

School board approves 2020 budget

By Ken Lay

The Knox County Board of Education approved a \$506.6 million budget for the upcoming academic year at a called meeting Wednesday night at the City-County Building.

The board approved the budget with an 8-1 vote with Mike McMillan being the only dissenting vote.

The new proposed budget, which must still be approved by Knox County Commission, awards teachers a 3.5% pay raise and step increases for those educators who are eligible.

Knox County Schools Superintendent Bob Thomas was commended by the board and by the Knox County Education Association.

"This is my fifth budget cycle and this is the most fiscally responsible budget since I've been here," board member Patti Bounds said.

Board chairperson Terry Hill agreed.


"This is one of the smoothest years since I've served, that we've had in budgeting," she said.

The new proposed budget makes teacher pay a priority. The board originally sought a four percent pay raise for teachers. Those raises will total \$16 million.

But based on projected tax revenues, federal and state funding, the board approved a 3.5% increase, which many feel is definitely a step in the right direction. Knox County Education Association President Tanya Coats became emotional during her public forum comments, which thanked both Thomas and the Board of Education for making teacher pay a priority in the 2020 proposed budget.

"This is the largest amount of increase we've had for our educators, 3.5 [percent]," Coats said. "We've had one percent, two percent or 2.5%."

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Knox County Schools Superintendent Bob Thomas.

GRAND GOALS presented by Mayor Rogero



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"We still have a lot to accomplish," Mayor Madeline Rogero told the large audience attending the "State of the City" budget address Friday.

She also said she and her staff are "gearing up for a smooth transition" with whoever is elected as the city's new mayor. At least three of the four announced candidates were in attendance.

The mayor indicated the city is moving forward in the plan to purchase the former St. Mary's Hospital and, on May 7, she said plans will be presented on the facility which would house police and fire departments, city courts and the pension office.

She also announced a community summit later this summer to deal with mental health and drug and alcohol addiction.

The mayor also spoke of the growing number of interconnected greenways and said that a portion or lane of the James White Parkway will be designed a greenway to connect the north and south together.

"These are grand goals for a sustainable future and the quality of life," Rogero said.

PARC details complaints, hears from the public

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The quarterly meeting of the Police Advisory and Review Committee drew a sizable crowd Wednesday as it met at the Regal Entertainment Group headquarters on Blount Avenue. Committee member Robbie Arrington, attending his last PARC meeting, was recognized for his service.

The committee, appointed to oversee the city police department and headed by Executive Director Clarence Vaughn, III, shared with the public the cases it reviewed during the first quarter of this year and gave an overview of its duties. The meeting was highlighted by an address from Julie Small, technical services supervisor at the police department.

Small guided the meeting through a video presentation detailing the history of audio and video used by the department's officers. She said that camera equipment was added in 1998 and now the police are on the fourth generation of cameras and recorders.

"It is to protect you and us," she said, adding that about 300 recordings are saved each month and explained how and when the recordings are created. Each recording is saved for three years. She also

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No new city taxes in mayor's budget

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Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero did not propose a tax increase in her State of the City address Friday. She detailed much of the budget she is sending to City Council for approval to the crowd of about 700 attending. The council has until July 1 to approve or alter the budget request. The address by Rogero highlights her final budget request during her last year in office.

Speaking at the proposed Urban Wilderness Gateway Park at the end of James White Parkway, the mayor included that new police officers salary will be increased to \$40,000 and other ranks will get adjusted upward. Firefighter salary compensation inequities will also be addressed, she said.

Rogero said that property tax collection will probably remain about the same and modest growth is expected in real property and personal property. Revenue from local option sales tax and state shared taxes are expected to be slightly higher and growth is expected from businesses and KUB who pay in lieu of taxes.

The property tax rate of \$2.4638 per hundred dollars of assessed property, the same as the current year, is being proposed.

Expenditures will probably continue to grow as a result of higher operating costs, capital needs and salary increase. The mayor proposes continuing the 2.5% pay increase for employees and allocating \$29.83 million to the employee pension plan.

Rogero spoke on the topics of Strong, Safe Neighborhoods, Living and Working Green, Energizing Downtown and the Urban Core and Job Creation and Retention. Her proposed budget allocates \$1.767 million in new money for the Police and Fire Departments. She is proposing upping the funds going to the Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center by \$183,950, giving the center a total of \$583,950.

Increased funding for chronic problem properties, blighted property acquisition

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County Budget Presentation, Public Meetings Planned

Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will present his Fiscal Year 2020 budget proposal to the Knox County Commission at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 1. The presentation will take place in the Central High School Auditorium. Those unable to attend the presentation will be able to view it live on CTV Channel 12 or on both the mayor's and the Knox County Government Facebook pages later in the day.

In the days following the budget address, Mayor Jacobs will host a series of public meetings to allow constituents to ask questions and learn about the budget.

Thursday, May 2	Elementary School
12:30 p.m. at South Knoxville Senior Center	Friday, May 3
1:30 p.m. at Carter Senior Center	9:30 a.m. at the Farragut Library
2:30 p.m. at Corryton Senior Center	10:30 a.m. at the Bearden Library
3:30 p.m. at New Harvest Park Center	Tuesday, May 7
4:30 p.m. at Lonsdale	2 p.m. at Karns Senior Center
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Albers Fountain restoration to be celebrated

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This Sunday, May 5, an event will take place in the Old Gray Cemetery downtown commemorating the return of a landmark with a romantic and sad history. The new Ella Albers Fountain and statues will be officially dedicated at 2 p.m.

Ruthie Kuhlman, executive director of the Old Gray Cemetery board, is inviting the public to the dedication and asking everyone to RSVP if planning to attend. The email address is info@oldgraycemetery.org. Anyone interested in attending may also call (865)522-1424.

The history of the fountain, which featured the statue of one woman standing and two sitting, is a story of a romance that ended too soon.

Andrew Jackson Albers, a Civil War Navy

pharmacist's mate, had the original monument created for his wife, Ella S. King Albers, who died at age 37. Albers was the founder of Albers Drug Company, a regional pharmaceutical wholesaler.

One of the locations of the company was on Gay Street at what is now Tailor Lofts, then a one-story building that survived a devastating downtown fire in 1897 that destroyed several other buildings.

The beautiful statue stood until World War II when part of it was demolished for a scrap metal drive. By the 1960s the fountain and statue had completely vanished, leaving only a round marble circle atop the cemetery hill surrounded by a low stone wall.

The Albers Company survived the years until the 1990s when it was bought out, in pieces, by



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

One of the three statues of women at the Ella Albers Fountain appears to be pondering something. The fountain will be officially dedicated on Sunday after being totally reconstructed through the efforts of the board of Old Gray Cemetery.

other companies.

The reconstruction project has been going on for several years, thanks to public and private funds

and the efforts of the cemetery's board, and now the return of the centerpiece to the historic old graveyard will be celebrated.

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said that all the police cars are tracked by GPS so the department knows where a vehicle is at all times.

In the future Small said the department is looking for better video quality. The plan is also to be more automated and more secure including investing in upgrades like solid state equipment where the information is sent directly to police headquarters rather than just recorded.

One question that came up after the presentation concerned why the video recording doesn't often capture the officer walking to a stopped car. Small said the officer can adjust the camera to capture that. Asked about placing body cameras on officers Small said it would double the cost of storing the recordings.

Chief Eve Thomas told the audience that the department is looking into that and possibly placing

body cameras on officers 100 at a time, adding, "We don't have that worked out yet."

Committee member Jered Croom asked about the police policy of officers carrying weapons when not on duty. Thomas said that the department has a list of authorized weapons and noted that one officer was disciplined recently for having a weapon while off duty that was not acceptable.

Chairwoman Rosa Mar said the officer "brandished his gun and not his badge" in an incident involving road rage. Chief Thomas said the incident was reviewed in an interview with the couple involved and the officer, to which Croom said "escalation is not the answer."

Mar said the incident, which involved a traffic encounter "does not reflect well on the department."

The PARC meeting also discussed crisis training

for officers, some of whom undergo 24 or 48 hours of training. Not all officers receive the training but can call for a crisis officer for help.

One citizen asked about racial profiling and Mar reported that there were no civil rights complaints received by the committee during the first three months of this year.

The audience and the public were urged to report incidents involving the city police and were told that investigations of the city police actions are done by the Knox County Sheriff's Department and incidents in the city involving the sheriff's department are investigated by the city police. Chief Thomas said that people who make a complaint are notified of the outcome.

The audience was also reminded that the sheriff's department does not have an advisory oversight committee.

Mar said that citizens should demand such an oversight committee for the county law enforcement.

Another citizen spoke about the death of Sierra McCauley who was shot and killed by a Knoxville police officer after he responded to a call about the 23-year-old woman being naked and threatening someone with a knife. T Chief Thomas said the incident was investigated by the sheriff's department and not the city police.

In their quarterly report PARC reported responding to 18 complaints, the majority involving failure to return personal items and unprofessional conduct.

Ten complaints were resolved by the PARC director, five by the police department, one through mediation, and two referred to the appropriate agency. One case is pending.

Where Can You Find a Notary?

From time to time I will draft documents for individuals that they will take with them and they will need to go get someone else's signature on those documents for the documents to be fully executed. Or I might email

documents to be signed, the documents will also have to be notarized.

I wrote about what a notary is and what they do several years ago, but as a quick refresher (in case you are not religiously reading my articles), a notary is an unpaid public official who has been approved by the state to verify individuals' identities who are executing documents. Their primary purpose is to deter fraud in the execution of important documents. Without them, the risk of forged signatures on important legal documents rises.

But back to the initial question, as to where to find a notary to notarize documents. Perhaps surprisingly, this question comes up a lot. Most people do not personally know anyone who is a notary. So where do they find one?

My go to answer is always a bank. Almost every bank branch has a notary on staff who can notarize documents. In addition, most UPS and FedEx stores advertise that they have notaries on staff available



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to notarize documents. Of course, law firms almost have to have notaries on staff because so many documents that they create require notarization. At my office, we have no less than seven notaries on staff. I am sure that if

you are in a pinch, you can find the closest attorney's office and they will be able to notarize documents for you.

At all of these locations, be prepared to produce a current picture identification as the notary is not allowed to notarize documents without that identification unless they personally know you.

Another question that often arises is the place where the notarization must occur. On documents to be notarized, the state and county where the document is to be notarized must be stated. When a law firm or title company pre-prints the state and the county where they are located, I have seen some individuals think they have to travel from out of state to the state and county listed to sign the documents and have them notarized. That is not the case. Simply cross out the state and county listed and have the notary hand write in the state and county where you obtain the notarization.

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All around Knoxville the city's history is winking at you although you may not have noticed. Here and there on some of the older buildings, if you look closely enough, you can see the past appearing as faded or over-painted business names or advertisements on the brick walls.

Some of the "ghost signs," like the Coca Cola sign at Broadway and Central, have been restored in their original colors and design, and that effort is notable.

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The former **Royal Dry Cleaners** sign on the building at 2401 Central Street peeks out from the bricks, over-painted during the years. Knoxville has several of the former business and advertising signs that you might see if you look closely enough. (Photo by Mike Steely)



The ad sign for **Haynes and Henson Shoe Company** peeks through the 1880s bricks. The store was advertised as "Knoxville's Million Dollar Shoe Store" and the building is located at 130 Jackson Avenue. It later became Jackson Ateliers. (Photo by Ronnie Collins)

Our readers are invited to send photos of historic building signs, unique advertising signs and signs that have been repainted and restored. Photos and information should be sent to steelym@knoxfocus.com and the submitter will be credited with the photo.



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Publisher's Position Is Recode Supposed to be a Secret?



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This past Tuesday, April 23, Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero signed a Special Called Meeting public notice of the Knoxville City Council to hold the first of two votes on Recode on May 14 at 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon. One little problem, in the 347 words in the public notice the word “Recode” was not mentioned. The city administration, the city council and the planning commission have on two prior occasions done everything in their power to keep Recode a secret from the property owners of Knoxville. More on this lack of transparency in a moment. Try this experiment Monday; ask ten people you know if they know what Recode is. The vast majority will know nothing. A few might say it is something about zoning. In my opinion, what Recode is really about is raising property taxes under the illusion of doing a zoning overhaul. What Recode is really about is increasing population density to get more property taxes. What Recode is about is not letting the public know the

truth. It is not just the City of Knoxville government that is attempting to keep Recode a secret. It is also the vast majority of local media.

