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The Pink Ribbon Celebration Committee enjoys a moment at the photo booth. Pictured left to right: Janine Mingie, Tammy Pickles, Nic Mingie, Ramona Watson, Ann Marie Hatfield and Deborah Mauldin.

Right, Emily Ann Roberts, rising country star and graduate of Karns High School, performs during the Pink Ribbon Celebration Thursday evening. The breast cancer event highlighted cancer survivors and one person present was celebrating more than 45 years as a survivor.

Pink Ribbon Celebration has huge turnout

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B97.5's Michele Silva welcomed the full house and introduced

attended. "We had 63 tables and some-

struggle. Other speakers includ-

ership at tonight's meeting. Dr. James McIntyre, former superintendent of the Knox County School system, heads the Leadership Academy. After his resignation following a controversial tenure as superintendent, McIntyre chose to head the Leadership Academy. Before leaving the superintendent's office, McIntyre ran the academy on a part-time basis.

McMillan was McIntyre's most persistent critic during much of McIntyre's time in office. McMillan contacted Richard "Bud" Armstrong, Knox County Law Director, in preparation of the discussion of the Leadership Academy, posing several questions. After asking one of the top administrators for a copy of the agreement between the Leadership Academy and the Knox County School system, McMillan said he was surprised to learn "apparently nobody could find a copy of the supposed agreement." McMillan then asked Law Director Bud Armstrong about the agreement. Armstrong went back. "I cannot