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Early voting for city council seats underway

Are you registered?

By Mike Steely
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Early voting to elect five new Knoxville City Council members began Wednesday and continues until Thursday, November 2. The general election is November 7 and it's too late to register for this election.

Not sure if you're a registered Knoxville voter? You can easily check by going online to www.knoxcounty.org/election/, the Knox County Election Commission site, and clicking on "Am I registered to vote?" That links you directly to the state site where you will answer a few easy questions.

You'll be asked your last and first name, the year of your birth, and the last four digits of your social security number. If you are registered you will be given your voter ID number, polling location and district information.

You can get the same information at the GoVoteTN website, www.govotetn.com.

The Knoxville Election Commission site also can give you locations of early voting, times, and a sample ballot.

You can access "Officials and Candidates" there and see candidate petitions for office and financial disclosure information. The website also lets you access the candidates' contact information.

Early voting locations include the City-County Building, Downtown West, the Love Kitchen, New Harvest Park, and the Cecil Webb Recreation Center, a new location behind Old South Knoxville High School.

The hours vary during Early Voting but basically from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Early voting hours are extended until 7 p.m. on the last two days, Wednesday and Thursday, November 1 and 2.

All registered Knoxville City residents may vote in all five elections. The top two candidates were selected to run during a primary where only district voters could cast a ballot. Now everyone

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County Commission to vote on unauthorized school system purchase

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The Knox County Commission meets this evening at 5 p.m. to take up an agenda they reviewed during their workshop last week. Among the items is an unauthorized $450,000 purchase for renovations to the Karns High School Culinary Arts Department.

While the commission normally does not question expenditures by the school system the agenda item drew some comments and a talk by Superintendent Bob Thomas who took the blame and said the "internal controls were not enough" to catch the purchase.

The resolution calls for the commission to approve $450,000 in a contract with Shelton General Contractors. Thomas said the agreement was signed prior to his taking office and without any approval by the school's business office. He said that "probably a half a dozen policies were violated."

"I apologize it ever got to this point," the superintendent told the work session. He described the initial contract agreement as a "failure to provide oversight of the individual who took on this project."

Payment authorization may be voted on today as questions continue about possible action to be taken by the school system or the county law department against the unauthorized purchase.

The commission may also discuss renting a parking lot at the school system's 5th Avenue Building for $45,045 next year with a 3% increase each year thereafter. Russ Oaks, the system's Chief Operations Officer, told the council's work session that the facility is "landlocked" and needs the three-acre parking lot, which includes a small storage building.

Also up for discussion is a $450,000 school agreement with Mobile Fixture to purchase and install dishwashing machines in school cafeterias with an option for four more years, one year at a time. The idea is to replace the machines that have been leased.

The commission is also being asked, by the sheriff's

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First tournament trip nets state title for Berean Christian

State Champions. *Berean Christian celebrates its first-ever state volleyball championship. The Lady Eagles claimed the Class A Title by sweeping South Greene in Murfreesboro Thursday afternoon. See this week's Sports for more state results from last week. Photo Submitted.*

By Ken Lay

MURFREESBORO --- Berean Christian Academy made its first-ever trip to the Class A State Tournament and the Lady Eagles came home with the ultimate prize.

Berean Christian swept South Greene 25-17, 25-23, 25-16 Thursday afternoon before a boisterous crowd at Middle Tennessee State University's Murphy Center.

The Lady Eagles (32-4) had a relatively easy time with the Lady Rebels in the opening set despite the fact that the inaugural game was tied three times. The Lady Eagles, however, never trailed in the set.

Game 2 was a different story and it may have been the most competitive set of any in the championship round. The set was tied 16 times and the lead changed hands on eight occasions. But when the dust had settled, Berean prevailed and from there, the Lady Rebels would go relatively quietly in the third set.

"That second game was big and I think it might've taken the wind out of their sails a little bit," Lady Eagles coach Cory Felts said. "That game really could've gone either way and it was big for us to win.

"We only have about 125 kids [enrolled in the school] and the team that comes in during the summer is my team. I've never made the cut. These kids have really worked hard because I have them play a tough schedule against great teams. I'm extremely proud of these kids."

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Three new ethics members to be chosen

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The search to fill three empty seats on the Knox County Ethics Committee continued last week as four candidates spoke before the Knox County Commission. Vying for the two open commission-selected seats are Anthony (Tony) Brown, Michael Covington, Billy Stephens and attorney Jed McKeehan.

County Mayor Tim Burchett has chosen Jennifer Roche as his appointment.

Today's commission meeting might see the committee seats being filled.

The Ethics Committee is made up by an appointed commissioner, a representative of the mayor's office, a sheriff's representative, three citizens chosen by the county mayor and three citizens chosen by the county commission.

Changes involving the ethics group's power have evolved in recent years so that the County Law Department now reviews cases and presents valid claims to the committee. The committee may make recommendations back to the law department or other departments of county government involving complaints after a public hearing on the complaint.

Armstrong told The Focus Tuesday that the Ethics Committee, which normally meets each quarter, can be called into a special meeting. He said it's time for the committee to reorganize and choose officers.

Who Can Witness the Execution of a Will?

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So you would like to make a will, who do you need present to witness your will execution? Tennessee Code Annotated Section 32-1-104 states that you must have two disinterested witnesses to the will's execution.

What does "disinterested" mean? Disinterested means that the witness does not receive any gift or bequest under the will.

The witnesses must witness the person making the will sign it. Then the witnesses must sign the will in the presence of the person making the will, and in the presence of each other.

If a witness to a will is someone who receives a bequest under the will, then they forfeit any gift they would receive under the will that would be above what they would receive if the person had died without a will.

What about a holographic will? A holographic will is a will that is not typed up by an attorney, but is a will written in the handwriting of the person who is saying what they want to give to whom if they pass. The holographic will doesn't need two witnesses. In fact, a holographic will doesn't need any witnesses at signature. However, the handwriting of the individual writing the will must be proved by two witnesses after that individual's death.

Jedidiah McKeehan is an attorney practicing in Knox County and surrounding counties. He works in many areas, including criminal, personal injury, landlord-tenant, probate, and estate planning. Visit attorney-knoxville.com for more information about this legal issue and other legal issues.

PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Girl Scout Troop 20161 visited the Knox County Commission work session meeting last week. The Webb School girls were there to learn and to earn a patch. They were joined for the photo by each member of the commission.

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department, to accept the donation of a police service dog from Dade County, Florida. Sheriff J.J. Jones explained that his office had responded during the recent hurricane to a request and transported 40 dogs to Knox County by bus. He said that when the dogs were taken back to Florida one of the animals was given to the local department.

Questions were raised about a $260,000 contribution from a developer to the county with the promise to use $200,000 for road and utility changes at the intersection of Chapman Highway and John Sevier Highway. Attorney John King tried to explain the proposed agreement.

Dwight Van de Vate, Director of Engineering and Public Works, said he wasn't taking a position on the proposal and asked the commissioners, "Should the funds be spent in this manner?"

Commissioner Carson Dailey commented that the property borders the city and added, "I don't want to spend taxpayer money and see it annexed into the city." He also said the site, once the site of the Double D Western Store, needs to be developed.

King said he represents someone wanting to purchase the 3.4-acre property. The attorney said the request is "an unusual situation, a three-way agreement." The matter goes to the meeting tonight with no recommendation on a decision.

The commission agreed to a contract with Armstrong Relocation Company, Inc. on a retainer for moving services. It was explained that the contract would be used when and if the school administration moves from the Andrew Johnson Building to another building.

A one-dollar annual rent was approved for the Heiskell Community Organization for the Powell Community Center at 1708 West Emory Road and the commission also approved the issuance of new bonds for more than $62 million in order to get a lower interest rate. The county could save more than $5.6 million over the life of the bonds.

Also approved and passed to the regular meeting today were regulations on standards for cell phone towers in a First Reading.

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Approximately 1000 people attended the The Legacy Parks Luncheon at Seven Islands State Birding Park, October 13, 2017, to hear speaker Alexandra Cousteau, granddaughter of Jacques Cousteau, speak on legacy. Pictured (left to right): Dennis Owen, Deborah Franklin, Jeremy Nelson, 4th District Council Candidate Lauren Rider, Kimberly Henry, Brian Pittman, Steven Rider and Margaret Lon-Britton. Photo by Tinah Utsman.

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Publisher's Position

Fee versus 'Free'

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Evidently the Knoxville News-Sentinel has taken up the cause of allowing folks to copy public documents with cell phones. According to the Sentinel, this is a fundamental aspect of transparency required for the public good. The Sentinel is commending the efforts of State Senator Mike Bell, a Riceville Republican. Senator Bell is an advocate of allowing folks to copy public documents via cell phone. It all sounds mighty nice, but the reality is a bit different. Not that the Sentinel has ever refused to support jacking up taxes, local or otherwise—always in the name of the public good, mind you—but rarely ever considers just who pays the freight oftentimes. The same people always pay the freight: the taxpayers. A good many public offices subsidize their operations through the collection of fees for such things as copies.

Being a businessman, I know that copy machines cost more than one might think to lease and operate; there is the cost of the lease, as well as maintenance and toner. There is also the additional cost of staff. There is also yet another cost when dealing with public documents: archiving. Obviously for documents to exist, they must be maintained and preserved. Not only must they be preserved, but kept in some sort of order to be readily found when needed. Documents have to be moved to make space for newer documents and all the documents have to be kept with their integrity intact. I've heard some people complain that government offices charging $1 per page for copies is outrageous when in truth, it likely doesn't cover the cost to the office in supplies and personnel.

There is no law that gives citizens the right to copy everything they want endlessly, nor should there be. What the law does provide for now is any citizen has the right to inspect, review and copy any public document they wish. Likewise government offices have the right to charge for copies as they should. At the very least, charging for copies helps to defray the cost to taxpayers in running a particular office. The notion of allowing people to snap whatever they wish with their cell phones is "cost effective" is just not true. It certainly isn't cost effective to the taxpayers. Lawyers, for instance, charge clients for copying documents and I don't imagine for a moment that would change if they used their cell phones and most don't simply charge the cost. Most of the media doesn't like the idea of being charged for copies either.

Every dollar lost to a public office, whether it is state or local, has to be made up by the taxpayers if it is going to keep running. Nor are legislators averse to tacking on fees to be collected by local offices, sometimes to benefit particular groups. The legislators don't care that it increases the work load for oftentimes understaffed offices, yet people wonder why some have a hard time turning over excess fees.

The law as it exists today does not prevent anyone from acquiring any document available to the public; they simply have to PAY for it. There are some gadflies out there who demand to see and copy hundreds, if not thousands, of documents. The Sentinel huffs that many offices charge more than it costs to run a copy machine. Last time I looked, a copy of the Sentinel was not free. The idea that the only cost is running a copy machine is foolish. I doubt the folks at the Sentinel would say printing a paper is no more complicated than running the presses. Even if that were true, what's wrong with charging a fair fee to defray costs to the taxpayers? I realize the Sentinel doesn't much care what the taxpayers have to pick up the tab for, but a lot of taxpayers do. These folks wanting to copy documents ought to pay their own way and not be subsidized by the taxpayers any more than they are now. Nobody is being denied access to public documents and records; this isn't about transparency and accountability. It's about convenience and having somebody else pay for it.

Ultimately, you and I are paying their way. Don't we do enough of that now?

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has a vote on the new five council members.

Candidates by district are: District 1, Rebecca Parr and Stephanie Welch; District 2, Wayne Christensen and Andrew Roberto; District 3, James Edward Corcoran and Seema Singh Perez; District 4, Lauren Rider and Harry Tindell; and District 6, Gwen McKenzie and Jennifer Montgomery. Amelia Parker has qualified as a write-in candidate in District 4.

Whoever is elected will be welcomed by the current council members in the days following the election in a series of breakfast events with the mayor, city attorney and council, an introduction to the city council office staff, and an orientation workshop.

The newcomers take office on Saturday, December 16 at 11 a.m. in a special called meeting when the existing four council members and the new five members will elect a vice mayor, beer board chair, and a Knoxville Transportation Authority Representative. A reception is planned in the City-County Building's small assembly room following the ceremony.

The new council will meet for the first time on Tuesday, December 18.

First tournament trip nets state title for Berean

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South Greene (36-10) and Berean Christian were familiar with each other. The two teams met in the Region 1-A final in Greeneville. The Lady Eagles also won that match in front of a hostile crowd.

"It was big for us to go up there and win the region at their place," Felts said. "It really should have been at our place, but because of some junk, we had to go there and play at their place."

None of that mattered Thursday as the Lady Eagles celebrated their first-ever state championship.