The public notice sent out Tuesday, April 23 was addressed to the Knoxville News Sentinel, WATE TV, WBIR TV and WVLT TV. None of them, as of Friday evening, April 26, had a story about the upcoming May 14 vote on Recode. The following is word for word the public notice that was sent to the local media and you be the judge as to whether or not this is adequate public notice:

In accordance with Section 408 of the Charter of the City of Knoxville, you are hereby notified that a Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Knoxville will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee. The meeting will be held to consider the following matter:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE TO REGULATE THE LOCATION, HEIGHT, BULK, NUMBER OF STORIES AND SIZE OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES, THE PERCENTAGE OF THE LOT WHICH MAY BE OCCUPIED, THE SIZES OF YARDS, COURTS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES, THE DENSITY OF POPULATION, AND THE USES OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND LAND FOR TRADE, INDUSTRY, RESIDENCE, RECREATION, PUBLIC ACTIVITIES

AND OTHER PURPOSES; AND FOR SUCH PURPOSES TO DIVIDE THE MUNICIPALITY INTO DISTRICTS OR ZONES OF SUCH NUMBER, SHAPE AND AREAS AS IT MAY DETERMINE, AND REGULATE THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION AND USES OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND THE USE OF LAND; TO PRESCRIBE PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT; TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 3369, AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO, THE CAPTION OF WHICH ORDINANCE NO. 3369 IS AS FOLLOWS:

“AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE LOCATION, HEIGHT, BULK, NUMBER OF STORIES AND SIZE OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES, THE PERCENTAGE OF THE LOT WHICH MAY BE OCCUPIED, THE SIZES OF YARDS, COURTS AND OTHER OPEN SPACES, THE DENSITY OF POPULATION, AND THE USES OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND LAND FOR TRADE, INDUSTRY, RESIDENCE, RECREATION, PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AND OTHER PURPOSES; AND FOR SUCH PURPOSES TO DIVIDE THE MUNICIPALITY INTO DISTRICTS OR ZONES OF SUCH NUMBER, SHAPE AND AREAS AS IT MAY DETERMINE, AND REGULATE THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION AND USES OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND THE USE OF LAND; TO PRESCRIBE PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS

AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT; TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 123, AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO.”

It is possible that others in local media could not figure out what that mess of words mean. At The Focus we understand very well what those words mean because we have been paying very close attention. It is the first vote on Recode. To make matters worse, the vote will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon so working people cannot attend. Is this what you thought you were getting when you voted for your city council member? Is this what you think representation is? This entire process has not been friendly to citizen participation.

Now for the other two missteps: on December 18 of 2018 the Knoxville City Council held an emergency vote on an Ordinance Q-187-2018 prepared by the city law department that stated the Knoxville Planning Commission did not have to notify property owners 120 days prior to a city council vote that their zoning would change if Recode became law. The vote was unanimous. It was then signed by the city mayor. Prior to the emergency ordinance the planning commission would have had to notify each property owner in writing explaining exactly what the zoning change was and how it affected their property and place a sign on each of the 73,000 properties affected. The planning commission said it would cost

too much to do what has been done for decades. So they tried to change the law. City council and the planning commission evidently like secrets. Secrets are not good government.

In the second of three workshops on Recode the city council decided they would “notify” property owners about Recode even though they made it very clear they did not have to, because of the December 2018 emergency ordinance. And what did they do? What was mailed supposedly to all 50,000 property owners was a one page notice that told people go to the website <https://recodeknoxville.com> and to enter their address so they could find a complex zoning map and try to understand what Recode would do to them. It was a time consuming homework assignment that most people threw in the trash can. It did not say that their taxes might increase if they were upzoned. It did not say that their neighbor could build a one story apartment in their backyard violating the previous setbacks. It did not say the new Mixed Use apartments would have greatly reduced parking which would create parking conflicts within established neighborhoods. It said nothing. It was not open and transparent.

In the public forum of the third workshop on Recode in city council Danny Kirby of Turkey Creek Land Partners listed a multitude of errors, exaggerations, and disingenuous claims about Recode in the five minutes

he was given to speak in Public Forum. Kirby told council he represented 21 properties in the Turkey Creek shopping complex and none of them received the “written notice” about Recode. That is a 100% failure rate for some of the biggest stores in Knoxville. Kirby described the Recode notice as incomplete in that it did not explain whether properties would be upzoned or downzoned. Kirby explained that, in his opinion, the planning commission had not followed proper legal procedure for rezoning.

Planning Commission Executive Director Gerald Green claimed that 50,000 notices about Recode were mailed to property owners yet the planning commission received only 350 phone calls. That is .7 of one percent. How is that possible? If that is correct, then the written notice was worthless and ineffective. Was that by design? It appears so.

Why has The Focus spent so much time on Recode? Because this is not about Recode, it is about representation. The people of Knoxville are not being represented by their city council members. They are being dictated to. In East Tennessee there is one thing you don’t do in politics. You don’t tell the voters how it is going to be. That is exactly what your government is doing. How do you feel about it now that you know what Recode is really all about?

Gill keeps seat on Joint Ed Committee

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It was obvious that most of the Knox County Commissioners did not want to discuss any action against fellow Commissioner Evelyn Gill. The regular meeting last week saw Commissioner Larsen Jay repeat his attempt to remove Gill from the Joint Education Committee which he co-chairs.

At first the motion appeared to have some traction when Commissioner Brad Anders seconded the resolution. But after some brief discussion Anders withdrew his support of the idea. The Joint Education Committee is composed of

Commissioners Jay, Gill, Randy Smith and Michele Carringer as well as four members of the Knox County Board of Education. Carringer had said in a recent work session that there must be something to the unproven charges against Gill but last week took another point of view.

Jay was attempting the removal after he said he asked for Gill’s resignation from the committee. He charged she has a conflict of interest based on her removal and then re-instatement as a special education teacher. County Law Director Bud Armstrong repeatedly told the commission in that work session earlier this

month that Gill had been cleared of all charges and was offered her job back although she resigned her teaching position.

Carringer said that the Joint Education Committee is “very vital” in the relationship between the commission and the school system.

“This has cost way too much of our time,” she said, adding that the committee assignments will expire after the commission’s August meeting and the various committees could get new members. Carringer said the matter “is not worth our time.”

“My desire is to run an effective committee,” Jay said, adding that when he

tried to get a response from Gill he got “no response at all.” Gill said Jay told her to “resign or else.”

Gill had been charged and then cleared of allegedly abusing of an autistic student. Jay compounded the charges by referring to her employment file. Gill responded that she has served on the Joint Committee since being elected to commission.

“You opened a look at my personnel file. This should have been brought to the committee,” Gill told Jay.

Commissioner Carson Dailey agreed, asking Jay why the matter didn’t begin with the committee. Jay replied, “Perhaps that might have been a better

way” but added he checked the charter before offering the resolution.

Dailey said that a “vote of confidence” in the Joint Committee “would have gone a long way” in resolving the matter.

Commissioner Charles Busler said he was going to pass on any vote, saying “the elephant in the room and in the Joint Education Committee” was going to remain. He added, “I sat on that committee for two years. We all have a right to our good name. It’s not proven.”

“We’re in a mess we shouldn’t be in. Nobody is going to win,” Busler said.

“This body is a family—we just have our disputes

in a public forum,” said Anders. “I think this resolution has as much negative potential as positive. It would be wise of me to withdraw my second.”

Law Director Armstrong told the commission that if there is no second to the motion there would be no vote.

Chairman Hugh Nystrom asked for a second but none came following a long pause. Nystrom then said he didn’t know if the votes were there for it to pass, adding he thought Jay’s intent “is his real passion for good government.”

“I’ve lost battles here but as soon as I walk out the door it’s forgotten,” Dailey said.

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She also noted that while the board was aiming for a four percent pay raise, that she and the association were not upset with the 3.5 percent increase.

“It was just great to see us written [in the budget],” she said. “It’s great to have a superintendent like Mr. Thomas, who was an administrator and who was in the classroom.”

“While he was in the classroom, he sometimes dipped into his own pocket to get his students the resources that they needed. It’s great to have a superintendent who values us as teachers and educators.”

Hill agreed.

“This is the highest single raise over 10 years that we’ve been able to give teachers, assuming

everything passes, this is at least pointing us in the right direction,” she said. “All of this is pending votes by the school board and the county commission.”

Other key components of the projected budget include additional funding of academically at-risk schools and early literacy programs (approximately \$4 million) and funding for new staff dealing with students with critical needs that will total approximately \$5 million,

In addition to approving the general budget, the board approved a five-year capital improvement plan, which includes funding to build three new elementary schools. The county is looking to build a new school in Northwest Knox County. The plan also includes building

new campuses for Lonsdale Elementary and Adrian Burnett Elementary in Halls.

Controller Russ Oaks said the process for the new schools will begin in fiscal year 2020.

The prospect of a new school in Lonsdale is exciting for a parent support group in that community.

“To the board and the superintendent, I say thank you for considering our kids in Lonsdale,” said Lonsdale parent and community advocate Angel Bowman. “You know me. I’ve spoken before this board before. “Tonight, I say thank you for considering the safety of our children in Lonsdale. I am the proud mother of two students at Lonsdale.

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New home design on South Waterfront denied by city council

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Is the proposed home 2.5 stories or 3 stories?

That was the question before the Knoxville City Council Tuesday as Brian Ewers appealed a decision by the Board of Zoning Appeals for proposed new home at 2304 West Blount Avenue. The request ran head-on into the existing South Waterfront regulations.

Blount Avenue is developing fast, with the huge apartment development under construction at the former Baptist

Hospital, the Regal headquarters there and new businesses developing along the route and people planning new homes and buildings there. The intent of the South Waterfront regulations is to create a fluid and up-scale neighborhood along the route.

Architect Brian Ewers told the council that Dr. Lynette Perdue, a UT graduate, wants to return to Knoxville and build on Blount Avenue so she can have a view of the UT campus across the river. He said the proposed home is 2.5 stories with a covered roof deck offering a panoramic view of the

college.

Peter Ehrens, Director of Plans and Review, said the plans are for what appears to be a three-story house although it doesn't violate the 35-foot height requirement. He said that if the roof extended down to the second story it might be acceptable.

Several city council members commented and questioned the proposal.

George Wallace said the house would be the first new home on the block and must meet the South Waterfront design requirements.

Stephanie Welch, who represents the area, cited the city's form-based code and pointed out that part of the requirements for houses there was "aesthetics."

"Would this change under the new ReCode?" Marshall Stair asked Knoxville-Knox County Planning Director Gerald Green. Green replied that the South Waterfront codes would remain unchanged.

Seema Singh-Perez called the height of the proposed home an "interpretation" and said the city should needs to "go with the loosest interpretation for the

homeowner."

"It looks like a three story," Welch said.

Andrew Roberto questioned the 35-foot restriction and the split 3-2 vote by the BZA members.

Lauren Rider said the question is what goes back in on lots and is the home going to have the support of the community. Gwen McKenzie asked if an "open roof top" would be acceptable.

Welch made the motion to deny the Ewers appeal which only Singh-Perez and Stair voted against.



Crossword puzzles

Crossword puzzles have a short history but they are said to have been invented by a journalist, Arthur Wynne, from Liverpool, England. The puzzle appeared in a Sunday newspaper, "The New York World" on December 21, 1913. They are said to be the most popular and widespread word game in the world. They were of the elementary kind, apparently derived from the word square, a group of words arranged so the letters read alike vertically and horizontally, and printed in children's puzzle books and various periodicals. In the United States, however, the puzzle developed into a serious adult pastime.

British puzzles quickly developed their own style, being considerably more difficult than the American variety. Mr. Wynne's puzzles were different from today's in that it was diamond shaped and contained no internal black squares. During the

early 1920s other newspapers picked up the newly discovered pastime and within a decade crossword puzzles were featured in almost all American newspapers.

As we get older and don't use our brain as much, it is imperative that we continue to use it as much as possible. We don't have to use it for school, use it to raise children, or even use it for every day uses like when we were younger. So what to do? Do puzzles, crossword or any other kind. I love crossword puzzles and try to finish the ones in the Sunday News Sentinel. The New York Times puzzle is too hard and the United Features Puzzle is too easy but I still have fun with them. Also, in the daily newspaper I enjoy Celebrity Cipher cryptograms and the Jumble puzzle. It's not only invigorating to do puzzles but you will also learn a lot as well.

What do you think, Mr. Hunley? Is there room for a crossword puzzle in The Focus?

Thought for the day: It's always the small pieces that make the big picture. Taylor Gunderson

Send comments to: rosemerrie@att.net. Thank you.

Did you see that truck coming?

Well, the latest installment of the absurd occurred today.

Sports teams have banned the playing of music and removed the statues of the performer for racist actions. Before you stone me for such insensitivity, realize that the performer is Kate Smith and what "sins" she committed took place in the 1930s.

Smith recorded "That's Why Darkies Were Born" in 1931 and "Pickaninny" 1933. The first verse of the first song is offensive if it is taken alone. In totality, the first verse tells of the terrible conditions of slaves. However, other verses laud the strength of those same folks and declare that they are the ones who lead the rest of us to the promised land. These individuals are to be held up in places of honor, not looked at as second-class humans.

The second song can be much more offensive in its language



By Joe Rector
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and references. Still, in the movie "Hello, Everybody," the song is presented to black orphans. It is a song that offers hope for poor children who face long, hard, and poverty-ridden lives. It also says that the mothers of those children who were taken by the Lord will be waiting for them with open arms.

No, we don't accept such comments or references in today's world. We've learned a different way; we know the equality of all God's children is our goal. However, the absurdity comes when today's folks place the same standards on a culture and population that lived 90 years ago. The plain truth is that segregation and inequality were rampant in the 1930s. Civil Rights marches and equality demands didn't exist. At that time, those two songs that Smith sang offered a kind of hope that was otherwise not a reality.

