

Veterans Heritage Ridge Run is Saturday

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The Veterans Heritage Site Foundation and the Vietnam Veterans of American Captain Bill Robinson Chapter 1078 will team up Saturday to sponsor the 2nd Annual Veterans Heritage Ridge Run.

The 5K Trail Run and Family Trail Walk kicks off

at 9 a.m. and begins at the Lincoln Park Technology Trade School at 535 Chickamauga Avenue. Admission as a runner is \$30 for the 5K run and \$25 for the Fun Run which starts right after the 5K begins.

Proceeds will go to the foundation's efforts to continue construction of trailhead markers, place

new benches and keep up Sharps Ridge Veterans Memorial Park.

Parking for the run is at Lincoln Park Baptist Church at 830 Chickamauga Avenue and a shuttle service is being provided between the church and the start area. There are 240 slots in the 5K Run.

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Whether running for fun or for competition, the Sharps Ridge trails are exciting, healthful and fun. Maintained by the Veterans Heritage Site Foundation, improvements to the trail will be funded by Saturday's 2nd Annual Veterans Heritage Ridge Run.

Free Tennessee Smokies tickets to reward good behavior

County's Parks & Rec starts new program

By Steve Williams

Mike Donila had a big handful of tickets to Tennessee Smokies baseball games Thursday he was looking to give away.

Yes, there is a catch. After all, it is baseball. But earning the free ticket still can be as easy as walking to first base.

Next time you're at one of Knox County's many parks and you're spotted doing a good deed – like properly depositing a beverage can instead of throwing it on the ground – you may be rewarded with one of Donila's ducats.

A bicyclist riding through the park wearing a protective helmet could be presented a Smokies ticket too just for displaying good safety.

There's going to be many county representatives looking to give away these tickets.

Knox County Mayor Tim



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

A young woman is one of the first to receive some free Smokies baseball tickets from Mike Donila, Knox County Parks Community Relations Manager, Thursday at Admiral Farragut Park.

Burchett, the Knox County Parks & Recreation Department and the Tennessee Smokies baseball organization are teaming up to reward good behavior and recognize park visitors and users who have gone out of their way to help

the county.

The new program was announced Thursday, May 10, at Admiral Farragut Park off South Northshore Drive.

Craig Jenkins, CEO of The Jenkins Agency, said Donila, Knox

County Parks Community Relations Manager, was "the driving force behind this."

Jenkins referred to the Smokies tickets as "park perks" – a reward that "recognizes visitors

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Ethics Committee may get new rules

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The meeting of the Knox County Ethics Committee Wednesday morning produced a discussion about a possible change of rules. The discussion, mostly between Chairman Jonathan Cooper and Deputy Law Director David Buuck, concerned an ethics violation complaint against Brad Anders.

Anders, a county commissioner and then-candidate for Knox County mayor, has a complaint against him filed by Bruce Williams. In the complaint, Williams charged that Anders accepted several golf matches as part of a Rural/Metro team, received gift bags, and then voted to extend that ambulance service's contract with the county.

Buuck pointed out that the golf participation charges go back several years. This point led to a discussion of changing the complaint requirements. The law department will be looking into

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Karns Middle Students Headed to National Competition in Atlanta

By Ken Lay

Social Clubs are part of the scholastic experience for many middle and high school students. But one club requires extra work outside of the classroom at Karns Middle School.

The school's Technology Student Association competed in the State Conference in Chattanooga recently.

The Karns students competed in 20 Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) events and placed in all 20 categories.

The competitions ranged from public speaking to video game and website design. The club meets twice weekly after school.

"It requires hard work and dedication," KMS STEM teacher and TSA advisor Jeff Smithers said. "They worked hard and took first, second or third place in 19 events."

Smithers has been at the school for three years but school's TSA dates back to 2003.

Karns Middle's showing at the state conference qualified it for the National Competition in Atlanta from June 22-26 and Smithers noted that the TSA will continue to meet throughout the summer.

The Karns Middle TSA has set up a Go Fund Me Account to help offset the expenses for the upcoming trip to Georgia.



The Karns Middle School Technology Students Association recently placed in 20 events at the State's TSA Conference. Karns will compete at the national level in Atlanta in June. Photo submitted.

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Burchett proposes splitting Project Grad, magnet school funding

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Including schools and public safety, Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett has proposed \$819,052,457 for the 2018-2019 budget which grants a 3% raise for county employees and sheriff's deputies.

For the 8th year in a row, Burchett is refusing a tax increase. The surprise in the proposed is the offer to split \$1.3 million to fund a one-year continuation and evaluation of Project Grad, the magnet school program, and the TAG program for gifted students. Burchett said that Commission Chairman Randy Smith presented the funding idea to him recently.

While not part of the budget proposal Burchett said it will be done through designations at the end of the current fiscal year and will give both the county and school staff members an opportunity to "draft a defined service contract" that would include accountability standards in order to "properly evaluate these programs and help the Board of Education determine their future."

"Let me be very clear, this is a one-time shot. Community members from across Knox County, and not just East Knoxville and the inner city, have made it apparent that these programs are important to them. If ending them truly is the right thing to do then more than a month's conversation is needed and this program will allow them to continue for another year and will also be providing accountability and transparency of a public conversation and agreed upon evaluation metrics," he said.

He praised Stephanie Welch of the Greater Schools Partnership for that organization's work to save Project Grad.

Burchett noted that bringing the school employees into the county's workers compensation coverage saved the school system \$500,000.

Within the budget request is \$189.7 million in the General Fund budget that includes public safety, a separate \$87.7 million to Public Safety, \$5.3 million to complete the Schaad Road Project, and \$7.6 million to Engineering and Public Works and the purchase of new sheriff vehicles, body cameras and Tasers.

He's asking for \$4 million in hotel/motel taxes for tourism, cultural attractions and arts and culture.

"We are also providing 46 new vehicles for the Sheriff's Office." Pay raises for deputies and county employees will also include the standard step increases. Burchett is also asking for more deputies at Knox County Schools.

Burchett is wanting to hire Cyber Security Engineers for the county's IT Department: "We have to continue working to stay ahead of hackers and crooks."

The budget proposal includes \$6 million for new street paving, enough to pave some 50 miles of roads.

He also includes funds to hire three full-time employees dedicated entirely to litter cleanup and wants \$5 million to go to Zoo Knoxville over five years to help fund the phase two improvements there.

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What does a city judge do?



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If you get involved in a legal proceeding your case will be set to be heard by some type of judge. Your case could be before a small claims (general sessions) judge, a circuit judge, a chancellor, a criminal judge, a federal judge, an appellate judge, a special master, or it could be before a city judge.

The official name for a city judge is a "municipal judge," pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Chapter 18.

So let's discuss what kind of cases a city judge normally hears, and you

may be able to guess based on your personal experiences. City judges will normally hear lower level offenses involving the operation of vehicles, such as speeding and no insurance. They also have jurisdiction to hear cases that involve underage consumption of alcohol.

Being a city judge is not a full-time job. Even in cities with more than 100,000 people in them, a city judge only makes \$2,000.00 per month unless the city decides to voluntarily pay them more money. In a town with

less than 25,000 people, the city judge only makes \$500.00 a month, and often times it can be less than that. Why would a city judge get paid less than that? Frankly, because some small towns do not have enough tax income to pay a city judge.

So, for that little amount of money, how do towns find individuals to be their city judges? Well, telling people that you are a "judge," can be seen as a prestigious thing, even if it is for Smallville, TN. I should mention that city judges are almost always attorneys because they are required to have a law license.

Let's talk about how much these city judges

have to work. In bigger cities, city judges might have to put in a couple of hours a day to hear cases while in small towns the city judge may only have court once a month for three hours. There just aren't that many cases to be heard in small towns.

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County Finance Committee hears School Budget

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With Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett's budget proposals now public and headed to the county commission for consideration, the superintendent's budget has cleared its first hurdle as well in a Finance Committee review earlier this month.

Meeting recently in the small assembly room with Superintendent Bob Thomas and his staff the Finance Committee members had several questions about the proposal, which was approved by the board of education prior to the presentation.



School Superintendent Bob Thomas (center) and his staff discuss their proposed budget with the County Commission's Finance Committee.

The \$484.5 million budget included some cutbacks on funding of Magnet Schools and Project Grad, which the superintendent had originally cut from the budget until he learned that the state's contribution to schools would be \$2 million more than expected.

A public outcry from teachers and parents apparently saw some money being put back into the budget, which was originally \$483 million. The proposed school system budget is \$13.4 million higher than last year with

Thomas calling for \$13.4 million for the two middle schools in Hardin Valley and Gibbs. Both schools have a promised opening date for the 2018-2019 school year.

Funding for the Project Grad programs at Austin-East and Fulton is proposed to be cut \$500,000. Funding for the magnet schools, currently at \$360,000 would be reduced to \$170,000.

Chairman John Schoonmaker asked the school administrators to describe any cost savings in the proposal and questioned a 271.5 percent increase in

salaries. The reply was 16 additional days for instruction in poorly performing schools and cultural diversity training of teachers.

Commissioner Hugh Nystrom asked why the school debt is down \$300,000 and Thomas said that "something may have fallen off or something was paid off."

The true cost of operating the two new middle schools, the extra cost of adding 19 new positions there and the cost of transporting students was asked by Commission Chairman Randy Smith. The answer was that

apparently included those subjects and administrators would be about \$4.69 million.


Schoonmaker told The Focus he was pleased to hear that Stephanie Welch, president of Greater School Partnership, has pledged \$500,000 to the Project Grad program. He also said that while nine schools have magnet programs only two are actually fully recognized as magnet schools.

Commissioner Carson Dailey thanked the superintendent for asking for \$50,000 for South-Doyle and said the student crossing at the streets there needs some attention. He also said the parking lots at South Knox County Schools are in poor shape.

The reply was that a parking lot survey was taken over last year and a priority list of repairs has been made with the worst locations being paved first.

Commissioner Brad Anders told the superintendent and his staff that he would do whatever he could do to help find additional funding.

"Literacy early is the key," Anders said.



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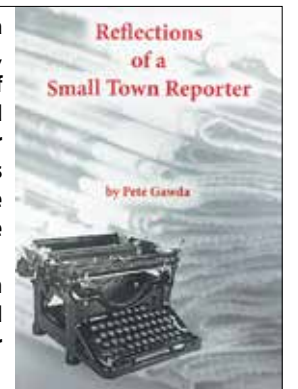
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Burchett's 'Switcheroo' On The MOU



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Mayor Tim Burchett has always liked the imagery of being the white knight arriving just in the nick of time to save the damsel in distress. It seems to be a scenario Burchett simply cannot resist. The latest episode of the intrepid Burchett's hurrying to the rescue comes at the detriment of five members of the Knox County Board of Education and Superintendent Bob Thomas. Burchett is offering a one-time "grant" of \$650,000 to be matched by the school system from

its reserve funds. Burchett's proposal would restore funding to Project Grad and magnet programs at Sarah Moore Greene and Green Elementary Schools. Burchett has also called for the board of education to develop a plan to evaluate and review the magnet and Project Grad programs. To better understand this situation, one has to go back to the reign of Superintendent Jim McIntyre and his continual overspending of the school budget. During the last two years of his administration, McIntyre overspent by as much as \$30 million. Desperate for money, McIntyre was forced to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Burchett and the county commission for the school system to live within its means. Always opposed to increasing taxes, Burchett accomplished a significant achievement in reigning in McIntyre's financial excesses. Superintendent Bob Thomas, faced with a \$3.5

million shortfall this year, kept faith in recommending cuts to both Project Grad and the magnet school programs. Faced with the fact 89% of those students attending magnet schools read "below proficiency" Thomas concluded the programs were not working and need to be reconstituted. Thomas was keeping faith with the new reality the school system faced with the implementation of the MOU and Burchett's insistence the schools live within their means. None of the members of the board of education relished the idea of cutting much of anything, but five eventually agreed they had to pass a budget. Most believed it would be fruitless to attempt to appeal to Burchett and the county commission for additional funding. Apparently, those board members like Gloria Deathridge were right about approaching the mayor and county commission for more money when faced

with a shortfall. Burchett's explanation for the grant rings hollow. The Superintendent and a majority of the board have already evaluated both Project Grad and the magnet program and found them wanting at the least. Certainly, the superintendent and board felt these programs needed an overhaul to work better for all concerned. Burchett was also careful to give the "credit" for the grant to county commission Chair Randy Smith, a candidate for reelection this year and a Burchett employee. The mayor never explained just why he would dole out \$650,000 in taxpayer money at the behest of one member of the 11-member county commission. Nor will Tim Burchett be mayor a year from now when the county mayor's office will supposedly review the new evaluation process to see if Project Grad and the magnet school programs deserve continued funding. Most

of Burchett's staff will likely be scattered all across the globe by this time next year. The odds-on-favorite to succeed Burchett is Glenn Jacobs. Jacobs appears to be the genuine article, an articulate conservative who means what he says. Unlike Burchett, Glenn Jacobs has had a successful career in both business and entertainment. Burchett is too cunning a politician not to realize all he has done by offering the one-time money is to kick the can down the road, leaving it all in the lap of the next mayor. Contrary to the notion the public conversation needs to be extended, the process of arriving at cuts was painful for both Superintendent Bob Thomas and the board, yet a majority upheld the principle of living within their means and supported the MOU proposed by none other than Tim Burchett. Burchett's entire proposal accomplishes little except for extending the life of two programs for another year

and giving the appearance of having done something. In reality, it is the soup made from the shadow of a crow that starved to death. Burchett, a career-politician, has flourished by appearing to be precisely what he isn't; with his latest political sleight of hand, Burchett has served notice he remains anything but a statesman and certainly not a man of the people. It was a cruel thing to break faith with those who had kept their word and faith with him and the county commission. I will hazard one prediction: the school system will be in worse trouble next year and come this time next year, the most popular public figure in this county won't be Tim Burchett, but Glenn Jacobs. Oh, and one more thing. There's an old saying in politics: "when you try to be all things to all people you wind up being nothing to nobody."