Senior outside hitter Lily Felts, a University of Tennessee commitment, received the Most Valuable Player award. She finished the title match with 34 kills, seven digs and an ace.

Jada Mullins finished the match with 11 kills, an assist and an ace. Amanda Singleton had 41 assists and five digs.

Taylor Lamb finished with 21 kills, 12 digs and an ace to lead the Lady Rebels, who have finished as Class A runner-ups in four of the last five seasons.

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Purchase of Halls church questioned at Night Out

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The former Salem Baptist Church was purchased recently by Knoxville's Angelic Ministries. Some Halls residents are afraid it will become a halfway house for ex-convicts and drug users.

Bob and Ed's 33rd Commissioners Night Out at E.B.'s Eats & Treats in Halls didn't turn out to be the friendly chat that everyone expected. Commissioners at Large Bob Thomas and Ed Brantley have informal monthly meetings around the county to listen and talk to residents and voters. Wednesday's session at the small Halls restaurant quickly turned into a confrontation between a representative of Angelic Ministries, which recently bought the former Salem Baptist Church on Hill Road, and citizens who live around the church building.

Loud voices and accusations flared as Ray Jenkins, an Angelic Ministries board member, began explaining why the inner city ministry bought the rural church. Halls residents charged that the church building could be used to house former prisoners and drug users as a rehabilitation center.

Jenkins firmly denied that although one citizen charged that another Angelic board member had publicly said it. Bob and Ed had invited Jenkins to speak but probably never expected such a confrontation.

Angelic Ministries paid $300,000 for the church and property. Jenkins said they had a $100,000 contribution and borrowed $200,000. He said they hadn't expected the offer to be accepted but it was and accepted so quickly that the ministry hadn't made plans yet about how to use the building.

He said they prayed about the offer and, when it was accepted, believed it was destined. Several citizens quizzed him about how the church would be used and basically Jenkins said there are no current plans and the organization is just beginning to consider how to use it.

"We are reaching out and want to become part of the Halls Community," he said, adding that they hope to do a needs assessment to find a way to help the area.

He said the building might be used for their offices or rented to others as office space. He said another use could be renting it to a church that has similar Christian beliefs or even for events such as weddings.

When asked why anyone would invest $300,000 and not know what to do with the building, Jenkins replied that he has family in Halls and didn't want to do anything that would harm them.

Angelic Ministries has several properties in Knoxville and Jenkins said some of those holdings may be sold to repay the $200,000 loan. He denied that any of the homeless programs, rehab programs or similar program will take place there.

"We're not bringing them here," Jenkins said.

Asked why rumors got ahead of a public announcement or talking with Halls residents Jenkins said, "We're very bad at public relations."

Jenkins invited the citizens to an Open House at the church at 7 p.m. on November 6 to hear more from Angelic Ministries. Jenkins said if the church building were going to be used for any other purpose it would require a zoning change and he pledged not to rezone the structure.

Council to talk about wireless towers, streetscapes and sidewalks

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When the Knoxville City Council meets Tuesday evening the members will probably give final approval to the Wireless Communication Facilities Plan, setting some regulations on cell towers in various city districts. The second reading is the first item on the agenda.

The city council may also discuss several rezoning changes and numerous items involving streetscapes and sidewalks. The North Central Streetscapes Project may get more than $4.5 million in a contract with Southern Constructors, Inc. and the city and Norfolk and Southern Railroad may be approved to enter into an agreement for $58,499 for a pedestrian crossing on Cedar Lane.

The Cedar Lane sidewalk project will eventually run 2,000 feet from near Pratt Street eastward to the Windsor Court Apartments. Jim Hagerman, director of engineering, said that the railroad sidewalk crossing planned for the project is so wheelchairs can cross safely.

Unrelated to the Cedar Lane project the city is looking to accept a FEMA grant to purchase a house and lot at 2400 Cedar Lane from Irene F. Gillaspy as part of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Hagerman told The Focus that flooding is a continual problem and that the abandoned house there will be demolished and the lot could become open land.

Just over $89,000 is being requested by the Department of Engineering for the Pleasant Ridge Sidewalk Project for additional funding, bringing the total agreement with Adams Contracting to about $688,000.

More funds may also be added to the West Jackson Avenue Project and Old City Streetscapes bringing the cost to more than $673,000 and increasing contract time.

The 700 Block Gay Street Project may also get a bump in funding of $51,998 with Design and Construction Services and the contract on that would also be extended.

In Lonsdale, as part of the redevelopment project there, the council will consider accepting the transfer of 39 parcels from the Community Development Corporation and enter into an agreement with Sansom Hackney, LLCD and Haslam Lonsdale Project, LLC for the sale of property in the area at fair market value to be redeveloped as a multi-purpose recreation, art and education facility.

Bandit Lites and the city may enter an agreement to replace a fire curtain in the Civic Auditorium for $71,717.

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Suffrage monument to honor Febb and Rep. Harry Burn

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The three women standing together at the entrance to Market Square will be joined by a young legislator and his mother soon.

Work is underway by artist Alan LeQuire on a monument of the young man whose vote ratified the 19th Amendment and gave the women the right to vote. The statue of Rep. Harry Burn includes his mother, Febb, standing with her arm on his shoulder. LeQuire also designed the monument of the three Tennessee women who lead the state's suffrage movement.

Burn, a Republican state house member, had opposed giving women the vote until his mother wrote him pleading for him to vote "Yes." His single vote in the Tennessee House was enough for the state to ratify the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1920.

Wanda Sobieski, President of the Suffrage Coalition, headed the effort to create both monuments and said the new monument will be located on Knox County property at Market and Clinch, across Market Square from the other suffrage statue.

"We hope to dedicate it in April and we want to have an event, a re-enactment of a suffrage parade," she said.

A project to raise $400,000 is well underway with about half the amount donated for the bronze monument. Sobieski said that there's a $65,000 pledge to match that amount from three local people.

"We're also selling bricks, engraved with a name, to go around the base of the statue for $100," she said, adding that there is a form on the website for the bricks. Larger donations, from $1,000 from individuals, $2,500 from community groups or $5,000 from businesses, would get a name on plaques at the base of the monument.

Sobieski said that the papers of Rep. Burn have been digitized and preserved in the McClung Collection. Suffrage Coalition is a non-profit organization and a special project of the East Tennessee Foundation

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Artist Alan LeQuire works on the statue of Rep. Harry Burn and his mother, Febb Burn, which will honor both Suffrage heroes in April in downtown Knoxville (Photo courtesy of the East Tennessee Foundation's Suffrage Coalition)

Preservation conference coming to Alex Haley Farm

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What connection could the Alex Haley Farm near Clinton have to do with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D. C.?

The answer is Maya Lin, who designed not only the wall but also the Riggio-Lynch Chapel at the late author's home. This chapel will be visited during a tour of the Haley Farm as part of the East Tennessee Preservation Alliance's day-long conference on Friday, October 27.

Knox Heritage's Kim Trent said that Heritage is proud to partner once again with the ETPA and many businesses, organizations and individuals to bring the conference to our region.

Established by a grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation the East Tennessee group creates meaningful connections in our region and nurtures and saves historic places. The board is made up of people from 16 counties and ETPA raises awareness of endangered historic properties.

The conference draws preservationists, architects, planners, tourist professionals, government and community leaders, economic developers, real estate professionals and others interested in historic preservation.

The event begins with breakfast snacks and coffee and a welcome from Clinton's mayor. The day concludes with the East Tennessee Preservation Awards Reception in the Riggio-Lynch Chapel and reservations for that event are required.

Since 1994 the Alex Haley Farm, now called the CDF Haley Farm, has been owned and managed by the Children's Defense Fund. The 157-acre farm includes a 5,000 volume library used by child advocates, spiritual leaders, educators, civil rights leaders, authors, illustrators, publishers, scholars, teachers, librarians and students.

External Auditor terms may be changed

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It's obvious that the Knox County Audit Committee is pleased with Pugh CPAs as the county's Eternal Auditor. In a meeting of the committee last week members discussed a way to keep the company beyond the current contract.

While the county code allows only two four-year contracts with the same company discussion turned to possibly changing the code to either an open ended contract or allowing a contracted auditor to serve as long as 12 or 20 years.

Audit committee member Jim Morrison was asked to look into what other counties do about terms of auditors and reported that no other jurisdiction sets a "mandatory rotation."

Finance Director Chris Caldwell suggested a motion by the committee to ask the full county commission to change the code and have the issue on the ballot next year. He said that the county could ask for a Request for Qualifications and select a company with no limit on how long the agreement would last but bids would be sought every four or five years.

Commissioner John Schoonmaker suggested a limit of 10 to 12 year terms split in three four-year agreements.

That would permit Pugh CPA to again submit a bid and be considered beyond their current agreement.

"Our hands are tied," said Chairman David Shields, speaking of the current term limits

Larry Elmore of Pugh told The Focus his company is in the 6th year as auditor, two years into its second four-year agreement. He also said that despite the current agreement, their contract is actually reviewed each year and could be terminated as needed.

"They could fire us at any time," he said.

Commissioner Dave Wright made a motion to have the law department prepare a possible change to the charter and submit it to the audit committee at their next meeting.

Also in the meeting Caldwell spoke briefly on the finance department getting an award for the 20th year from the national Government Financial Officers Association telling the meeting that he has "one of the best staffs in the state."

Elmore said the award and recognition by the Finance Department "is not an easy thing."

The audit committee also wrestled with a way to conduct a review of the Internal Auditor's performance. While required to do so each year no review has been done in three years since Andrea Addis was hired. County Assistant Law Director David Buuck said members of the committee could meet with Addis and then report back with recommendations.

Addis works for the Audit Committee and may only be subject of an employee review because she hasn't had one as required by ordinance.

She told the committee that her office is "back to full staff" and will soon be posting an opening for an "IT Auditor." The person selected would serve as the Center Information Auditor and the office is looking for a specifically trained person.

She also reported on various audits including the collection of the Hotel-Motel taxes saying that suggestions have been made to record partial payments of those taxes and who can waive penalties and interests. She said the audit of the River Sports contract with the county should be completed in the next 6 weeks.

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The end

By Joe Rector
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One of my classes read poems by Emily Dickinson. Some were light-hearted while others were much more serious. Students decided that Dickinson was obsessed with death; I didn't disagree with them. However, her obsession caused these young folks to think about death and the things about it. I could see them considering the topic as their eyes held far away stares that took them back to times when death directly affected them.

I, too, gave pause to muse over the ending of life here on earth. Over the years, I've had too many personal interactions with death. I was there when my mother and brother passed. I was with Amy just after her mother died. High school friends died in their teens; other friends have died in later years. The one thing in common with all these passings is that they were difficult. In fact, I'm sure that death has always been much easier for the dying than for the living.

Age brings on more thoughts about death. We who have fewer days left than we've already lived think about the end of things. That doesn't mean we fret about it, but we do have it on our minds more often than when we were teens. In fact, back then we considered ourselves invincible. Our antics proved dangerous and moronic. Yet, we survived foolish stunts, even though some of them were severe and the worst we ended up with were a few stitches or a broken bone.

In those early years, death visited only rarely. Some of us lost parents, and others ached with the passings of grandparents. The jarring quake of death hit hardest when one of our own died. Car wrecks took good friends on their ways to pick up dates for the prom; drownings in nearby lakes shook us to our cores. The worst of all were the deaths of young people after wars with cancer. Leukemia claimed the lives of two friends before we'd reached fourth grade. The viewing of a dead child haunted us for years. When a lifelong friend who was a gifted athlete died not long after graduation from high school, young teens struggled to find a reason for such a loss.

These days, my generation spends too much time making trips to funeral homes or cemeteries. We are at that age when friends and family pass much too frequently. Visitations look much like a class reunion. All of us shake our heads in disbelief that another friend is gone. After a few minutes, the awkwardness of expressing condolences and shock eases as we share stories with others about the person who has died. Before long, we're laughing and chatting maybe a bit too loudly. Some folks think such acts are disrespectful. My belief is that nothing shows more respect than a large crowd's sharing the joys and memories that the person has left behind.

Thinking about death and all the things that it brings and takes away can sometimes lead to nothing more than depression. That's when a belief in something stronger than ourselves is in control. A belief in a life after this one comforts us, especially when thoughts or reuniting with loved ones who've gone before us are included.

William Cullen Bryant's "Thanatopsis" gives us the best advice about the end that each of us shall reach:

"So live, that when thy summons comes to join
That innumerable caravan, which moves
To that mysterious realm where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Though go to not, like the quarry slave at night,
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Suffrage monument to honor Febb and Rep. Harry Burn

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dedicated to locate, preserve and education the public on the history of women's suffrage, especially in the Volunteer State.