So, Kate Smith sang songs written by others. She was a performer. She didn't write the lyrics. Let's forget the part she played during World War II. Let's overlook the fact that she helped to raise hundreds of millions of dollars for the war effort. Don't give

a passing thought to the fact that she was held in high enough esteem to have been awarded The Presidential Medal of Freedom by Ronald Reagan for her artistic and patriotic contributions. Tear down her statues and never again play her rendition of "God Bless America." We can't have a racist like that receiving any kind of credit, right?

No, that's not right. This country's population might do well to tackle two major problems that face us. One is to stop wearing our feelings on our shoulders. Quit looking for something offensive. Live life with joy and commitment each day. Second, stop looking backward for injustice. Instead turn toward today and tomorrow and work to make sure that racial bias ends and that hate groups that promote it are dissolved.

By constantly looking in the rear-view mirror, we will one day say that we didn't see the truckload of present-day problems that crashed into us. Accept that times were different; recognize people for the good that they've done. That is the best way to wipe out unfairness in the future.

Remembering a Special Lady and her Legacy

By Ralphine Major

In 2017, the Hen House at Calfee Farms ushered in the Christmas season with an open house. Our family stopped by early on Saturday morning. When we arrived, Ron was out front at the new fire pit which added a homey touch to the landscape. Becky greeted us at the entrance that gave way to the aroma of apple cider and a table filled with tempting desserts. Inside, the room was as warm as the hosts' reception. We stayed awhile and visited with Ron and Becky as if there were no other items on the day's agenda. This stop was the most important! Visits with the Calfees usually resulted in more Focus stories to share!

We talked about church, community, and their three

sons--Matthew, Jeremy, and Nathan--and grandchildren. Becky told about the time her father came home and announced they were leaving the city and moving to the country! "It was just like on the television show Green Acres," she said, referring to the long-running series about a family who left the city behind. Becky's family left their home in Knoxville and settled in rural Corryton. It was hilarious to hear her tell about adapting to life in the country and gardening!

According to Matthew, the oldest of the Calfee sons, earlier this year "mom was diagnosed with a vicious type of cancer." It claimed her vibrant life on April 4, 2019. At age 65, Becky went to her heavenly home. At her funeral, honors were provided by

the Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains. Bagpipes were played. Pallbearers were her colleagues from Roane State and Tennessee EMS Education Association (TEMESA). An American flag draped her casket that was transported by ambulance to the graveside service. This Critical Care Paramedic and instructor was buried with military honors at Clapps Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery, a stone's throw from the home she shared with Ron, her husband of 48 years. The Rebecca Calfee Memorial Scholarship Fund has been set up in her memory, and donations can be made to Roane State Foundation, 276 Patton Lane, Harriman, TN 37748. Three Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA)



Picture of Ron and Becky Calfee, courtesy of Ron and Matthew Calfee

scholarships have also been established in her memory.

I still cannot believe she is gone. Had it not been for her phone call to come and share about "The Hen House at Calfee Farms" four years ago, I could have missed her friendship altogether. Using Matthew 6:33 in the New Testament as his reference, Matthew Calfee summed up their family's recent loss in this way: "Time heals all wounds, and God is the source of our comfort. He supplies His children with all their needs if we seek him first." I think Becky would agree.

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Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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With just weeks away from Election Day, the three candidates competing for the Democratic nomination for the U. S. Senate, incumbent John Knight Shields, General Lawrence D. Tyson, and Nathan L. Bachman, picked up the pace of their respective campaigns. Shields had delayed officially opening his campaign until July 16, speaking in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. The increasingly confident General Tyson hurried to follow the senator into Rutherford County. A day later, the Clarksville Leaf-Chronicle announced its endorsement of Senator John K. Shields. The Leaf-Chronicle declared Shields to be a statesman, motivated by the highest ideals, including “sincerity and candor”, and the senator was not one to appeal “to passion or prejudice.” The Leaf-Chronicle was convinced the campaigns of General Tyson and Judge Bachman were rife with just such appeals to both passion and prejudice in an attempt to deceive the voters of Tennessee.

The central theme of the race for the Democratic nomination for the U. S. Senate was John Knight Shields’ failure to support the League of Nations, a cherished hope of the late President Woodrow Wilson. The fight over the Treaty of Versailles had become a referendum on whether or not John K. Shields had been an opponent of the Wilson administration. The Leaf-Chronicle logically pointed out there had already been a national referendum on American participation in the League of Nations. The Democratic presidential nominee in 1920, Ohio governor James Cox, had ardently supported American entry into the League, while the GOP nominee, Ohio senator Warren Harding, had urged a return to “normalcy.” Harding had crushed Cox in the presidential election. The Leaf-Chronicle said in its editorial, “If the people of this country had favored the League, Cox and not Harding would have been elected president.” It was the Leaf-Chronicle’s opinion, “The League is as dead as King Tut.” The effort by former Wilson Cabinet member Newton D. Baker to “fasten” the League’s “corpse on the Democratic party” during its New York National Convention had been “defeated by a two-thirds vote.” The Leaf-Chronicle believed General Tyson and Judge Bachman were trying to deceive the people of Tennessee by raising the issue of the League of Nations. “Why are they not sincere and truthful enough to come square and bolt the

recent Democratic platform and declare that they are for the corpse of the League of Nations?” the Leaf-Chronicle wondered. As to Tyson’s excoriating Shields for his opposition to the soldier’s bonus (a stance shared by future president Franklin D. Roosevelt), the Leaf-Chronicle snarled the senator’s position was one of refusing to give the taxpayer’s money “to able-bodied men able to earn a livelihood themselves.” The Leaf-Chronicle believed, “Many democrats are with Senator Shields on that point.” The editorial concluded that the senator’s recent candid speech and independent course in the Senate “is making friends for him everywhere among thinking people.”

General L. D. Tyson traveled to Winchester to press his campaign for the Democratic nomination. Judge Bachman had opened his own senatorial campaign in Winchester, but it was obvious the General commanded more local support. As usual, Tyson was introduced to the crowd by a veteran. “This is the first time an ex-serviceman has presented himself for a big state office and I know that the same people who have been honoring those who have fought for the Volunteer State in the past are going to pay their respects to the ex-servicemen of Tennessee by placing General Tyson in the United States Senate,” J. Polk Ikard cried.

Ikard related he had served under Tyson in camp and on the battlefield, and related the General had always been deeply concerned about the welfare of his soldiers. Tyson, according to Ikard, always made sure his men had adequate clothing, food and any other necessities, as well as whatever other comforts he could secure for his troops. One spry Confederate veteran grabbed General Tyson’s hand and blurted out, “I have five votes in my family for you!” During his speech, Tyson chided Senator Shields, who he claimed would be delighted to run on any platform adopted by the National Democratic Convention. Shields, Tyson said, was all too willing to “ride into office on any platform the Democrats might propose, and if elected would ride off in all directions disregarding the party mandates.” Tyson hammered home his criticism of Shields and the senator having voted against the wishes of Woodrow Wilson with reference to the League of Nations. “Senator Shields says that he voted for the league with fifteen



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Senator Nathan L. Bachman (left) buttonholing RFC Director Jesse Jones, circa 1935.

reservations,” Tyson thundered, “but they were not reservations that were satisfactory to Woodrow Wilson and the Democratic Party.” General Tyson insisted Senator Shields knew the proposed reservations “would have destroyed the League of Nations.” Tyson said it was a common practice used by legislators whose true intent was to kill off legislation they were against.

General Tyson moved on to Fayetteville, Tennessee where he was presented with a bouquet of roses and an enthusiastic reception. While he spoke for an hour and a half, newspaper reports indicated he kept the rapt attention of his audience. Reverend R. A. Largen, who introduced General Tyson, did not let the opportunity go to waste, reminding his listeners “Woodrow Wilson was crucified on a Republican cross”, noting one of those crucifying the late president had been Senator John Knight Shields. The reporter for the Nashville Tennessean covering the event - - and the Tennessean was bitterly opposed to John K. Shields - - wrote Fayetteville had been considered a stronghold for the incumbent, yet described the audience as extraordinarily hostile to the senator. Tyson began hitting Senator Shields’ absenteeism and failure to vote in the Senate, telling the audience, “A Democratic senator should represent the Democratic party.” Tyson added, “And if elected to the United States Senate I would not be absent 235 days not fail to vote 177 days, as Senator Shields has done.” Tyson won fervent applause from the crowd when he pointed out Shields had voted to increase the pensions of former Union soldiers from the Civil War, yet opposed a bonus for those who had fought in the First World War. Tyson sneered that Shields had posed “as a great friend of the farmers as a reductionist and yet votes to increase the pensions of the Union soldiers. He was here running true to form by voting for a Republican measure.”

While not a politician by trade, General L. D. Tyson showed some excellent political instincts. When

given the bouquet of roses, the General insisted he wished the flowers to be placed upon the grave of “the noted Tennessee W. T. C. U. leader, Mrs. Selina Moore Holman”, who was buried nearby.

As Tyson’s march toward the United States Senate progressed, it became readily apparent Judge Nathan L. Bachman had little chance of defeating Senator Shields. The core of the opposition to Shields urged others who opposed the senator to coalesce behind the General’s candidacy. The argument clearly had some effect. When L. D. Tyson appeared in McMinnville, Tennessee, hundreds of people had gathered to hear him give his standard hour and a half stump speech. Tyson larded his McMinnville address with references to the Tennessee Supreme Court, as both Shields and Bachman had served on the high court. Claiming the state Supreme Court had become a springboard for higher office, Tyson said he very much doubted John Knight Shields could have won election to the United States Senate in 1913 had he not been chief Justice of the Tennessee State Supreme Court. The subject was likely a delicate one for General Tyson personally, as he had been a candidate for the U. S. Senate before the Tennessee General Assembly in 1913 and had lost to Shields. There was some evidence Tyson was making inroads with the voters of Tennessee. One voter approached Tyson and said, “I thought I was for Shields before I heard your address, but now I think I shall support you.” Another voter pumped Tyson’s hand and cried, “I have been looking for the strongest man to beat Shields and I believe you are the man.” Both men were prominent in the community.

The General likely thoroughly enjoyed the introduction he was given by Goodloe Warden when he spoke in Manchester, Tennessee. “America has had her Benedict Arnold, Jesus Christ his Judas, Caesar his Brutus, and the Tennessee Democracy has had her John K. Shields,” Warden bellowed. Tyson candidly said he believed he would win the votes of 25,000 ex-servicemen in

Tennessee and thought each would “control” the vote of at least one other person, making a total of 50,000 votes. Tyson said he thought he would get another 25,000 votes across the state and if the total vote reached 175,000, neither Senator Shields nor Judge Bachman would be able to win three-quarters of the remaining votes. Tyson reminded his listeners of Tennessee’s military and political history when he called upon the spirits of John Sevier, Andrew Jackson and Nathan Bedford Forrest to help ensure his election.

As Election Day approached, L. D. Tyson was drawing even bigger crowds as he moved across Tennessee. While speaking in Crossville, the General was greeted with cries of “No, no, we will not return him to the Senate”, meaning John K. Shields. As Tyson spoke to the plight of the farmers in Tennessee, some members of the audience yelled, “give it to him, give it to him, we’ve had enough of him in the United States Senate.”

Tyson played his trump card in Crossville, declaring, “It is either Wilson or Shields, which will you accept?” Another old Confederate veteran approached the General, enthusiastically shaking his hand and promising to deliver ten votes from his immediate family.

Senator Shields was not holding large rallies, preferring instead to move about the state leisurely and disappearing quickly. Shields visited Dyersburg and walked around town with friends and supporters, shook a few hands and departed for Union City. Nathan Bachman was speaking to decent-sized crowds, oftentimes touring Tennessee’s smaller cities. Still, it appeared L. D. Tyson had moved into the lead, with Senator Shields trailing in second place and Judge Bachman running third.

The primary election hovered above Tennessee’s voters as the Knoxville News published an editorial urging Tennesseans to vote Senator John Knight Shields out of office. The News charged the senator with being too conservative as well as not representing the views of the people of Tennessee.

The attitude of the

Knoxville News was shared by most of Tennessee’s Democrats as evidenced by the election returns. General L. D. Tyson’s strength was immediately apparent as he led the race from the beginning. Judge Nathan L. Bachman quickly concluded he had no chance of winning the Democratic nomination and conceded the race. Senator Shields initially stubbornly refused to concede, believing as rural precincts turned in their votes, it was possible for him to overcome Tyson’s lead. Shields had some reason to be optimistic; the senator had carried Davidson County, lost Knox County to Tyson, while Bachman handily carried his home county of Hamilton. Bachman also barely carried Shelby County, with L. D. Tyson close on his heels. Senator John Knight Shields ran a poor third in Shelby County. Ultimately, L. D. Tyson won the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate by 17,506 votes. Tyson won a plurality of the vote with just over 41% of the total, yet he was 10% above Senator Shields’ 31% of the vote. Nathan Bachman won a respectable 26% of the vote.

