bid 2595, Carpet Tile Installation Services, due 10/5/17

For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/procurement. To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to www.govdeals.com.

NOTICE OF AUCTION

In compliance with TCA 66-14-102 thru 66-14-106 the following cars will be sold on September 15, 2017 @ 2:00 PM @ Cedar Bluff Towing, Inc. 623 Simmons Road Knoxville, TN if total bill is not paid by date of sale.

2017 Kia Sport KNDPM3AC38H7080938
2006 Kia Soreen KNDJ0733X65618512
2003 For Explo 1FMZU73K53U10667
1999 Che Subur 3GNEC16RXXG200096
2001 Toy Camry 4T1B622K61U797097
1996 GMC Subur 3GKFC16RXTG500426
1998 Toy Camry 4T1B622K9WU313933

2005 BMW 5 ser WBANB33566N65414
2004 Aud A6 WAUCD06486AN086453
2006 Hyu Sonat 5NPEU46F76H139065
1999 Nis Maxim JN1CA21D1TX7817125
1996 Toy Avalo 4T1BF12BXTU098409
2006 Nis Altim 1N4AL11D06C143689
2002 Hyu Elant KMHDN45X2U410012
1984 Nis Picku 1N6ND01S9EC364253
2002 Che Impal 2G1WF52E029268627
1992 Bui Roadm 1G4BNV5372NR469606
1996 For Range 1FTCR10A2TU840906
2001 Bui Regal 2G4WB52K4115150341
2001 For Escap 1FMYU02141KB93090
1996 Toy Avalo 4T1BF12B5TU101734
2004 Chr Pacif 2C8G684684R296482
2003 BMW 5 ser WBADT43463G034208
2004 Sat Lon 1G8AJ52F4Z1626567
2000 Nis Maxim JN1CA31D7Y7758296
2004 For Escap 1FMYU03174K0B05989
2012 Nis Versa 3N1CN7AP1C1845355
1999 Mer Sable 1MFM550U9XA622971
1995 For F-150 1FTEF15N8SK883599
2014 For Fusio 3FAGP0H7XR213204
2004 For Focus 1FAFP3S204W197582
2002 Nis Altim 1N4BL11D8C287649
2000 Nis Maxim JN1CA31D8Y7701055
1997 Dod Neon 1B3E547Y8VD184205
1985 GMC G2500 2G6GE5625H1F4522134
2006 Che Impal 2G1WTF8869292198
2005 Chr Pacif 2C4GM48L9R3C32671
1999 Nis Altim 1N4DLO1D3XC102854
1998 Mit Diama 6MMPA47P2W009449
2005 Che Malib 1G1ZS2F45F109977
2003 For Focus 3FAPF31303R140379
1992 Pon Grand 1G2NE14NXXM090720
2002 Dod Grand 1B4G944352B608235
1987 Nis Maxim JN1HU11S2HT252536
2002 GMC Yukon 1GKEC13TX2R313939
2001 Dod Intre 2B3HD46R51H506619
1989 Toy Picku 4J7ARN180K0023981
1990 Nis 300ZX JN1R26AXL010803
2003 Vol S80 1YV1TS92231306024
1992 Chr Lebar 1C3XU5539NF270095
1998 Hon Accor 1HGGC65650A104484
2001 Nis Altim 1N4DLO1D61C143809
2008 Kaw VN900 JKAVN2B138A032515
2000 Che Impal 2G1WH55K4Y91B0628
1996 Toy Carol 1NXBB02E8T358287
1999 Hon Accor 1HGGC65643XA088029
2002 For Escor 3FAPF11342R102009
2003 For Winds 2FMZAS1413BB44108
1910 For Trans NMLOS6AN3AT006635
2007 For Range 1FTCR10A8VU015713
2001 Hon Accor 1HGGC16581A051132
2000 For Tauru 1FAFP55U2Y2A6087

NOTICE OF AUCTION

In compliance with TCA 66-14-102 thru 66-14-106 the following cars will be sold on September 15, 2017 @ 2:00 PM @ Chestnut Street Transport & Recovery, Inc. 5000 Rutledge Pike Knoxville, TN if total bill is not paid by date of sale.