Coalition efforts include providing slide shows, performing living timelines and plays for schools and other groups, encouraging members and groups to celebrate women's history, preserving memorabilia, papers and oral histories, and the creation of the two suffrage monuments. The group also have preserved Lizzie Crozier French's scrapbook and Abby Milton's papers. French was a suffrage leader in Knox County and Milton was a leader in Chattanooga.

There are several ways to contribute to the Suffrage Coalition's efforts. Contributions are tax deductible and can be mailed to East Tennessee Foundation, suffrage Coalition Fund, 520 West Summit Hill Drive, Suite 1101, Knoxville, Tn. 37902.

Interested persons may also contact Wanda Sobieski at (865) 546-7770 or go online and find the organization on Facebook or at www.suffragecoalition.org.

"I know that a mother's advice is always safest for a boy to follow and my mother wanted me to vote for ratification," Representative Burn, then 24 years old, stated in a message to the House Journal in explaining his vote.

"Don't forget to be a good boy," Febb Burn had written her son in asking him to vote to ratify the Constitutional Amendment.

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Tennessee and the League of Nations IV

Pages from the Past

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Senator John Knight Shields of Tennessee, circa 1915

Tennessee's senior United States senator, John Knight Shields, had surprised tens of thousands of his constituents and infuriated many members of his own Democratic Party when he had voted to add reservations to the Treaty of Versailles in the Senate. The treaty was the culmination of months of torturous negotiations between the heads of several governments representing those countries that had fought with the allies against the German Empire and the Central Powers. President Woodrow Wilson had personally represented the United States at the Paris Peace Conference, which began on December 13, 1918. The Treaty of Versailles was the instrument through which the allied powers accepted the surrender of the German government, along with those countries that fought on the side of Germany. Wilson was one of the "Big Four" of the Paris Peace Conference, which included the Prime Minister of Great Britain, David Lloyd George; Georges Clemenceau, the Prime Minister of France and Vittorio Orlando, the Prime Minister of Italy.

The treaty was hardly the only thing the peace conference gave birth to; it was the birthplace of the League of Nations, something President Woodrow Wilson fervently believed would banish war from the face of the earth. The fight over the treaty and the fate of America's participation in the League of Nations was fought inside the United States Senate. Tennessee was represented by John Knight Shields, an East Tennessean, and Kenneth D. McKellar of Memphis. Senator McKellar had first been elected in 1916, but he had served in Congress since 1911 and was an ardent admirer of President Wilson. McKellar was the first U. S. senator from Tennessee to win his office through direct election by the people. Senator Shields had been in the United States Senate since 1913 and was the last man to be elected to the Senate by the state legislature. Shields had first faced the voters in 1918 and had been challenged inside the Democratic primary by Governor Tom C. Rye. The governor was able, a good speaker and personally popular. Rye also strongly backed the administration of Woodrow Wilson. President Wilson frankly admitted to Senator McKellar he did not like John Knight Shields and had intended to write a letter for publication in Tennessee during the senatorial primary stating Shields was no friend to him or his administration. Both Shields and McKellar immediately realized such a letter would cost the senator the primary election. McKellar eventually pleaded with Wilson not to write and send the letter. While the President made no commitment, he did not send any letter and John Knight Shields had beaten Governor Rye for the Democratic nomination for the U. S. Senate. Once Shields had bee reelected, McKellar asked Shields to go to the White House to thank the President. McKellar was astonished when Shields snapped he would see Wilson in Hell first. John Knight Shields was the only Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee who voted with the Republicans to add reservations to the treaty, a position that ignited a fiery response from many Tennesseans.

Amid calls for his resignation from the U. S. Senate, Senator Shields calmly said he was following his convictions and no amount of pressure from Tennessee would change his mind. When Senator Gilbert Hitchcock of Nebraska, the Minority Leader of the Senate and ranking Democratic member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, issued a report urging immediate ratification of the treaty, he was joined by every Democrat on the committee save for John Knight Shields. To those Democrats in Tennessee who were enraged by his failure to back the position of President Woodrow Wilson, who was adamantly opposed to any reservation being attached to the treaty, Senator Shields replied the Treaty of Versailles was not a partisan matter.

When Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and a Republican, moved to postpone voting on amendments to the treaty for one week, the committee divided along partisan lines. John Knight Shields managed to outrage his fellow Democrats even further when he was absent from the committee meeting. One hotly contested amendment to the treaty and possible American participation in the League of Nations was sponsored by Republican Hiram Johnson of California. A progressive Republican, Johnson was highly wary of foreign entanglements; later he would become one of the leading isolationists in the U. S. Senate. The substance of Senator Johnson's amendment equalized the voting power of the United States with that of Great Britain in the League of Nations. A newspaper poll showed 48 senators favoring the Johnson amendment, with 47 opposed. To the horror of President Wilson's supporters, John Knight Shields could be the deciding vote. The Nashville Tennessean wailed, "A careful poll of the situation by the leaders tonight shows that Senator Shields will probably hold in his hands the fate of the League covenant and the treaty." Despite Shields having voted for the Johnson amendment in committee, both sides were hoping to get his vote when the full Senate finally voted.

The Livingston Enterprise complained in an editorial, "So great is the disapproval of his constituency over Senator Shields' attitude on the peace treaty that a movement has been started to demand his resignation. Had the people of Tennessee known what his attitude would be when he was a candidate for reelection, it would not now be necessary to take this step."

The Nashville Tennessean was similarly appalled when Senator Shields "curtly refused" an invitation from the Knoxville chapter of the League to Enforce Peace for a meeting. The letter sent by Senator Shields declining the invitation was less brusque than matter-of-fact. Shields wrote that, "While I do not underrate the wisdom or patriotism of the members of the Knox County branch of the League to Enforce Peace..." that he had reached his own conclusion after careful study. Shields acknowledged he was faced with casting his own vote in the Senate and had "no disposition to evade or pass it to others." Shields said he was "always glad to have the counsel of my constituents and to discuss with them public questions, but of course in the end I must act upon my own judgment."

John Knight Shields took to the floor of the United States Senate to say that he would not support the proposed amendments to the treaty referred to as the "Shantung amendments." Those amendments dealt with the rights of Shantung in China and Shields dismissed them as of little importance to Americans. "The United States is not interested in it," Shields said. Senator Shields said adopting the Shantung amendments would be a violation of America's traditional policy not to interfere in the affairs of other nations. Shields came to the climax of his speech when he said, "I am unwilling to support a treaty which, by the remotest implication or possible construction, authorizes a super-government or a council of foreign nations to interfere with and control our internal affairs and domestic relations of any character, sacred rights, cherished by all nations and now secured to them by both national and international laws.

"I will not consent to the British Empire having six votes in the League of Nations to the one vote of the United States," John Knight Shields barked. "I have too much pride in my country and too much respect for its flag to approve any treaty that concedes precedence to Great Britain or reduces it to political equality at home or abroad with a colony or subordinate division of that empire."

When the Shantung amendment came to the Senate floor for a vote, John Knight Shields joined Kenneth McKellar in voting against it. Three Democrats joined thirty-two Republicans in supporting it. Fourteen Republicans banded together with forty-one Democrats to oppose it. The amendment lost 55 – 35.

For Tennessee Democrats who were furious with John Knight Shields for his apostasy against the Wilson administration and the League of Nations, the worst was yet to come. Wilson, in an effort to win over the American people, had made a cross-country speaking tour on behalf of the League. While in Pueblo, Colorado, Wilson had suffered a debilitating stoke. The stroke was severe and the President's train hurried back to Washington, D. C. and the White House. Edith Bolling Wilson, the President's wife, and his physician, Dr. Cary Grayson, successfully kept Wilson's conditions from the American public and Congress. Wilson was paralyzed on his left side and quite nearly died. In truth, the stricken President could not perform his duties. Much of the business to be transacted by the White House simply came to a halt.

John D. Erwin, the Nashville Tennessean's Washington correspondent, wrote in his column "Under the Big Dome", a discussion by members of the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee. The senators were concerned about President Wilson's condition. Henry Cabot Lodge wanted to ask the President to convey certain information about the "Shantung controversy" to committee members. One Democratic senator complained it was "not in good taste" to ask such things "while the President is ill." Senator Williams proposed postponing the matter until the President was well "and is able to attend to his duties in the usual manner." Senator Albert B. Fall of New Mexico snapped, "If you entertain such an opinion, why do you not make a motion for a recess of the Senate until the President has recovered?" It was then Senator John Knight Shields, a former Justice of the Tennessee State Supreme Court, wondered, "Does not this raise the question of the President's disability under the Constitution?" Oddly, according to John D. Erwin, Senator Shields' comment was ignored by the rest of the committee at the time. Democratic senators were dismayed and angry that Shields would be the first member of the United States Senate to suggest Woodrow Wilson might be incapacitated and could not function as President of the United States. Erwin thought Shields' comment was ignored by the Republican senators because of the "impropriety of the attitude of the Tennessee Senator and refused to follow his lead." It was only a matter of time before Republicans would be asking the same thing and send a two man delegation to the White House to see just how ill Woodrow Wilson might be.

Yet John Knight Shields was able to hold his own in the debates. Referring to the provision of the treaty which he contended gave Great Britain six votes in the League of Nations as compared to only one for the United States, Senator Shields snapped, "The American people will never approve a thing so unpatriotic and so degrading and humiliating." Shields offered an amendment to the treaty of his own, a substitute for the Johnson amendment, which stated any federal or imperial government may "collectively have only one membership, one delegate and one vote in the council . . . three delegates and one vote in the assembly."

As the Senate wound its way through the complexity of numerous amendments, the Nashville Tennessean lamented, "Shields Continues to Side With Republican Opponents of the League." Doubtless some Democrats were relieved when John Knight Shields was confined to his apartment in Washington's Shoreham Hotel with a severe cold. Evidently, Shields became ill while laboring over a speech he intended to give in the Senate. Shields had completed his speech, which he promptly had delivered to the office of the public printer, requesting 50,000 copies be made. Senator Shields intended to mail copies of his speech to people in Tennessee.

Clearly, John Knight Shields did not intend for the newspapers to have the last word on the League of Nations fight.

Congressman Duncan, Public Servant

By Ralphine Major
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"May I help you?" I asked.

"Hello. I'm Jim Duncan, Mr. Duncan's son," he said while extending his hand.

I was working that summer as an intern in the late Congressman John J. Duncan's Knoxville office. After classes ended for this college freshman, I walked from the University of Tennessee (UT) campus to the Federal Building on Main Street in downtown Knoxville. In the fall, I became a full-time student again. It was 1973, and I had just celebrated my nineteenth birthday. Over Christmas break, I received a call. I was amused that Jim Duncan and Zane Daniel were both on the line asking me to come and work in their law firm.

For a couple of years I was able to juggle school and work. Jimmy often spoke to groups and would sometimes tell about the dogs our family had that were named Daniel & Duncan. I was very active in our church and enjoyed being the organist. Over time, I realized that I could not give both the job and school one hundred percent, and I did not want either to suffer. Though I left the job, I took their friendship with me. I kept in touch with Daniel & Duncan over the decades that followed. I graduated college and took a job with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). Jimmy sent me a copy of the reference letter he wrote for me, and I still treasure it.

I always thought Jimmy would follow his father into Congress. After all, they had the same traits. They worked hard; they were dedicated; and they had a deep concern and compassion for the constituents they represented. Both of them were down to earth; they used common sense; and they were of high integrity and good character.

It seemed quite fitting that I reconnected with Linda DeMarcus Acuff at the Grainger County Tomato Fesival this year on the eve of Jimmy's announcement not to seek re-election. Linda worked with me in the office at Daniel & Duncan. I admire Jimmy's decision. He and his family have sacrificed much as he has served this district the last 30 years. We are fortunate to have had him represent East Tennessee in Washington. He has meant a lot to our family over the years.

I know Jimmy to be a great family man and a person of faith, and I am happy that he will have more time for his family and his church. When Jimmy spoke at Zane's memorial service many years ago, he closed with a verse from the Old Testament. I often think of that moment whenever I hear the words from Micah 6:8 (NIV): "And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Picture of Congressman Duncan and Carla Sharp at a recent Tennessee football game. Carla is usually on the other side of the camera photographing guests in the University skybox at home football games. The Congressman's granddaughter did a great job taking this photo, provided by Carla Sharp.

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Lady Spartans continue volleyball dominance with fifth title

By Ken Lay

MURFREESBORO --- Webb School of Knoxville has been a regular at the Division II-A State Volleyball Tournament and on Thursday morning, the Lady Spartans son their fifth consecutive State Championship.