Contacted at his estate, “Clinchdale”, when it became clear he had lost, Senator John K. Shields snapped, “I have no statement to make.”

Interestingly, all three candidates in the 1924 Democratic primary would serve Tennesseans in the United States Senate; two of them, L. D. Tyson and Nathan Bachman would share the dubious distinction of dying in office. John Knight Shields would enjoy a long and happy life in retirement on his plantation in Grainger County.

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Family-owned CBD shop ‘WalkUp Too Wellness’ has arrived

By Amy Box Fellhoelter

“I’m a CBD believer! I haven’t taken any prescription pain medication since using CBD oil. It allowed me to walk again,” said Maryville resident Bob Parker. After being hospitalized last year for more than 70 days because of onstage four kidney failure, pain left Parker unable to walk for three months. “I started taking it about four months ago, and after using the 500mg strength broad band spectrum oil once a day for four days, I could walk again with no issues,” he explained.

Reduced or eliminated pain and anxiety through the use of Cannabidiol oil, or CBD oil, for various medical conditions are the testimonials that can also be heard loudly from the family members, friends, and friends of friends of Tony and Kathy Thomas. As owners of WalkUp Too Wellness – a full spectrum CBD shop off of Asheville Highway – they offer merchandise derived only from locally grown, all natural, high-quality hemp that is locally processed using CO2 extraction for the purest products available.

As a veteran who suffered from back pain, Tony Thomas was informed by the Veterans Affairs that opioids would no longer be issued to him to help alleviate his pain. After carrying out lots of research into finding an alternative without side effects, Thomas tried CBD oils which relieved 90 percent of his pain and gave him a renewed quality of life he hadn’t experienced in



WalkUp Too Wellness owners Tony and Kathy Thomas showcase their CBD oils, vapes, spa products, and more at their new East Knoxville location.

years. “He’s always showing everybody that he can bend ... he will get down on the floor and get back up,” shared Kathy Thomas. “We bought \$5,000 worth of products. We wanted to do our own testing to get actual responses of the amount of relief that was achieved,” stated Thomas after buying a large supply of CBD oils from a local parent company in various strengths and giving away the products to 1,000 people who suffered from varied ailments. “I wanted to find something that we could help others. We got rave reviews. The response was overwhelming and extremely positive. So, we decided that we would open a small business to try and help as

many people as we could, and make it affordable to all so everyone could afford it and gain the quality of life they needed,” he added. WalkUp Too Wellness opened its doors on April 1, 2019, in East Knoxville. The Thomas family has heard personal experiences from customers who have taken their CBD oil and are no longer battling a brain tumor, back pain, gout, brain fog, anxiety, carpal tunnel, and migraine headaches. “It’s taking the pains away. I’ve known kids who were having 18 to 20 seizures a month, first month on it and they’re only have two seizures a month, and next may only have one or none,” Thomas told The Focus. The state of Tennessee

considers CBD oil made from industrial hemp, not marijuana plants, to be legal. It is a unique chemical compound found only in the hemp or cannabis plant that is antipsychotic, unlike THC or tetrahydrocannabinol. In fact, according to research published in the British Journal of Psychiatry, CBD counteracts the negative effects of THC. When CBD is activated, it turns on specific receptors that influence bodily functions which can cause positive effects. Such effects are: reduced nausea, suppressed seizures, lessened swelling and inflammation, reduced size of tumor

and cancer cells, ability to combat depression, mediate psychotic disorders, and temper neurodegenerative disorders. “It’s a God given plant. What I like about it is zero side effects. You don’t feel any different. Because it has 0.0% THC, you don’t get high,” said Thomas. He added that the oil doesn’t produce any long-term side effects and people don’t build up a tolerance when it is ingested. Thomas listens to the needs of his customers to help them find the right product with the correct CBD dose depending on their weight, ailment, and

severity of pain or anxiety. Of the more than 1,000 people who have tried their products, “between 1 and 1.5 percent have told me it doesn’t work for them,” clarified Thomas. If you’re skeptical and haven’t researched CBD oil, you are welcome to peruse through Thomas’ notebook of paperwork from third-party research labs proving all of their products, except for their flower, contain 0.0 percent THC. Their products are also vegan and cruelty free, and handmade in small batches to assure the best quality possible. The Thomas family is offering first-time customers a special pricing of any 500mg strength full spectrum CBD Oil, which comes in nine flavors, for \$29.95. “We are trying to give people a good product that I know will help them at a fair price,” said Thomas. Besides the more popular CBD oils, WalkUp Too Wellness provides an array of other CBD products from sticks, flowers, and rollers, to vapes, hand sanitizers, bath bombs and body crèmes. Customers can choose from varying strengths and sizes of CBD for each of these products. For more information, call Tony Thomas at (865)249-8504, visit www.walkup-toowellness.com or search for their Walk Up Too Wellness Facebook page to read a few testimonials yourself.

No new city taxes in mayor's budget

Cont. from page 1 and preservation of historic properties were included in her proposal. A proposed \$4,250,000 is to assist KCDC in their Austin Homes community development fund. Other allocations of \$1,291,000 go to various organizations such as the Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCA, Urban League and the Change Center. Other funding is proposed to job creation for formerly incarcerated or homeless people and funds to address homelessness are included. A total of \$1.45 million is requested for sidewalks

and crosswalks of which \$500,000 is for new sidewalk construction. Knoxville Area Transit’s \$13.31 million budget would include funding service improvements and a pilot program for trolley services to the South Waterfront area. Mayor Rogero is asking for \$460,000 for improvements to the Knoxville Convention Center and additional funds for maintenance at the Coliseum Auditorium and Chilhowee Park. The Magnolia Avenue Streetscape Project’s Phase Three would get \$1 million and an additional \$750,000 would go to for

improvements along Cumberland Avenue. Funds are also requested for the Chamber Partnership and the Knoxville Entrepreneur Center, and \$625,000 is requested for the Knoxville Symphony, the Museum of Art, the Knoxville Opera, Beck Cultural Center and Big Ears Festival and several other arts and cultural groups. Also in the budget request is \$300,000 for public art. “The goal of this budget is to sustain the on-going momentum and progress occurring in Knoxville,” Mayor Rogero said.



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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Soccer never looked so good at Austin-East

By Steve Williams

Austin-East is reaching new heights this season in boys soccer.

Coach Jonathan Netherland's Roadrunners, in fact, can wrap up a perfect 4-0 record in District 2-A with a win today (April 29) at Berean Christian School. The match is scheduled to start at 5:30.

Austin-East won its third district match last Tuesday (April 23) with a 4-2 win over visiting Alcoa. That game was very competitive, particularly in the first half, which ended in a 1-1 tie.

A-E's first goal, scored by Ezekiel Nsabiyunva, put the Roadrunners ahead 1-0.

After halftime, Philippe Nyembo scored two goals in a row to give Austin-East a 3-1 advantage. Alcoa cut the deficit to 3-2, but A-E's Sadibou Seck scored the final goal with a penalty kick.

Earlier this season, Austin-East defeated Cosby 9-0 and Gatlinburg-Pittman 1-0 as it began its run to a district championship.

The Roadrunners suffered their first loss of



Austin-East's Philippe Nyembo (right) is on the attack in first-half action against Alcoa April 23 at A-E. Nyembo scored two goals after halftime to lead the Roadrunners' 4-2 victory.

PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

the season Thursday in a non-district contest at McMinn County, 2-1, but

looked to bounce back against Tellico Plains Friday, taking an overall

9-1-2 record into that match.

SUPER START: Bearden graduate Lane Thomas hit a home run in his first Major League at-bat with the St. Louis Cardinals Friday, April 19.

"I was at home watching and I recorded the home run on my iPad," said Jack Tate, who was Lane's head coach at BHS his freshman and sophomore years. "I was so excited that I didn't get to sleep until 4 a.m. Coach John Rice (current head coach at Bearden) and I were communicating before and after the home run. Safe to say we were the happiest two people in Knoxville that night!"

KIL TRACK MEET: The annual high school meet will be tonight (April 29) and Tuesday night at Hardin Valley Academy.

Three of the top individual attractions this year will be Halls high jumper Ethan Campbell, Austin-East hurdler Kiyontae Warren and HVA middle distance runner Miguel Parrilla.

Campbell is a state co-leader with a 6-8 mark in the high jump, while Warren's 38.6 time in the 300-meter hurdles is best in the state as is Parrilla's

1:55.98 in the 800.

Other top attractions will include the Farragut boys' 4x800 relay and CAK hurdler Gabel Fulford.

MERCY: Gibbs' highly-regarded softball team suffered a surprising 16-5 loss at Kingston Thursday and Coach Carol Mitchell texted Friday: "Neither of my pitchers could play because of injuries."

The Lady Eagles are scheduled to host District 3-AAA co-champion Powell today (April 29), but Mitchell added: "If neither pitcher can pitch we won't play."

PREPS OF THE PAST:

Ten years ago, on April 30, 2009 – Ben Holt, an eighth grader for Christian Academy of Knoxville's soccer team, more than picked up the slack. He led a 2-1 win over host Farragut as he scored both of the Warriors' goals.

"He's just amazing," said CAK Coach Tom Gerlach after the match. The two goals gave Holt 14 for the season.

The Warriors, who played with two senior captains sidelined with injuries, improved to 10-2-3.

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Catching up with the Knoxville Central Bobcats

By Alex Norman

A whole lot has changed for the Knoxville Central Bobcats since winning their first state championship in football five months ago.

"The excitement from the community for sure," said Central head coach Bryson Rosser, now in his sixth year running the Bobcats program. "Our kids... our new group have been humble and hungry. But the excitement around the community and how we are enjoying the success has changed quite a bit."

Last December, the Bobcats edged Henry County 14-9 in the Class 5A title game; a contest delayed a day due to inclement weather in Cookeville. The experience was one that Rosser will never forget. "It was surreal," said

Rosser. "To have a group of kids that played so well together and listened to their coaches and were so disciplined week in and week out... it was such an accomplishment for me to be part of the team."

This wasn't a fluke by any means. In the 2000s, some terrific Joel Helton led teams were stymied in late November. But the Bobcats had been knocking on the door in recent years. In 2016 they advanced to the state title game. In 2017, they made it to the semifinals. And 2018 was finally the year it all came together.

But that was 2018. "These kids understand that last year was last year and that was the 2018 season," said Rosser. "2019 brings with it new challenges and they have been up for the challenge. They have been

working really hard in the classroom and working really hard in the weight room and we are looking forward to getting back out here and getting better."

We had the opportunity to catch up with Rosser and the Bobcats during a recent spring practice session. There is work to be done before fall camp begins in a few months.

"We have some holes to fill for sure," said Rosser. "That is the beauty of high school football. I'm looking forward to it and always enjoy being around the kids. We have a few skill players coming back. On offense our quarterback is back as well as a couple of running backs, a couple of wide receivers and a lineman. On defense we have our entire linebacking corps coming back. We will be missing a safety and a corner

and we have a returning defensive lineman."

Come August you'll have the chance to see the Bobcats as they attempt to defend their state title. Central's first game is on August 23 against Cleveland. Central football is something that all are high school football fans need to experience up close. "We are passionate about our relationships," said Rosser. "You see me and the kids and the coaches always high five-ing and hugging on the guys. We will get on them but always bring them up higher. We are really demanding them to be disciplined and give the best attitude every day that they can, because being out here is a blessing every day."

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Ijams River Rescue removes close to 37 tons of trash from area waterways

The 30th annual Ijams River Rescue presented by TVA with support from Lowe's collected 36.8 tons of trash and tires from 33 sites in and along East Tennessee's waterways on April 6, 2019, once again removing a significant amount from Loves Creek. Volunteers and crews from the City of Knoxville removed 19 tons from one site along the creek at the end of Loves Creek Road behind Food City. The City, which also sponsored this year's event, carted away two nine-ton truckloads of shingles, along with construction debris such as wood, siding and paint cans at this site. "It's disheartening to find a site where someone has

dumped so much construction debris," said Ijams Executive Director Amber Parker. "Ijams, other organizations, neighborhood associations and thousands of volunteers have been cleaning up this community for decades, yet there are still people who seem to care more about avoiding fees than protecting the environment. When will they realize that protecting the earth is important? They live here too." The event brought 680 volunteers out to clean up the community. They removed 1,646 bags of garbage and 449 tires from sites in Knox, Anderson, Blount and Loudon counties. **Continued on page 4**



Volunteers at the April 6 Ijams River Rescue tackled three sites on Loves Creek as well as 30 other sites. Some of the 22 Loves Creek volunteers at the site behind Walmart stand by some of the trash they collected. Another Loves Creek site at the dead end of Loves Creek Road was the dirtiest site of the cleanup; City of Knoxville crews and 10 volunteers removed more than 38,340 pounds of trash--most of it construction materials--from that site.