Ethics Committee may get new rules

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the rules and possibly put a one or two-year deadline on valid complaints. Buuck told the committee that the complaints against Anders and former sheriff candidate Deputy Lee Tramel must be heard under the current rules. He described both complaints as "political" and said the investigation against Anders is almost complete and might be reported back to the committee as soon as their June 13th meeting. According to Buuck, the complaint against Tramel involves charges that the candidate violated the state and federal Hatch Act. The federal act prohibits candidates from using property supported in part by federal funds to the sheriff's department for their campaigns. He said that investigation is underway but hindered by deaths and health problems limiting the office's investigator. He also said that the complainant, Don Wiser, hasn't been responding to correspondence from the law department. When asked by The Focus if either complaint could be dropped by the people making the charge Buuck said he hopes that will happen. He said that if Wiser doesn't respond he'll report that to the committee. Wiser told The Focus Wednesday that he intends to respond and had spoken to law director Richard (Bud) Armstrong. "Tramel broke the law," Wiser said. He said he was going to "call the Law Department right now" and indicated that he plans to continue the complaint. Chairman Cooper said the ethics rules as written don't "contemplate



Deputy Law Director David Buuck and Ethics Committee Chairman Jonathan Cooper discuss possibly changing the rules and setting a one or two year deadline on complaints.

what we've seen happen." "If you follow the letter of the rule you have to go forward," Cooper said of a hearing. "You are going to get them to vote on," Buuck told the committee members, describing such political complaints as "hot potatoes" and complaints that air in the daily newspaper before being filed with the law department are "red flags." Cooper said the current ethics rules were written long before the committee heard a complaint. "I have a number of suggestions," Cooper said on changing the rules. He said he'd work with the Law department

with his and committee ideas. Commissioner John Schoonmaker, a non-voting ethics member, said he would get the changes on the county commission's next agenda if possible and have it in the books by September 1st. Ethics rules were changed once before in dealing with a complaint against an animal control officer and Horse Haven. The complaints now go directly to the law department which investigates and makes a report to the Ethics Committee. Any complaint being considered during a trial on the same charges cannot be heard until after the trial.

Veterans

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Information is available from Chris Albrecht, public information officer of the Vietnam Veterans Chapter, by calling (865) 966-4096 or emailing cm601albrecht@charter.net. The park was created in 1953 and in 2015 the foundation adopted the park and began a continuing cleanup project, getting "Veterans" added to the official name. The non-profit organization is open to anyone of any age to join; you don't have to be a veteran. There's a wide variety of projects and tasks that require all type of skills. Among the projects are landscaping and cleanup, construction, painting and equipment operation, artistic and craft projects, public affairs and media communications, web design and social media, administration/accounting and marketing/fundraising. For those interested in visiting Sharps Ridge Veterans Memorial Park after the Ridge Run, the entrance is just off Broadway just south of I-640. The park is 1,391 feet above sea level or 200 to 300 feet above the valley floor. That part of Sharps Ridge is between First and Second Creek and the view from the look off deck gives a great look at downtown Knoxville and the Smoky Mountains. The ridge has long been known as an "antenna farm" because television, radio, cellular and microwave antennas are clustered together atop the peak.

Free Tennessee Smokies tickets

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who use parks in a respectful and positive way." Jenkins worked with Donila in putting the program together. Chris Allen, President of the Tennessee Smokies, was all in. "It didn't take me long to say 'yes,'" said Allen. "When it comes to community involvement, we like to be part of it any way we can. We appreciate being invited to be a part of this." There are many other ways a person could be rewarded with a Smokies ticket. Assisting an elderly person down bleacher steps is often needed. Protecting an unaware person from a rapidly approaching foul ball could prevent an injury. Donila said he also plans to equip some of the

county's baseball and softball umpires with Smokies tickets to pass out for great plays on the field or good sportsmanship during or after a game. "Umpires are much underappreciated," said Donila, noting this could be a good way for umpires to improve their popularity. The tickets also will go to folks who participate in the department's Adopt-A-Park program, which encourages sponsors to spend a few hours a month helping to keep the parks clean. At last week's announcement, Mayor Burchett and Allen presented a baseball goodie bag to the Painter Family. Jeremy Painter, his wife, Caitlin, and their children - Milena and Cameron - adopted the Admiral Farragut Park last fall. "I have a lot of

appreciation for our volunteers because they give so much to the community," Mayor Burchett said. "The Painter family has done a tremendous job, helping our great staff keep this park in tip top shape." Added Allen: "We are excited to partner with Knox County to be able to show support to all of the wonderful people who take time out of their lives to make a difference in our community. The Knoxville citizens who take the time to help the community keep the local parks clean are huge difference makers, and we are excited to be able to support them with this partnership." Knox County Commissioner John Schoonmaker and state Rep. Jason Zachary also were in attendance. Admiral Farragut Park is in their district.

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Fouled up state testing leads to changes in evaluations

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The continuing problem with computerized state testing of students has lead the Knox County School Board to a decision to disregard some of the information normally used to evaluate the superintendent's performance. It also played in a decision to change the way final tests for high school students are calculated.

The board of education discussed both issues during their regular meeting at the City-County Building Wednesday evening.

Students in high school are required to take the state End of Course tests near the end of each year. The glitches in the testing program supplied by the state are being considered in how those tests will be included in the students' final grade.

BOE member Amber Rountree suggested that if students do well on the final test it should count as 15% of their final grade. She said that the tests where students who do not do well should not be included in their final score. After some discussion and

comments by other BOE members the percentage of successful scores will be 5% and unsuccessful scores will not be counted in the final grade.

The upcoming evaluation of Superintendent Bob Thomas was discussed and BOE member Lynne Fugate mentioned several portions of the existing guidelines that should not be included since they compare job performance now with data from previous evaluations before Thomas took the job.

Rountree said she had some concern about the

reliability of the data since it was tied to TN Ready testing. Tony Norman said he preferred an evaluation based on narrative.

The board voted to not include the first part of the standard evaluation. Jennifer Owen said the second half of the existing evaluation form may be used because it is basic performance data.

The evaluation is done in June and Superintendent Thomas will submit a self-evaluation, much like Knox County teachers do, and each board member will submit their own evaluation

of him. The board would then vote on the final evaluation.

Approved were plans to move the Dr. Paul L. Kelley Volunteer Academy from East Towne Mall to Lincoln Park Technology and Trade Center. The Sam E. Hill Family Community Center was renamed the Sam E. Hill Primary School.

Project GRAD was authorized in a Memorandum of Agreement to operate through 2023 subject to an annual evaluation. The motion passed without debate and is a proposal from Knox County Mayor

Tim Burchett to split the funding of the program's cost with the schools.

Kerstin Sisco, a librarian at Bluegrass Elementary, told the board that there's too much curriculum in elementary schools.

"There's too much to teach and too much to learn," she said during public forum. She said students feel hurried and rushed, don't get a long enough recess, and brought several students who read a long list of required study for their classes.

Schools may get additional funding from the county

By Pete Gawda

Thanks to some good news received by the Knox County Board of Education at their May 7 work session, the financial situation of the school system may not be as bleak as it once was. The county could not come up with enough money to fund the entire school budget for next year proposed by Superintendent Bob Thomas. However, state officials were able to come up some additional unexpected money from state funds. With the extra state money the budget still fell short of the original proposed amount.

Chris Caldwell of the Knox County Finance Department, informed the board Monday that the county might have some surplus funds in this year's budget that could be applied to next year's school budget. Any surplus funds from the current county budget would take the school system

closer to its proposed goal. However any surplus funds from the county would be a one-time appropriation. Some financial officials are reluctant to use one time funds for recurring expenses such as salaries.

Tracy Van De Vate of the Knox County Office on Aging gave a presentation and answered questions concerning the office's Grandparents as Parents program which helps grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. The office provides educational opportunities and support to the 2800 grandparents in Knox County who are raising their grandchildren. The program is free and there are no income requirements. Primary services offered for grandparents include legal advice and helping to provide food.

The board heard presentations on various federal and state grants scheduled to be voted on at the May

9 regular meeting. The presentations included restrictions on how the various grants can be spent, the priorities in spending and, in some cases, exact amounts to be used for specific purposes.

There was some discussion on the proposed board policy on "Misbehaviors and Disciplinary Options."

This policy could be sent back to the policy review committee for further consideration. During the public forum time, two citizens spoke in favor of the proposed policy, saying that it is a good start and could later be improved upon.

There was also some discussion on the proposed policy "Integration of TCAP Scores in Student Grades." In light of the present confusion over statewide test scores, this policy could also be sent back to the policy review committee at Wednesday's regular meeting.



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At the May 7 work session of the Knox County Board of Education, Hannah Selph of Hardin Valley Academy was named the new student representative to the board. Pictured left to right are Terry Hill, board member; Kinley Koontx, outgoing student representative; Selph; Patti Lou Bounds, chair; and Bob Thomas, superintendent.

It is time for the board to evaluate Superintendent Thomas using the evaluation system which was approved in August of 2015. This is the first time this particular evaluation system has been used as Superintendent Jim McIntyre and Interim Superintendent Buzz

Thomas were not evaluated. Because of recent problems with statewide testing, it appears that some of the criteria for evaluation are not valid. Staff was instructed to determine which criteria are valid and report back to the May 9 regular meeting. At that time evaluation

criteria will be determined and each board member will fill out an evaluation on Thomas.

Hannah Selph of Hardin Valley Academy was named the student representative to the board.

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Pete Gawda joins ranks of Chaplain Corps

By Mike Steely
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Pete Gawda, a Knoxville Focus reporter and an ordained Baptist minister, became a police chaplain along with 15 others earlier this month during ordination ceremonies at the Callahan Road Baptist Church.

"I've always wanted to give back to people and when I saw they needed chaplains I decided to apply," Gawda explained.

"There are great people in the Chaplain Corps," he said.

The sixteen new chaplains were added to the Knoxville Police Department in the ceremonies. Rev. Pam Neal told The Focus that the total number of people in the city's Chaplain Corps is now at forty members.

"We are one of the largest chaplain corps in the country," she said, noting that other counties turn to the Chaplain Corp for information and training.

Neal said that the new chaplains come from Knox, Loudon, Anderson and Roane Counties and the Knox County School Resource Office. She said the Chaplain Corps includes various religious denominations and added, "We're looking for Jewish, Catholic, and Muslim members." The new members include two Universal Unitarian chaplains.

Each new chaplain goes through 60 hours in the training academy, must have at least five years of ministry or counseling



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Pete Gawda and his wife, Cheryl, join Knoxville Police Chief David Rausch following services as Gawda joined the Chaplain Corps. Sixteen new people became chaplains in the Thursday, May 3 ceremony.

experience, complete one 24-hour duty day per month, complete two 4-hour ride-alongs with a Knoxville police officer, attend monthly chaplain training meetings, and hold a Tennessee driver's license.

Training takes place over eight Saturdays before a new chaplain is ordained.

All the chaplains are volunteers and a chaplain works closely with an officer to assist them on rough calls such as death scenes and accidents, providing spiritual support to

officers and to the victims and families. They also counsel individual police officers.

"We're for them," Neal said of police officers. "They have stressful jobs. They know to call us for anything for comfort and offering services to the families at the scene frees up the officer to do their duty."

"We're a niche ministry," she said, adding, "There are great people in the Chaplains Corps."

Police Chief David Rausch spoke briefly and presented the certificates to each candidate.

"I'm so grateful for each and every one of them," Rausch said of the new chaplains. "They are a shining light to our officers and are an important and key unit to our department."

Sworn in during the ceremony were Gawda, April Ella, Mike Goodner, Douglas Grimm, Jerry Hillard, Howard Kirkland, Michael Koontz, Natalie LeVasseur, Patrick Murphy-Racey, Ester Roberts, Tyler Rutherford, Jeff Snyder, Bruce White and Harry Wiersema.

Community invited to Recode Knoxville open houses

A series of open houses for the Recode Knoxville zoning code update will be held May 16-19. Community members who would like to know more about the first draft of the code are invited to stop in, share comments and talk directly with the project team in an informal setting.

Displays will be set up to explain various components of the draft, and brief presentations are scheduled each day. For anyone unable to attend the open houses, there are two additional meetings that are open to the public.

The open houses and meetings are scheduled for different times and locations each day to provide several opportunities for interested community members to attend:

Recode Community Open House 1

Wednesday, May 16: 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (presentations @ 9 a.m. and noon)

Public Works Service Center, 3131 Morris Ave.

Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 16: 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Small Assembly Room, City County Building, 400 Main St.

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Bredesen tells Democrats to take a new direction

By Mike Steely
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Former Tennessee Governor Phil Bredesen won a second term by carrying all 96 of the state's counties. The popular former governor, now a candidate to replace retiring U.S. Senator Bob Corker, addressed the annual Truman Day Knox County Democratic Party Celebration recently and received a standing ovation from the packed house at The Foundry at World's Fair Park when City Councilman Andrew Roberto introduced him.

"Rather than looking to see what someone in Washington is saying what the party is about we need to be pushing back and saying 'No,'" Bredesen told his

fellow party members. The crowd was peppered with various local, state and national Democrats seeking election. Each of the candidates on the upcoming ballot had a chance to speak briefly after Bredesen's rousing address.

"The National part is not what people are expecting from our party. We need to start moving our party in a direction where it can be more competitive," he said, adding, "I'm not running against the party. The party has tracked off the direction. It must re-engage with the real needs and concerns of ordinary people."

To illustrate this, the candidate told the story of a cat food

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U.S. Senate Candidate Phil Bredesen chats with Knoxville's Sylvia Woods and other Democrats during the Truman Day annual Knox County Democratic Party's celebration. A packed house turned out to hear the former two-term Democratic Tennessee governor. Photo by Mike Steely.




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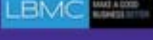





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Picture of a beautiful field of flowers, provided by Meteorologist Bryce Williams on a trip to the Oregon coast.

It's getting closer...

May is filled with special days connecting family and friends, such as Mother's Day, graduations, and Memorial Day. Father's Day will take us to the week in June that summer officially starts and traditional vacations begin. There are so many ways to celebrate that long-awaited season.

Summer brings thoughts of a cold glass of lemonade, a favorite ice cream cone, a picnic in the mountains, a neighborhood watermelon cutting, and outdoor movie nights.