1995 Che Corsi 1G1LD55435Y165113
2003 Cad Devil 1G6KE54Y43U203688
2004 Dod Ram P 1D7HA18N74J255000
2007 Che Impal 2G1WTF58N779235339
2002 Che Impal 2G1WF52E529379447
2005 Inf G35 JNKCV54E15M402609
2001 Dod Ram P 3B7HF13271M518784
2003 Suz GSX-R JST1GN78A532107160
2000 Dod Dakot 1B7GL22X4YS577013
2008 Hon Civic 1HGFA16598L090910
2001 Dod Ram P 3B6K72621M279124
WIN MOTOR 0000M50CA7J022657
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2003 Hyu Elant KMHDN45D34U697221
2006 For Focus 1



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1 lb. sausage
2 cups milk
6 eggs
1 tsp. salt
6 slices bread, cubed
1 cup grated cheddar cheese
1 tsp. dry mustard

Brown sausage and drain. Mix eggs, milk, salt and mustard. Add bread, cheese and sausage. Pour into 8 x 11-inch glass pan (lightly greased) and refrigerate overnight. Bake 45 minutes at 350°. Let stand a few minutes. Serves 8-10.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Appalachian Arts Craft Center To Jury New Members

If you are interested in selling your handcrafted work at the non-profit Appalachian Arts Craft Center in Norris, TN, one mile east of I-75 at Exit 122, submit completed forms, three samples of your work, and the \$25 jury fee from Monday, September 18 to Wednesday, September 27 for the jury process. Visit www.appalachianarts.net or the Center (865-494-9854) for required forms and additional information.

Central High to host cheerleading clinic

Central High cheerleaders will host a skills clinic for ages 4 through 8th grade Sunday (Sept. 10) from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the CHS track. Cost is \$20. For more information, contact Coach Jackie Raley at jackiesredcar@gmail.com.

4th Annual 9-11 Knoxville Memorial Stair Climb

The 4th annual 9-11 Memorial Stair Climb will take place at the Sun-sphere, located on World's Fair Park. Opening ceremonies will start at 8:30 a.m. with a tolling of the bell and a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m. to recognize the time the first plane made impact with the World Trade Center. Climbing will begin immediately following the moment

of silence.

Families of local East Tennessee victims that perished on September 11, 2001 have been invited to participate in this solemn memorial event. Two wreaths will be in place; One to represent and honor fallen firefighters, the other one to represent the lives of the East Tennessee victims lost on this day.

Kristina Greenway, founder of the Knoxville Memorial Stair Climb says, "Last year's event was profound, incredibly moving and meaningful. First Responders come from all over the country to participate in the Knoxville event."

This memorial event is free to the public to view. Registration for participants is exclusive to first responders and military 18 years of age and up.

For more information and to register as a participant please visit knoxvilestairclimb.com.

Grand Opening - Carpetbag Theatre's Digital Story House

The Carpetbag Theatre proudly announces the Grand Opening of the Parris-Bennett Digital Story House! This two-day event takes place Saturday, September 23rd and Sunday, September 24th from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 3204 East Mag-nolia Avenue, Knoxville, TN

37914 and will feature Digital Story Screenings, Live Performances from Local Actors, Poets, Musicians and Storytellers, as well as a Taste of the Neighborhood.

The Parris-Bennett Digital Story House will serve as a cultural anchor in the East Knoxville Community, capturing the stories of our community while doubling as a National resource in the art of Digital Storytelling Training. This will also be the epicenter of the efforts to re-energize East Knoxville Proud, an area-wide campaign that utilizes story to increase pride and engagement in our community.

The Carpetbag Theatre, Inc. has gathered, preserved and performed community stories nationally and internationally for 48 years and counting. More than a decade ago, Executive/Artistic Director, Linda Parris-Bailey wanted to expand our methodology for gathering and preserving community stories, along with several ensemble members who would become CBT's first digital storytelling trainers. Since then, CBT has trained hundreds of youth and adults in this methodology. Join us as we celebrate this momentous occasion, the Grand Opening of Knoxville's own Parris-Bennett Digital Story House.

Planting Bulbs: The Ins and Outs

Join Master Gardener Alice Greene to learn how and when to plant bulbs (the "ins"). Learn which bulbs to dig up and when (the "outs"). When you get the "ins" and "outs" right, the bulbs you put in can give out beauty. This free public event is scheduled on Saturday, September 9, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Cedar Bluff Branch Library, 9045 Cross Park Drive, Knoxville, TN 37923, phone 865-470-7033.

Public Service Announcement

People who know someone struggling with an addiction often wonder how to help that friend or relative. With your support, they have a greater chance of overcoming their addiction.

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