Webb culminated its 2017 stay in the Midstate with a 25-11, 25-10, 25-14 victory over Harding Academy at Middle Tennessee State University's Murphy Center.

The Lady Spartans (33-7) made their sixth straight appearance in the championship match and they wasted little time putting the Lady Lions away.

Harding (32-16) opened an early 3-2 lead early in the opening set but the Lady Lions, who have now lost three consecutive championship matches to Webb, didn't hold the upper hand for long.

After a side-out, Lady Spartans freshman outside hitter Jordan Sandberg served up two consecutive points, including an ace, to give the, now, five-time defending state champions a 5-3 lead. Webb held a 6-4 lead when senior setter Nicklin Hames scored eight consecutive points a 14-4 advantage. From there, Webb would cruise to win the opening game.

Hames, who played for the Lady Spartans as an eighth grader five years ago, was on Webb's first championship team.

She was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player after recording 11 kills, 17 assists and seven digs. Her sister Kayleigh (a junior) finished with 13 kills, six digs and two aces.

The Hames Sisters got plenty of help from their supporting cast. Meredith Wallace finished the match with 11 kills, five digs and four aces. Haley Jenkins finished with 19 assists, eight digs and six aces.

Webb went on to close the match in impressive fashion and that left coach Chris Hames pleased.

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PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS.

Seymour's Emily Glaspie (19) protects her goalkeeper Chelsea Garbett on a set play by Central's Gillian Wright in Saturday's state sectional match Saturday in Fountain City. The Lady Eagles edged the Lady Bobcats 3-2 to advance to this week's Class AA State Tournament.

Biddle's hat trick boosts Seymour to state tournament

By Ken Lay

Seymour High School's girls soccer team is headed to the state tournament for the second time in school history.

The Lady Eagles punched their ticket to Murfreesboro by outlasting Central 3-2 in a Section 1-AA match Saturday at Dan Y. Boring Stadium.

The host Lady Bobcats (11-5-3) entered Saturday's game against the Lady Eagles on the heels of making some history of their own. Central, which stunned Catholic Thursday night with a 1-0 victory in the Region 2-A Championship game, was looking to make its first-ever trip to the state's grand high school soccer stage.

But Seymour and junior forward Abbie Biddle had other ideas. Biddle helped her side clinch a berth in the Class AA State Tournament as she had a hat trick. She broke a 2-2 tie when she scored the game's final goal in the 71st minute when she took a pass from Anna Pendleton and buried the ball in the back of the net on a hot day in Fountain City.

"This is what we've been working for all year. This is what we've been conditioning for," Biddle said.

Saturday's victory wasn't easy but it was just another challenge that the Lady Eagles conquered.

"I'm thankful for what we've learned this year and I'm thankful for the trials that we faced," Biddle said. "Just seeing us get the chance to go to state is great.

"There's been a lot that we've had to learn from and I'm thankful for what we've learned from some of the games and the losses that we took."

Seymour (14-4) took a 1-0 lead when Biddle tallied in the eighth minute of the match. The Lady Eagles, the Region 1-AA runners-up, never trailed in the game but Central responded to every punch that Seymour threw.

The Lady Bobcats pulled even in the 14th minute when senior

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Fulton rides passing game to 41-14 win over West

By Steve Williams

Fulton football fans were treated to an air show Friday night.

Junior quarterback Xavier Malone and a pack of talented receivers propelled the Falcons to a 41-14 win over West, a Region 3-5A foe known for its defense.

The air strike produced 328 yards in the first half alone.

Malone, listed at 6-3, 207 pounds, finished with 28 completions in 39 attempts for 369 yards and three touchdowns before reserves mopped up in the final six minutes at Bob Black Field.

Senior Coryean Davis led the receiving corps with 11 catches for 157 yards and one touchdown. Senior teammate Joey Smith contributed eight receptions for 79 yards. Do-it-all junior Jashaun Fenderson had only three snags for 53 yards, but two of them were good for TDs.

The victory lifted Fulton to 5-0 in the region and 8-1 overall and set up a title showdown at home this Friday night against Oak Ridge (5-0, 7-2). The Wildcats tuned up for the big game with a 42-7 win at Powell.

"I can't say enough about our quarterback," said Fulton Head Coach Rob Black. "He set in there and threw some balls knowing he was going to get hit, and that takes some courage. He delivered some great balls for us tonight."

Coach Black also commented on his team's depth at the receiver position.

"We've got so many guys that can make plays," he said. "I think that makes it hard to defend us. And on top of that, those guys are great blockers, they're unselfish, they're pulling for each other. That's something special we have."

West Coach Lamar Brown said his team had a couple of uncharacteristic turnovers early (fumble recoveries by the Falcons' Demarcus Cash) that put the Rebels in a hole.

"But credit has to go to Fulton," said Brown. "When we turned the ball over, they took advantage of it. Their skill people made plays all night long and went up and got the football. My hat's off to them. Robbie Black and his staff do a great job with those athletes."

After losing a fumble (recovery by the Rebels' Cirus Howell) and failing to take advantage of a West turnover on its first two possessions, Fulton got going. Malone hit Fenderson with a 22-yard TD pass over the middle for the game's initial points with 6:22 on the first quarter clock. The left-footed Fenderson added the first of five PATs.

Then came Xavier's 42-yard pass to Smith deep down the right sideline that set up a 9-yard scoring run by senior Dorian Williamson at 3:16.

The Fulton defense pressured West quarterback Myles Everson and forced a three-and-out, allowing the Falcons to put up another score before the quarter ended.

It came on one of the best catches of the game. Malone's pass to Davis appeared to be out of reach, but he pulled it in for a 26-yard completion and six more points to make it 20-0.

After a scoreless second quarter, an errant snap in a punting situation caused a four-yard loss and set up West at the Fulton 11-yard line. Senior running back Trariq Hardin bounced outside and scored from the 3. Logan

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Catholic falls as Portland avenges loss in championship match

By Ken Lay

MURFREESBORO --- Catholic High School went to the Class AA State Volleyball Tournament last week with hopes of defending its 2016 state championship and all went well --- at least until the 2017 title match.

The Lady Irish breezed through the preliminary rounds of the tournament with relative ease and didn't drop a match en route to making their fourth consecutive title match appearance.

But that all changed Thursday afternoon when Catholic dropped a 25-17, 25-18, 11-25, 25-23 decision to Portland in the Class AA final.

The Lady Irish (27-13) had beaten the Lady Pirates in four sets Wednesday and Portland came out early and announced that it was looking for revenge as the Lady Pirates (47-6) scored the first six points of the opening set.

From there, Catholic battled to hang in the match as Portland posted relatively easy victories in each of the first two games.

"We had a tough road to get to the finals. Every team that we played was in the Final Four last year," Lady Irish coach Brent Carter said. "Portland came out and played a great game. Our swings weren't as good as they were [Wednesday], but a lot of the credit for that goes to Portland.

"You have to give kudos to them for what they did and how they played. They played three great sets. We weren't even in the game during those first two sets. We didn't have a chance."

The Lady Irish, who mounted late comeback attempts to make the first two sets look a little more respectable, stormed out and took a 17-4 lead on back-to-back service aces by senior Meredith Bonee.

They would cruise to victory there.

The Lady Panthers were never in the third game and Portland coach Robert Lesemann said that set was a tough one.

"I couldn't get that third set over fast enough," he said. "They're a great team and they can hurt you from all over the floor.

"We weren't happy with the way that we played against them yesterday and we had a talk about that. I knew that we were going to have to play our best game if we were going to beat them.

The fourth and deciding set was a see-saw affair and the Lady Panthers and Lady Irish were knotted in a 23-23 deadlock before Portland finally put things way by scoring a point on a sideout before Emily Rogers, a sophomore, served up the championship point.

Portland's Marlayna Bullington received Most Valuable Player honors after she finished the championship match with 19 kills, 24 digs and six aces.

Junior Olivia Cunningham led the Lady Irish with 19 kills, 18 digs and an assist. Senior Olivia Kozemko added 22 assists and six digs. Bonee finished the match with five aces, seven kills, two blocks and 12 digs.

Biddle's hat trick

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Lily Resmondo scored on a penalty kick after Seymour was called for a handball in the goal box.

"That was an unfortunate handball and there really wasn't much that we could do about that," Lady Eagles coach Ron Blaydes said. "Our girl was just trying to protect her face."

Seymour took a 2-1 lead on Biddle's second goal, which came with just under five minutes remaining in the opening half.

Central stepped things up after the break but Blaydes said that his team was fatigued.

"We got tired," he said. "We came off the field [at halftime] tired. We condition them and we condition them hard. We use the North Carolina conditioning program.

"In the end, our girls stepped up and made the plays that they had to make."

The Lady Bobcats tied the game at 2-2 when sophomore Kayleigh Haught scored on a direct free kick after the Lady Eagles picked up a yellow card in the 58th minute.

Then, it was Biddle who made sure that the Lady Eagles were victorious. Seymour's defense had to endure a few anxious moments as Central mounted some sustained pressure just before the final whistle sounded.

Even in defeat, Lady Bobcats coach Bill Mize was proud of his team, which was bitten by the flu bug before its final match of the season.

"We had three midfielders show up with the flu this morning," Mize said. "We had a great season and we won our first region championship and we wish Seymour the best the rest of the way."

Lady Spartans continue

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"It's been a great run with these girls," she said. "We have seniors who have been coming here for five years and that group of seniors has really been great.

"I'm happy for them. But we have some good freshmen coming in and I'm just as excited about and happy for them."

Coach Hames is the matriarch of a successful volleyball family but Nicklin said that the Lady Spartans also have a family dynamic.

"It's a special group of girls," Nicklin said. "We've grown up together and we've grown up playing together and it's been special leading these girls during our senior year.

Lauren Deaton led Harding Academy's attack with eight kills. Kimari Terrell added six and Sage Hawley finished with four.

Lady Bobcats down Catholic to win first region title

By Ken Lay

For the first time in school history, the Central Lady Bobcats have claimed a regional soccer championship. Central claimed the Region 2-AA Tournament Title with a 1-0 victory over Catholic Thursday night at Blaine Stadium.

It was the third meeting of the 2017 season for the two District 4-AA rivals. And on Thursday night, the third time was the charm for the Lady Bobcats. The Lady Irish routed Central (11-4-3) during the regular season. Catholic notched a 3-2 victory over the Lady 'Cats in the District 4-AA Tournament Championship Match.

"This is a game that I feel like we kind of stole," Central coach Bill Mize said. "They pretty much controlled the first half.

"We played better in the second half and we got a goal. After we got the goal, we just had to hang on."

The Lady Bobcats got the lone marker of the match when sophomore Braelyn Bruce launched a shot from 25 yards out. That shot landed in the back of the Lady Irish net.

Central was set to host Region 1-AA runner-up Seymour at Dan Y. Boring Stadium in Fountain City on Saturday with a trip to Murfreesboro and the state tournament on the line.

Catholic (14-5-1) played at Greeneville Saturday but results from the state sectional matches were unavailable at press time.

The Lady Bobcats opened Region 2-AAA Tournament play Tuesday night when they played District 3-AA Champion Gibbs to a 0-0 draw. Central advanced face Catholic by virtue of a 3-1 victory in a penalty kicks shootout.

Lily Resmondo, Ashton Blair and Kyleigh Haught scored shootout goals for Central against the Lady Eagles, who finished their 2017 campaign with a 13-1-4 record. Senior Aspen Satterfield had the shootout marker for Gibbs, who won a district championship for the first time in school history.

"This is heartbreaking," Lady Eagles coach Jason French said. "I'm proud of these girls. We won a district championship for the first time.

"I started three seniors tonight, so the future is definitely bright for us here. We just have to keep working hard during the offseason. This was a tough battle all the way."

In Region 2-AAA: Farragut claimed the championship with a 1-0 victory at Powell Thursday night. The Lady Admirals (16-5) hosted Region 1-AAA runner-up Bearden Saturday in the sectional round but results were not available at press time. The Lady Bulldogs dropped a 1-0 decision to Science Hill, which hosted the Lady Panthers Saturday in the other sub-state match.

Grace, CAK win first-round state soccer games

By Ken Lay

Grace Christian Academy's girls soccer team began its 2017 Division II-A State Tournament run Wednesday night at home. The Lady Rams needed penalty kicks to advance past Battle Ground Academy at the Jerry Disney Family Sports Complex.

The Lady Rams and the Lady Wildcats played to a 0-0 tie through 80 minutes of regulation, 20 minutes of extra time and 10 minutes of sudden death overtime and could settle nothing as Grace goalkeeper Bryanah Hack and BGA netminder Anna Quinn French stopped every shot fired in their respective directions.