Summer is a time for road trips across America to visit a national park, feel the ocean's waves, or admire a beautiful field of flowers. Summer is a time for Fourth of July parades and family cookouts.

Whether you celebrate



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summer with an extended vacation, a week-long trip, or one-day adventures--- be safe, have fun, and find joy in each day. In fact, you may enjoy the simple pleasures found in your own back yard. God's handiwork is all around us, especially in summer. Spending time in God's great outdoors can provide the perfect setting for quiet time to reflect on all the good things our Creator has given us to enjoy. The warmth of a summer breeze, the sound of birds singing, and the smells of honeysuckle vines and freshly mown hay are some of those special memories of summer. Enjoy all of your favorite sights and sounds this summer. Because once a day is done, we can never live it over again. Have a great summer!

By Mike Steely
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For several months Knox Rail Salvage has been working with the city trying to move their lumber yard and create a parking lot. Joel Piper, vice president of the downtown business, finally got the city council to approve, on a 7-2 vote, rezoning the lot on East Depot Avenue and North Central Street from C-3 Commercial to C-4 Commercial.

For that vote Piper pledged to follow the planning commission's recommendation about screening with evergreen trees and a fence around the proposed site of the outside lumber yard.

"We're changing our focus," Piper told the city council. The C-4 designation allows for outside storage and some of the council noted that the zoning goes with the land and not the proposed use, meaning that in the future someone could display

cars or other items there.

Piper promised landscaping and explained his plans to make the well-known salvage business more upscale. Piper said the C-4 zoning and the specifications placed by the planning commission was a compromise. MPC's Amy Brooks noted that the planned changes will face a Use On Review before going ahead.

Developer and neighbor to Knox Rail Salvage, David Dewhurst, spoke against the zoning change but noted, "I like these guys. They want a parking lot but don't realize the cost involved." He also said he doesn't think that outdoor storage is compatible with the downtown.

While Councilman Marshall Stair had some hesitation about the outdoor storage Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie said the improvements are going to add a benefit to downtown. She described the salvage company as "good stewards."

Rebutting a motion by Councilman Andrew Roberto, Councilman George Wallace said the council should trust MPC's landscaping plans and said that Piper has shown "great restraint and compromised" on the agreement.

The council also talked briefly about possible plans to relocate the police and fire departments to behind Historic Knoxville College. Councilwoman Seema Perez pointed out that the proposed \$40 million dollar move isn't in the current proposed budget.

Council Attorney Rob Frost said the funding might "stand alone" and will go through a public process. Finance Director Jim York confirmed that funding is not in the current budget.

The council voted to approve Mayor Rogero's budget proposal and pay increases to employees in

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They don't get it

I've always said that high school students have remained the same over the years. One of my classes proved me wrong the other day. We were studying humor, and I showed the old routine by Bill Cosby about being a parent. Yes, I know Cosby stands convicted of terrible crimes, but these students don't read or watch the news enough to know what's going on. The comedy that Cosby presented is still excellent, regardless of the type of person he's become. What is upsetting is that the world we've created has stifled many admirable qualities of too many



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children. Plenty of our children don't have much curiosity. Information bombards them all day long. The Internet and social media broadcast all sorts of materials, and young folks aren't always sophisticated enough to tell what is true. In the end, they begin taking what is dished out without ever wondering first about a topic and then investigating it.

At the same time, children are rarely excited about anything. We've given our offspring so much that not much is left to be called special. Christmas and birthday gifts don't surprise them. In many cases, our offerings pale in comparison the things we have given children on a daily basis.

A car isn't a special thing to a child unless it's a new model. How dare parents try to pass off used vehicles as a wonderful presents to teenagers. A vacation isn't such a big deal unless it includes swank settings and plush accommodations.

Today's young folks are too quickly offended. Our society sanitized everything in life. Too many things are politically incorrect, and as such, they are either taboo or have been assigned "kinder, less offensive" names or titles. We all recognize that some labels are simply wrong, but that doesn't mean all of them are. Words we used just a few years ago are no longer acceptable because someone decided they demeaned another person or group. Our children live in a world where they are taught to use "he or she" so that no one feels left out. Double-speak continues to spread

like a virus in our language. I've often said that such politically correct language reminds me of the movie "Demolition Man," where uttering any word identified as offensive resulted in a ticket.

Worst of all, adults have wiped out children's senses of humor. Some might ask how that has happened. On too many occasions, parents have failed to pass along what constitutes a funny situation or action. The absurd is the standard for humor these days. Of course, it might help if moms and dads shared some of the adventures they experienced as young people. Also, children fail to understand subtlety or nuance in humorous situations.

Perhaps what occurred today is further indication that my time has come and gone. Still, this is the first time in over 30 years that I've showed this video to a class without a single laugh coming out at some point. If children don't see the humor in being a parent or going to the dentist, I feel sorry for them. Their futures are going to be filled with angst. I like my life up to this point and wouldn't change it with a teenager. They have already missed too much.

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The 1920 Election In Tennessee

Part Two

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Governor Albert H. Roberts, first elected in 1918, was having a difficult time winning reelection in 1920. Tennessee had traditionally given governors a second two-year term, save for the most controversial or incompetent. Roberts had been an able enough administrator, but had proven to be rather hapless when dealing with legislative matters. Roberts also made the mistake of attempting to raise enough revenue to keep Tennessee on a sound fiscal basis, but his taxes proved to be highly unpopular with Tennesseans.

Roberts was being challenged by the Democratic primary by Colonel W. R. Crabtree of Chattanooga. The Colonel was a very conservative Democrat and gave Roberts the devil over taxation. By the end of June, some of Crabtree's supporters believed the Colonel was making a race of it. Yet there were signs Crabtree's campaign was not catching on; the Nashville Tennessean reported when Crabtree spoke in Franklin County, where he had been born, the crowd "almost" filled up the courtroom. When Crabtree spoke in Lynchburg, the best the Tennessean could say was the candidate drew a "small, but enthusiastic" audience. The Tennessean offered the excuse the meeting had "been little advertised and few knew" Crabtree was coming to speak.

While Crabtree opened his campaign in Murfreesboro, Governor Roberts spoke in Brownsville. Roberts defended his tax program and laid out the deficiencies in Crabtree's plan. Roberts said Crabtree "proposes the borrowing of money and the holding of a constitutional convention to adopt tax amendments only, or the adoption of a tax commission representing every industry and interest to be taxed." Roberts pointed out his administration had been endorsed by the Tennessee Democratic State Convention and he stood squarely on the platform adopted by Volunteer State Democrats. Roberts noted Colonel Crabtree rejected that same platform.

While campaigning in Lewisburg, Colonel Crabtree shouted he would be elected the next governor of Tennessee and he would "send to oblivion the maker of this infamous, unjust and ridiculous tax law." Crabtree amused his audience by telling the story of the young man who received a telegram his mother-in-law had just passed away. The mortician wondered whether the family wanted her remains embalmed, cremated or buried. The young man quickly wired back, "Embalm, cremate and bury. Take no chances." Crabtree attempted

to take advantage of the turmoil surrounding calling the state legislation into special session to ratify the Nineteenth amendment to the Constitution, giving women the right to vote. The Colonel offered to suspend his own speaking campaign, if the governor would end his own, while the legislature decided the question. Just days later, Crabtree was issuing a statement from his campaign headquarters he was not withdrawing as a candidate. "Yesterday it was published I was going to withdraw," the statement said, "acting on the advice of my physician on account of high blood pressure and I was to have no more speaking dates." Saying there was not "a scintilla of truth" to his withdrawing from the gubernatorial campaign, Crabtree denounced his political enemies. The Colonel boasted, "Under no possible circumstances would I withdraw from this race for governor which I have already won." Crabtree was careful to say his forthcoming victory was "not personal to me", but rather due to the "almost unanimous belief in the principles upon which my candidacy is based." Evidently, Colonel Crabtree thought virtually every Democrat in the State of Tennessee shared his disapproval of Governor Roberts.

The Tennessean carried a special story on July 3, 1920 speculating, according to "conversation" in Jackson County, that particular county would be the best in the state for Colonel W. R. Crabtree. Some believed Crabtree would receive 80% of the vote in Jackson County. Much of the basis for the speculation of Crabtree's popularity, according to the Tennessean was due to the anger of local farmers with Governor Roberts' tax program. For all the speculation, it was yet another delusion, as when the election returns came in, Governor Roberts actually carried Jackson County, albeit it only barely. Roberts won 476 votes to 434 for Crabtree. Similarly, the Tennessean estimated Crabtree would carry Trousdale County by a majority of two or three to one. Once again, Roberts carried Trousdale, but only barely, 334 votes to 319 for Colonel Crabtree.

As the primary election approached, Roberts stoutly defended his tax program and appealed for a second term. Crabtree's bluster and misplaced self-confidence seemed egotistical. The results of the primary election gave Roberts a solid victory, winning 67,886 votes to 44,853. It was a decisive victory, yet there were some warning signs for the governor. Crabtree actually carried three of Tennessee's four big counties: Shelby,

Davidson, and Hamilton, losing only Knox County.

Alf Taylor won the Republican nomination over Jesse Littleton and it soon became apparent Tennessee Democrats were going to have to scrap to remain in office. By September, Taylor traveled to Nashville to open his statewide headquarters at the Maxwell House Hotel and map his strategy for the general election. Later that month, Congressman J. Will Taylor, no relation to the GOP gubernatorial nominee, was predicting Alf Taylor would be elected governor. Congressman Taylor also said he believed Warren G. Harding, the Republican nominee for president, would carry the Volunteer State. Opening his campaign in Silver Point, Tennessee, Taylor lambasted A. H. Roberts' administration of the state government and called for the repeal of the tax assessment law passed by the legislature at the behest of the governor. Taylor took a populist approach to the assessment law, claiming it harmed farmers and small property owners and was hardly noticed by big businessmen and bankers.

An able orator, Taylor spoke mostly in generalities and the Tennessean grumbled the candidate skipped past the "suffrage issue." Both candidates began to tour the state in earnest after giving their opening speeches.

With the general election less than a month away, Governor Roberts was speaking in East Tennessee while Alf Taylor spoke in West Tennessee. Despite the Tennessean's complaint that Alf Taylor had not addressed the issue of suffrage, women were taking part in the campaign. Mrs. Claude D. Sullivan busily organized women for the Democrats, while Mrs. James S. Beasley did the same for Republicans. Both women served as the vice chairman of their respective political parties. Mrs. Sam Phillips was utilized as a speaker in Memphis, Nashville and a few smaller

cities.

Governor A. H. Roberts was further hampered in the general election by his somewhat colorless personality, while Alf Taylor was drawing large crowds with his "Taylor Quartet", composed of his sons Nat, Alf, Benjamin, and Robert. Taylor also traveled the state with his hunting dog, "Old Limber", and proved to be an entertaining storyteller who could easily delight his audiences. Democrats were nervous with women voting all across the country for the first time and the fact presidential nominee James M. Cox, governor of Ohio, was running on a platform calling for American participation in the League of Nations. The administration of President Woodrow Wilson, who had suffered a major stroke and remained in the White House, was no longer widely popular with the people. Many Americans were tired of foreign entanglements after World War I and disliked the notion of the United States joining the League of Nations and many were sympathetic to Harding's call for a return to "normalcy."

Yet Roberts gamely defended his administration while campaigning. "I assume full responsibility for my share in the state administration," Roberts cried. "I call upon Colonel Taylor to advance a workable substitute. He must either put up or shut up." Worried that Taylor's relation to his late brother, Robert Love Taylor, might help the GOP nominee, Roberts barked that "every tub must stand on its own bottom" and accused the Republican candidate of trying "to ride into office on the coat tails of his dead brother." Speaking in Winchester, Governor Roberts derided Taylor's gubernatorial campaign as nothing more than a "sort of minstrel show."

As Election Day neared, some labor officials believed Alf Taylor would carry Shelby County. Democrats retorted Governor A. H. Roberts would win reelection

with one of the greatest majorities in the state's history. Shortly before the election, the Nashville Tennessean published an editorial recognizing the strength of "Uncle Alf" Taylor, exhorting Democrats, "There is no valid reason for a Democrat to split his ticket in favor of Alf Taylor, whose record is negligible and who has sought to rally all the elements of discontent to his standard." The Tennessean was confident "Democrats will vote their ticket straight."

Alf Taylor's campaign received a boost when he won the endorsement of organized labor's Nonpartisan League. The League, based in Chattanooga, also endorsed the reelection of Democratic Congressman John A. Moon. Governor A. H. Roberts clearly recognized Taylor's campaign was picking up support. The tone of Roberts' speeches changed as he stepped up his attacks on his opponent. Roberts charged that Taylor was "running away from him", noting the GOP candidate cancelled a speaking engagement in Murfreesboro after discovering the governor was to speak there as well. Roberts claimed he was not against organized labor and accused Taylor of attempting to win the support of the more radical elements of labor by making promises he knew he could never fulfill.

As election returns began to trickle in, the Tennessean blared in headlines Democratic nominee James M. Cox would carry the state, while acknowledging the governor's race was close. The Tennessean also trumpeted Congressman Cordell Hull had been reelected "by good majority." The headlines were wrong on every count. Alf Taylor defeated Governor A. H. Roberts, Warren Harding carried Tennessee, and Democrats lost three congressional seats, including that held by Cordell Hull. The Tennessean confessed, "Due to the presence of

thousands of women at the polls, and an extremely heavy vote by the men, the counting and tabulation of the returns was extremely slow." Perhaps even more disturbing were reports that the expected heavy majorities traditionally enjoyed by Democratic nominees in Middle Tennessee were down. A day later, the Tennessean noted the wreckage of the Democratic Party's fortunes in the 1920 election, referring to the "storm" which swept away all before it. The election witnessed a tidal wave all across the country as even former Speaker of the House Champ Clark was beaten in his Missouri district by an unknown Republican. Taylor and Roberts divided the vote in Tennessee's four big urban counties. Alf Taylor carried Hamilton and Knox Counties handily and just barely lost Shelby County. Governor Roberts managed to win Davidson County, but Taylor tallied a big vote in an ordinarily Democratic stronghold. Alf Taylor won 229,143 votes to A. H. Roberts' 185,890 votes. Taylor ran ahead of Warren Harding who narrowly beat James M. Cox in Tennessee. Harding polled 219,829 ballots to 206,558 votes for Cox. Congressman John A. Moon of Chattanooga lost to Republican Joe Brown while Cordell Hull lost to GOP contender Wynne F. Clouse by less than 300 votes in Tennessee's heavily Democratic Fourth District. Republican Lon A. Scott beat Democratic nominee Gordon Browning for a seat in Congress in West Tennessee's Eighth District by 659 votes.