THROWBACK DAY 2019

Gibbs snaps long losing streak with throwback win over Bearden

By Ken Lay

At first glance, Gibbs High School's victory over Bearden on the baseball diamond looked like a victory over a quality opponent. For the Eagles, however, it represented much more. "This was a big win," Gibbs coach Geff Davis said after the Eagles outlasted the Bulldogs 6-4 Thursday night in a Throwback Game at John Heatherly Field at the Ballpark in Farragut. "But any win is a big win when you've lost 11 in a row. "We had lost 11 in a row coming in here but it's not like we've been awful. We've played some really good teams. Those teams are some top teams in their respective divisions. Our pitching and defense have been good. We're having trouble hitting. Our offense has been sporadic at best." The Eagles (11-17) used

a big fourth inning to capture a comeback victory against the Bulldogs (14-11-1). Gibbs scored four runs in the frame but it could only muster two hits off Bearden sophomore reliever Drew Sliwinski. But walks and errors would prove costly for the Bulldogs, who had a 4-2 lead heading into the bottom of the fourth. Tanner Goins and Spencer Hudson each had RBI singles in the frame. Ryan Davis scored when Ethan Humphries reached on an error and Goins scored on a wild pitch. After Gibbs starter Brayden Taylor retired Bearden in order in the top of the first, the Eagles touched Bearden starter Josh Stubblefield for two runs in the bottom of the frame. Taylor walked to lead off the bottom of the inning and advanced to second on a

wild pitch. He came home with the game's first run when Goins doubled. Goins scored to make it 2-0 when Humphries grounded out. The Bulldogs pulled to 2-1 in the second on an RBI double by Caden Rector that plated Harrison Mosley, who reached base with a leadoff single. Bearden cashed in on a pair of defensive miscues in the top of the fifth. With one out in the inning, Matt Schultz and Patrick Boles reached on back-to-back errors. Both would score when Jacob Balsley doubled to make the score 3-2. Balsley came home when designated hitter John Beam doubled. Then, the wheels came off for the Bulldogs in the bottom of the frame. "Drew really struggled in his inning," Bearden coach John Rice said.

Sliwinski didn't make it out of the fifth. Jaxson Serritt got the final out of the inning. "I thought Josh threw really well and I thought Jaxson threw well," Rice said. "We didn't play great but this game is always for a good cause and we're just happy that Farragut gives us the opportunity to come back and play in it every year." Proceeds raised from the Throwback Day benefitted Parkinson's disease research. For his part, Geff Davis is hoping his team can build momentum from Thursday's victory. "You always want to win and head into the right direction this time of year," he said. "Hopefully, this will be the start of something big for us as we get ready to head into the district tournament."

Farragut takes down Pigeon Forge in throwback tilt

By Ken Lay

Every year in late April, Farragut High School's baseball team hosts a Throwback Day with the proceeds benefitting Parkinson's disease. In the three-game event, teams wore vintage uniforms and play with wooden bats. Farragut, the state's top-ranked Class AAA team, certainly didn't mind using wooden bats Thursday night. Farragut pounded out nine hits in an 8-2 victory over Pigeon Forge at John Heatherly Field. The Admirals (31-2) also took advantage of five errors by the Tigers (20-4) in a battle of regular-season district champions. Farragut completed a perfect 12-0 run through District 4-AAA while Pigeon Forge went 10-0 in District 3-AA. The Tigers scored first as the Admirals' starting pitcher struggled through the first inning, issuing a leadoff walk to Logan Harbin, who later scored on a single by Matt Roller. Farragut answered in the bottom of the frame when Parker Noland singled, stole second and came home with the tying run on a two-base error by Pigeon Forge. Farragut's first three runs were unearned as the Admirals added two more unearned runs in the bottom of the second after the Tigers regained the lead in the top of the inning when Bryce Efflin's RBI single plated Riley Franklin, who walked to lead off the frame, to make the score 2-1. Clark exited the game with nobody out in the second, giving way to Owen Kovacs, who surrendered the single to Efflin. The Admirals, however, would escape further

damage when it turned a double play to end the inning. The Admirals turned three double plays in the first four innings and those twin killings helped keep the Tigers at bay. Kovacs, normally a starting pitcher, had a stellar performance in relief of Clark, who surrendered both Pigeon Forge runs. "He was electric tonight," Farragut coach Matt Buckner said of Kovacs. "He was terrific and he really needed that." "He'd had a couple of so-so outings but he was really good tonight." Kovacs gave up three hits. He struck out six and fanned the side in the seventh to end the game. The Admirals took the lead for good in the second as they cashed in on two more Pigeon Forge defensive miscues in the bottom of the second. Hudson Siegler doubled to lead off the frame and took second on a sacrifice bunt by Hunter Merrick. Siegler came home on an error to make the score 2-2. Farragut would score the go-ahead run on another Tigers error a short time later. The Admirals extended their advantage to 5-2 in the fifth thanks to a two-run double by Ashton King and Noland, who singled. In the bottom of the sixth the Admirals added three more runs to salt the game away. Nick Barnes had an RBI double and King and Carter Gillette each added scoring singles. Buckner said he was pleased with his squad's attack. "Wooden bats change the dynamics but I thought we really swung the bat well," he said.

Warriors rout Oak Ridge 11-1

By Ken Lay

It took a little time for Christian Academy of Knoxville to get its attack going Thursday afternoon as the Warriors had to become accustomed to using wooden bats. But that didn't necessarily mean that the defending Division II-State Champions had trouble coming up with runs. The Warriors took advantage of some early generosity from Oak Ridge and set the tone for an 11-1 six-inning victory over the Wildcats Thursday afternoon at

the 15th annual Throwback Day at John Heatherly Field at the Ballpark in Farragut. After spotting Oak Ridge (11-17) a 1-0 lead in the top of the first, the Warriors took control of the contest. CAK (27-6) scored three runs in the bottom of the frame while picking up just one hit, an RBI single by Cole Campbell. Kyle Sparkman drove in a run when he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded. Jesse Osborne walked to lead off the game. He stole second and swiped third before scoring

the Warriors' first run when he came home on an Oak Ridge error. CAK extended its lead to 4-1 in the second as Osborne was hit by a pitch. He again stole a pair of bags before coming home on a sacrifice fly by Jacob Tate. The Warriors, who used six pitchers in the contest, blew things open in the bottom of the fourth with five runs on five hits. Grant Sterchi had a two-run double. Andrew Kribbs contributed a two-run single and Hunter Loyd

drove in a run on a single to make it 9-1. The Warriors added two more runs in the sixth to bring things to an early end. CAK coach Tommy Pharr said he was pleased with his squad's effort. "We took advantage of some things that they gave us early," Pharr said. "Playing with wooden bats makes things a little different and we really hit the ball well at the end. "I knew that as long as our pitchers threw strikes, that we would be OK and they did that."

Gibbs seniors wipe away tears, beat Halls and look ahead

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and stole a base. Huff and Reagan chipped in two hits each. Norris also had a double off Pendleton, who gave up seven hits and one walk and hit three batters, while striking out four.

MACEY HUGHES: Gibbs' standout junior centerfielder and first baseman was lost for the remainder of the season when she suffered a broken ankle sliding into second base in a tournament at Murfreesboro in March.

RECOGNITION: Carol Mitchell will be presented a plaque at tonight's game to commemorate her recent "900th win" as Gibbs' head coach.

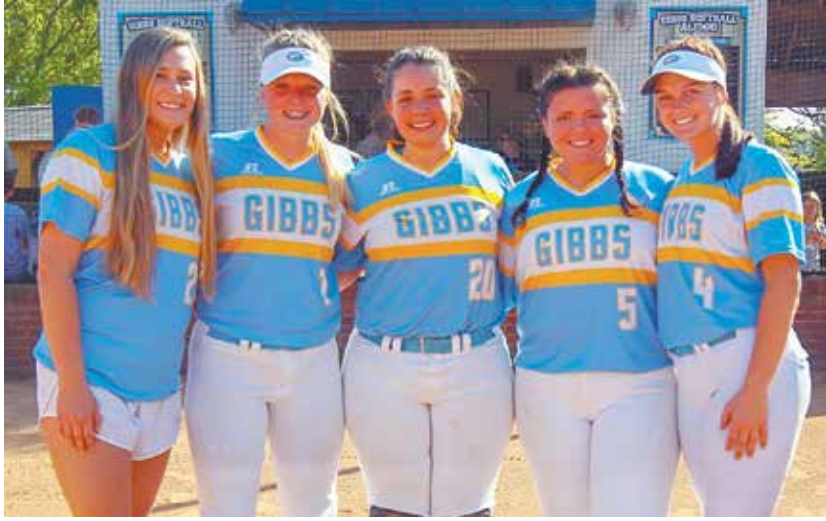


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It was their day. Gibbs seniors (from left) Kennedy Henry, Josie Huff, Dacey Jenkins, Rayna Pendleton and Kaleigh Caldwell are "super close."

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Sequoyah and Hardin Valley capture team crowns in KCS Elite Meet



Brickey's fourth grade team couldn't be beat in the mixed tug of war.

By Steve Williams

They had to go to a tie-breaker to decide the combined (boys and girls) team champion in the Small School Division of the Knox County Elementary Schools' 8th annual Elite Track Meet Thursday night. Sequoyah and Shannondale tied with 105 points each, but Sequoyah was awarded the championship based on having six first-place finishes in the competition compared to Shannondale's four first-place finishes.

Meanwhile, the Hardin Valley Hawks took top honors in the Large School Division, totaling 247 points. Farragut Intermediate came in second place with 169 points.

Schools with over an enrollment of 550 made up the Large School Division. The top eight schools in each division received plaques.

The meet, which was run off in three hours, was held before a large turnout at Hardin Valley Academy. Many teachers, coaches

and volunteers, under the direction of Jean Heise, kept things moving on and off the track.

Heise is Knox County Schools' Humanities Supervisor and also supervises KCS physical education teachers (K-12).

Fifty-one schools were represented, including Emerald Youth Academy, which was invited to be part of the meet. A total of 931 young athletes competed. Second and third graders combined for one division, while fourth graders and fifth graders competed in separate divisions.

The events included the boys' and girls' 100, 200 and 400-meter dashes and the 4x100 relay. Fifth graders also had an 800 run. Off the track, there was competition in the long jump, sack races and tug of war.

KCS held four area meets (North, South, East and West) earlier this spring, with the top four finishers in each event qualifying for the Elite Meet.



Morgan Holloway of Hardin Valley takes first place in the girls' fifth grade 800 run.

Below, Betty Roy is presented a plaque Thursday by Chris Kane of Knoxville Youth Athletics for her many years of dedication to the success of the Knox County Elementary School Track and Field Meets. Roy retired from KCS after 35 years but continues to assist at the Elite Meets. She was a PE and Wellness teacher at Knoxville Adaptive Education Center.

KCS ELITE TRACK MEET CHAMPIONS

GIRLS SECOND/THIRD GRADE
100 Dash: Simone Romain (Hardin Valley) 15.44
200 Dash: Kate-lyn Coffman (Hardin Valley) 32.48
4x100 Relay: Northshore 1:06.17
Long Jump: Madison Davis (Hardin Valley) 10-08.00
Sack Race: Emma Dolynchuk (Hardin Valley)

GIRLS FOURTH GRADE
100 Dash: Zion Thompson (West Haven) 14.99
200 Dash: Lamyah Jarrett (Inskip) 31.28
400 Dash: Marely Ortega (Farragut) 1:13.31
4x100 Relay: Karns 1:02.66
Long Jump: Lily Johnson (A.L. Lotts) 11-11.00
Sack Race: Riley Hunt (Northshore)

GIRLS FIFTH GRADE
100 Dash: Chloe Truss (Northshore) 14.21
200 Dash: Bailey Hauge (A.L. Lotts) 29.68
400 Dash: Calysta Garmer (Farragut) 1:09.78
800 Run: Morgan Holloway (Hardin Valley) 2:52.55
4 x100 Relay: Karns 1:01.19
Long Jump: Rowan Unger (A.L. Lotts) 11-07.00
Sack Race: Drew Keeton (Hardin Valley)

BOYS SECOND/THIRD GRADE
100 Dash: Blaine Mooney (Brickey) 15.14
200 Dash: Xavier Bowman (Farragut) 31.16
4x100 Relay: Hardin Valley 1:02.61
Long Jump: Micah Wilkins (Hardin Valley) 11-04.00
Sack Race: Chase Shuford (Northshore)

BOYS FOURTH GRADE
100 Dash: Nick Rivers (Hardin Valley) 13.99
200 Dash: Zach Johnston (Rocky Hill) 31.04
400 Dash: Gary Goss (Ritta) 1:10.30
4x100 Relay: Karns 59.00
Long Jump: Ethan Farhat (Farragut) 13-04.00
Sack Race: Martin Stokes (A.L. Lotts)

BOYS FIFTH GRADE
100 Dash: Keyshawn Mills (Lonsdale) 14.66
200 Dash: Hayden Hall (Hardin Valley) 29.45
400 Dash: Brody Foster (Brickey) 1:08.48
800 Run: Sam Ogle (Hardin Valley) 2:35.43
4x100 Relay: Karns 1:00.71
Long Jump: Elias Twigg (Blue Grass) 13-04.00
Sack Race: Garron Maddox (Gibbs)

MIXED TUG OF WAR
Fourth Grade: Brickey
Fifth Grade: Mt Olive

KNOX COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS ELITE TRACK MEET TEAM RANKINGS	
(Combined Large School Division) Place Team Points	(Small School Division) Place Team Points
1 - HARDIN VALLEY HAWKS 247	1 - SEQUOYAH 105 (Six 1st place finishes)
2 - FARRAGUT INTERMEDIATE 169	2 - SHANNONDALE 105 (Four 1st place finishes)
3 - NORTHSORE 116	3 - LONSDALE 81
4 - A.L. LOTTS 105	4 - CARTER HORNETS 77
5 - RITTA RANGERS 71	5 - COPPER RIDGE 70
6 - BLUE GRASS 70	6 - INSKIP 68
7 - KARNs 65	7 - BONNY KATE 61
8 - BRICKEY 64	8 - WEST VIEW WILDCATS 56



Ijams River Rescue removes close to 37 tons of trash from area waterways

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"It was an interesting cleanup," Ijams Volunteer Coordinator Lauren Bird said. "When the waters receded from the flooding we had earlier in the year, we found a lot of debris many feet from the shore and in the trees."

