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# An evening with Con Hunley at Walters State

Walters State Community College presents "An Evening with Con Hunley In Concert" to benefit the Walters State Foundation on Feb. 22 in the R. Jack Fishman Library on the Morristown Campus.

Hunley has released 20 charting singles with classics like "Oh Girl" and "What's New with You." His accolades include nominations from both the Academy of Country Music and the Country Music Association. His "Sweet Memories" was named one of the top albums of 2004 by

CMT. And his soulful sounds still win praise from fans and critics.

After successful stints with record labels MCA, Capitol and Warner Brothers Records, he is recording on IMMI.

"I find Con's voice one of the more distinctive in all of the genres I enjoy. We are grateful to Con and his team for this concert, a very generous and personal gift," said Dr. Tony Miksa, president of Walters State.

"We are also grateful to David Hayes, president of the Walters

State Foundation and Con's longtime friend, for making it possible."

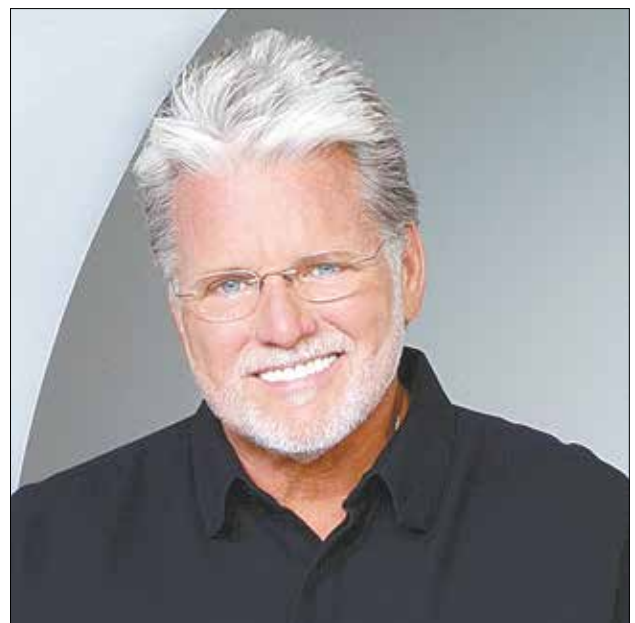
Tickets are \$30, \$40 and \$50. To purchase tickets, visit [www.ws.edu/conhunley](http://www.ws.edu/conhunley) or call the college advancement office at 423-585-2629.

The doors of the Library will open at 5:30 p.m. for seating. High Lonesome Senate, the college's bluegrass band, will open the show at 6:30 p.m., with Hunley taking the stage at 7 p.m.

The Walters State Foundation is a non-profit, (501)(c)(3) organization

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*Knoxville's country music star, Con Hunley.*

## A VALENTINE VICTORY!



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*On Valentine evening, Keeleigh Rogers (34) and the Farragut Lady Admirals had Bearden on the run for much of their District 4-AAA showdown, but the Lady Bulldogs finished strong for a 53-42 win that clinched the regular season district championship. Please see game story and other high school sports coverage in Sports and Recreation, Section C.*

# TVA Towers move, Andrew Johnson Building sale on commission agenda

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Several items on the Knox County Commission's work session agenda are noteworthy this week including the vote to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between board of education and the county to relocate the school system's central offices to the TVA East Tower. The commission meets Tuesday at 5 p.m. rather than tonight because of President's Day.

That 5-3 vote came last week and the final approval by the commission is on the agenda. The final agreement between the county and TVA hinges on either an opinion by the Tennessee Attorney

General and passage of a resolution in the state house and senate.

Mayor Glenn Jacobs said the move will save the county money. While there was some initial opposition in the commission to the move and the sale of the Andrew Johnson Building the vote is expected to approve the agreement.

The vote will be followed by a vote on the sale of the Andrew Johnson Building for \$6 million to BNA Associates. Knox County Finance Director Chris Caldwell said Thursday that the building has been appraised for insurance purposes at \$15 million. A 15-year tax break is expected to be requested by the buyer and the assessed

property value tax has yet to be set on the building but it would be added to the tax rolls for at least \$6 million during the tax incentive period, bringing in some revenue.

BNP plans call for \$43 million to go into buying and renovating the history old hotel structure.

Items discussed during the work session are set by the chairman and commissioner requests.