The Lady Rams and Lady Wildcats had chances to get on the board but the goalkeepers took center stage until the game went to penalty kicks after the match was declared a draw. Grace Christian moved on to Saturday's quarterfinal round when it faced Evangelical Christian School in Cordova (results were not available at press time).

The penalty kicks shootout naturally provided a bit of drama as Lady Rams senior Sara Houff attempted the first shot and missed. Grace would eventually claim a 6-5 win and advance.

The Lady Wildcats took a 1-0 lead in the shootout when Lindsey Souter scored.

The two teams then matched PK goals until BGA's Emma Smith missed. With the Lady Wildcats leading 4-3, Grace's Lauren Nastasi tallied.

BGA took a 5-4 lead on a marker by Annie Clendenin before Katherine Browning helped the Lady Rams pull even. Battle Ground's Alyssa White missed, leaving the door open for Grace's Emma Moore to win the shootout and she didn't disappoint the home fans as she buried the ball into the back of the net.

"It was just amazing," Moore said of the game-winner. "I didn't know that it was going to be me or nothing. But it was.

"[French] was a really good keeper and we're just so excited."

GCA coach Donnie Green said that he was also pleased.

"This is the first time in our nine years of girls soccer that we've ever gotten to this point," Green said after watching his squad advance. "We've never had to go to a shootout.

"I'm just so proud of these girls. They've worked so hard. We went to the state in Division I last year. But in Division II, things are so much tougher and before the game, we talked about that. I stepped up our non-league schedule."

In Wednesday's other area state tournament game in Knoxville: Christian Academy of Knoxville advanced with a 5-1 victory over Donelson Christian Academy.

The Lady Warriors also advanced to Saturday's quarterfinal with a trip to this week's semifinals in Murfreesboro hanging in the balance.

CAK played St. George's in Collierville but results of that match were not available at press time.

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UNSUNG HEROES

Their efforts are recognized and appreciated by coaches, teammates

By Steve Williams

Star players on winning teams get most of the headlines and deservedly so. But there are others who contribute to a team's success during games and practice.

These are the unsung heroes.

He may be a player who has never had his name in the headlines. He may be a starter or a super sub. He's the type of player whose efforts are recognized and appreciated by his coaches and teammates, although he's not a "star player."

Head coaches of six local football teams that are having winning seasons recently submitted the names and deeds of such players.

J'CORYAN ANDERSON, Fulton junior linebacker. "J'Coryan is a high character guy. He is such a versatile and talented player for us. He has already played six different positions for us this year as well as all special teams. He finds ways to help us out every time we go out to compete. We are fortunate to have him on our team." – Coach Rob Black.

JAIOHN FOSTER, Austin-East defensive back. "Jaiohn is a utility knife for us on defense. He plays safety, corner and even our nickel back. He does everything we ask of him to the best of his ability, a kid that is trustworthy and gaining confidence more and more. This is his first year playing football and he is making a great impact on our team." – Coach Jeff Phillips.

JONATHAN ATCHLEY, The King's Academy senior offensive tackle and defensive end. "A two-time captain, Jonathan was one of the main leaders this past offseason for winter, spring and summer weights and conditioning." – Coach Matt Lowe.

TAYLOR SHANNON, Knoxville Catholic sophomore wide receiver and cornerback. "Taylor works hard every day. He is on virtually every special team and backs up at all three receiving positions." – Coach Steve Matthews.

MARQUICE EDKIS, Powell senior offensive tackle. "Marquice starts at right tackle and also plays a lot of defense as well. He has worked extremely hard for me in my three years here and he has played here for four years. He continues to improve on a daily basis and is a leader on the team. He has a motor and goes 100 percent every play in games and practices. His attitude is always positive, win or lose." – Coach Rodney Ellison.

EMERY WEBB, Grace Christian Academy senior free safety. "Emery is the quarterback of the defense that always makes sure everyone is lined up correctly. He is always in position to make plays and is the glue that holds our defense together." – Coach Rusty Bradley.

South-Doyle beats Central 27-7

By Alex Norman

It was a game with major playoff implications. The winner makes the postseason, while the loser will need some help to play in November.

On Thursday, October 19, South-Doyle protected their home field and beat Central 27-7.

"We knew our backs were against the wall three weeks ago and we as a team decided that we would begin preparing each week as if it were a playoff week, knowing we had to win if we wanted to have a chance to get to postseason play," said South-Doyle head coach Clark Duncan. "We knew coming into the Central game they were going to be big, physical and very athletic. I believe we played all three phases of the game extremely well. Defensively we matched their physicality and created turnovers. Our offensive staff was very aggressive and spread the ball around in both the run and the pass game. Our kicking game was big tonight by forcing them start on the 20 on kickoffs and kicking two field goals."

After forcing Central into a three and out to start the game, the Cherokees offense converted on three consecutive third downs to get into the end zone.

Starting at their own 15, quarterback Mason Brang threw to Ton'quez Ball for a 22-yard gain and a first down. Three plays later Brang scrambled for 11 yards to the 49 for another first down. And three snaps after that, Brang found Elijah Young on a pretty screen play. He ran 51 yards for a touchdown, and South-Doyle was up 7-0 with 7:03 to go in the first quarter.

The news got even better for the Cherokees on their second drive. Facing a third and 16 from the Central 45, Nate Adbeyo took the handoff, changed direction, and eventually was pushed out of bounds at the 15 for a first down. On the very next play, Young broke multiple tackles and broke the plane for another score.

It was 14-0 South-Doyle with 1:49 left in the first quarter.

Young finished the game with those two touchdowns to go with his 108 rushing yards.

"Elijah played great, both rushing and receiving," said Duncan. "They were a very physical defense and our offensive line did a great job creating seams and Elijah was able to take advantage of that and make big plays. We have multiple playmakers on the field which does not allow the defense to take Elijah out of the game."

Midway through the second quarter the Central (4-5, 2-3 in Region 2-5A) offense finally got going. It was a 71-yard drive capped with a 12-yard touchdown run through the middle of the Cherokees defense by Devone Moss. With 6:55 to go in the half, it was a 14-7 game.

Central was driving for the tying score when a bad snap went over the head of quarterback Eli Sharp. The loose ball was fallen on by linebacker Quantre Miles at the South-Doyle 45.

In the closing seconds of the first half Luke Lynn drilled a 35-yard field goal, giving South-Doyle a 17-7 advantage at the break.

In the third quarter the Cherokees defense stood up, forcing Sharp into a rushed lateral pitch, which was recovered by Austin Shuler at the Central 41. The ensuing drive would lead to a 34-yard field goal by Lynn, and with 6:52 left in the third quarter, it was 20-7 South-Doyle.

The Bobcats tried to respond on their next drive, but the Cherokees blitzed. Sharp threw under pressure, and his pass was intercepted by Seandre Scott at the Cherokees 27, and returned to the 33.

A personal foul penalty backed South-Doyle (4-5, 4-2 in Region 2-5A) up to their own 5-yard line. That drive didn't result in points, but did allow the Cherokees to bleed the third quarter clock.

In the fourth, South-Doyle's defense forced yet another turnover. Wesley Holt fell on the football after a bad exchange at the Central 28. It was their fourth takeaway of the night. Adebayo punched it in from five yards out with 4:30 left in the game to make it 27-7, and that would be the final score.

Last season South-Doyle got healthy and peaked in the final weeks of the season. They took that momentum all the way to the state semifinals in Class 5A. Duncan hopes for another long stay in the postseason this year.

"We have played the majority of the season with ten starting positions out up until three weeks ago," said Duncan. "We are healthy now and playing the way I thought we were capable of playing. I believe that if we can remain healthy and stay focused we have a chance to make a similar run."

On Friday South-Doyle finishes the regular season at Powell. Central takes on Gibbs in a game that could decide their postseason fate.

Fulton rides passing game to 41-14 win

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Bowers' kick cut the deficit to 20-7.

That got the Falcons going again.

Fulton restored order by driving 80 yards in nine plays. Determined running by Williamson produced back-to-back gains of 20 and 25 yards. Fenderson capped the march by hauling in an 11-yard pass from Malone to make it 27-7 with 7:14 to go in third quarter.

West failed to answer and Fenderson's 50-yard punt return made it 34-7.

Robquan Thomas intercepted Everson's ensuing first down pass and returned it to the West 13. The Falcons, however, couldn't cash this time as low snaps and a personal foul penalty backed them up. Demarcus Nelson intercepted Malone's third-and-goal pass from the 23.

Thomas weaved his way for a 55-yard touchdown run to complete Fulton's scoring with 7:30 left in the game.

West tacked on s 3-yard TD run by Preston Wardell with 3:10 to go.

Despite the win, holding penalties were costly for Fulton as Williamson had a 75-yard TD punt return early in the second quarter nullified and a 69-yard TD run from scrimmage midway through the fourth quarter erased.

West lost standout nose guard Zach Stokes and Stokes' backup, Alijah Fraley, to injury in the first half, but Coach Brown said after the game both should be okay, along with Hardin, who left the game with an injury in the final quarter.

West will close out regular season play by hosting Campbell County in a region game this week.

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A GLANCE BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD

Prep forecast: Expect 'thunder and lightning' at Farragut

By Steve Williams

Farragut High running back Isaiah Gibbs had to be a workhorse in the Admirals' win over archrival Bearden in Week 9.

"It's kind of hard being without my partner in crime, Kyle (Carter)," said Gibbs after carrying the ball 22 times for 184 yards in the 31-14 victory over the Bulldogs. "I had to just suck it up. They gave me breaks on defense and I carried the load."

Carter was sidelined, nursing a hamstring.

After the game, Gibbs said he would be looking forward to seeing Kyle come back after Farragut's Week 10 open date.

"He wants to be out there real bad and I want him out there too, because we're like thunder and lightning," said Isaiah. "We feed off each other every game. He's going to be back come the Hardin Valley game."

That'll be in the MyVLT Rivalry Thursday game as the Hawks host the Admirals in a Region 1-6A matchup and the regular season finale.

So which are you Isaiah, thunder or lightning?

"I'm lightning because I'm a little more of a shiftier guy," said the 5-9, 160-pound Gibbs, making a zigzagging motion with his hand to describe his streaks across the field. "Kyle is the thunder. He's probably the hardest runner I know."

Carter is 5-10 and 190 pounds. Both backs are juniors.

Farragut (4-1, 8-1) comes in holding a share of first place in the region.

ONE WIN AWAY: Halls defeated Sevier County 20-13 Friday in a battle for first place in Region 2-5A. The Red Devils can wrap up the region championship at home this week with a victory over winless Seymour.

"We found a way to win and finish the game," said JD Overton, Halls head coach. "We had too many missed field goals and missed opportunities in the red zone. But we found a way to score at the end to win. Our defense played exceptional with the exception of two long pass plays."

Isaac Cook was a defensive standout for the Red Devils with three sacks, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. Hunter Huff had eight tackles and blocked a field goal.

Offensively, quarterback Caden Tollett carried the ball 33 times for 206 yards, one TD and a 2-point conversion. He also passed for 54 yards. Cooper Cook rushed for 159 yards on 21 carries and also had an interception on defense.

TITLE GAME: Austin-East rallied for a 41-24 win at Northview Academy Friday to set up this week's Region 2-3A title showdown at Alcoa.

PREPS OF THE PAST: Forty years ago, on Oct. 21, 1977 – Tim Huettel of Holston pretty much did it all in the Warriors' 21-0 win over Scott County at Huntsville. Huettel, with 165 yards rushing, had touchdown runs of 25, 30 and 35 yards and another called back because of a penalty. Defensively, he intercepted two passes and made 10 tackles. He also kicked all three PATs.