One of Ijams River Rescue's sponsors, Keep the Tennessee River Beautiful (KTNRB), and a crew from Living Lands & Waters also participated in the event as part of KTNRB's Tennessee

River Grand Slam Cleanup, which covered 400+ miles of river in four weeks. Three boat teams comprising 25 volunteers removed 2,359 pounds of trash, including 33 tires, during the Knoxville leg of the group's four-city cleanup from luka, Miss., to Dayton, Tenn.

In addition to the typical trash volunteers find during a cleanup such as aluminum cans, tires, Styrofoam and plastic bottles, this year's cleanup also retrieved unusual items

such as a hot water heater, refrigerator, a fishing pole, multiple lawn chairs, the top of a boat's storage compartment, a plastic ear of corn, a couch cushion, a rusted metal billboard sign, a fire extinguisher, car parts and a rain barrel.

Ijams appreciates everyone who helped make the 2019 Ijams River Rescue a success. This event would not have been possible without the generous support of TVA, Lowe's, City of Knoxville Stormwater

Management, Keep the Tennessee River Beautiful, Dow, First Tennessee Foundation, Grayson Subaru, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Thompson Engineering, WestRock CP, LLC, WUTK 90.3 The Rock, American Rivers, AmeriCorps, Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union, Waste Connections, and the Water Quality Forum.

Ijams Nature Center is a nonprofit, 315-acre educational nature center for all ages, abilities and walks

of life. Ijams' mission is to encourage stewardship of the natural world by providing an urban greenspace for people to learn about and enjoy the outdoors through engaging experiences. Located just three miles from downtown Knoxville, Ijams features 12 miles of hiking and mixed-use trails, a public access river dock, swimming, boating, biking and more. The center offers hundreds of educational programs annually, from school field

trips and off-site programs to on-site outdoor and classroom education programs that focus on topics from birding and wildflowers to yoga hikes, cooking classes and art programs. The Ijams grounds and trails are open every day from 8 a.m. until dusk. The Visitor Center is open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit ijams.org or call 865-577-4717.



Diversity

My favorite modern Christian writer is Philip Yancey. If you’ve never read his meaningful and beautiful prose, I encourage you to pick up any of his books as a worthy experience. I have learned much from Yancey’s writing which he says is born of contemplation. I too am a contemplative which drives my writing.

As I was prayerfully contemplating and writing in my spiritual journal, one of Yancey’s observations popped into my mind. Life is complicated and it is hard to be totally focused on the Presence while living in a world of sights and sounds and even your own stray thoughts. The trick Yancey taught me was to jot a note to yourself if something intrudes on your prayers. This frees you to then return to the Presence unpimpeded.

My note to myself this morning was a question. Why would anyone want to be President of the United States? And that’s where this essay began.

I remember in grade school that the President was held in the highest esteem. And we were told that if you dreamed of being the President you would have to work hard to achieve that lustrous position because the presidency demanded the best and the brightest.

Sixty years later, my perspective has changed and now I ask who would put themselves through what Donald Trump has suffered at the hands of the utterly corrupt media, Democrats and the Deep State?

Not surprisingly, I’m often asked about choosing a career in medicine. It’s not for everyone because it’s a long, tough and expensive process. After high school, it takes eight years of competitive college and medical school, followed by three to five years of postdoc residency to become, for instance, an internist or a surgeon. Then most doctors have student loans to pay back which these days

approach \$200,000.

Though I had jobs throughout college and medical school, I was blessed that my parents were able to pay for my education and I began my medical practice without debt. I renounce any claim that I am just a privileged white guy because of the career I earned. All Americans are privileged. However, I studied hard rather than partying hard. I worked 100 hours a week during my internship training and 60 hours a week during most of my clinical practice. And like my achievement, Trump earned the Presidency despite the loons who refuse to accept his unprecedented accomplishment.

Though the Democratic party has become something else, the Republican or GOP (grand old party) likewise no longer exists. Yes, candidates march with a D or an R or an I beside their names, but these letters are little more than euphemistic titles for parties whose current policies bear little resemblance to their historical tenants.

Like few other politicians, President Trump has fulfilled his campaign promises and has advanced traditional Republican policies. Despite this, few in his own party openly support him, even now. And Trump haters (Swamp creatures

like Bill Kristol and RINO wannabes like Mitt Romney) still curse him under their breaths. Unfortunately, in our political system winning the presidency as a third-party candidate is virtually impossible. So, I guess we’re stuck with what we have, but it’s important to pull back the Wizard of Oz’s curtain and understand the carping and who’s pulling the strings of your politician.

As I survey the Democrat presidential field I believe their party should be renamed the “diversity” party. They have young whipper snappers and old geezers. There are male and female candidates, straight ones and not, black, white, Asians, Indians and even “crazies.” And this just covers the 20 principal candidates rather than others who will proffer their names for presidency to enhance a pseudo-resume. Maybe I should announce my candidacy. Naa! I don’t need a resume enhancer, and I don’t want the job or the scrutiny of my high school dating record before my 50th high school reunion this September.

As Jesus stood before Pilate, the Roman procurator asked him, “What is truth?” Was the Roman asking a philosophical question? Was he being a legal beagle trying to sift through the chatter to find the truth regarding Jesus? Or, was he just

being a snarky skeptic? We’ll never know because Jesus refused to answer him.

The same is true today. As an internist I see what is going on with my patients and how they got sick, but the foundational question I so often seek is why something occurs. In this seemingly perpetual political season, where it is hard to just do your job and find personal peace, I challenge everyone to ask themselves why something is being said or why something is being done or not done. You will then come closer to the truth of the matter.

For the first time in my awareness we truly have access to a diversity of ideas and perspectives. Alternative media of the Internet, blogs, talk radio and at least one cable news station offer challenges to the major news media’s Orwellian groupthink and group speak. You might think that the Democratic party, the purported party of diversity, would welcome various opinions. That concept is fundamental in classical liberalism of the Enlightenment. However, modern liberalism is actually progressive philosophy and is intolerant of any alternative perspectives. If you dare write a publisher’s opinion in The Knoxville Focus, you will feel the progressive’s intolerance of opinion diversity. Diversity is defined as

being composed of differing elements and, simply put, variety. Interestingly, twelve of Mr. Webster’s fifteen synonyms for diversity begin with the letter d. I’m not sure why. The Democrats describe themselves as the party of diversity, at least of ethnicities, sexual orientation and color, all now used as a cudgel under the banner of intersectionality. (Look it up!) Yet, progressive socialists (today’s Democrats) violently object to anything, but their ideology or perspective. If you doubt me, ask a conservative to lecture at most universities and watch snowflakes wilt in their safe zones and activists or their professors, who demand slavish devotion to ideology and groupthink, march in lockstep opposition to “hurtful” words.

I am thankful for the First Amendment to the greatest document ever written (The Constitution). As a result, alternative and diverse opinions can be voiced, and Knoxvilleians are offered an alternative to the Knoxville Sentinel. I’m blessed to live in America, to have acquired some insight and be able to offer my opinions to 40-50,000 readers each week.

And you have the freedom to respectfully disagree with me and wrap trout with my column.

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

Annual rabies vaccination clinics scheduled for May 4 and 11

The Knox County Health Department (KCHD) and the Knoxville Veterinary Medical Association will once again offer rabies vaccinations for cats and dogs on Saturdays, May 4 and 11 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at select Knox County schools and the Knox County Health Department, 140 Dameron Ave.

“Though rabies is rare among humans and domesticated animals in the U.S., it’s still a deadly virus,” said KCHD Environmental Health Director Ronnie Nease. “We encourage everyone to take the time to protect their family by vaccinating pets against rabies.”

Vaccinations at the May

clinics are \$10 per animal. All pets must be restrained at the clinics. Dogs should be on a leash, and cats should be in carriers or pillowcases (a pillowcase is preferred because the vaccine can be administered through the cloth). Those with aggressive or uncontrollable pets are advised to leave the animal in the car and ask for assistance at registration. More information is available at knoxcounty.org/health.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic locations for both May 4 and 11:

- Bearden Middle School
- Carter High School

- Gibbs High School
- Farragut High School
- Halls High School
- Knox County Health Department
- Powell High School
- South-Doyle High School (Young Campus)

Tennessee, Knox County and City of Knoxville laws require all dogs and cats 3 months of age and older to be vaccinated against rabies, a virus that attacks the brain and spinal column. If untreated, death can occur within days of the onset of symptoms. The best way to prevent

rabies is to vaccinate pets and avoid contact with stray or wild animals. It’s also important to vaccinate indoor pets as they can accidentally encounter wild animals, such as bats or raccoons.

People who suspect they may have come into contact with the rabies virus, either through a bite or saliva from an infected animal, should immediately wash the area for at least five minutes with soap and water. They should then seek medical care and treatment guidance from a health care professional. For more information about rabies, visit www.cdc.gov/rabies/.

Black Oak Ridge Baptist Church 3rd Annual Car Show

Everyone is invited to attend the 3rd annual car show to be held Saturday, May 11 at Food City in Halls, 7202 Maynardville Pike, 8 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. Registration 8-10 a.m. Entry fee \$25. Lots of prizes, 50/50 drawing. Rain date: May 18. For more info call 865-310-6321 or email kmorgan@utk.edu.

Town Hall East to meet May 13

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and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Mid America Mortgage, Inc. who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 16, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. NINE (9) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 2, CORRECTED FINAL PLAT BROOKSONG SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN INSTRUMENT NO. 200002110009054, A CORRECTION OF PLAT CABINET 3, SLIDE 349-B, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS IN AND TO THE COMMON AREAS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD AFORESAID AND AS CONVEYED IN DEED BOOK 22251, PAGE 125 AND IN INSTRUMENT NO. 2000002230011549, AS A MEMBER OF THE BROOKSONG SONG SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated November 30, 1999, executed by DESSIE L JOHNSON, A. JOHNSON, conveying certain real property therein described to ROBBIE L. MCLEAN, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded December 3, 1999, at Instrument Number 199912030041929;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank, National Association, as Indenture Trustee for the AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 1999-4 who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 16, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT 8 KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE AND BEING ALL OF LOT 13 BLOCK B UNIT 6 SPRINGPLACE SUBDIVISION AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 52, PAGE 9 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND ACCORDING TO SURVEY OF A. B. THOMPSON DATED 2-11-72 TO WHICH MAP AND SURVEY SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE AND INCORPORATED HEREIN AS IF COPIED VERBATIM. SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 1454, PAGE 406 IN SAID REGISTER'S OFFICE. SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENTAL ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS IN EFFECT THEREON.
Parcel ID: 06008013
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1733 N PARKRIDGE DR, KNOXVILLE, TN 37924**. 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): DESSIE L JOHNSON, RAYMOND A. JOHNSON

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: METRO KNOXVILLE HMA, LLC DBA PHYSICIAN'S REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
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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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 July 25, 2005, executed by JULIE E. MARTIN, JAMES O. THURMER III, conveying certain real property therein described to KATHY WINSTEAD, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded July 29, 2005, at Instrument Number 200507290008991;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 16, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. 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 AUGUST 11, 1995 AND BEARING DRAWING NO. 951217 AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: 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.

Parcel ID: 136 03805
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1040 ARTELLA DR, 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): JULIE E. MARTIN, JAMES O. THURMER III

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, UNIVERSITY PEDIATRIC UROLOGY
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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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 March 31, 2004, executed by SHARON F. EMPEY, STEVEN R. EMPEY, conveying certain real property therein described as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded April 6, 2004, at Instrument Number 200404060092460;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to M&T BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO HUDSON CITY SAVINGS BANK, FSB who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 30, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 51ST WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 1, WESTMINSTER GREEN, AS SHOWN BY PLAT OF RECORD IN MAP CABINET N, SLIDE 321-C, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE ("PLAT") TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. TOGETHER WITH ALL RIGHTS, BENEFITS AND EASEMENTS, AND SUBJECT TO ALL BURDENS OF THAT CERTAIN JOINT PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES, DATED AS OF APRIL 3, 1995, OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 2171, PAGE 1028, AS CORRECTED AND RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 2173, PAGE 81, BOTH IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. FURTHER TOGETHER WITH ALL RIGHTS, BENEFITS AND EASEMENTS ESTABLISHED IN DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 2171, PAGE 975, IN THE RECORDS OF THE KNOX COUNTY REGISTER'S OFFICE.