Also on the agenda is a discussion requested by Commissioner Brad Anders regarding the county pulling out of Knoxville-Knox County Planning and forming its own planning organization. The idea has been brewing on

the commission for the past several years. Currently the county has eight members on the joint planning authority and the city has seven.

Some commissioners and developers have had difference with the planning commission over regulations and enforcement issues.

The commission may also discuss requesting a corridor plan for Alcoa Highway on a request from Commissioner Carson Dailey, hear reports on the state of housing and affordability by Jennifer Roche of the Knoxville Area Realtors, and hear from Health Department Director Dr. Martha Buchanan on indigent care.

# Farragut residents unhappy with 5G

### By Focus Staff

The Farragut Mayor and Board of Aldermen met on Thursday, February 13 with a brief agenda of business concerning two ordinances and three business items. The bulk of the meeting concerned the Verizon application for 5G small cell antennas that would be placed in residents' front yards. In both the town administrator's report and the town attorney's report a vibrant discussion of what the Town of Farragut was doing regarding the Verizon application of January 16th to begin the 5G rollout in Farragut.

Town Administrator David Smoak told the mayor and aldermen that state Representative Jason Zachary and state Senator Richard Briggs have filed a caption bill in the Tennessee legislature to protect the residents of Faragut from having 5G small cell antennas in their front yards but much work still needs to be done.

Town Attorney Tom Hale reported that the town was doing the best it can to represent the residents on the 5G issue but its hands were tied due to the Federal FCC law of 1996 and the Tennessee state law of 2018. Attorney Hale said the most important thing to be done is to change the state law.

Farragut resident Carol Christofferson was the first resident to speak in the Citizens Forum. Christofferson told the mayor and aldermen that her neighborhood does not have a pole in sight and as a body her neighborhood was totally unhappy about the fact that their neighborhood has been selected to be a guinea pig to the bullying Verizon and they do not need or want 5G small cell antennas in their neighborhood.

Christofferson said, "In this country you don't get things rammed down your throat that you don't need or you don't want. That's not what this country is built on." Then Christofferson informed the mayor and aldermen that

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# What is Pain and Suffering?

Something that is discussed a great deal in personal injury cases is how much the injured person should be compensated for their, "pain and suffering." That phrase certainly sounds serious, but what does that term actually mean?



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accident, especially if they have not gone to see anyone to address what they claim is their mental suffering.

Someone may say they are depressed or now have anxiety any time that they

drive. That may actually all be true, but it is hard to prove, and to know how much that is worth as part of a claim for pain and suffering.

What is a claim for pain and suffering worth? It's hard to say. There are no rules through the court system to guide a jury as to how much someone should be paid for the pain and suffering they are experiencing and may continue to experience because of an accident.

If someone is rendered unable to walk for the rest of their lives, but they can still work a desk job, what is the value of their claim for the pain and suffering they are absolutely going to experience for the rest of their lives?

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*A Doyle High School ring missing for about 50 years was returned to Vivian Webb by 12-year-old Jeffery Robert Ogle. He found the ring in the creek near his grandmother's house. Photo by Mike Steely.*

## Lost ring found 50 years later

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Ever lose something years ago and wonder what became of it?

Vivian Webb was a Doyle High School student when she lost her 1971 class ring. She says she was babysitting some neighbor's kids when the ring disappeared. She figured one of the kids was playing with the ring and took it.

Recently Jeffery Robert Ogle, son of Justin and Kristi Ogle and Leslie and Scott Holt and the grandson of Connie Ogle of Sevierville Pike, found a class ring in the creek at his grandmother's home. He said he was playing at the creek saw a glint in the water. He reached down into the water and pulled out the ring.

Jeffery is a Seymour Junior High School student who often spends time exploring his grandmother's property during visits. Ms. Ogle

looked at the ring and could only make out the first initial inside was a "V." The Jostens brand class ring for Doyle High School was in pretty good shape and she began to investigate who it might belong to.

She went onto the Doyle High School Friends Facebook page as part of her inquiry, and a mutual friend, Jane Blalock Shearl, said, "I'll bet that's Vivian's ring."

Jane had known Vivian Webb in school, and reached out to her.

Sure enough, Connie Ogle and Vivian Webb talked to one another and Webb saw a photo of the ring. "It's remarkable it is such good shape. I think the stone was brighter but what a wonder to get it back," Webb said.