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KARNS Class 5A, R3	vs. Cocke County L, 34-41	vs. Halls W, 39-21	vs. West L, 6-38	vs. Powell L, 19-21	vs. Fulton L, 0-40	vs. Scott W, 30-7	vs. Oak Ridge L, 3-49	vs. Campbell County L, 20-55	OPEN	vs. Seymour W, 30-18	vs. Clinton
POWELL Class 5A, R3	vs. Halls W, 26-15	vs. Cumberland County W, 42-13	vs. Fulton L, 8-35	vs. Karns W, 21-19	vs. Clinton W, 17-0	vs. Lenoir City W, 42-22	vs. Campbell County L, 13-49	vs. West L, 6-28	OPEN	vs. Oak Ridge L, 7-42	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 W, 24-16	vs. Oak Ridge L, 13-23	vs. Farragut L, 9-14	vs. Clinton W, 7-0	vs. Powell W, 28-6	OPEN	vs. Fulton L, 14-41	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 W, 33-7	vs. Soddy Daisy W, 49-48	vs. Brentwood Academy L, 14-50	vs. Rhea Co. W, 49-24	vs. West Greene W, 58-7	vs. Walker Valley W, 63-42	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. S-Doyle W, 27-14	vs. Science Hill L, 21-35	vs. CAK W, 48-10	vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 7-23	OPEN	vs. Farragut L, 14-31	vs. Hardin Valley W, 42-3	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 W, 41-0	vs. Jefferson County W, 33-6	vs. West W, 14-9	vs. Science Hill W, 35-27	vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 34-42	vs. Bearden W, 31-14	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 W, 26-7	vs. Morristown West W, 36-14	OPEN	vs. Jefferson County W, 21-0	vs. Science Hill L, 35-41	vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 25-36	vs. Bearden L, 3-42	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 L, 8-50	vs. Grace Baptist L, 18-60	vs. DCA L, 10-48	vs. King's Academy L, 9-54	vs. Cosby L, 6-7	OPEN	vs. Ezell-Harding L, 7-47	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 L, 12-23	vs. Mt Juliet Christian W, 35-21	OPEN	vs. Concord Christian W, 54-9	vs. Grace Baptist W, 58-17	vs. Friendship Christian L, 7-21	vs. DCA L, 7-23	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 L, 21-41	vs. Chattanooga Christian L, 10-34	vs. Bearden L, 10-48	vs. Silverdale Academy W, 40-16	vs. GCA L, 6-42	OPEN	vs. Knoxville Webb L, 14-49	vs. Boyd Buchanon
WEBB Class AA, East	OPEN	vs. Asheville NC W, 26-16	vs. Ensworth L, 14-35	vs. McCallie L, 22-49	vs. GCA W, 48-27	OPEN	vs. Notre Dame L, 12-29	vs. Boyd Buchanon W, 40-13	vs. Chattanooga Christian W, 42-21	vs. CAK L, 49-14	vs. Silverdale Academy
GCA Class AA, East	vs. Alcoa L, 14-30	vs. King's Academy L, 6-21	vs. Boyd Buchanon W, 42-3	OPEN	vs. Knoxville Webb L, 27-48	vs. Greenback W, 21-7	vs. Happy Valley W, 27-19	vs. CAK W, 42-6	vs. Notre Dame L, 27-35	vs. Silverdale Academy W, 45-6	vs. Chattanooga Christian

CAREACTER STAR ATHLETE

The 6th annual Careacter Star Community Service Football Games will get underway Thursday night, Nov. 2, with Concord Christian School playing Sunbright at 7 p.m. at Grace Christian Academy.

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Farragut

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The Doctor is in

a weekly column by Dr. Jim Ferguson

Wonder

With all that is wrong in the world today I sometimes lose sight of the beauty and the majesty of creation. A friend and a reader of my stories noted a sense of pessimism in my Focus musings. I will admit that I am a glass-half-empty kind of guy. And though I don't dwell on the past, I focus too much on the future when I should concentrate on the present. Fortunately, my wife is a glass-half-full gal who balances my masculine yang with her grounded and feminine yin.

I told my friend that it's hard for a conservative like me to ignore the Washington swamp and our feckless leaders. Though I believe in the ultimate triumph of good over evil, it saddens me to think it may not happen in my lifetime or in America. My worldly concerns are the dissolution of morality, the disintegration of traditional institutions like the Democrat and Republican parties; even the NFL is falling apart. Babylon has existed in the Hollywood swamp for decades, so the recent exposé in tinsel town and its unraveling comes at no surprise to me. What astounds me is that so many can be manipulated by clueless movie stars and by the utterly corrupt media.

Too often too many walk with senses tuned to the latest fake news cycle instead of the greater reality around us, when wonder is just outside the door. I often encourage my grandson Oakley to walk with me in the woods. I tell him, "Come on Oaks, let's go; we might see something." And of course we usually do when we "look."

I'm a stargazer and when the air is cold and clear wondrous things can be seen if you look up at the night sky instead of gazing down at your smart phone or at the idiot box. However, my eyes and telescope could not have seen the wondrous event recently recorded by scientists and the Hubble space telescope. Apparently, two neutron stars ended their cosmic dance and collided with each other 130,000,000 light years away in the distant past. The light from that cataclysmic explosion is just now reaching us. Astronomers and astrophysicists are studying this so-called "kilonova" and have measured gravity waves as predicted by Einstein.

Some might ask, what does it matter that scientists confirmed general relativity by measuring these gravity waves? What is the relevance of seeing farther and extending man's perceptual horizons? Actually, I believe it's far more important than reality TV or useless Congressional hearings which only afford a stage for Senate dinosaurs to grandstand, while the Rocket Man threatens the world and the mullahs in Iran build their bomb. The Jewish theologian, philosopher and rabbi, Abraham Joshua Heschel once said, "Never once in my life did I ask God for success or wisdom or power or fame. I asked for wonder, and he gave it to me."

I saw the first Christmas decorations this week in a Bearden shop window. Folks, that's just not right; we haven't even had Halloween or Thanksgiving yet! Nonetheless, these decorations and the recent scientific revelations caused me to think of perhaps my favorite Christmas song. It's called "I Wonder as I Wander (...out under the sky") by John Jacob Niles. If you are unfamiliar with this song and it's haunting melody and spiritual reflections, go to YouTube and tune your heart, mind and soul to wonder.

The universe is unimaginably vast and wondrous. We see distant stars and galaxies by the electromagnetic radiation they produce which reaches us across space and time as light. This radiation travels at the speed of 186,000 miles a second. Contrast that with the fastest transmission of a human nerve impulse which travels at 100 meters/sec or about one football field/second. The light from our own sun takes eight minutes to reach the earth, and the light from the next nearest star takes four years to reach our eyes and telescopes. It may be hard to get your mind around, but we actually see what stars looked like in the past when their light rays began their journey. By observing and measuring distant celestial objects, scientists look backwards toward the dawn of the universe estimated to be 13.8 billion years ago or 13.8 billion light years "distant."

I learned last week that the Hubble space telescope is not only seeing farther, but seeing more. New estimates of the size of the universe boggle my mind. Our Milky Way galaxy has several hundred billion stars. (And we also know that many stars have planets circling them.) For some time we thought there were 100 billion other galaxies in the known universe. The latest estimate is that there are more than a trillion other galaxies! If you take an average of 100 billion stars per galaxy then there are 10^{22} stars in the universe, that's a ten followed by twenty-two zeros. There are more stars than there are grains of sand on all the beaches of the world.

I once wrote a paper about the location of heaven. No, I've never visited there or heard voices revealing heaven's coordinates. My ruminations were just a science based thought experiment. People are curious by nature, and for all of recorded time, people have wondered about death and if anything comes next. Actually, as I consider the vastness of space and the multidimensional wonders of creation's space-time, I don't worry about that "far country." I just trust that it will be OK for me and others. Even before Jesus, Socrates thought so.

In the sixth century BC, Jerusalem and God's Temple were destroyed by the Babylonians, and the Jews were carried off into slavery. Some thought the exile would quickly end. However, the ancient prophet Jeremiah told the conquered Hebrews that they should not focus on the future, but live in the present moment. Jeremiah told the exiles to plant gardens and vineyards, to raise families and trust in the Lord. They did and restoration eventually occurred.

This star gazer sees that lesson and Psalm 118:24 as relevant for today's journey.

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

Everything Happens for a Reason

By Mark Brackney,
Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

Over the next few weeks, I want to address what the Bible says about some common expressions we often hear or say. For example, "Everything happens for a reason." The statement can actually be true if we mean that we live in a fallen world of cause and effect where actions create consequences. Moses actually preached to Israel about cause and effect (Deut. 30:19-20). Unfortunately, most of the time what is meant is not cause and effect, but we are usually speaking about suffering. People who are trying to be helpful in a difficult time will say, "It was meant to be." I have heard people say at a death, "It must have been their time" or "It must have been God's will." We try to console others with words like these thinking God has a particular purpose for bringing about suffering or at least allowing it.

Many people think our lives unfold according to God's predetermined and unchangeable plan since God is in charge of all things. This would apply to loss of a job, getting sick, natural disasters, and untimely deaths. But there is a real danger in this thinking. Did God will millions of Jews to die in the Holocaust? Did God really want innocent lives killed and hundreds injured in the Vegas shootings? Did God will the Vols to lose to Alabama again?

The first problem with the thinking that everything happens for a reason is that it takes away the concept of personal responsibility for our actions, because people can't really be held accountable for their actions if God willed it to happen. The second problem is that it makes God responsible for everyone's actions. A third problem is that it leads to fatalism and indifference. Here is how a fatalist thinks: "Whatever is going to happen, will happen because we are powerless to change it."

While all Christians believe in God's providence and sovereignty, they interpret these concepts in different ways. Some view God as a micromanager, involved in every detail of life and the world's affairs. This is called theological determinism. With this view, many believe God determines who is saved (elected) and who is lost. People have no choice in the matter. Others believe God operates in a hands-off approach, like a landlord who is absent. Some believe God created everything and then stepped away and let the world run itself. This is called Deism. Others, like myself, believe the truth is somewhere in the middle. The Bible is full of warnings to choose the path that leads to eternal life. Why the warning if one has no choice in the matter? We have a gift from God called free will. We make choices as well as others, good and bad, and suffer the consequences accordingly.

The reason most things happen is not because God willed them, but because of decisions people make or the laws that govern nature. There are times that God will superintend the laws of nature – miracles. But whether he chooses to intervene in a supernatural way or not, God has called his people to be his hands, his feet, and his voice in this broken world. God has given us the gift of free will to walk on his path or away from it. While God does not cause our suffering, he will join with us and bring something good from it (Rom. 8:28). God will have the final word, not this broken world, and victory will be ours.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, Tanya D. Phillips a/k/a Tanya McClellan executed a Deed of Trust to Beneficial Tennessee, Inc., Lender and Kyle M. Walters, Trustee(s), which was dated April 18, 2007 and recorded on April 20, 2007 in Instrument No. 200704200085766, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, 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 **November 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 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 than an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and

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

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

Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
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File No.: 16-16606 FC01

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, Frankie T. Slay executed a Deed of Trust to Associates Home Equity Loan Corporation, Lender and Transcontinental Title Co. of Knox Co. TN, Trustee(s), which was dated April 20, 1999 and recorded on April 28, 1999 in Book 3580, Page 6, 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, CitiMortgage, Inc., (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, 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 **November 21, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in the First Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the Fourteenth Ward of the City of Knoxville, being all of Lot Number 6 in Block D of N. E. Booher's Subdivision, as shown by map of record in Map Book 16, Page 102, Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronting 60 feet on the Northwest side of Boyd's Bridge Pike, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the Northwest line of Boyd's Bridge Pike, distance in a Northeasterly direction 332.75 feet from the point of intersection of Boyd's Bridge Pike with Elmwood Street and marking common corner with Lots 5 and 6; thence North 47 deg. 31 min. West with the dividing line between Lots 5 and 6, 117.65 feet to an iron pin in the Southeast line of Villa Sites 2nd Addition; thence with said Addition line, North 43 deg. 11 min. East, 60 feet to an iron pin, common corner of Lots 6 and 7, N. E. Booher's Subdivision; thence South 47 deg. 31 min. East with the dividing line between Lots 6 and 7, 117.65 feet to an iron pin in the Northwest line of Boyd's Bridge Pike; thence with Boyd's Bridge Pike, South 43 deg. 11 min. West 60 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO FRANKIE T. SLAY, BY QUITCLAIM DEED FROM JAMES E. SLAY, DATED JULY 30, 1996, AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1996 IN BOOK 2226, PAGE 1109, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID Number: 082LL-016

Address/Description: **3029 Boyds Bridge Pike, Knoxville, TN 37914.**

Current Owner(s): James E. Slay and Frankie Slay.

Other Interested Party(ies): Internal Revenue Service.

This sale is also subject to the right of redemption by the INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF THE U.S. TREASURY, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 7425(d)(1) by reason of the following tax lien(s) of record in: Instrument No. 200604100084744 Serial Number 282244406. Notice of the sale has been given to the Internal Revenue Service in accordance with 26 U.S.C. 7425(b).

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

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

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

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File No.: 17-13121 FC01

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated December 4, 2009, executed by AMANDA K. WEBER , CHRISTOPHER S WEBER, conveying certain real property therein described to CHARLES E. TONKIN, II, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded December 17, 2009, at Instrument Number 200912170041563;

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **November 21, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 44, FINAL PLAT OF THE WALNUT GROVE SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD AT INSTRUMENT NO. 199912130044160 AND 199912130044161 IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, BUILDING SETBACK LIENS AND CONDITIONS OF RECORD IN SAID REGISTER`S OFFICE.