Parcel ID: 1210A01002
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **6307 WATERS EDGE LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37919**. 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): SHARON F. EMPEY, STEVEN R. EMPEY

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Internal Revenue Service (TN)
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. In addition this sale shall be subject to the right of redemption by the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 7425(d)(1) by reason of the following tax lien(s) of record in: Instrument Number 201712150036968. Notice of the sale has been given to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA in accordance with 26 U.S.C. 7425(b). THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 14, 2005, executed by TASHA Y. HERRELL, TERRY L. HERRELL, conveying certain real property therein described to ROBERT M WILSON JR, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 22, 2005, at Instrument Number 200502220065928; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS SUCCESSOR INDENTURE TRUSTEE TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE CWOHE REVOLVING HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2005-B who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 30, 2019 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:

Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT SEVEN (7) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 31ST WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS PART OF LOT NOS. 2 AND 3, BLOCK E, OF SUNSET DIVISION OF CHILHOWEE HILLS SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 11, PAGE 48, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN EXISTING IRON PIN IN THE WEST LINE OF CHILHOWEE DRIVE, WHICH SAID EXISTING IRON PIN IS LOCATED 250 FEET NORTHERLY FROM THE INTERSECTION OF CHILHOWEE DRIVE AND SUNSET ROAD, THENCE SOUTH, 86 DEG. 44 MIN. WEST, 247.8 FEET TO AN EXISTING IRON PIN IN THE UNIT LINE; THENCE ALONG SAID LINE, NORTH 3 DEG. 16 MIN. WEST, 93.7 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE, NORTH 86 DEG. 44 MIN. EAST, 244.4 FEET TO AN EXISTING IRON PIN IN THE WEST LINE OF CHILHOWEE DRIVE; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF CHILHOWEE DRIVE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION, 93.25 FEET TO AN EXISTING IRON PIN, THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF G.T. TROTTER, JR., SURVEYOR, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, DATED JULY 30, 1985, FILE NO. P, DRAWING NO. 23993. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO TERRY L. HERRELL AND WIFE, TASHA Y. HERRELL BY WARRANTY DEED FROM JULIA TUCKER, UNMARRIED, DATED 8/21/85, FILED IN BOOK 1857, PAGE 1013, SAID REGISTER'S OFFICE.

Parcel ID: 0710D-011
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1005 S CHILHOWEE DR, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914**. 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): TASHA Y. HERRELL, TERRY L. HERRELL

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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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated September 26, 2016, executed by JEFFERY LEE KISER, conveying certain real property therein described to WESTCOT LAND TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded October 5, 2016, at Instrument Number 201610050022297;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben 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, Ruben 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 **May 30, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 26, UNIT 1, WOOD HARBOUR SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP CABINET F, SLIDE 113-B, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Parcel ID: 143NA026
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **832 WOOD HARBOUR RD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**. 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): JEFFERY LEE KISER

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: METRO KNOXVILLE HMA, LLC DBA TURKEY CREEK MEDICAL CENTER, MIDLAND FUNDING LLC AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO COMENITY BANK/ GANDER MOUNTAIN MASTERCARD, MIDLAND FUNDING LLC AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO SYNCHRONY BANK/LOWERSThe 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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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms, conditions, and payments provided in a certain Deed of Trust dated JULY 29, 2009, executed by SHIRLEY L. PYE, JOE L. PYE, A MARRIED COUPLE, to STEVEN J. GREENE, A RESIDENT OF BLOUNT COUNTY, TENNESSEE, Trustee, of record in INSTRUMENT NO. 200908040009977, for the benefit of KNOX HOUSING PARTNERSHIP, EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF STATE OF TENNESSEE, 900 E. HILL AVENUE, SUITE 270, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915, in the Register's Office for KNOX COUNTY, Tennessee and to J. PHILLIP JONES AND/OR JESSICA D. BINKLEY, either of whom may act, appointed as Substitute Trustee in an instrument of record in the Register's Office for KNOX COUNTY, Tennessee, to secure the indebtedness described;

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was last assigned to TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, the entire indebtedness having been declared due and payable by TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (OWNER) BY AND THROUGH ITS SERVICER AND AGENT, FEDERATION OF APPALACHIAN HOUSING ENTERPRISES, INC., being the present owner/holder or authorized agent, designee or servicer of the holder/owner of said indebtedness, has requested foreclosure proceedings to be instituted; and as provided in said Deed of Trust, I, J. PHILLIP JONES/JESSICA D. BINKLEY, will by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Substitute Trustee, on **THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019 at 11:00 A.M.**, LOCAL TIME AT THE NORTHERN MOST ENTRANCE FROM MAIN AVENUE, NEAR THE MAIN ASSEMBLY ROOM, ON LEVEL "M" OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, AT 400 MAIN AVENUE, IN KNOXVILLE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, sell to the highest bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead, and dower, and all other exemptions which are expressly waived, and subject to any unpaid taxes, if any, the following described property in KNOX COUNTY, Tennessee, to wit:

PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF KNOX, TENNESSEE:

SITUATE IN DISTRICT 1, COUNTY OF KNOX, CITY OF KNOXVILLE, STATE OF TENNESSEE, AND BEING ALL OF LOT 55, OF STRONG AND THOMPSON'S EAST END ADDITION, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 15, PAGE 105 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION THEREOF.

STREET ADDRESS: 2401 WILSON AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ANY APPLICABLE RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, CONDITIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 15, PAGE 105, INSTRUMENT NO. 200701120057035, AND INSTRUMENT NUMBER 200502020061057 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

NO NEW BOUNDARY SURVEY WAS MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO SHIRLEY L. PYE AN HUSBAND, JOE L. PYE, BY WARRANTY DEED DATED JULY 29, 2009 OF RECORD IN INSTRUMENT NO. 200908040009976, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

THE SAID SHIRLEY L. PYE HAVING SINCE DIED ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 17, 2018 LEAVING JOE L. PYE AS THE SURVIVING TENANT BY THE ENTIRETY.

THIS IS IMPROVED PROPERTY KNOWN AS 2401 WILSON AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914.

PARCEL ID: 082NA032

THE SALE OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, AND IS FURTHER SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF ANY TENANT(S) OR OTHER PARTIES OR ENTITIES IN POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY. ANY REPRESENTATION CONCERNING ANY ASPECT OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY BY A THIRD PARTY IS NOT THE REPRESENTATION/RESPONSIBILITY OF TRUSTEE(S)/ SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE(S) OR THEIR OFFICE.

THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ANY UNPAID TAXES, IF ANY, ANY PRIOR LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES LEASES, EASEMENTS AND ALL OTHER MATTERS WHICH TAKE PRIORITY OVER THE DEED OF TRUST UNDER WHICH THIS FORECLOSURE SALE IS CONDUCTED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE PRIORITY OF ANY FUTURE FILING. IF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY/ INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, OR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORK FORCE 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 ALL APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES RIGHT TO REDEEM THE PROPERTY, ALL AS REQUIRED BY 26 U.S.C. 7425, T.C.A. 67-1-1433, AND 28 U.S.C. 2410 (C). THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF T.C.A. 35-5-101 ET SEQ. HAVE BEEN MET.

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 TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE IF YOU PURCHASE A PROPERTY AT THE FORECLOSURE SALE, THE ENTIRE PURCHASE PRICE IS DUE AND PAYABLE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUCTION IN THE FORM OF A CERTIFIED/BANK CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO OR ENDORSED TO LAW OFFICE OF J. PHILLIP JONES. NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED. TO THIS END, YOU MUST BRING SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO OUTBID THE LENDER AND ANY OTHER BIDDERS. INSUFFICIENT FUNDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. AMOUNTS RECEIVED IN EXCESS OF THE WINNING BID WILL BE REFUNDED TO THE SUCCESSFUL PURCHASER AT THE TIME THE FORECLOSURE DEED IS DELIVERED.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: CITY OF KNOXVILLE; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC

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

This is improved property known as 2401 WILSON AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914.

J. PHILLIP JONES/JESSICA D. BINKLEY, SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
1800 HAYES STREET
NASHVILLE, TN 37203
(615) 254-4430
www.phillipjoneslaw.com
F19-0035

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 October 11, 2012, executed by CAROL Y. SLUSHER, conveying certain real property therein described to Charles E. Tonkin, II, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded October 15, 2012, at Instrument Number 201210150024258;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

Angel Duties

I have to admit that earlier in my life I thought that the existence of angles on earth had departed several thousand years ago and no longer had any earthly duties. However, after all the examples we have in Scripture on angels, stories of others I have heard, and personal supernatural encounters of where I believe God used angels, I am a believer.

Angels, both good and bad, are present and active. At times, they allow themselves to be seen, but most of the time those who have seen angels are not sure what they have seen, they just know something amazing happened.

One of the questions people have about angels is how God uses them. I jotted down some examples from a great book on angels entitled A Study of Angels by Edward Myers,



By Mark Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

Ph.D. Their duties include: waging war (Revelation 12:7-9), helping or looking after people (Matthew 18:10), guarding gates (Revelation 21:12; Genesis 3:24), ministering to the saved (Hebrews 1:14), praising God (Revelation 5:11-14), executing God's judgments (Genesis 19:12-14; 2 Samuel 24:15-17; Matthew 13:41-42), encouraging and strengthening people during difficult times (Matthew 4:11; Luke 22:43), appearing in dreams and visions to convey a message from God (Matthew 1:20-21; 2:13-19), leading seekers to hear the gospel (Acts 10; 8:26-38), gathering God's elect (Matthew 24:31), protecting disciples of Jesus (Psalm 34:4-7), accompanying Christ at his return (Matthew 16:27), receiving departed saints (Luke 16:22), carrying out God's will (Acts 5:19-20),

bringing answers to prayer (Daniel 9:20-23), among other things.

A popular picture of angels comes from Clarence, the angel earning his wings in the classic movie It's a Wonderful Life. Clarence, who is pictured as a former human who died and is trying to become an angel, is not an accurate portrayal of angels. Angels were created to be angels. Humans do not become angels one day. Jesus said, "When the dead rise, they will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven" (Mark 12:25).

Angels are also not like God. They can't do what God does. They are servants that God sends out, but none are equal to God. They are limited in their abilities, just as we are limited. Only God is omnipotent (Jeremiah 32:27). Only God is omnipresent (Psalm 139). Angels can only be in one place at a time (Luke 1:19). Angels are also not

omniscient. God is the only being who knows everything (1 John 3:20).

The point to take from this is that while angels are fascinating, they should not be worshipped like God. In fact, to do so is sinful. We need to keep this in mind in our age of glorifying angels. Paul reminded his audience: "These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow" (Colossians 2:17-19). Angels are servants of God, not God's replacement.

North Hills Garden Club to host annual plant sale on May 4

The North Hills Garden Club is hosting its yearly plant sale on Saturday, May 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the North Hills Park, 2419 Kennington Road. The event will take place rain or shine.

This plant sale is a popular event for local gardeners who value native plants that thrive in our area. Residents of historic North Hills donate different varieties of hardy perennial plants and shrubs harvested from their own gardens.

In partnership with a local nursery, the garden club also offers herbs, veggies and gorgeous blooming annuals. Several of the club's master gardeners will also be onsite to answer questions and give gardening advice.

While browsing through the plant sale, be sure to enjoy delicious food from Viet-Grill - Vietnamese Vegan food truck. In addition, there will be a garden shed with bargain prices for gently used items, arts and crafts booths, and even activities for the kids.

Proceeds from this event supports beautification of the neighborhood's boulevards and park.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: GASPER JUAN FRANCISCO;

IN RE: MARIA DIEGO JUAN v. GASPER JUAN FRANCISCO

NO. 196104-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant GASPER JUAN FRANCISCO 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 GASPER JUAN FRANCISCO it is ordered that said defendant GASPER JUAN FRANCISCO file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Vanessa Samano, an Attorneys whose address is, P.O. Box 5051 Knoxville, TN 37928 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 2nd day of April, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: HUMBERTO VARGAS

IN RE: ROSA MARIA SANCHEZ VARGAS v. HUMBERTO VARGAS

NO. 195590-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant HUMBERTO VARGAS, 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 HUMBERTO VARGAS, it is ordered that said defendant, HUMBERTO VARGAS, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Maria Dajcar, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 6776 Sevierville, TN 37864, within thirty (30) days of the last date of the publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court Division I at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 2nd day of April, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

No. 197644-3
TWILA GAY SHREVE Plaintiff,

v. FLECIA DAWN SHREVE, CHARLES E. SHREVE, CU COMMUNITY, LLC, TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real property described in the Complaint adverse to Plaintiff's ownership, or any cloud on Plaintiff's title, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that on March 13, 2019, Plaintiff Twila Gay Shreve filed a Complaint against Flecia Dawn Shreve, Charles E. Shreve, CU Community, LLC, Tennessee Housing Development Agency, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real property described in the Complaint adverse to Plaintiff's ownership, or any cloud on Plaintiff's title, to quiet title to the real property located at 125 Mayview Drive, Powell, Tennessee 37849 and for a declaration from the Court that Plaintiff possesses sole right, title, and interest in and to the Residence in fee simple, subject to a mortgage

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: RICHARD LYNN GREENE;

IN RE: LAURA NICOLE GREENE v. RICHARD LYNN GREENE

NO. 197748-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant RICHARD LYNN GREENE 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 RICHARD LYNN GREENE it is ordered that said defendant RICHARD LYNN GREENE file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Jerry R. Givens, an Attorneys whose address is, 9724 Kingston Pike, Suite 504, Knoxville TN 37922 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 17th day of April, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAUL D. MYNATT;

IN RE: KNOXVILLE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY v. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAUL D. MYNATT.