"I often wondered what happened to the ring. How it got there I'll never know."

Webb, a Knox County School bus driver for more than 40 years,

said she said she knows each of the kids she was babysitting that day as adults now but has never asked them about the ring.

The creek separates the Ogle house from the road and the ring could have washed down from somewhere upstream or been tossed out of a car.

When the two women met at Connie Ogle's home on Sevierville Pike recently, the ring brought back old school memories for both of them.

"There were 10 of us kids and my brother bought me a bag of candy which I took to the school and sold until I had enough to buy the ring," Webb said.

"Knowing how hard she worked for her ring touched my heart, and she is so glad Jeffery found the ring, and can give it back to her. It was a great day," said Ms. Ogle.

## Knox County School Board votes to move central offices

**By Ken Lay**

The Knox County Board of Education approved a Memorandum of Agreement to move the district office from the Andrew

Johnson Building to TVA East Tower near Market Square.

The measure passed by a 5-3 vote after some heated and intense

discussion from dissenting board members Tony Norman, Patti Lou Bounds and Jennifer Owen.

Owen was particularly outspoken in her opposition

as she questioned the legality of the move and the question over security concerns of having a state office on federal property where people who enter a federal facility must have a driver's license or other state or federally issued identification.

"We don't have security or custody control," Owen said. "And people who will enter the building must have a driver's license to enter the building and some people (students) who need to visit may not have a driver's license and they've been told that they can meet somewhere else and right now, this isn't even legal and I don't understand why this is back on our agenda again."

KCS Superintendent Bob Thomas said that disciplinary hearings will be conducted in first-floor conference rooms and a visitor not having a driver's license could be greeted on the first floor.

The measure now returns to county commission. It isn't presently legal to house a state office in a

federal facility. But the Tennessee Attorney General's Office will soon issue an opinion on the issue.

Bounds and Norman both expressed concern over the legality of the move and both were hoping to defer the vote until the attorney general issues an opinion on the matter or until proposed bills on the move were voted on.

Senator Becky Duncan Massey and State Representative Bill Dunn have both presented bills in their respective legislatures to legalize housing local offices in federal facilities.

Knox County Board of Education Chairperson Susan Horn said that the move has been discussed and the board will now await decisions by state leaders and the Knox County Commission.

"We've been discussing the TVA tower issue for quite some time now," Horn said. "The memorandum of understanding that we approved this evening basically agrees to the central offices moving to the TVA tower."

Horn also noted that there have been security concerns about moving to TVA tower location and she also said that the vote is contingent on state lawmakers or the attorney general's office.

"Security is important for everyone," Horn said. "Senator Massey and Representative Dunn have introduced a bill that essentially says that a school system central office can be located in a federal building. Now, we'll wait for the county commission."

The proposal will go back to Knox County Commissioners.

The board also approved the implementation of a new Visitor Management System from Eyemetric Identity Systems.

It was approved by a 7-1 vote and will now network the visitor management system for Knox County Schools. It will be connected to the state and federal Sex Offenders Registry.

Norman was the only dissenting board member.



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## Publisher's Position

# Taxpayers paid \$25.6 million for the Andrew Johnson Building *Mayor Jacobs wants to sell it for \$6 million*



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What kind of government spends \$25.6 million dollars on a building and then tries to sell it for \$6 million dollars? Your Knox County government and Knox County School Board is that kind of government. This past week the Knox County School Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Agreement which was not written by the Knox County Law Department as required in the Knox County Charter to vacate the Andrew Johnson Building and begin the process to move the school system to the East TVA Tower. This past week also saw the infamous tour of

the Andrew Johnson Building with tour guide Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs. Tour guide Jacobs told members of the school board this was the greatest deal ever because it would save the taxpayers millions of dollars. That is simply political accounting and has no basis in actual accounting.

In a prior school board meeting Deputy Law Director Gary Dupler, who represents Knox County Schools, explained to the school superintendent and the school board that the Memorandum of Agreement which was prepared by Knox County Finance Director Chris Caldwell is not in legal form. It is in violation of the Knox County Charter Sec 3.08 D that states that the elected law director is to execute and administer all the legal affairs of the county, including the drafting of contracts. The MOA the school board approved is not drafted by the law director and is very ambiguous and truly so poorly drafted as to be potentially unenforceable. Despite this warning both Knox

County Commission and the Knox County School Board have voted to approve the suspect MOA. This is your government.