Parcel ID: 162JB040

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **12921 CLEAR RIDGE RD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37922.** In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): AMANDA K. WEBER , CHRISTOPHER S WEBER

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

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

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on November 21, 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 MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. GROOMS, to WESLEY D. TURNER, Trustee, on March 23, 2006, as Instrument No. 200603310081564 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR ARGENT SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-W5

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:

LAND IN KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, BEING LOT NO. 17, BLOCK K, ON THE PLAN OF COLONIAL VILLAGE ADDITION SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 15, PAGE 5, IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. CURETON IN INSTRUMENT NO.200103210062293 DATED 03/21/2001, IN REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 123LN006

Current Owner(s) of Property: MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. GROOMS

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **304 CANTERBURY DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920**, 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. §67-1-1433.

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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-002839-670

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P. C.,
Substitute Trustee(s)
Premier Building, Suite 404
5217 Maryland Way
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027
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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 27, 2002, executed by LINDA CHAPMAN GREEN, conveying certain real property therein described to RAYMOND E LACY, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded October 16, 2002, at Instrument Number 200210160032304;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper 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 **November 9, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN THE 5TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 42ND WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, BEING ALL OF LOT NO. 10 IN BLOCK B OF WINDSOR PARK SUBDIVISION UNIT 2, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 25, PAGE 36, REGISTRAR`S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF RECORD AFORESAID, AS SHOWN BY THE SURVEY OF STANLEY E. HINDS, SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 19, 1986.

Parcel ID: 093BA023

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **4817 PETERSBURG RD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37921.** In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): LINDA CHAPMAN GREEN

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

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

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Ad #124882 10/09/2017, 10/16/2017, 10/23/2017

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **November 9, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by JANICE H POWELL, to PRIORITY TRUSTEE SERVICES OF TENNESSEE, L.L.C., Trustee, on February 18, 2005, as Instrument No. 200503020068442 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-OPT2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-OPT2

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

SITUATED IN THE 9TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 29TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 48, EDWARDS SUBDIVISION NO. 3, AS SHOWN ON MAP OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 19, PAGE 88, CABINET B, SLIDE 305C, IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTHWEST LINE OF LICHEN LANE, CORNER TO LOT 55; SAID POINT BEING DISTANT 150 FEET SOUTHWESTERLY FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF REDWOOD ROAD AND THE NORTHWEST LINE OF LICHEN LANE; THENCE FROM SAID BEGINNING POINT WITH THE LINE OF LICHEN LANE, SOUTH 48 DEG. 37 MIN. WEST 149.51 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 39 DEG. 49 MIN. WEST WITH THE WEST LINE OF THE SUBDIVISION 150.02 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE NORTH 48 DEG. 37 MIN. EAST 145.4 FEET TO THE CORNER OF LOT 55; THENCE WITH THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN LOTS 48 AND 55, IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION 150 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, BUILDING SETBACK LINES, AND ANY EASEMENTS WHICH MAY BE OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JANICE H. POWELL, UNMARRIED FROM PAULINE H. KIRKLAND, WIDOW AND NOT RE-MARRIED, BY WARRANTY DEED, DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2004 OF RECORD IN INSTRUMENT NO. 200409210024578 IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 123ED-005

Current Owner(s) of Property: JANICE H POWELL

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

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

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE 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. §67-1-1433.

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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-002832-670

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN,
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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated September 17, 2014, executed by AMY MURRELL AND MITCHELL MURRELL, conveying certain real property therein described to TITLE SPECIALISTS, INC., as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded September 19, 2014, at Instrument Number 201409190016532; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to The Money Source, Inc 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 **November 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 8, BLOCK C, BERKSHIRE WOODS, SUBDIVISION, REVISED UNIT 1, AS SHOWN ON MAP OF SAME RECORD IN MAP BOOK 48-S, PAGE 77, REGISTER`S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. THIS CONVEYANCE IS SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, SETBACK LINES AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

Parcel ID: 105J-E-022.00

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1205 WALLINGFORD ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923.** In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): AMY MURRELL AND MITCHELL MURRELL

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

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

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Ad #125325 10/16/2017, 10/23/2017, 10/30/2017

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **November 21, 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 MARK TULL AND MICHELLE TULL, to WEST KNOX TITLE AGENCY, Trustee, on November 17, 2006, as Instrument No. 200611220043948 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR C-BASS 2007-CB2 TRUST, C-BASS MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-CB2

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

SITUATED IN THE SIXTH (6TH) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 6, BLOCK J, VILLAGE GREEN SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF SAME OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET D, SLIDE 307-A, REGISTER`S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION IS THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MARK TULL AND WIFE, MICHELLE TULL BY DEED DATED JULY 23, 2002, RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 200207310009041, IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS AND BUILDING SETBACK LINES OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER`S OFFICE.

Tax ID: 142KC-016

Current Owner(s) of Property: MARK TULL AND MICHELLE TULL

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **11721 GEORGETOWNE DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37922**, 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: VILLAGE GREEN HOMEOWNERS` ASSOCIATION, INC AND JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF CITIBANK, N.A AND STATE TAX LIEN IN FAVOR OF STATE OF TENNESSEE

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. §67-1-1433.

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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 13-004844-670

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, Barry McQuithy and Sheila McQuithy executed a Deed of Trust to Chase Bank USA, N.A., Lender and David R. Wilson, Trustee(s), which was dated October 26, 2007 and recorded on November 13, 2007 in Instrument No. 200711130038907, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, 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 **November 7, 2017, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in Civil District Five (5), of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 41st ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being known and designated as all of Lot 6, HOLLOWAY SUBDIVISION, as shown on map of same record in Map Book 20, Page 138, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said property being more particularly bounded and described as shown on map of aforesaid addition, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description, according to the survey of Howard T. Dawson, RLS #1301, 124 Maryville Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee, dated May 19, 1994, drawing number 94-654; said premises being improved with a dwelling bearing the address of 1708 Merchants Road, Knoxville, Tennessee.

BEING the same property conveyed to Barry S. McQuithy and wife, Sheila M. McQuithy by Warranty Deed from Sotha B. Guffie, unmarried dated May 20, 1994 and recorded in Book 2141, Page 297 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: 080CA 005

Address/Description: 1**708 Merchant Drive, Knoxville, TN 37912.**

Current Owner(s): Barry S. McQuithy and wife Sheila M. McQuithy.

Other Interested Party(ies): Acuity.

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

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

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

Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
4360 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Ste 310
Atlanta, GA 30341
PH: 404-789-2661 FX: 404-294-0919
File No.: 16-09237 FC04

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: RYAN KEITH HUMPHRIES,

IN RE: JESSICA COREN HUMPHRIES
v. RYAN KEITH HUMPHRIES
NO. 194590-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, RYAN KEITH HUMPHRIES, 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 RYAN KEITH HUMPHRIES.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Gail F. Wortley, an Attorney whose address is, 3715 Powers Street, Knoxville, TN 37917, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael W. Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 29th day of September, 2017.

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Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: GEORGE KUSHIGBOR

IN RE: KHADEJA AL-KHELAIFI
v. GEORGE KUSHIGBOR
NO. 194303-1
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR
KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant GEORGE KUSHIGBOR, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon GEORGE KUSHIGBOR, it is ordered that said defendant, GEORGE KUSHIGBOR, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Danny Garland, an Attorney whose address is, 103 Suburban Rd. Suite 201B Knoxville, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 9th day of October, 2017.

Clerk and Master

Reserve your legal or public notice by emailing legals@knoxfocus.com or calling (865) 686-9970.

When dogs growl

By Howard Baker, RN BSN

Dog bites are serious incidents causing trauma both physically and emotionally to everyone involved. National Dog Bite Prevention Week takes place annually the second full week in April. This article focuses on the emotional implications of the dog after a dog bites. As the old cliché says "don't kill the messenger" often we are more apt to kill the growl of the dog which is the dogs way of saying I am reaching my limit or I am uncomfortable. We want to stop the dog from growling which in turn is silencing the early warning signs of trouble ahead.

Generally we don't like for our dogs to growl most of us view growling as a sign of undesirable aggression. In reality our pet may be offering an early warning sign that they are enduring too much emotional or physical stress.

Our reaction to a growling dog is to shut it down usually with a correction—which shuts off the early warning from the dog. Correcting a growling dog is actually like turning off a smoke detector when the battery is low instead of replacing the battery. The growl just like the beep of a low battery signals us of possible disaster.

When your dog growls their stress or comfort level has become significant enough to ask for a break—heed the warning! Correcting the dog silences the early warning and creates a powder keg and could blow in the future. A better option is to be more in tuned to your pet observe for reasons the dog might be growling, is it because they are stressed and can we remove the stressor or can we be reassuring. Often taking a break from the stressor is enough for the dog to refocus and calm down. The re-directing of our pet also teaches us more about what they can tolerate and situations that challenge their physical and emotional well-being.

Holidays are always stressful on us individually and as a family. We all experience stress on one level or another and our pets are no different. When family and friends gather it is like the circus is coming to town and our feelings are often mirrored and magnified through our pets. Listen and watch for those early signs of low tolerance from Fido and make arrangements to lower their stress. Sometimes a snap or bite is the only way a dog knows how to express their frustrations.

The key to holiday party success is prior preparation for your trusted pet. Giving Fido his own space to escape and relax is one of my favorite plans. I allow Hobo the Wonder Dog to meet and greet guest but always retire him to his quite space early. This makes his world less stressful as he rests quietly knowing who is in the house enjoying his treats and safe zone. For me, I relax knowing he is comfortable, safe, and not indulging in off limit foods offered by well intended guest.

When your dog growls listen, watch, and reassure. The growl might be the only warning you get before the snap.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ESTATE OF SUSAN HEISER LARY, LEANDREA "SISSY" OSENTOSKI AND TIMOTHY "CHIP" LARY

IN RE: RUTH HEISER v. ESTATE OF SUSAN HEISER LARY NO. 194539-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendants, ESTATE OF SUSAN HEISER LARY, LEANDREA "SISSY" OSENTOSKI AND TIMOTHY "CHIP" LARY is a non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ESTATE OF SUSAN HEISER LARY, LEANDREA "SISSY" OSENTOSKI AND TIMOTHY "CHIP" LARY it is ordered that said defendants file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Randall Crossing, an Attorney whose address is 1803 Russell Ave Jefferson City, TN 37760, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 5th day of October, 2017

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Clerk and Master

9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16

PETITION FOR ANNULMENT

DOCKET NO: 139789
IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE
PETITION FOR ANNULMENT
THOMAS WILLIAM WARREN, PLAINTIFF
VS
WANDA FAYA PHILLIPS, DEFENDANT

IN THIS CAUSE, IT APPEARING FROM THE ORIGINAL FILE AND THE PETITION FOR ANNULMENT HERETOFORE FILED BY THE PLAINTIFF, THOMAS WILLIAM WARREN, THAT THE DEFENDANT, WANDA FAYA PHILLIPS, FILE HER ANSWER WITH THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND A COPY TO THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY, R. BRANDON WHITE, WHOSE ADDRESS IS 216 PHOENIX COURTY, SUITE D, SEYMOUR, TENNESSEE 37865, WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE LAST DATE OF PUBLICATION, EXCLUSIVE OF THE DAY OF PUBLICATION , OR A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AND THE CAUSE SET FOR HEARING EX PARTE AS TO HER. FURTHER FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE MATTER, IT IS TO BE HEARD ON JANUARY 12TH, 2018 AT 9:00 AM. OR AS SOON AS THIS CAUSE CAN BE HEARD IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURTROOM, KNOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE. FURTHER, THAT FAILURE TO ANSWER BEFORE OR APPEAR ON THAT DATE WILL RESULT IN THE JUDGEMENT BEING TAKEN AGAINST HER AND ENTRY OF A FINAL ORDER. THIS NOTICE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE KNOXVILLE FOCUS, IN KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, FOR FOUR (4) SUCCESSIVE WEEKS.