NO. 197837-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the sworn complaint filed by the plaintiff. The above defendant THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAUL D. MYNATT, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAUL D. MYNATT, it is ordered that said defendant, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAUL D. MYNATT, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with A. Scott McCulley, an Attorney whose address is, 8930 Cross Park Drive, Suite 1, Knoxville, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 23rd day of April, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN WILLIAM ROBERTSON
DOCKET NUMBER 81605-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of APRIL 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOHN WILLIAM ROBERTSON who died May 9, 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 17 day of APRIL, 2019.

ESTATE OF JOHN WILLIAM ROBERTSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN WILLIAM ROBERTSON, JR.; CO-EXECUTOR
606 SYLVAN RESERVE COVE
SANFORD, FL 32771

DAVID BALDWIN ROBERTSON;
CO-EXECUTOR P.O. BOX 1351
JAMESTOWN, TN. 38556

ALAN ROOT ROBERTSON;
CO-ADMINISTRATOR
2431 DOUGLASS GLEN LANE
FRANKLIN, TN. 37064

DONALD J FARINATO ATTORNEY AT LAW
617 W MAIN STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF STEPHEN TSITSEKLIS
DOCKET NUMBER 81619-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of APRIL 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of STEPHEN TSITSEKLIS who died Mar 11, 2019, 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 23 day of APRIL, 2019.

ESTATE OF STEPHEN TSITSEKLIS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JANICE OGLESBY; ADMINISTRATRIX
4000 DEERFIELD ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEFFREY TURNER
DOCKET NUMBER 80971-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of JANUARY 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JEFFREY TURNER who died Oct 16, 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 10 day of JANUARY, 2019.

ESTATE OF JEFFREY TURNER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHAMEKA ROGERS; ADMINISTRATRIX
1617 DUTCH VALLEY DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

ZACHARY B TENRY ATTORNEY AT LAW
6004 WALDEN DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DOUGLAS J WRIGHT
DOCKET NUMBER 81611-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of

APRIL 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DOUGLAS J WRIGHT who died Apr 1, 2019, 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 18 day of APRIL, 2019.

ESTATE OF DOUGLAS J WRIGHT
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TIM WRIGHT; EXECUTOR
650 PATES LANE GREENEVILLE, TN. 37743

D SCOTT HURLEY ATTORNEY
AT LAW P.O. BOX 682
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901-0682

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PATRICK KEITH ATKINS
DOCKET NUMBER 81579-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of APRIL 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of PATRICK KEITH ATKINS who died Apr 6, 2019, 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 11 day of APRIL, 2019.

ESTATE OF PATRICK KEITH ATKINS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRICE ATKINS; ADMINISTRATOR
412 BROWN DRIVE
PORTAGEVILLE, MO. 63873

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROSE MARIE SANDERS
DOCKET NUMBER 80845-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of APRIL 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROSE MARIE SANDERS who died Aug 20, 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 11 day of APRIL, 2019.

ESTATE OF ROSE MARIE SANDERS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARK SANDERS; EXECUTOR
5613 MILLERTOWN PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

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

RFP 2839, Long Distance Services, due 5/29/19;

Bid 2854, Lead Construction Services, due 5/29/19;

Bid 2856, Dish Machine for Bearden Middle School, due 5/29/19;

Bid 2857, Waste Collection Services, due 5/30/19;

RFP 2858, Employee Assistance Services, due 5/28/19

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

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

In compliance with TCA 66-14-102 thru 66-14-106 the following cars will be sold on May 17, 2019 @ 2:00 PM @ Cedar Bluff Towing, Inc. 623 Simmons Road Knoxville, TN 37932, if total bill is not paid by date of sale.

2007 Che Cobal 1G1AK15F977392181

2005 Pon Monta 1GMDV33LX5D179850

1998 Jee Grand 1J4GZ58S1WC182588

1996 For Winds 2FMDA5147TBB70013

2001 For Musta 1FAFP40401F256899

2007 For Frees 1FMZK02137GA02281

2005 For Five 1FAFP23175G153050

1986 For F-150 1FTCF15N4GKA34317

1994 Kaw ZX600 1KAZX4E15RB050683

2010 Mas N/A 4DFTS1017AN098155

1996 Toy Camry 4T1BG12K1T0672109

2001 Suz Grand JS3T06Z914161780

2006 Suz Foren KL5JD56Z66K429772

1995 Dod Dakot 1B7GL23XXSS304051

2007 Toy Camry 4T1BE46K17U507644

2004 Hon Accor 1H6CM66514A048227

2005 Bui LaCro 264WE557751199833

2014 Maz Mazda JM1BM1775E1128747

1993 Nis Picku 1N6SD16S7PC44357

2004 Bui LeSab 1G4HR54K44U211214

2004 For Tauru 1FAFP55446166148

2004 Jee Grand 1J4GZ58S1WC182588

2006 Nis Altim 1N4AL11D86C131807

2008 Chr Town 2A8HR44H28R620469

1997 Che Malib 1G1NE52M4V6102533

2005 Chr Sebrl 1C3EL55R35N065311

2002 BMW 7 ser 1WBAGN63442D0R7425

1996 Toy Camry 4T1BG12K5T0823668

2005 Pon Grand 1G2NE52E15M109584

2003 Hon Pilot 2HKYF1283Y5H6490

2000 Kia Sport KNDJA7232Y5661514

2004 Hon Accor 1H6CM5639A155258

1997 Mer Grand 2MELM75W1VX704318

2005 Che Impal 2G1WF52E159359836

2002 Pon Sunfi 1G2JB524227151139

2010 For Fusio 3FAHP05AXAR297426

2001 Vol Jetta 3WVSE66931M148295

2000 Dae Legan KLAVA6928YB278533

2006 Inf G35 JNKCV51E76M515244

2004 Hon Accor 1H6CM5630A028690

2005 For Tauru 1FAFP53245A251191

1998 Toy Camry 4T1BG22KXWU289139

2003 Jee Liber 1J4GL58K83W507088

2014 For Fusio 3FA6P0LL1ER243009

2001 For F-150 2FTZK1723C1A10533

2002 Sat S Ser 1G8Z4H52892228376

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

In compliance with TCA 66-14-102 thru 66-14-106 the following cars will be sold on May 17, 2019 @ 2:00 PM @ Chestnut Street Transport & Recovery, Inc. 5000 Rutledge Pike Knoxville, TN 37914, if total bill is not paid by date of sale.

2000 Dod Intrv 1B3HD4627T139629

1996 Dod Carat 1B3HD4627T139629

2007 Che Impal 2G1WT58K379157373

2003 Vol Jetta 3WVSE69M3M151856

1998 Dod Duran 1B4HS28Y1WF199307

2011 Bui LaCro 1G4GC5D2BF347968

2001 Hon Accor 1H6CM6325A1A006920

2000 Lin Ls 1LNHM87A6Y874009

2006 Dod Grand 2D4GF44L86R751273

2001 Hon Accor JHMC666521C000238

1992 Cad Eldor 1G6P1388NU605466

1996 Vol New B 3WVPW31C26M405089

1984 Che G20 1G6CE25HXE7220188

2003 Lin Navig 5LMFU28R93L28228

2000 Mit Mirag 3J4AF526C8YU025600

1993 Nis Picku 1N6HD16XPC361733

2003 Che Subur 3GNFK16Z3PC627759

2001 For Range 1FTYR10U61T688935

2004 For Focus 3FAFP37354R124736

1997 Che Astro 1GNDM19W7VB152587

1994 For F-150 1FTF15N38NU605466

2006 For Focus 1FAFP34N96W201646

2005 For Frees 2FMZ5A756X5BA6424

2005 Dod Carav 1D4GNF58B5137906

2001 Pon Grand 1G2NF52E01M568824

SOUP's On!

Everyone with an appetite for community improvement is invited to Knoxville SOUP on April 30th. The dinner will be held from 6:00 to about 8:30 p.m. at Dara's Garden, 2637 Maryville Pike (in South Knoxville).

SOUP is an exciting community-focused project sponsored by the South Knoxville Alliance (SKA) and is open to the public. It is a combination of a dinner and a showcase of proposals for community-based projects from which attendees will choose the winner.

Four exciting proposals have been selected to present for this dinner:

1. Curiosities—"Metaphysical Supplies, Antiques, and Unique Finds" will present a neighborhood beautification proposal.
2. Southside Waterfront Neighborhood Association will present a proposal for a neighborhood coffee encouragement program.

3. Bundled in Love (a group from Hillcrest United Methodist Church) is requesting support for their project to make blankets for patients at Children's Hospital.
4. Sleeves4Needs will present a proposal to provide lawn care for economically disadvantaged families.

For a suggested donation of \$5, attendees receive a dinner from Rothchild Catering of Knoxville. The menu will consist of a choice of three chef-prepared soups, salad, homemade bread, dessert, AND a vote. This dinner isn't just about the food. It's about the opportunity to connect with

the community, share ideas and bring about some sort of change or improvement.

After the presentations, dinner is served and guests have time to dine, digest and discuss the various projects. Then they cast a ballot for the project they like best. Toward the end of the evening, the ballots are counted and the winning project is awarded 100 percent of the funds raised at the door that evening. Winners are invited back to subsequent dinners to report on their progress and success.

Proposals can be for anything that will benefit the community or society in general. Past winning projects have improved greenways and nature trails, provided exercise equipment for seniors, funded back to school drives, supported other charitable endeavors and even launched a small business with a social focus. There are no hard and fast rules to what a proposal should be, only that someone envisions it, asks for it and the diners vote for it.

The most recent Knoxville SOUP, held October 23, 2018, raised money for the East Tennessee Permaculture Research Institute to build a KAT bus shelter on Ogle Avenue to accommodate patrons of the FISH Hospitality Pantry that have no protection from the weather while waiting on bus service.

For more information about Knoxville Soup, visit KnoxvilleSOUP.org or email contact@KnoxvilleSOUP.org.



Knoxville's Small Business Saturday group held their April meeting at Naples on Kingston Pike and enjoyed record attendance.

Largest turnout yet for Small Business Saturday April meeting

On Saturday, April 13, the Knox County "Small Business Saturday" initiative held its 4th small business Saturday event at Naples Italian Restaurant, located at 5500 Kingston Pike, in Knoxville. This was the largest event so far with nearly 25 Knox County residents attending the dinner. The elected officials in attendance were Congressman Tim Burchett, Knox County Commissioner Jay, and At-Large Larsen Jay, and

Knox County Circuit Court Clerk Charlie Susano.

"As always, we continue to be a huge success because of the residents that turn out. I cannot stress how grateful I am to those who support our initiative and show up to support small businesses," said Daniel Herrera, the organizer, and founder of the Small Business Saturday initiative.

"Congressman Burchett, Commissioner Jay, and Circuit Court Clerk

Susano have been champions of small businesses from the beginning and their support of this program prove their unwavering commitment to ensuring a prosperous business climate. We cannot thank them enough for their support."

The Small Business Saturday initiative hosts monthly Saturday lunches at restaurants all around Knox County. Their May event has not yet been scheduled.

Christus Victor Lutheran Church Spring Rummage Sale

Fri., May 3 - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Sat., May 4 - 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Household Items, Clothing, Children's Clothing, Baked Goods & More!

4110 Central Avenue Pike

Town Hall East to meet

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The nominating committee chaired by Sam McKenzie submitted the following names for officers and board members for the 2019/2020 membership year:

President: David Lee
Vice President: Sandra Korbelik

Secretary: Kim Raia
Treasurer: Sharon Davis
Board members 2019-

2022: Michael Aktalay, Michael Moore, Mira Nash
THE Bylaws stipulate that members can also nominate candidates by petition according to the following procedure: Names of other candidates may be placed in nomination by petition only, naming any eligible candidate or candidates,

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Nominations should be sent to Sam McKenzie at smckenzie84@comcast.net

The four mayoral candidates have agreed to participate in a forum for the May meeting. Fletcher Burkhardt, Indya Kincannon, Eddie Mannis and Marshall Stair will each introduce themselves, answer several questions on East Knoxville that THE has submitted in advance and then answer questions from the floor. Get to know the people who want to lead city government for the next four years.

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