Tennessee Democrats were stunned by their losses and the 1920 election would remain the high tide of Republican success for fifty years. Governor A. H. Roberts ran significantly behind the rest of the Democratic ticket. Roberts would return to his law practice and while he expressed an occasional interest in holding political office, he would never again put his name on the ballot.



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Republican Governor Alf A. Taylor, circa 1922

Nurses Week 2018

Can you believe another Nurses Week has passed? Seemingly, time is passing faster and faster each year. Wow, and how the practice of nursing has changed through time — and



By Howard Baker, RN BSN

would Florence Nightingale approve? I recently thumbed through a picture book of cancer treatments in the early 1920s and '30s—to say the least we have come a long way. The nursing profession has come a long way too. Last week Hobo the Wonder Dog as always was a good sport participating

in a photo op to salute Nurses Week 2018. A nurse's cap created the perfect nursing symbol even though nurse's caps are relics of distant memories. My mom's nursing cap from the 1970s came out of storage and I have to say Hobo wore it well.

Today nurses practice without the cap and many other traditions of the past associated with nursing. I admit nursing is hard work, mentally, physically, and emotionally to say the least. Nurses I know work harder

today than we did ten years ago — constantly on the go. We battle a clock filled with task, call lights representing needs, phones to answer, text messages to read, questions to answer, medications to give—yet we do all these things while comforting the sickest of these. Sometimes, our greatest contribution to our patients is to listen or hold their hand during their time of need. Nurses are there when we



Hobo the Wonder Dog Saluting Nurses Week 2018

come into the world; and in many cases we are the ones holding the hand of those leaving this world.

Hobo is a good example of how the patience of nursing help us heal. Hobo's

beginning was rocky, turbulent, and abusive. By being kind, caring, consistent, working with others, constantly educating, and reassuring, we celebrate Hobo's accomplishments small or large. I noticed the same qualities regardless of human or animal. All of God's crea-

tures need a nurse of sorts in their lives. I believe the art of nursing is far deeper than a college degree or certification—nursing is accentuated by empathy and caring. I nurse Hobo to trust more,

fear less, be healthy, and enjoy a dog's life. Nursing challenges one's ability to balance multiple things at once, work under pressure, and sometimes under impossible circumstances. Nurses are advocates, healers, cheerleaders, educators, and the one who calms the fears. Nurses Week celebrates a nurse's contribution to our communities, our patients, and our families. We reflect on the contributions nurses made before us while embracing the future of our profession. I do believe Florence Nightingale the founder of modern nursing would be proud of her influence and contribution to nursing.

MPC tries to balance agriculture, industry

By Pete Gawda

Knox County is experiencing growing pains as evidenced by the conflicting goals of agricultural and commercial interests. That was exhibited at the May 10 meeting of the Knoxville/Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC).

In the petition of Fresenius USD Manufacturing the MPC had to balance the need for jobs in the county with the desire to preserve agricultural land. The company desires to build a logistics center to serve an existing factory. The property in question consists of 57.04 acres on the east side of East Governor John Sevier Highway, north of Hammer Road.

"We need jobs and businesses to support homeowners," said Arthur Seymour, Jr. speaking for the applicant. He told the MPC that the county needs homes and homeowners but also needs jobs and manufacturing. He pledged the facility would bring in high paying jobs and would be sensitive to surrounding homeowners.

Speaking for the opposition Jerry Glenn presented

a petition he claimed contained the signatures of 200 area homeowner who opposed the logistics facility. He spoke of the increased traffic. Glenn also mentioned that the area consisted of limestone and the necessary blasting would pose a threat to adjacent homes. He said the property was currently agricultural and the best use was low density residential. He asked what criteria was used to change it to commercial. He claimed there were other areas that would be more suitable for this type facility.

David Weaver, an official of Fresenius USD Manufacturing from Salt Lake City, spoke in favor of his company's plans. He said the facility would eventually hire 250 employees. He said his company was developing new products and this proposed facility would distribute those products.

After considerable discussion the MPC voted to approve amending the East County Sector Plan to General Commercial and recommended the county commission approve that change. They also recommended the county

commission change the zoning to Planned Commercial for the property.

With no opposition and no discussion the MPC approved the concept plan and the development plan for Alexandr Botezat's proposed 16.43 acre 46 lot subdivision to be located on the north side of Cain Road, north of Lee Road.

The MPC also approved the concept plan and the development plan for Mesana Investments' proposed 32.7 acre 121 lot subdivision to be located on the west side of Fretz Road and the north side of Hatmaker Lane. However they denied the developer's request for a reduction in the minimum depth of double front lots from 150' to 120'.

Despite the objections of applicant Dominick Lopez the MPC denied final subdivision approval for a proposed 1.2 acre one lot subdivision to be located on the north side of McCammon Road, east of Louis Wise Road. Approval was denied because there was insufficient line of sight for the property driveway.

W. Scott Williams received approval to build

two duplexes on 1.11 acres on the west side of Bob Kirby Road, north of Dutchtown Road. Staff had recommended that parking be beside or behind the buildings. After Williams explained why the terrain was better suited for parking in front, the MPC approved parking in front with the provision that there be appropriate landscape screening from the street.

In spite of neighbors who felt such a facility did not belong in a residential area of one story homes, Grassy Creek General Partnership received permission to build a three story self storage facility with an outdoor lot for boats and RVs on 7.86 acres on the south side of Oak Ridge Highway, northeast side of Hazelnut Lane.

Changes for Knox Rail

Salvage approved

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They also approved the first reading of that agreement with the state to install and operate a greenway along the I-275 Business Park, between the council and the various city departments. Two citizens spoke up against the council routinely passing budgets on first-readings but Frost explained it is normal procedure. The public may speak at 5:30 p.m. following the budget hearing.

In other action the council approved an agreement with TVA for use of the Volunteer Landing Park and adjoining recreation facilities for 30 years. The council also voted to up the contract for the Urban Wilderness Gateway project at the end of James White Parkway to \$226,059.

Three Knoxville Transit grant applications were approved with the state and federal government seeking money to buy one neighborhood bus, to repair bus engines and to build and install bus shelters.

The Parks and Recreation successfully asked for \$20,000 to be donated to Legacy Parks Foundation toward development of the Everly Brothers Park and for \$10,000 to be donated to the Kingston Pike Sequoyah Hills Association for maintenance and upkeep of Talahi Park.

Recode Knoxville open houses

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City Council Work Session

Wednesday, May 16: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Main Assembly Room, City County Building, 400 Main St.

Recode Community Open House 2

Thursday, May 17: 3 p.m.-7:30 p.m. (presentations @ 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.)

Church of the Good Shepherd, 5409 Jacksboro Pike

Recode Community Open House 3

Friday, May 18: 7:30-11:30 a.m. (presentations @ 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.)

Oakwood Lincoln Park Club House, 916 Shamrock Ave.

Recode Community Open House 4

Saturday, May 19: 9 a.m.-noon (presentation @ 10:30 a.m.)

Overcoming Believers Church, 211 Harriet Tubman St.

Knoxville's zoning code hasn't

undergone a thorough review in nearly 60 years, and this update will allow the City to adopt modern standards. It also will help protect and enhance Knoxville's sense of place over the next few decades.

Knox County is projected to add 170,000 residents by 2040, and this update of the City's zoning ordinance will help prepare the community for that growth by striking a balance between protecting historic characteristics of neighborhoods and creating standards that encourage dynamic growth. It will encourage investment, protect valued community assets, and support connectivity among people and places.

For more information, please contact Gerald Green at 865-215-3758 or recode@knoxmpc.org. You can also sign up to receive updates on the project at www.recodeknoxville.com.

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company. The company was having problems and the chairman asked for opinions that varied from public relations, packaging and advertising. When he asked an intern, she replied, "You ought to make cat food that cats like to eat!"

The sold-out celebration was organized by Knox County Chair Emily Gregg, who received much praise for the large attendance.

Taking the podium to speak after Bredesen were Gregg; Linda Haney, candidate for Knox County

mayor; commission candidates Cody Biggs, Steve Heart, Tori Griffin and Daniel Gerke; and Circuit Court Clerk candidate Sheri Ridgeway.

Other speakers included Karl Dean and Craig Fitzhugh, candidates for governor; Rene Hoyos and Joshua Williams, candidates for Congress; and Jamie Ballinger, candidate for State Senate.

Former state representative Gloria Johnson received a rousing applause when she spoke. She's seeking to retake her seat in District 13.

Other state representative candidates included Justin Davis, Alex Dunn Jr., Kate Trudell, Joshua Gregory, Greg Mackay, Edward Nelson, Keifel Agostini and Coleen Martinez.

Also present were candidates for the Democratic State Executive Committee Jim Hackworth, Daniel Brown, Sylvia Woods, Mark Harmon and Emily Gregg.

The Democrats' attention now turns to the August 8th primary and the November 6th Election.

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Karns made it three straight District 3-AAA baseball tournament championships with a come-from-behind 4-2 win over Powell Wednesday night. The Beavers will host Heritage in opening round action of the Region 2 tourney Monday night.

Knoxville to Celebrate 18th Annual Bike to Work Day

Friday, May 18, is National Bike to Work Day, and people who take two wheels to work are invited to stop by Market Square on their commute. Free coffee, courtesy of Café 4, and treats will be available to “refuel” participants between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m.

Bike to Work Day is a way for people who have considered biking to work, whether to save money or to improve their health, to try it out. Bike convoys leave from north, south, east and west locations and offer guided, casual paced rides to Market Square. See www.ibikeknx.com for a list of meeting locations.

“We encourage everyone to try bike commuting that day, even if you drive to one of the convoy meeting locations and then bike in with the group,” says Kelley Segars, Principal Planner with the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization. “You’re still saving money on gas, and making physical activity part of your daily routine.”

If downtown is not your destination, or if 8 a.m. is

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Bottom of Karns’ batting order plays like champions

Culp hurls Beavers to third straight title

By Steve Williams

With southpaw starter Jared Culp allowing only one hit through six innings, Karns High’s baseball team just needed a little offense of its own in the championship game of the District 3-AAA tournament last Wednesday night.

But the Beavers were running

out of time at Dwight Smith Field.

Visiting Powell scored two runs in the top of the first inning and sophomore right-hander Walker Trusley had protected the lead all the way to the sixth.

It took the bottom of the batting order to pull Karns through for a 4-2 victory, giving the Beavers’ the district tourney crown for the third year in a row.

No. 8 batter Zach Knott’s

bases-loaded walk with two outs in the bottom of the sixth tied the game and No. 9 batter Brian Bell’s two-run single to right put Karns ahead.

Closer Ryder Green struck out two in the seventh, leaving Powell with runners at second and third as the game ended.

Karns (29-7) will host Heritage (20-13) in opening round action of Region 2-AAA Tuesday night (May

15) at 7:30.

Farragut (32-7), which walloped Heritage 11-0 in the District 4-AAA finals, entertains Powell (24-8) at 6:30 tonight (May 14) on the other side of the bracket.

The winners will play for the region title Wednesday and earn an automatic berth in the state sectional round.

Bell couldn’t have followed his

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Powell’s Stinnett to play baseball at Walters State

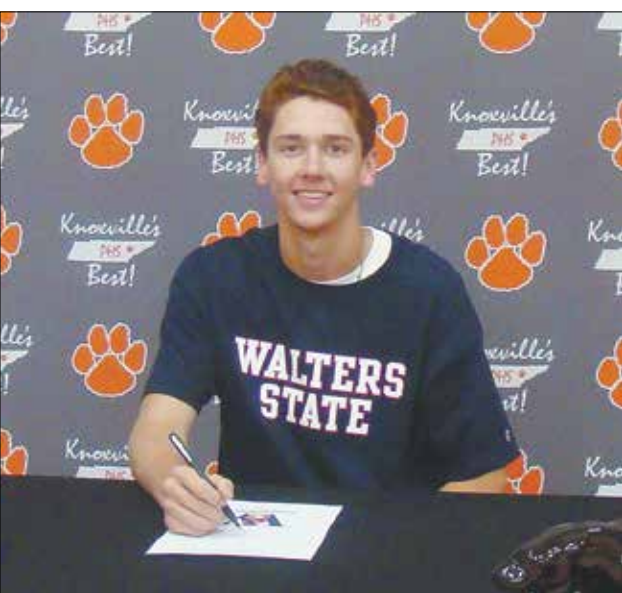


PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Powell senior baseball player Parker Stinnett signs a National Letter of Intent to play for Walters State Community College.

By Ken Lay

Powell High School baseball player Parker Stinnett and the Panthers began their postseason run with a 3-0 victory over Anderson County in the District 3-AAA Tournament on Thursday, May 2.

That, however, was only part of his big day.

Stinnett, a senior infielder and pitcher for the Panthers who tripled and scored the game’s first run against the Mavericks in the tournament opener, began his day by signing a National Letter of Intent to continue his baseball career. He’ll play for one of the country’s elite junior college programs

when he heads to Walters State Community College in Morristown.

His signing culminates a three-year recruiting process by the Governors.

“They started recruiting me. They started talking to me when I was a sophomore and they stayed after it,” Stinnett said before his signing ceremony at Powell’s Jeff Hunter Gymnasium.

Stinnett, who will enter the school as a pre-Physical Therapy major said that the Governors success was the key reason that he wanted to play there.

“They’ve had success and what really appealed to me

was that more [four-year] school will get a chance to see me play,” Stinnett said.

During his four-year career with the Panthers, Stinnett has pitched and manned first, second and third base. He has played for two coaching staffs and was named to the 2017 all-District 3-AAA Team by the league’s coaches in 2017.

For three years, Stinnett played for Jay Scarbro, who left Powell High and moved to First Baptist Academy to become the school’s baseball coach and athletic director. He now plays for head coach Logan Dalton.