THIS THE 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2017

KNOX COUNTY FOURTH
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

MIKE HAMMOND, CLERK
KATHY LEWIS, DEPUTY CLERK

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: JAMES E. HOUSTON, EMERALD HILLS INC C/O JAMES HOUSTON AND BLH ENTERPRISES INC F/K/A BLH ENTERPRISES LLC C/O JAMES E. HOUSTON
IN RE: HOMETRUST BANK v. JAMES E. HOUSTON
NO. 194012-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants JAMES E. HOUSTON, EMERALD HILLS INC C/O JAMES HOUSTON AND BLH ENTERPRISES INC F/K/A BLH ENTERPRISES LLC C/O JAMES E. HOUSTON, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon JAMES E. HOUSTON, EMERALD HILLS INC C/O JAMES HOUSTON AND BLH ENTERPRISES INC F/K/A BLH ENTERPRISES LLC C/O JAMES E. HOUSTON, it is ordered that said defendants, JAMES E. HOUSTON, EMERALD HILLS INC C/O JAMES HOUSTON AND BLH ENTERPRISES INC F/K/A BLH ENTERPRISES LLC C/O JAMES E. HOUSTON, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with James David Nave, an Attorney whose address is, 11 N. Market St. P.O. Box 7376 Asheville, NC 28802, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 5th day of October, 2017.

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Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: DAYTON DOWNS;
IN RE: AMRI DATISHA WILLIS
NO. 194655-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant DAYTON DOWNS 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 DAYTON DOWNS it is ordered that said defendant DAYTON DOWNS file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Theodore Kern, an Attorneys whose address is, 800 S. Gay Street, Suite 1600, Knoxville, TN 37929 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. Pridemore, 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 17th day of October, 2017.

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Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA LYNN GENTRY,
IN RE: U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A.
v. FRED FOSTER, JR.
NO. 194368-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA LYNN GENTRY, 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 ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA LYNN GENTRY.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Nicholas H. Adler, an Attorney whose address is, 6 Cadillac Drive, Suite 140, Brentwood, TN 37027, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael W. Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 19th day of October, 2017.

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Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE CHANCERY DIVISION AT CLINTON, TENNESSEE

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Robert Letanosky
Whereabouts Unknown
Last Known Address:
7223 Oak Field Lane
Powell, TN 37849

Lisa Letanosky
Petitioner
VS

Robert Letanosky
Defendant

NO. 17CH9119

It appearing from the pleadings filed in this cause that, Robert Letanosky, whereabouts is unknown. In compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. 21-1-204 and the Order of Publication of this court entered October 11, 2017, service of process will be made by publication.

HE IS THEREFORE, HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR, ON OR BEFORE: 30 days from the last date of publication next, before the Clerk and Master of Chancery Court, located at 100 N. Main Street, Suite 308, Clinton, Tennessee and make defense to the complaint filed against him in said court by Lisa Letanosky, Petitioner or otherwise said complaint will be taken for confessed, and a Judgment by Default entered. Defendant is required to file responsive pleading with the court and Plaintiff's Attorney, Henry D. Forrester, III, 711 S. Charles G. Seivers Blvd, Clinton, TN 37717. It is further ordered that this Notice be published in the Knoxville Focus for four consecutive weeks.

This 13th day of October, 2017

Harold P. Cousins Jr.
CLERK AND MASTER
BY: Sandy Sherwood
Chief Deputy Clerk

Attorney Requesting: Henry
Daniel Forrester, III

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of JAMES BARNES
Docket Number 79384-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 29th Day of September, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES BARNES who died AUGUST 12TH, 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 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER

Estate of JAMES BARNES
JUANITA J. BARNES; ADMINISTRATRIX
8445 REALITY LANE,
CORRYTON, TN 37721

SCOTT B. HAHN
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
5344 N. BROADWAY, STE 101
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of EDNA INEZ CAPPS
Docket Number 79488-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EDNA INEZ CAPPS who died JUNE 30TH, 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 SEPTEMBER

Estate of EDNA INEZ CAPPS
TERESA SMITH; ADMINISTRATRIX
7209 TEXAS VALLEY RD.,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

STEPHEN K. GARRETT ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
7838 BARKER RD., CORRYTON, TN 37721

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of
TIMOTHY BEELER
Docket Number 79479-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3RD DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of TIMOTHY BEELER who died OCTOBER 18, 2016, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

This the 3RD DAY OF OCTOBER

Estate of TIMOTHY BEELER
JAMES AUSTIN BEELER
4730 SPECTER WAY, KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of DENNIS RICHARD CASE
Docket Number 79171-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DENNIS RICHARD CASE who died JUNE 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 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER

Estate of DENNIS RICHARD CASE
DAVID B. HAMILTON; ADMINISTRATOR
1810 MERCHANT DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912
DAVID B. HAMILTON; ATTORNEY AT LAW
1810 MERCHANT DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of MARY A. DRUM
Docket Number 78935-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY A. DRUM who died FEBRUARY 7TH, 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 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER

Estate of MARY A. DRUM
WENDY DRUM COUNTISS; ADMINISTRATRIX
8600 OLDE COLONY TRAIL,
#111, KNOXVILLE TN 37923

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of JEAN PINKSTON
Docket Number 79474-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JEAN PINKSTON who died SEPTEMBER 7TH, 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 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER

Estate of JEAN PINKSTON
KATHY THOMAS; CO-EXECUTRIX
9207 WELCH RD.,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

BETTY DEVAULT; CO-EXECUTRIX
7213 W. CHERMONT CIRCLE,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

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

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of JOYCE G. SMITH
Docket Number 79385-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOYCE G. SMITH who died SEPTEMBER 5TH, 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 28TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2017.

DOUGLAS KELLER; CO-ADMINISTRATOR
5919 HOLSTON HILLS RD.,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914
JACOB P. HAWLEY, JR.;
CO-ADMINISTRATOR
4227 TOWANDA TRAIL,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

WILLIAM W. PETTY ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
705 GATE LANE, STE. 202,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN W. MOORE
DOCKET NUMBER 79504-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10TH day of OCTOBER 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of

JOHN W. MOORE

who died Sep 14, 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 IOTH day of OCTOBER, 2017.

ESTATE OF JOHN W. MOORE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BARRY D. MOORE; ADMINISTRATOR
6054 WARREN PARK LANE,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

ROGER HYMAN ATTORNEY-AT-LAW P.O. BOX 26072,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912-9672

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of THOMAS CROCKETT, JR.
Docket Number 79497-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 9TH DAY OF OCTOBER, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS CROCKETT, JR. who died JULY 23, 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 9TH DAY OF OCTOBER

Estate of THOMAS CROCKETT, JR.
PATRICIA R. CROCKETT; EXECUTRIX
1012 CORNING RD. KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

PUBLISH: 10/16 & 10/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF AARON MEANS, SR.
DOCKET NUMBER 79409-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 28TH day of SEPTEMBER 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of AARON MEANS, SR.

who died Jul 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.

(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 28TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2017.

AARON Z. MEANS, SR.; ADMINISTRATOR
6011 TEANECK PLACE,
CHARLOTTE, NC 28215
BARBARA W. CLARK
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
2415 E. MAGNOLIA AVE.,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PAULA BROOKS HAWLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 79444-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 28TH day of SEPTEMBER 2017, letters administration in respect of the Estate of

PAULA BROOKS HAWLEY

who died Aug 23, 2015, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

(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 28TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2017.

DOUGLAS KELLER; CO-ADMINISTRATOR
5919 HOLSTON HILLS RD.,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

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

Bid 2612, Cargo Van, due 11/28/17;

Bid 2613, Heavy Equipment Trailer, due 11/29/17;

Bid 2615, Inskip Elementary Additions and Renovations, due 12/12/17;

Bid 2616, Library Security Systems Monitoring, due 11/27/17

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

The following described vehicles impounded/repaired/towed will be sold at public and/or private auction in compliance with the Tennessee Public Acts 1967, Chapter 240, house Bill 379. The sale will be held at Jim's Garage & Wrecker Service Vehicle Impoundment Lot located at 5906 Waldon Street, Knoxville, TN 37919.

These vehicles have been checked through the files of the Commissioner of Revenue, Title Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Revenue, State of Tennessee. In appropriate cases, the vehicles have been checked in other states, and the owners and/or lienholders have been notified by certified mail. In those instances where no vehicle identification/serial number or license number was available, this Public Notice in the newspaper will comply with the law.

The failure of the owner/lienholder to exercise their rights to reclaim any vehicle listed below not bearing a VIN/serial number shall be deemed a waiver of all rights and title and authorization to sell said vehicle.

06 NISSAN ALTIMA 1N4AL11D56N397449
05 CHEVY T- BLAZER 1GNDT13S352309265
99 CHRYSLER VAN 1C4GP54G0XB562462
94 FORD PU 1FTHF26H3RLA81761
03 NISSAN XTERRA 5N1ED28Y83C660141
05 DODGE ? 1B3EL46X85N588931
7) 92 OLDS CUTLASS 1G3AL54N0N6371372
94 JEEP 1J4FJ27S3RL111738
09 HONDA CRV JHLRE38579C009741
05 CHEVY IMPALA 2G1WF52E859218286

OUR VETERANS NEXT DOOR

Two Soldiers Made Her Grandmother Cry

By Randall Baxter

So one day five or six years ago, I was at work, minding my own business and the phone rang.

"Mr. Baxter," said the female voice on the phone. "I have been listening to your radio show, and I have a story I want to tell.

"I want to tell you about my uncle. I was three years old and I remember two soldiers knocked at my Grandmother's door. She let them in and before they had left my grandmother was crying.

"All I know is my uncle was just a boy out of high school. He did not want to be a poor, Kentucky /Tennessee farmer like his parents. He did not have the resources or desire to attend a university, or any nearby college like Lincoln Memorial. So he joined the military in 1950. And now these two soldiers were making my Grandmother cry. I never knew what happened to him. Only that he died in Korea. Can you find out what happened to him for me?"

I had never received such a challenge, and I was intrigued enough to see what I could find out.

I got his Discharge papers and his service history. I researched his Division and his units and this is all I could find out.

His Division was retreating down a mountain road with Chinese soldiers hot on the trail. There were also Chinese soldiers in front of them with machine gun nests positioned around curves in the road. The US trucks were hauling soldiers. When a truck came around a curve, the Chinese would rake the truck with gun fire. Many of the drivers were just kids themselves, and many panicked and stopped their trucks, exposing the soldiers in the back to the raking fire. The soldiers in the back of the trucks would leap out and dive for cover. The Chinese would stop firing and many of the drivers would skedaddle on down the road, leaving their helpless cargo. Hundreds were captured, and marched in the freezing air, north to the Yalu River. No real food, and only the clothes on their backs. Upon arrival to the POW camp they were divided into groups and placed into huts. Fed only sorghum and suet for weeks.

A large number of American and Allied POWs died in captivity. The North Koreans and Red Chinese did not feed or care for our soldiers. Many starved or died from dysentery and pneumonia. A surviving POW said he knew our Kentucky soldier. He had been one of the soldiers who died near the border by the Yalu River from that same starvation and/or disease and the freezing weather. Chairman Mao and the grandfather of the current leader in North Korea were in charge of this disaster. To this day, the USA is not allowed to go to the camps and recover the bodies of our soldiers who died there. Our soldier is buried there with his dog tags in his mouth, waiting to come home to his little border town on the Tn/Ky line.

Maybe it was best that those two soldiers reported him missing in action. Maybe it was best his Mother did not know of his plight. Now you know.

You can now go to my website and register to hear some of my shows. All you have to do is sign in and listen. Visit www.theveterannextdoor.com and click on "shows."

Central announces Wall of Fame

Central High School will honor four outstanding alumni at the "Wall of Fame" Dinner to be held on Thursday November 9 at 6 p.m. at Gresham Middle School Cafeteria ("Old Central") 500 Gresham Road. Tickets are $25.00 per person and may be purchased in person at the Central High School office, or by contacting Larry Smith at 922-5433 or Courtney Shea at courtshea@aol.com.

This year's honorees are:

- Conrad Majors, class of 1954,
- Dr. Bob Collier, class of 1957,

philanthropist, and environmental writer;

- Rev. Bill Nickle, class of 1957
- Hazel Ogg Costa, class of 1912

Proceeds will benefit Central High School.

CLASSIFIEDS

SEASONAL FESTIVALS

VENDORS NEEDED
HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
6014 Babelay Road
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
November 3rd & 4th
9AM – 3PM
$25. Table provided
For reservations or information, call 865-216-2974

FALL CRAFT SHOW
Sat., Nov. 4th 9am-2pm
Callahan Rd. Baptist Church
2017 Callahan Rd.
Crafts, Collectibles, & MORE - Lunch, too!
For more info, contact David
865-687-7763

FOR SALE BY OWNER

16 SPEED FLOOR MOUNTED DRILL PRESS $75. SET OF GOLF IRONS $50. 5 INCH BENCH VICE $25. 687-0744.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE SEASONED MIXED HARDWOODS. $70 PER RICK, DELIVERED. 865-773-7750

Wood on Wheels
Free delivery up to first 10 miles
Hickory-$70/rick
Oak-$60/rick
Russell 865-258-2182
Mark 865-556-5245

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