Jacobs and his sidekick Knox County Finance Director Chris Caldwell have played the same game for years now. Grossly inflate the estimates of maintenance and repairs while ignoring the \$19.6 million dollar loss the taxpayers will suffer for this ridiculous boondoggle. There has been very little transparency in this entire process. The Jacobs administration has prepared many versions of cost estimates for deferred maintenance estimates for the Andrew Johnson Building which show wild disparity. For example, the September 11, 2019, deferred maintenance estimates for the Andrew Johnson Building totaled \$5,520,000. But the September 25, 2019, deferred maintenance estimates for the Andrew Johnson Building totaled \$9,662,459. How is that possible in only two weeks? Was this \$4.14

million dollar increase to make a better case to leave the Andrew Johnson Building? There were no supporting estimates from electrical contractors, plumbing contractors, HVAC contractors, or elevator contractors for these projections. The maintenance numbers are now up to \$20-\$30 million as of the tour last week. If we wait long enough will it go to infinity?

During the tour of the Andrew Johnson Building last week Jacobs kept telling all who attended that the Andrew Johnson Building was in desperate need of upgrades and renovations which would cost some \$20-\$30 million. Those upgrades and renovations cost projections have fluctuated by tens of millions of dollars depending on the desperation of Jacobs and Caldwell. The actual truth is the elevator needs to be replaced for between \$500,000 to \$1 million dollars depending on which estimate you look at from Jacobs and Caldwell.

So the taxpayers

could have kept a \$25.6 million dollar building by spending only a million dollars. But no, the taxpayers will lose \$19.6 million dollars and then turn around and spend over \$15 million dollars to renovate a building they do not own and will never own and will probably be kicked out of in 15 years and your Knox County government lured the school system with an extra million dollars a year to grease the skids and make this happen.

And a big question is how many people will make commissions on this deal? How do you like your government now?

If you feel like you had little to no representation on this debacle you would be correct. Whoever makes money on this deal will not be the Knox County taxpayers. The taxpayers will take a huge loss.

How bad is the \$6 million dollar price tag for the Andrew Johnson Building? The low bidder for the Andrew Johnson Building is BNA Associates of Nashville. They want a PILOT (Payment in

Lieu of Taxes) and maybe also a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) before they break ground on renovations to the Andrew Johnson Building. The market rate of the Andrew Johnson Building is between \$17 million and \$19 million dollars based on comparable real estate comparisons in that market area of downtown. It is currently appraised at the property assessor's office at \$13.6 million dollars.

Isn't it also so very interesting that one of the matchmakers of this TVA Tower deal is Mike Arms, the president of the political consulting firm Tennessee Strategies? Arms was a former Knox County Commissioner and former chief of staff to the former Knox County Mayor Mike Ragsdale, who is also co-owner of Tennessee Strategies.

This is your government spending your money. Now is the time to call your county commissioner because after the next commission meeting, it may be too late.



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Susan Royster



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One of the most respected and admired members of the local judiciary is being honored by the Knox County Commission. Judge Charles D. Susano Jr. is retiring on April 30 after more than 25 years on the bench. The honor resolution is the first item on the commission's agenda and is sponsored by Commissioners Larsen Jay and Hugh Nystrom. The presentation may take place at Tuesday evening's

meeting or during the regular commission session next Monday.

Judge Susano is the longest serving state appellate judge. Although permanently paralyzed from the chest down from a fall in 1993 Judge Susano has continued to serve his community and the state.

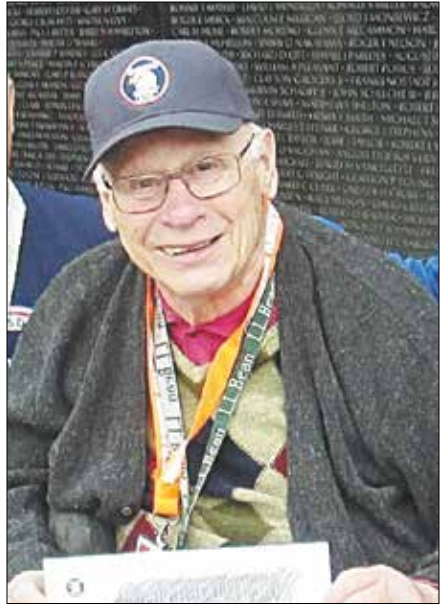
He's a native of Knoxville, graduating from Catholic High School where he was captain of the schools' first city basketball team. Four years later Susano graduated from the University of Notre Dame and served afterwards in the U. S. Army.