He said both coaches have impacted his life, both

on and off the diamond.

“Coach Scarbro is a great man and he was a good coach,” Stinnett said. “But he had a good opportunity and he had to take it.

“With the new coaching staff,” I’ve stepped up and become a leader. I lead by example. I don’t get in the guys’ faces and scream at them for what they do wrong. I encourage them and concentrate on what they’re doing right.”

While Stinnett said that staying close to home wasn’t a priority in his decision, he noted that he always wanted to go to Walters State.

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Area Players named to all-District 4-AAA Softball team

By Ken Lay

The field in District 4-AAA softball is always extremely competitive and nothing changed in 2018 and the league's coaches recently honored the district's top players as the all-district team was unveiled prior to the postseason tournament.

Farragut, the district tournament runner-up, won the regular-season championship five players named to the squad.

The Lady Admirals, who dropped a 5-0 decision to William Blount Wednesday night in the District 4-AAA Championship game at Bellamy Field, had five players make the squad.

Senior center fielder Andrea Sarhatt, Farragut's leadoff hitter was named Player of the Year after she reached base in every regular-season and district tournament game during the 2018 campaign. David Moore, the Lady Admirals' longtime coach, was named Coach of the Year.

Other all-district performers for Farragut included junior pitcher Lakyn Moore, senior third baseman Kelsie Tuggle, shortstop Bailey Myers and freshman pitcher Cameron Young.

The Lady Admirals had Katie Tuggle and Devon Weller receive Honorable Mentions.

Hardin Valley Academy's Kayla Domon (an outfielder who transferred after winning two state championships at Christian Academy of Knoxville) was one of three Lady Hawks named to the all-district team. Other HVA selections included Sydney Dukes and Emalee McCord.

HVA's Mikaela Chavis and Leigha Gray received Honorable Mentions.

Emma Schaad and Katie Peery made the team from Catholic High School while Honorable Mentions went to Ellie Easterly and Brianna Costello.

Bearden had two all-league selections in Jersey Patterson and Amaya Goodloe. The Lady Bulldogs had two players pick up Honorable Mentions. They included Rachel Colwell and Shakara Goodloe.

West High's Nyapot Tel was an all-district selection and Bailey Ensley picked up an Honorable Mention.



Bearden High School's Water Polo Club competed in the Tennessee State High School Water Polo Championships at the University of Tennessee. The Bulldogs nabbed a 3-2 tournament win over East Tennessee rival Sevier County. Photo submitted.

Bearden finishes eighth at state water polo tourney

By Ken Lay

Water polo is an Olympic sport and played by most schools on the West Coast but the sport has been in Knoxville and Bearden High School since 2013.

It is alive and well at the school. The Bulldogs water polo club recently competed in the state tournament, which was contested at the University of Tennessee's Allan Jones Intercollegiate Aquatics Center.

Bearden, which is one of three area schools to field a team, won one game in the tournament, which concluded earlier this month.

The Bulldogs defeated rival Sevier County 3-2 to pick up a tournament victory on Saturday May 5. Goalie Robbie Chadwell stopped several shots from the Smoky Bears in what Bearden coach Parker Miles called "a very defensive game."

The Bulldogs coed squad got

its goals against Sevier County from Mandi Chadwell, Grayson Maryanski and William Blake.

Bearden finished eighth in a nine-team field earlier this month in Knoxville and Miles, who played on Bearden's inaugural team, which won a state championship in 2013. It was his senior year and the first season of the Tennessee State High School Water Polo League.

Bearden had a young squad in 2018 and despite an eighth place finish at the state tournament; Miles was pleased with his body of work this season.

"We had a young team this season and we had a pretty good season," Miles said. "We started our season and we tied Brentwood and that was a team that finished fourth."

The East Tennessee sectional of the high school water polo league is comprised of the Bulldogs, the Smoky Bears,

Brentwood and L&N STEM Academy.

The power in the sport is in the West. Memphis Home Education Association went 17-0 this season and won its second consecutive State Championship. Christian Brothers was runner-up.

Miles is looking for big things next season as the Bulldogs lose just four seniors. Bearden looks to have five starters returning for the 2019 season.

Some top players from the 2018 campaign include Jackson Boling, Diego Blanco, Robbie Chadwell, Ryan Barclay and Joseph Knight.

Blanco just concluded his senior season and starred on both offense and defense for the Bulldogs. Robbie Chadwell, a goalie, scored a goal in Bearden's Sectional Game against the Gryphons.

"He scored a buzzer beater against L&N STEM in our

Sectional Game on and he was pretty excited," Miles said. "And I don't think that I've ever been more excited as a coach."

For now, water polo is a co-ed sport in Knoxville and Bearden had several girls who contributed in the recently concluded season.

Some top girls on the squad included Sheza Saeed, Anna Barnes, Eva Karnowski, Mandi Chadwell, Becca Siegel, Page Victorson and Emma Kammann.

Miles said that he's hoping to spark enough interest from female players to someday start a girls league in Tennessee.

The area coaches are also seeking to expand the sport as a whole.

UT fields a club team and Miles said that he is hoping to have camps for middle school players over the summer.

Bottom of Karns' batting order plays like champions

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coach's instructions any better in Karns' comeback inning.

"Hurley came up to me right before my at-bat and said, 'Be a senior right here and hit the ball to right field and get the lead.' He (Trusley) hung up a slider and I took it to right field and got

the lead. It's the biggest hit I've had in a long time."

Bell was asked if he had ever had a bigger one.

"I don't think so. That's No. 1 on the list, definitely."

Karns Coach Matt Hurley was proud of Bell.

"He's just been nails for us all season. He's been

the rock in our infield at shortstop. For him to come up and get that big hit right there, that's really impressive."

Powell started fast. Courtney Payne led off the game with a walk and Matt Grim's triple to left center brought him home. After one out, Logan Sutton's

sacrifice fly to right plated Grim for the 2-0 lead.

Karns didn't get its first hit until two were out in the fifth. Knott singled to shallow center and was able to advance to second when the ball got by the center-fielder. Bell's high chopper between third and shortstop moved Knott to third. Trusley, however, ended the threat when he got Jonathan Nelson to hit a grounder to third.

Following a walk by Green, Tyler Hartless' double past a diving Powell shortstop plated Karns' first run in the sixth. The Beavers went on to load the bases, but Trusley got Aaron Tye to look at a strike three. Then Nick Miles' bunt went straight up in the air and landed in Trusley's glove for out No. 2.

All of a sudden, it looked like Powell might go into the last inning still on top.

But the very bottom of the Beavers' batting order came through in the clutch. Knott worked the count to 3-2 and didn't bite on a curve that was a tad high. Bell's opposite-field hit landed softly in the green grass, allowing Karns fans to exhale a sigh of relief.

"I never get worried with



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Matt Hurley, Karns High head coach, paces on the sidelines as Powell holds the upper hand in Wednesday's District 3-AAA title game. His Beavers rallied late to win 4-2.

this bunch," said Coach Hurley. "They've battled all year. We've been behind before this season and they continue to battle back. They continue to impress me each and every game."

"What they show is heart, intensity and a blue collar work ethic that we preach around here."

Hurley praised Powell, too.

"They came out here and battled in a ball park that's hard to play in," he said. "And I've got to tip my hat to Trusley. To compete the way he did as a sophomore

is impressive. He held a potent lineup down for almost five innings."

First-year Powell skipper Logan Dalton took consolation in having another day to play.

"When you play close games like this, good teams find a way," he said. "We've been able to find a way all year, but tonight it was Karns."

"We know it's going to be a tough matchup, but we fully expect to go over there (to Farragut) and compete and get past that round."

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Darnell stifles Farragut's bats in title game

By Ken Lay

Throughout the 2018 softball season, Farragut High School has boasted one of the most potent and balanced offensive attacks. But the Lady Admirals had their bats virtually silenced in the District 4-AAA Tournament Championship Game Wednesday night in a 5-0 loss to William Blount at Bellamy Field.

The Lady Admirals got just three hits and had just four base runners against Lady Governors ace Kelsey Darnell. Kelsie Tuggle drew a first-inning walk while Bailey Myers, Cameron Young and Andrea Sarhatt all singled.

Sarhatt, the district's Player of the Year, was the only Lady Admiral to reach second base. That

was in the sixth inning after William Blount (30-6) already had the game in hand.

"We were a little passive at the plate," Farragut coach David Moore said. "We weren't as aggressive as we usually are. "But we're advancing and we're still playing."

The Lady Admirals (25-8) lost the district championship game as the No. 1 seed but their 2018 campaign will continue today (May 14) as they travel to Powell to take on the Lady Panthers in the Region 2-AAA Semifinals. Game time was not set at press time.

A victory on West Emory Road will put Farragut in Wednesday's region title game and secure a spot in the state sectionals

Friday. A loss would end the season for the Lady Admirals.

William Blount will host District 3-AAA runner-up Halls today in the other regional semifinal.

The Lady Governors got a stellar performance from Darnell, a right-hander who will enter the United States Army next month and William Blount coach Amanda Leatherwood said that her seniors would like to keep Darnell's softball career going for as long as they can.

"I've coached some pretty good teams and we've won regular-season championships, but we've always finished third in the tournament," Leatherwood said. "This is a good group and they have more heart than almost every other team that I've

coached.

"Kelsey deploys on June 25 and these seniors are hungry and they know that her career is over when our season ends. They'd like to keep it going for as long as they can."

Farragut and the second-seeded Lady Governors were embroiled in a 0-0 deadlock as Young and Darnell matched each other's brilliance in the circle.

But William Blount scored the only run that it would need in the top of the fourth when Young found herself in a bit of a jam.

Madison Henry drew a lead-off walk. She would come home Kailey Barron reached on a fielder's choice.

The Lady Governors put things away with three runs in the top

of the fifth. Brooke McMahan had a two-run single and Chloe Payne came home when Young uncorked a wild pitch.

William Blount scored another run in the seventh when Kas Dunn came home on another wild pitch.

All-Tournament Team: Young, Devon Weller, Sarhatt and Katie Tuggle represented Farragut on the All-Tournament Team. Kayla Domon and Emalee McCord made the squad from Hardin Valley Academy. Dunn, Darnell and Madison Henry represented the Lady Governors. William Blount's McKenzie Henry was named Most Valuable Player. Heritage had two selections in Eden Frazier and Hailey Berglof.

Killian says Hollifield is 'the one' to rebuild Lady Rebels' program

By Steve Williams

West High Athletic Director Steve Killian is very excited about the school's new girls basketball hire.

Caitlin Hollifield, who won championships in previous jobs at Powell and Christian Academy of Knoxville, was introduced as the Lady Rebels' new head coach last week.

"We felt like Caitlin was the top applicant immediately," said Killian.

Former coach David Higdon stepped down for "family reasons" after his second season.

Hollifield is taking on a huge challenge at West.

"In 2011, our girls made their first trip to the state tournament, but we've struggled since that time," said Killian.

"Coach Higdon had done a lot to slow down the negativity within our program and started to turn the corner. Caitlin is certainly the one to come in and build our program back to where we would like it to be."

Killian noted the West girls last season picked up their first district win in a couple of years and got their first tourney win in the play-in game.

Compounding the task at hand is the fact



New West High girls basketball coach Caitlin Hollifield is introduced to the team by Athletic Director Steve Killian.

West plays in a district filled with top-notch girls' programs.

"I'm just excited about this opportunity to help build a girls program that's hungry to be built," said Hollifield, who coached the past four seasons at CAK, where she also

served as assistant athletic director. "I just feel like I'm led to be here.

"This district is one of the most difficult in the state."

Hollifield was a basketball standout herself in high school and college. The 2007 Powell

High grad played under Clay Young and signed with Alabama, where she started 14 of 30 games as a freshman.

After a medical red-shirt, Hollifield transferred to Western Carolina and played for former UT Lady Vol Kellie Jolly Harper for

one season. She ended her playing career at WCU with 550 points and 54 blocks and graduated in 2012 with a degree in science education.

Hollifield started her coaching career at Powell in 2012 and had a 42-15 record in two seasons. Her

2013-14 squad swept District 3-AAA regular season and tournament titles.

She left for CAK the following school year and had a four-year record of 66-52 record. Her team was 22-12 last season and advanced to the state quarterfinals in its first season in Division II.

Hollifield guided the Lady Warriors to District 4-AA championships in each of her first three seasons.

"We're going to play hard," said Hollifield when asked about the style of play she will bring to West.

"We're going to compete. We're going to have a lot of passion for what we do and play for each other. I want to play fast if possible and I want to get after it defensively.

"As for our personnel, we'll want to put the girls in a position to be successful."

The message in Hollifield's first meeting with the Lady Rebels was, "I asked them to trust me and to work hard for me.

"We're going to start as soon as we can."

Stacy Reece will remain on the Lady Rebels' coaching staff as an assistant, said Killian.

Spartans down CAK to win Region baseball title

By Ken Lay

Webb School of Knoxville is playing some superb baseball recently. And the Spartans appear to be peaking at the right time.

Webb claimed the Division II-A East Region title Tuesday night when it claimed a 5-2 victory on the road against Division II-A East Region District 1 and Cedar Bluff rival Christian Academy of Knoxville.

It was the Spartans' second victory over the Warriors (27-11) in eight days. The two powerhouse squads split their regular-season series before Webb (20-8) downed CAK 8-7 on Monday, April 30, to win the district title.

"Our guys are playing well right now," Spartans coach Jordan Wormsley said. "I feel good about the way

we're playing. [CAK coach] Tommy [Pharr] does a great job with his guys.

"We've played great baseball and it's been fun to watch. CAK always plays hard. Our kids all know each other and they're friends."

Webb starting pitcher Peter Schaefer overcame a rocky start as he surrendered two runs in the first inning. But we would settle down and hurl five innings to pick up the victory.

He walked three and struck out five, while giving up six hits, en route to picking up the win.

"Peter threw pretty well. He gave up two earned runs and both of those were in the first inning," Wormsley said.

Stokes Needham pitched a pair of perfect innings and earned the save against the

Warriors.

The Spartans boasted a balanced offensive attack.

John Morrow had a hit and drove in a run. Needham had a double and an RBI. Mason Patel went 1-for-3 and knocked in a run.

