meetings.

Ed and Bob will be honored for their work and service at the commission's regular meeting tonight.

Knoxville Focus Publisher Steve Hunley, center, visits with At-Large Commissioners Ed Brantley, left, and Bob Thomas, right, at Ed and Bob's last Commissioners' Night Out Thursday evening at Wright's Cafeteria.

Bearden Council and others, objected to the first reading and then protested along the busy connector road recently Continue on page 3

## KCSD pension dispute going to court

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Knox County Sheriff's Department employees carry on the vacation days that have been added to pension calculations? Or should the pensions only include 75% of their regular monthly salaries for the last two years served? That's the cuestion that will be before

Should pensions for former and future

Chancery Court on Friday, September 7. Because the Kinox County Law Department cannot legally sue a division of Kinox County the law director hierd an outside firm to sue the Pension Board for including those unused vacation days in calculations. The difference could be thousands of dollars in increased cersion, some more than 85%.



ing a myriad of problems with the state TNReady testing program for students. Below, Governor Bill Haslam, center, and Tennes see Department of Education Commissioner Candice McQueen, left, listen to facilitator Wayne Miller during the listening ious session at Halls Elementary School.

## Teachers protest Haslam's 'Listening Tour'



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