He then attended the University of Tennessee College of Law and became a member of the first group of law clerks to the Tennessee Supreme Court. Susano went into private practice and served more than 30 years there as well as keeping busy on numerous nonprofit boards and at his church.

In 1994 Tennessee Governor Ned McWherter appointed him to the Tennessee Court of Appeals Eastern Division; he was

elected statewide that year and was re-elected three more times. He served as Presiding Judge of the Court from 2012 until 2014.

The distinguished judge has received many honors over the years. He has never let his disability interfere with his duties and is now as an honorable and friendly person. He has been married to his wife, Carolyn, for 55 years and they have three children and six grandchildren.



*Judge Charles Susano Jr. displays a rubbing he did of the name of a friend who was killed in Vietnam during an HonorAir trip to Washington, D.C. Photo by Mike Steely.*

## Seven apply for Welch's District 1 seat

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Seven people have applied to replace Stephanie Welch and represent the First District on the Knoxville City Council. Welch has resigned to take a position in the city administration.

Applying are Anne Wallace, Janice Tocher, Rebecca Parr, David Hayes, Tommy Warren Smith, Ben Wesley Ream and Kenny Lee Bradley, according to

City Recorder Will Johnson.

When the City Council meets in a special session on Thursday, at 5:30 p.m. each applicant will be given three minutes to speak and supporters will get two minutes.

The selection by the city council will begin with a reading of each name and a vote. That goes on until one person is selected and the winner will be take the oath and be seated immediately.

## Scooters, census support and festival beer permits pass city council

**By Mike Steely**  
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Three items directly affecting downtown Knoxville were voted on by the city council Tuesday: one involving attracting people to the reply to the census, one involving beer in Festival Event Areas, and one involving rental electric scooters.

Chip Berry, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, asked the council to continue a pilot program which permits authorized vendors to rent the scooters but prohibits all other such vehicles on the streets. Berry said the city wants to continue the survey and see how similar programs are working out in other cities.

The current program received some criticism from council members involving the rented scooters being left on the sidewalks overnight. The council voted to extend the program for six months.

The council also approved a donation of an

additional \$35,000 to Visit Knoxville to "expand the scope of services to provide for Census marketing."

A "Downtown Festival District," the city's new Festival Events Area downtown for Market Square and so-designated areas, was requested by Beer Board Chairman Council Andrew Roberto and Vice Mayor Gwen McKenzie. They proposed allowing a special beer permit within the Festival areas upon approval of terms, conditions, rules and regulations that the Beer Board would establish.

Roberto said the Beer Board is seeing an increase in beer permit requests for special events and the change would be "within the Tourism Development District."

Council Attorney Rob Frost suggested clarifying the area and creating a map of that part of downtown where festival beer permits might be approved.

All three of the motions passed unanimously.

## Myrtle St. closing postponed for two weeks

**By Mike Steely**  
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The proposed closing of Myrtle Street at Caswell Park saw some debate at the Knoxville City Council meeting Tuesday evening. A portion of the little street, which connects Fifth Avenue and Winona Street, is proposed for closure to make room for homeless housing.

The request goes back to a "compromise" announced last year by former Mayor Madeline Rogero.

Christopher Salmons, representing the neighborhood homeowners, said there was no conversation between the former mayor and the neighborhood prior to announcement of intentions to close the little street. He said closing is unnecessary and the original agreement for Volunteer Ministries to purchase the Positively Living building has yet to happen.

Salmons said closing the street would cut off access for maintenance crews to service part of the park. The planning commission voted to request closing the road so a new addition to the homeless housing can be extended to where the road currently is located. He added that closing the road does

not prohibit building on the existing green space at the current homeless building.

He also said that a grant from the federal government gave the city Caswell Park and closing the road would violate that agreement, which included Myrtle Street.

Mayor Indya Kincannon brought the council members who were not seated during the dispute up to date and referred to the "healthy compromise" reached and announced by Rogero in December.