Schaefer also drove in a run when he successfully executed a safety squeeze.

"Offensively, we had a pretty well-rounded attack," Wormsley said.

Webb's region championship earned it a bye in the next round of the playoffs.

The Spartans will return to the field later this week when they host a postseason Best-of-3 series with a trip to Murfreesboro and the Spring Fling hanging in the balance.

Game times and opponents weren't set at press time.



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Pruitt may match Majors' rebuilding job at Tennessee

From a won-loss record standpoint, the current state of the Tennessee football program compares favorably to where it was 40 years ago.

After Johnny Majors' first season ended in 1977, the Vols were 4-7 overall and 1-5 in SEC play. Butch Jones' last season as the UT coach in 2017 produced 4-8 and 0-8.

Now it's Jeremy Pruitt's turn to guide Tennessee. Will he take the Vols on a steady incline as Majors did?

After Johnny came marching home, following his national championship



By Steve Williams

season at Pittsburgh in 1976, he found his alma mater's football program in far worse shape than he expected.

But give Majors credit. He improved the program more than any other UT coach has since the 1960s, or the modern era of Tennessee football, if you will.

It took him more time than I first thought it would, too.

Many Tennessee fans like me thought Majors would continue his winning ways right off the bat here in Knoxville. We found out different.

Johnny's second season gained a little ground (5-5-1 overall and 3-3 in SEC play). The third year in 1979 saw the Big Orange hold steady at 3-3 in conference play but climb to 7-5 overall and earn a trip to the Bluebonnet Bowl – its first bowl berth in five years.

In 1982, the World's Fair opened in Knoxville, but the biggest sports news of the year was Majors' squad putting an end to an 11-game losing streak to Bear Bryant and Alabama.

I guess you could say Majors' rebuilding job was finally completed when he directed the Volunteers to that 35-7 romp past Jimmy Johnson and the Miami

Hurricanes in the 1986 Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Tennessee was the SEC champion that 1985 season, posting a 9-1-2 overall record and going 5-1 in league play.

Majors' Vols went on to capture two more SEC titles in 1989 and 1990. They were 9-3 and 5-2 in Majors' last full season as coach.

Phillip Fulmer benefitted from taking over a program that was as good as any in the country. He would tell

you that too. As offensive line coach and then offensive coordinator, he helped build it.

Fulmer sustained Tennessee's success and took it a notch higher with the 13-0 national championship season of 1998.

Thirty years ago, Tennessee was where it is now.

Can Pruitt rebuild the program like Majors did after it steadily tumbled downhill under Bill Battle?

Only time will tell.

But Tennessee fans have a couple of things going for them on this topic. Considering his previous coaching stops – Alabama, Georgia and Florida State – Pruitt knows what good players and teams are supposed to look like. And Fulmer, now the athletic director who also knows what it takes to win big, was smart enough to recognize that and hire him.

Historic Sutherland baseball field getting monument

By Mike Steely
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The former interracial baseball fields along Sutherland Avenue and old Mann Road may soon be graced with a tall metal monument of a baseball player.

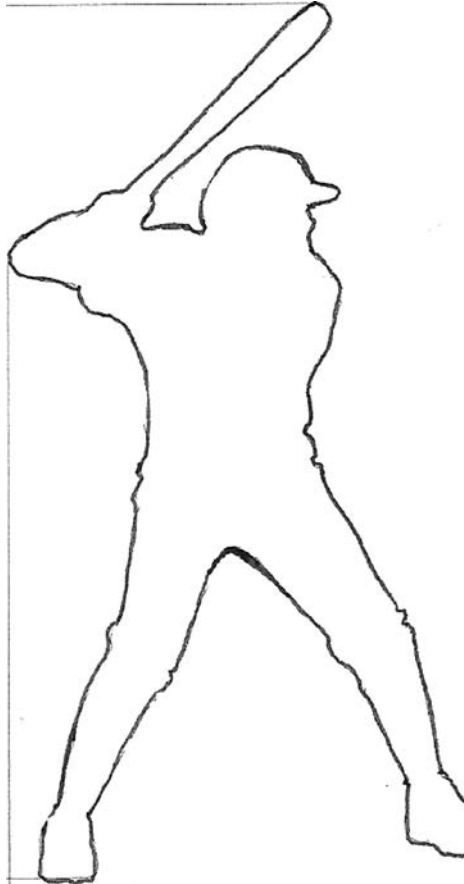
Pond Gap Neighborhood Association President David Williams told The Focus he's been trying to get some recognition for the fields, now owned by the University of Tennessee, and is now working with B & W Steel Metal Inc. to create a 6-foot 7-inch silhouette of a baseball player standing on a concrete base.

The association has taken great pride in its heritage with banners on KUB street light poles pointing out the many historic sites there including the Sutherland Airport, the Newman Grocery and the home of sculpture Alfred Milani. Pond Gap also takes pride in being its own community and not part of Bearden or nearby Marble City.

In the 1940s and 1950s the baseball field there saw interracial baseball games between local teams and socialization between races in picnics and gatherings. Williams says that interaction needs to be recognized.

Williams said that a notice of the effort and fundraiser will be posted at Dead End Barbeque on Sutherland. Eventually the idea is to start with a structure of a batter and later a catcher, pitcher and other figures may be added. The cost per silhouette is more than \$3,600.

He's waiting to work with University of Tennessee officials to secure the right to plant the figures between the sidewalk and the athletic field's fence. The plans call for tee shirts to be made



A silhouette of a baseball batter may be the first image to be added along Sutherland Avenue by the Pond Gap Neighborhood Association. Fund raising will get underway soon and more images may be added where semi-pro mixed league teams played baseball.

and sold as part of the fundraising and Williams said his fiscal sponsor is the East Tennessee Historical Society.

"We're ready to move ahead as soon as we get UT approval," he said.

Knoxville to Celebrate 18th Annual Bike to Work Day

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not your start time, there are other ways to get a "thank you for biking" on Bike to Work Day. Many local businesses are offering a free cup of coffee or other item all day on May 18 to people who bike to work. Other discounts are available throughout the month for anyone with an I Bike KNX helmet sticker, available by taking a safe biking pledge online, at Mast General Store or at Three Rivers Market. More details are available at www.ibikeknx.com.

Several prizes will be given out in June after Bike

Month wraps up, including the longest bike commute logged on either the Smart Trips or I Bike KNX app. There are also two chances to win a prize for logging at least one bike trip during the month of May.

As an additional incentive to give bike commuting a try, Pace, Knoxville's new app-based bicycle share, is offering promo codes throughout the month. If you haven't used Pace before, you can use the code "IBIKEKNX" to get a \$10 credit. You can also use the code "ibike2work" for a \$5 credit before May 20.

Bike to Work Day is not

just a day to encourage people to try bike commuting for the first time, but also a chance to celebrate the efforts of Knoxville's committed bike commuters. Smart Trips, an incentive based program that rewards people for making alternatives to driving alone, has tracked more than 8,000 bike trips over the last year. Collectively, these bicyclists traveled nearly 48,000 miles. Those trips saved 2,200 gallons of gas and kept nearly 44,000 pounds of greenhouse gases out of the air. They also burned 2.5 million calories and saved \$11,000 in the process.

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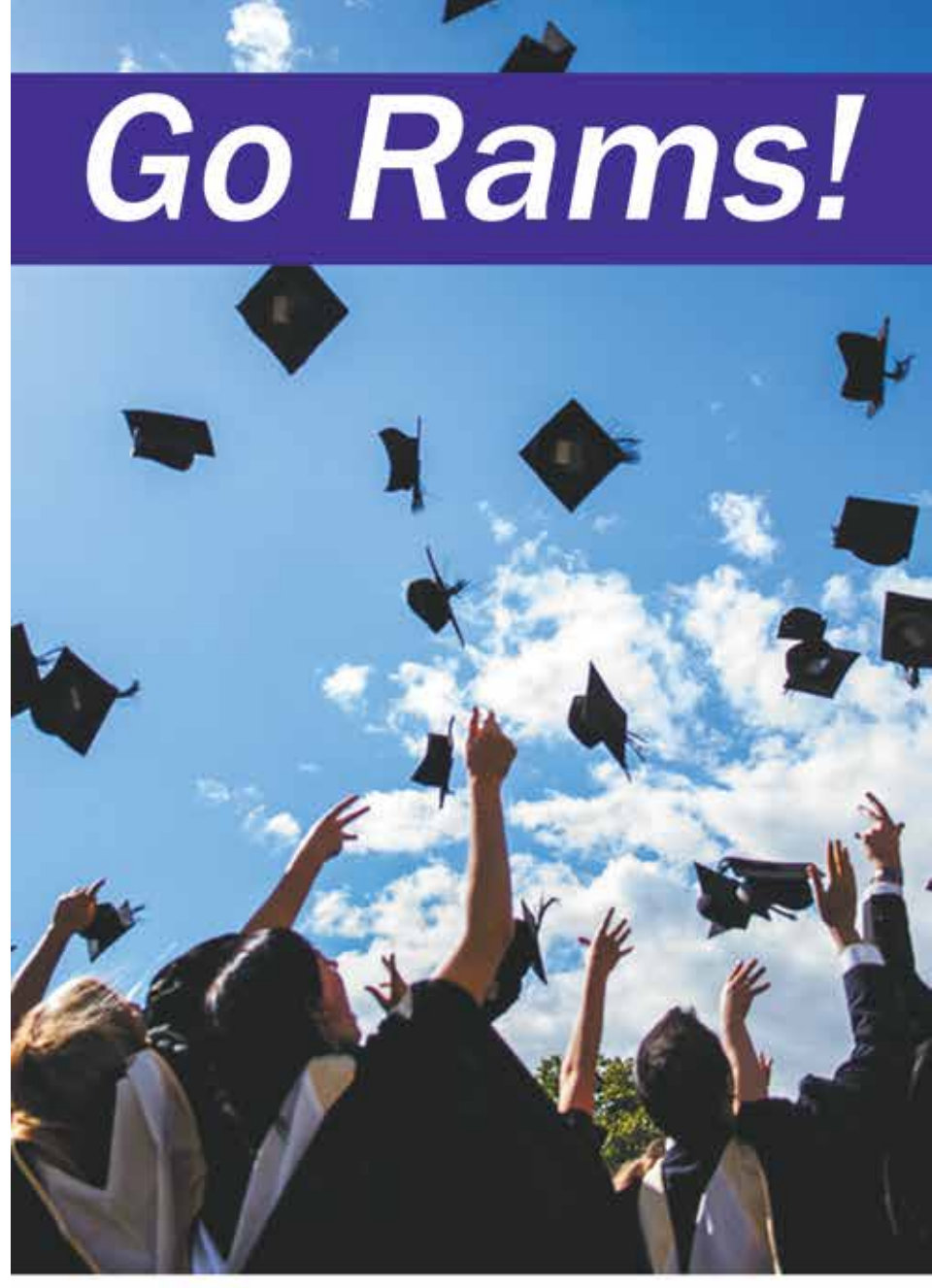


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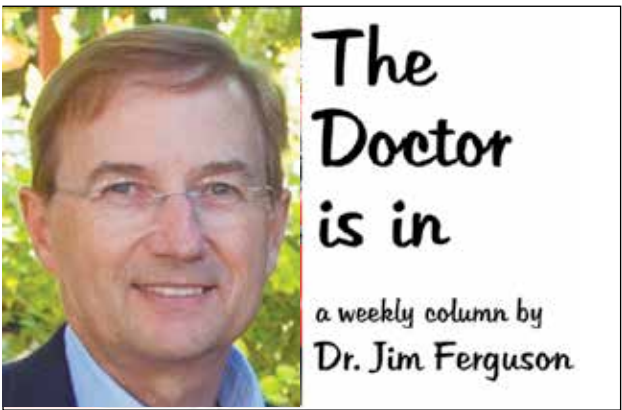
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The Antithesis of Love

I wonder if anything you hear is true anymore. Certainly you have to question anything reported in the press or anything coming from a politician's mouth. But then you'd have to define truth, which is a much higher bar to attain than purported facts. You might be challenged by the notion that facts are not sacrosanct because they are subject to human observation. Furthermore, facts require a reference point for comparison, and any reference point must therefore be accepted on an article of faith. Does this logic train make your head hurt? Well, hold on.

I've heard that the opposite of love is not hate, but indifference. I agree that love and hate are intense emotions, and that indifference is the absence of any emotional investment. An

analogy might be that darkness is the absence of light. But, might indifference be just an extreme degree of callous disregard?

I am disturbed by the recent purported comments of John McCain, who is dying of brain cancer. Perhaps Senator McCain's comments are examples of fake news. Perhaps his comments are the result of his illness or medication. I understand that he disagrees with President Trump, but his comments are beyond policy differences or politics. And if the comments are true, they have risen to a level of pathological enmity. What a legacy he is creating in his final days.

One of the great classics of American literature is the book "Moby Dick" by Herman Melville. I've often observed that the shared

experiences of a book, a movie, a poem or a sunset are sometimes the truest means of understanding. The Wrath of Kahn is the second installment of the Star Trek movie series. Kahn, played by Ricardo Montalban, hates Captain Kirk, but the enmity is as hard for me to comprehend as is the hatred Captain Ahab has for the great white whale, Moby Dick. Recently, John McCain's comments about Trump caused me to recall the movie and Kahn who, in a pivotal moment, quotes Captain Ahab: "From hell's heart, I stab at thee. For hate's sake, I spit my last breath at thee." Hatred is an illness or perhaps it is a reflection of something more.

Mel Gibson's movie The Passion of Christ was panned by critics during a period when Gibson was out of favor with the Hollywood bunch. I disagree with most perspectives emanating from Hollywood, and like Kanye West, I can think for myself and don't require the opinions of the booboisie. Watching Gibson's movie was a painful learning experience, but it allowed me to comprehend the horrors of Roman scourging and crucifixion. Is it necessary for me to comprehend

crucifixion? Perhaps not, but more importantly, the movie afforded me a vision of hatred, an emotion and a concept I have trouble understanding.

I did not begin this essay as a critique of literature or movies. I just go where my thoughts take me as I try to understand the alien concept of hate and consider this perspective with you. The question is, how do you understand or explain the otherwise inexplicable?

Some years ago, the detectives investigating the Christian-Newsum murders in Knoxville described the crime scene as having the presence of evil. I don't believe I've ever experienced evil, but I know something of it by observing the cinematic androgynous and malevolent entity in The Passion of Christ. Watching this Devilish creature float invisibly among Jerusalem's crowds and transform them to murderous hatred, caused me to consider the primal force of hatred.

Perhaps the topic of hate doesn't interest you or you find my observations troublesome or specious. However, contemplating the phenomenon of hatred is important if you want to at least partially understand the enmity between Sunni and Shia Muslims

or between Palestinians and Jews. Nor, do I believe you can comprehend terrorism or the Trump hatred syndrome unless you consider the root cause. And in defense of this difficult topic, I don't believe you can arrive at the truth or make informed opinions without considering the contextual facts and the operative emotions.

As an internist and an observer of people, I am interested in emotions and how they modify rational behavior. During my own illness, my wife, Becky, observed how the emotions of illness changed my otherwise rational behavior. Emotion even altered what I heard my doctors say. From this I learned that two sets of ears are better than one, especially in emotionally charged medical situations, rife with fear, situational depression and pain. The teaching point is, always take a spouse or trusted friend with you to the doctor for medical consultations other than routine visits.

I know something about love because I have experienced it. There is a saying in medicine which goes "watch one, do one and teach one." This means you can never learn to perform a spinal tap from a book nor can you teach

someone else about this procedure until you have done it yourself. I don't presume to understand hatred or evil, nor can I teach about these perspectives with any degree of authority because, admittedly, I have never experienced either. The best I can do is imagine hatred and evil as the absence of or the antithesis of love.

Supreme Court Justice Stewart Potter is remembered for having difficulty defining hard-core pornography, but concluded "I know it when I see it." I know love when I see it, and I recognize its absence. Like hatred, I cannot objectively define evil, but conceptually, in this dualistic universe, I see God as the antithesis of evil.

The fundamental principle of the Bible is "God is love" (1 John 4:8). Though I have never seen God, I know of him because I see his creative hand in the universe around me. And I understand a bit about God because I know of his created force for good which we know as Love.

Love, like light, pushes back the darkness. This is truth, and wisdom, of the ages.

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Wise Guy

As a nation, we have stressed academic excellence. Our



By Mark Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

schools now get report cards, to show what kind of progress the children are making. This puts much pressure of teachers who have limited resources and often little help from parents at home. But we want our kids to achieve. As Americans we have a high regard for learning. We push kids to go to college or technical and trade schools.

Yet in some ways we should be critical of scholars. Some professors feel superior to others

due to their expertise. While there definitely are proud scholars, there are just as many proud janitors, mechanics, bankers, and doctors. We need to not so quickly categorize people. Just because someone may know Greek and Hebrew doesn't mean they are out of touch with life today. While knowing Greek doesn't mean you know the Lord, just because you don't know Greek doesn't mean you know the Lord either.

There is a type of smart that is good. We are not talking about "smartalics." We are talking about wisdom. This type of smart includes both the head and the heart. Wisdom does involve knowledge, but it is knowledge of a special kind. It is more of know "how" than know "what". Wisdom is not

knowing a bunch of facts. It is learning how to handle life. This often happens through experience, like dealing with pain. It can also be learned from watching the failures and successes of others around us or those who went before us. If we don't learn from our experiences or those of others, the Bible calls that person a "fool."

One of the purposes God had for families was to teach lessons on wisdom. It was mom and dad's role to teach their children the lessons they learned from life, whether from their own experience or from what they observed in others. This is called vicarious learning. It is amazing to me what parents will sacrifice to give their children a good education so they can get out in the world and get a

good paying job, yet so many do not give their children the most important education – a spiritual one. A college degree or multiple degrees and making lots of money somewhere is of no significance if you don't know Jesus and make Him Lord.

This places a great responsibility on parents. We are to teach wisdom for it is a way of life. Proverbs says that the way of wisdom is the way of humility, hard work, self-control, and right relationships. These are the things we must be praying for our children and discussing with them.

So where do we begin in learning wisdom? "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" (Proverbs 1:7). Our ability to make it through life comes from God alone and we get to

know God through the Bible. But just because you know the Bible does not make one spiritually wise. I have known ministers who have a firm handle on the Word of God in their head, but not their heart. He is the one who is to take preeminence in all aspects of our life. One of the great encouragements for us to grow in spiritual wisdom is to look at the role models around us. I believe the way we treat the older generation reveals our heart for wisdom. They have so much to teach us about wisdom, life experiences, and commitment to God. Let us ask God for spiritual wisdom and to know the difference between being a wise person and a wise guy.



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated September 30, 2008, executed by Mary L Long and Betty Lou Abbott conveying certain real property herein described to B Darnell as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee, recorded October 3, 2008, in instrument 200810030023401; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Laelia LLC, who is now the owner of said debt; and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Elizabeth H Parrott, 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, Elizabeth H Parrott, 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 **June 7, 2018, at 12:00 pm** at the front steps of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to-wit:

SITUATE IN THE 5TH (FORMERLY 8TH) CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 23RD WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 294, BLOCK 47, WEST CONSLADE ADDITION, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 4, PAGE 106, IN THE REGISTERS OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN ON THE EAST SIDE OF DAYTON STREET, SAID IRON IN BEING 50 FEET FROM THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST LINE OF DAYTON STREET WITH THE NORTH LINE OF MYCOSOTIS STREET, SAID IRON PIN MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE LEAVING DAYTON STREET AND ALONG THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN LOTS 595 AND 594, 144 FEET TO AN IRON PION IN THE EASTERLY DIRECTION; THENCE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID ALLEY, 50 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN LOTS 594 AND 593, 144 FEET TO AN IRON PION IN THE SOUTHERLY DIRECTION WITH DAYTON STREET, 50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. .

BEING THE SAME FEE SIMPLE PROPERTY CONVEYED BY QUIT CLAIM DEED FROM CHARLES ABBOTT AND MARY M. ABBOTT, ETAL HUSBAND AND WIFE TO MARY L. LONG AND GARY L. LONG HUSBAND AND BETTY LOU ABBOTT TENANCY IN COMMON, DATED 3/17/1995 RECORDED ON 3/17/1995 IN MAP BOOK WB 2170, PAGE 364 IN KNOX COUNTY RECORDS, STATE OF TN.

Tax Number: 093LE-003

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **2204 Dayton St Knoxville TN 37921-7025**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNERS: Mary L Long, Gary L Long, Betty Lou Abbott

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Internal Revenue Service; Knox County

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. If the right is reserved to adjourn the day of sale to another day, time and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, and 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, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, Harold L. Turner AKA Harold Lane Turner and Patti S. Turner AKA Patti Scholten executed a Deed of Trust to Regions Bank DBA Amsouth Bank, Lender and FMLS, Inc., Trustee(s), which was dated June 8, 2007 and recorded on June 21, 2007 in Instrument No. 200706210104811, 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, Regions Bank, (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 **May 22, 2018, at 10:00AM** at the Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to-wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. FIVE (5) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING WITHIN THE 19TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 118, AMBROSIO & GALBRAITH'S ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 9, PAGE 80, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION, and as shown by survey of Howard T. Dawson, RLS #1301, whose address is 124 Maryville Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee, dated December 22, 1995, and bearing drawing no. 951671.

Being the same property conveyed to George D. Badgett, unmarried by deed of David Eugene Bunch, Sr. and wife Sharon Louise Bunch, dated and recorded in Deed Book 2202 Page 699, Register's Office, Knox County.

Parcel ID Number: 081H-018

Address/Description: **3008 Rector Street, Knoxville, TN 37921.**

Current Owner(s): The Estate of George D. Badgett.

Other Interested Parties(ies): City of Knoxville.

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 property is sold as is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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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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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Following default in the payment of the debt due Manufacturers Acceptance Corporation secured by Deed of Trust dated September 18, 2009, from Donald Newton Edmonds III and Stefanie C. Edmonds (a/k/a Stefanie C. King, a/k/a Stefanie Edmonds-King), to James P. Burns, Trustee, and recorded September 22, 2009 as Instrument No. 200909220021368, in the Register's Office for Knox County, TN, the Trustee has been requested to sell the following property which will be sold at the front door of the City County Building, Knoxville, TN, on **Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.**

Situated in the Second Civil District of Knox County, TN, within the 16th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being all of Lot No. 14, Block No. 12 of North Hills Addition, Unit 2, as shown in Map Book 9, page 71, Register's Office of Knox County, TN, and lot fronting 63.47 feet on the East side of Abbey Road, and being more particularly bounded and described as shown on said map of record aforesaid, and shown by surveyor G.T. Trotter, Jr., Surveyor, dated 01/16/74.

Subject to all prior encumbrances including the Trust Deed to Charles E. Tonkin, Trustee securing Mortgage Investors Group in the amount of \$60,000.00, recorded 09/10/02 as Instr. No. 200209100021019 in the Register's Office for Knox County, TN and easements, restrictions and set-back lines of record.

BEING the property conveyed to Donald Newton Edmonds III by Deed dated March 25, 1998, of record in the Register's Office for Knox County, TN. For further reference see Instr. Nos. 200209100021018, 200612070047737 and 201201200039882.

The property, known as **2416 Abbey Road, Knoxville, TN 37917** (Tax Code No. 0700C-026) will be sold for cash, and in bar of the right and equity of redemption, and in bar of all homestead and dower rights. The property is sold subject to applicable easements, restrictions, any prior encumbrances, unpaid taxes and rights of tenants in possession. Other parties in interest: Chase a/k/a JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. (1st mortgage serviced by Seterus), Mortgage Investors Group (Trust Deed), American Anesthesiology of Tennessee, P.C. c/o Stanley F. Roden, Esq. (Judgment), and Arrow Financial Services, LLC as assignee of GE Money Bank c/o Shon Leverett, Esq. (Judgment).

THIS April 25, 2018.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, George D. Badgett, Unmarried executed a Deed of Trust to MIGLP, Limited Partnership d/b/a Mortgage Investors Group, LP, Lender and Charles E. Tonkin, II, Trustee(s), which was dated February 8, 1996 and recorded on February 13, 1996 in Book 3074, Page 148, 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, Tennessee Housing Development Agency, (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 **May 24, 2018, 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:

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **May 30, 2018 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 GARY W. DEVOE AND KIMBERLY P. DEVOE, to Priority Trustee Services of Tennessee, L.L.C., Trustee, on February 2, 2007, as Instrument No. 200702080064189 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2007-0PT1, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-0PT1

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

Situated in District No. 6 of Knox County, Tennessee, without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 72, Cascade Falls, Unit 1, as shown on the plat of the same of record bearing instrument #200407270008314, Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, to which plat specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

Being the same property conveyed to Christopher Adams and wife, Tiffany Adams, by Deed from Cascade Falls, LLC, Dated 10/4/04, recorded 10/7/04, in Instrument#200410070029818, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Being the same property conveyed to Gary W. Devoe and wife, Kimberly P. Devoe dated 2-2-07 filed for record on 2-8-07 in Instrument No. 200702080064188 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 0910 D 022

Current Owner(s) of Property: GARY W. DEVOE AND KIMBERLY P. DEVOE

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **8125 Laurel Falls Ln, Knoxville, TN 37931**, 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: PROBUILD EAST, INC. AND KNOXVILLE CONCRETE, INC. AND FORD MOTOR CREDIT CO. LLC AND TODD CRAWFORD AND CASCADE FALLS HOA

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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. 18-000375-670

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY

WHEREAS, James O. Thurmer II and Julie E. Martin executed a Deed of Trust to Tennessee Home Mortgage, Inc., Lender and Kathy Winstead, Trustee(s), which was dated July 25, 2005 and recorded on July 29, 2005 in Instrument No. 200507290008991, 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, New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, (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 **May 24, 2018, at 10:00AM** at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to-wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. NINE (9) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS PART OF PROPERTY OF HERMAN AND PAULINE MARTIN, as shown by map of the same of record in Plat Cabinet O, Slide 28-D, Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly bounded and described according to the survey of Smoky Mountain Land Surveying Co., Inc., Howard T. Dawson, Surveyor, dated 951217 as follows, to-wit:

Current Owner(s): RICHARD CHARLES

BEGINNING AT an existing iron pin marking the northeast corner of the property described herein, said iron pin being in the southeastern line of a 25 foot joint permanent easement; to reach said point of beginning, begin at an existing iron pin in the southeast right-of-way of Artella Drive, said iron pin marking the western terminus of said joint permanent easement and being located in a northeasterly direction 762.8 feet, more or less, from the point of intersection of the southeast right-of-way of Artella Drive and Brown Road; thence from said iron pin and proceeding along the southwest line of said joint permanent easement, South 44 deg. 17 min. East, 353.80 feet to an existing iron pin in the northwest line of the property described herein; thence turning and running with the southeast line of said easement and with the northwest line of the subject property, North 67 deg. 43 min. 17 sec. East 147.78 feet to an existing iron pin; thence continuing, North 64 deg. 14 min. 29 sec. East, 14.55 feet to an existing iron pin, THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence from said point of beginning South 20 deg. 50 min, 56 sec. East, 200.09 feet to an existing iron pin; thence South 76 deg. 10 min. 13 sec. West, 239.62 feet to an existing iron pin; thence along a severance line crossing the property of Herman Martin and Pauline Martin (Plat Cabinet O, Slide 28-D), North 13 deg. 27 min. 30 sec. West, 167.09 feet to an existing iron pin; thence North 68 deg. 58 min. 28 sec. East, 54.09 feet to an existing iron pin in the southeast line of the joint permanent easement; thence with said easement, North 67 deg. 43 min. 17 sec. East, 147.78 feet to an existing iron pin; thence continuing, North 64 deg. 14 min. 29 sec. East, 14.55 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

THE AFORESAID PROPERTY is conveyed together with and subject to a joint permanent easement for ingress and egress as shown on plat of record in Plat Cabinet O, Slide 28-D, Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, plus a Maintenance Agreement relative thereto of record in Deed Book 2093, page 731, in said Register's Office.

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Julie E. Martin, unmarried, by Warranty Deed from Matthew T. Montgomery, unmarried, dated 9-9-02 and recorded 9-25-02 of record bearing Instrument No. 200209250026042, in the Registers Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

THIS conveyance is made subject to all applicable easements, restrictions, and building setback lines of record in Knox County, Tennessee.

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

Parcel ID Number: 136 03805

Address/Description: **1040 Artella Drive, Knoxville, TN 37920.**

Current Owner(s): JULIE E. MARTIN AND JAMES O. THURMER III.

Other Interested Parties(ies): University Health Systems and University Pediatric Urology.

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.: 18-03864 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 November 15, 2010, executed by RICHARD CHARLES PHILPOT, conveying certain real property therein described to HUGH M QUEENER, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded November 22, 2010, at Instrument Number 2010112200031761; 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, Robin 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, Robin 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 **June 7, 2018 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:

THE LAND HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, COUNTY OF KNOX, STATE OF TN, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THAT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND PREMISES DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. NINE (FORMERLY FOURTEEN), OF KNOX COUNTY TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS A PART OF LOT 46 AND A SMALL PORTION OF AN ADJOINING TRACT IN THE WOODSON ADDITION SECOND UNIT, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OR RECORD OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 15, PAGE 90, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN IN THE WEST LINE OF WOODSON DRIVE AT THE COMMON CORNER BETWEEN LOTS 46 AND 47; THENCE WITH THE WEST LINE OF WOODSON DRIVE, NORTH 26 DEG. 24 MIN. WEST, 140.2 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE CENTER OF THE DRIVEWAY; THENCE WITH THE CENTER OF SAID DRIVEWAY SOUTH 66 DEG. 15 MIN. WEST, 41.8 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN THE CENTER OF A SMALL BRIDGE; THENCE CONTINUING WITH THE CENTER LINE OF SAID DRIVEWAY SOUTH 76 DEG. WEST, 113.8 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE SOUTH 31 DEG. 45 MIN. WEST, 127.3 FEET TO A KUB POLE; THENCE SOUTH 57 DEG. WEST 88.3 FEET TO AN IRON PIN IN LINE OF THE BARBER HILL SUBDIVISION, THENCE WITH SAID LINE SOUTH 8 DEG. 30 MIN. EAST, 177 FEET TO AN IRON PIN CORNER TO LOT 47; THENCE WITH THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN LOTS 46 AND 47 NORTH 52 DEG. 30 MIN. EAST 409.9 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF THE ADDITION, HOOK ENGINEERING; DATED 1954, AND REVISED BY MA. WILSON IN 1955.

Parcel ID: 122JA032

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **2808 WOODSON DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920**. 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): RICHARD CHARLES

PHILPOT

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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ESTATE OF EDWARD DONALD KING, SR. DOCKET NUMBER 80299-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of MAY 2018, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EDWARD DONALD KING, SR. who

PHILPOT

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.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on the 3d day of October, 2006, by a Warranty Deed dated October 3, 2006 recorded at Instrument Number 200611020038357, in the Register of Deed's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, Melissa H. Beggs, known also as Melissa H. Ludlow, did purchase the hereinafter described real estate subject to all applicable restrictions, covenants, reservations, and conditions of record; and

WHEREAS, the hereinafter described real estate at the time of purchase by Melissa H. Beggs, also known as Melissa H. Ludlow, was subject to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for BROOKSTONE HOA, INC., recorded at Instrument Number 200408310018647 in the Register of Deeds Office for Knox County, Tennessee, including the obligation to pay Annual Assessments and Special Assessments; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the said Annual Assessments and Special Assessments, the same

The East Tennessee Historical Society has awarded a project designed by Johnson Architecture an Award of Distinction for the firm's adaptive design of Marble Hall at Lakeshore Park. The honor was presented May 1 as part of the society's Awards of Excellence Program.

Johnson Architecture was hired by the Lakeshore Park board and landscape architect Ross Fowler to reimagine the historic structure.

"Our goal was to preserve the history of Marble Hall and make it a welcoming space for the public,"

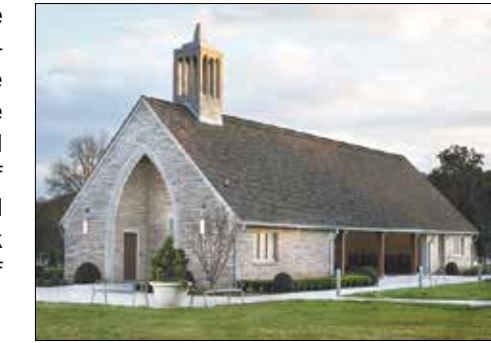
said Daryl Johnson, principal and founder of Johnson Architecture. "We are gratified that the structure has become a landmark where memories will be made long into the future."

Johnson Architecture's design opened the 3,367-square-foot former chapel while preserving its frame and enhancing its architectural elements amid its landscape. The design maintained the exterior marble cladding, wooden frame and ceiling, cupola, and intricate rose window. In addition, the design includes new, adjacent public restrooms and

the new 1,265-square-foot Marble Hall Pavilion, which features materials reflective of its counterpart.

Marble Hall was originally constructed in 1958 as a chapel for the Eastern State Psychiatric Hospital, later renamed Lakeshore Mental Health Institute, and is one of the few

remaining buildings on the property from that era. Following the closure of the institute in 2012, the State of Tennessee conveyed the property to the City of Knoxville for recreational purposes. Lakeshore Park now draws thousands of visitors annually.



Johnson Architecture's design of Lakeshore Park's Marble Hall earned an Award of Distinction from ETHS on May 1.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EVELYN B WALLACE
DOCKET NUMBER 80275-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of MAY 2018, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EVELYN B WALLACE who died Mar 31, 2018, 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 1 day of MAY, 2018.

ESTATE OF BEATRICE BROMLEY
DAVIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JENNIFER WOLEVER; EXECUTRIX
7207 BELL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

RUFUS W BEAMER, JR., ATTORNEY AT LAW
707 MARKET STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BEATRICE BROMLEY DAVIS
DOCKET NUMBER 80266-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of MAY 2018, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BEATRICE BROMLEY DAVIS who died Oct 6, 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

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

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This the 1 day of MAY, 2018.

ESTATE OF BEATRICE BROMLEY
DAVIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RHONDA MARCELL
COLLINS NORTON
DOCKET NUMBER 80255-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of APRIL 2018, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RHONDA MARCELL COLLINS NORTON who died Apr 6, 2018, 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

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death
This the 30 day of APRIL, 2018.

ESTATE OF RHONDA MARCELL COLLINS
NORTON PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JO ANN ROACH; EXECUTRIX
3829 INDIAN RIDGE ROAD
BLAINE, TN. 37709

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: the UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER
of KANNYN JOSEPH HENDRIX
born 04-16-2018, in Knoxville, TN
to LESLIE MACHELL HENDRIX

IN RE: ADOPTION OF KANNYN JOSEPH
HENDRIX DOCKET # 1-146-18
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY,
TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Petition filed, which is sworn to, that the respondent, the UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER of the child, is either a non-resident of the state or whose identity and whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that ordinary service of process of law cannot be served upon him. It is ORDERED by the Court that the respondent, the UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER, file an Answer with the Circuit Court Clerk, Catherine Shanks, and with N. David Roberts, Jr., attorney for the petitioner, whose address is P. O. Box 2564, Knoxville TN 37901 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing ex parte as to you before Judge KRISTI M. DAVIS, CIRCUIT JUDGE at the Knox County Circuit Court, Div. I, 400 Main St. Knoxville TN 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. The hearing on the default is set for July 23, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. if you fail to respond.

consecutive weeks. The hearing on the default is set for July 23, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. if you fail to respond.

This the 26th day of April, 2018
/s/ CATHERINE SHANKS, Circuit Court Clerk
Published: 0507, 0514, 0521, 0604(2018)

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

CASE NO.:2018127
PUBLICATION ON ADOPTION
(BRIAN WATSON OR ANY UNKNOWN
OR UNDISCLOSED PARENT)

In the Probate Court of Marion County, Alabama.

IN: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF: BABY BOY HUDSON-WRIGHT

Notice to Brian Watson or any Unknown or Undisclosed Parent of: Baby Boy Hudson-Wright
You will take notice that a petition for the adoption of Baby Boy Hudson-Wright, a minor (born to Michelle Hudson-Wright on April 1, 2018, in Knox County, Tennessee) was filed on April 18, 2018, in the Probate Court of Marion County, Alabama, alleging that the identity of the natural parent of said minor child may be Brian Watson, or unknown or has not been correctly disclosed to the Court, and whose relationship of said possible Brian Watson, or unknown or undisclosed natural parent to the aforesaid minor child is that of the Natural Father.

Please be advised that should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein and with Bryant A. Whitmire, Jr. whose name and address is shown below, and with the Clerk of the Probate Court of Marion County Courthouse, Hamilton, Alabama.

Bryant A. Whitmire, Jr.
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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: LANIER MAURICE MORGAN;
IN RE: LANIER MAURICE MORGAN, JR.
NO. 194586-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant LANIER MAURICE MORGAN 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 LANIER MAURICE MORGAN it is ordered that said defendant LANIER MAURICE MORGAN file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Brent Watson, an Attorneys whose address is, 800 S. Gay Street, Suite 2001, 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 The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 18th day of April, 2018.

Clerk and Master

MISC. NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

The owners and/or lien holders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of A-1 Express Tires & Wrecker Service. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at public auction held on (JUNE 4TH 2018) at 11941 chapman hwy seymour tn 37865

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

The following described vehicles have been impounded/ Repaired/ or towed and will be sold at public auction in compliance with the Tennessee Public Acts 1967, Chapter 240, house Bill 379. The sale will be held at LOWE'S GARAGE AND TOWING Vehicle Impoundment Lot located at 1119 NEW YORK AVE.KNOXVILLE TN 37921 on MAY 21ST, 2018 at 8 AM. 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 described vehicle(s).

1. 1987 Ford F350 VIN: 1FDJF3712HNA88630
2. 1991 Jeep Cherokee VIN: 1J4FJ78S7MLG36399

LEGAL SECTION 94

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

Bid 2700, School Instructional Supplies, due 6/15/18

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.povdeals.com.

War with Noodles Champions



Janet Nunn, Evelyn Shipe, Mildred Stooksbury, Ann Changas, Mary Jane Forsythe, Bob Johnson, Ernie Ingle, Billy Jack Turner, Gayle Ingersol, and Bess Lay are the Windsor Gardens Assisted Living War with Noodles Champions! War with Noodles is a game where you have to use your noodle to keep the balloon from hitting the ground. The official Windsor Gardens record to beat was 343 hits. Well, these overachievers beat that record with 643 hits!!! Great workout and great fun!

Children and Older Adults:

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The CAC Office on Aging has a program designed for older adults over the age of 55 who want to work with children in school and day-care settings. The program has many benefits for its participants:

- Stipend (does not affect Social Security benefits)
- Meal and travel reimbursement (including a bus pass)
- Flexible schedule
- Work close to home
- Serve 20+ hours per week
- Satisfaction of helping and mentoring young students

The Foster Grandparents program places program participants in schools and daycare facilities to provide help with homework, assisting teachers, mentorship, and showing love and encouragement to school age children.

According to Erik Erikson, one of the first psychologists to describe social development across the lifespan, the final stage of

emotional development is experienced around the age of 60 and older. Developing connections with a younger generation can help older adults feel a greater sense of fulfillment. In fact, linking older adults with youth can provide advantages for both groups. For example, such relationships can:

- Provide an opportunity for both to learn new skills
- Give the child and the older adult a sense of purpose
- Help children to understand and later accept their own aging
- Invigorate and energize older adults
- Help reduce isolation and the likelihood of depression in older adults
- Fill a void for children who do not have grandparents available to them
- Help keep family stories and history alive

For information on the Foster Grandparents program in Knox and Blount counties, call Gina Whitfield at 865-524-2786 or gina.whitfield@knoxseniors.org.



Rosie's World

Trees

I have never been allergic to anything in my life--until now. Because I am getting older, I'm allergic to all the things I love, especially trees. This is astounding to me that I'm allergic to my favorite things, namely elm and birch trees, and also GRASS! What is more amazing is the fact that there aren't any elm or birch trees in my immediate area. But there's lots of grass.

I think some time ago I wrote about why we're allergic, so I won't go into that. Let's talk about trees instead.

A tree is tall plant with a trunk and branches made of wood. They can live for many years. The roots carry food and water from the ground through the trunk and branches to the leaves of the tree. They can also breathe in air.

Being the biggest plant on the planet, they give us oxygen, store carbon, stabilize the soil, and give life to the world's wildlife. Also, they provide us with materials for tools and shelter.

We just celebrated Arbor Day on April 17th this year. What is Arbor Day? It's a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees. I know I'm a little late with this info, but Mother's Day got in the way. It is asked by Arbor Day Foundation that 50, 000 trees be planted by April 27th. I haven't heard if that goal was reached or not.

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When I was very young I remember my Uncle Bob joining the Civilian Conservation Corps, also known as the CCC. Instigated by FDR on April 10, 1933, it put thousands of Americans to work during the Great Depression. Their main objective was to plant trees, but they also built bridges and campground facilities. He declared, " the forests are the lungs of our land which purify the air and give fresh strength to our people."

Also, when I was in sixth grade (many, many years ago), a teacher thought i had a pretty good singing voice, so she asked me to sing in the auditorium during a skit honoring Arbor Day. With a quivering voice and shaking knees, (and a loud voice) I sang that beautiful poem by Joyce Kilmer:

"I think that I shall never see

A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest

Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day

And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in summer wear

A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain

Who intimately lives with the rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,

But only God can make a tree."

I could not live anywhere where there were no trees for I could not write articles like these.

Thought for the day: Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago. Warren Buffett

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

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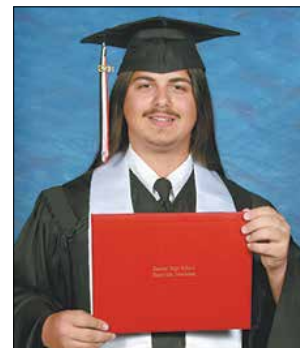
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