Councilwoman Amelia Parker asked if there had been a "direct meeting" or just an announcement by Mayor Rogero about a compromise.

Deputy Mayor Bill Lyons said there never was a meeting; the mayor only made a statement about not using three partials of open space for the expansion of the homeless housing. He added that Myrtle Street "is not part of the park" and the street closure is needed to provide a setback for the proposed expansion there.

Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie agreed with Parker and moved to postpone the discussion for two weeks to give local residents a chance to further speak on the matter.

Councilman Andrew Roberto asked Bruce Spangler, CEO of Volunteer Ministry Center, if the delay would compromise their plans. Spangler said they must apply for a tax credit on March 4th.

He also said the promise of the city to include Myrtle Street in the plans could be vital to getting the low income housing project approved.

Roberto said a two-week delay in a decision would work and added the council "could hear about the legal issues brought up tonight."

"I think we could do this on an emergency," Councilwoman Lynne Fugate said, rather than require two readings in order to meet the VMC deadline. She said the city has got to put some type of contribution into the project such as donating that portion of Myrtle Street.

Community Development Director Becky Wade told the council that the closing of Myrtle Street was in the original proposal and remained so after Rogero announced keeping the three pieces of property there as open space.

A motion to postpone for two weeks as an emergency motion by Councilwoman McKenzie passed.

## Farragut residents unhappy with 5G

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Switzerland had pulled the plug on its 5G construction in its country because there was no evidence the technology was safe to people and animals. Christofferson closed in saying, "You cannot let us down."

The next resident to speak in Citizens Forum was Laura Feynman who agreed with Christofferson that the residents of Farragut were being bullied. She said you couldn't go outside without a neighbor running up and saying they're coming to put these 5G antennas in our yard. Feynman said it was not unreasonable to put the onus on Verizon to prove that this

technology was safe. Vice Mayor Louise Povlin told Feynman that the Telecommunications Act of 1996 prevents the Town of Farragut from regulating 5G on the basis of health effects. It should be noted that the first 2G iPhone was not introduced until 2007 and that in 1996 the frequency of cell phones was at the 2G standard of 1,900 MHz (megahertz). 5G cell phones operate at a frequency of 28,000 to 100,000 MHz. The FCC has not yet reviewed any medical studies on the safety of 5G cell phones to humans and animals although there are many to review.


The last speaker in Citizens Forum was Laura

Squires. Squires told the board that the town was at day 28 of the state law mandated 60-shot clock and asked what should be done in the remaining time. The 60-day shot clock is part of the 2018 Tennessee 5G state law that says a town or city or county has 60 days to approve the 5G application or it automatically is approved on day 61. Vice Mayor Povlin said she did not know where the shot clock was at. Town Attorney Tom Hale informed the mayor and aldermen that while the residents and the town had understood the 60-day shot clock was at day 28 Verizon had informed him that the shot clock had expired in their


opinion.

When the Farragut Municipal Planning Commission approved the Verizon application on January 16 there was a list of subject to requirements to be completed by Verizon. Hale explained the Verizon position is the clock began the day Verizon submitted the application. Verizon claims the planning commission has no right to review the 5G application.

Attorney Tom Hale also disclosed the town had received a letter from Attorney Don Vowell stating that the Verizon application for 5G small cell antennas in residents front yards is a violation of state law.




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Insurance professional Sammy Sawyer, our local “Barney Fife” character actor, attended the Fountain City Forward meeting. He announced there is a Mayberry gathering at Union County High School on April 4th. Members share referrals and community events at the new organization’s meetings.

## Fountain City Forward business networking group is growing

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There’s a new business networking organization in Fountain City. Recently Fountain City Forward held their third meeting at Sam and Andy’s Restaurant there. Sharon Jennings of Priority Financial Solutions was this particular week’s spotlight speaker.

The 9 a.m. bi-weekly meeting is open to any area business and Sam and Andy’s offers breakfast and coffee at an affordable price. The next meeting is Wednesday, February 19 at the restaurant.

Charles Pratt, a financial advisor with Modern Woodmen of America, chairs the meeting and shared during the group’s third meeting that a non-profit 501(c)(3) status has recently been applied for. He said any excess

funds raised by the organization will go toward community activities.

Pratt also said that referrals obtained by the businesses leaders will be tracked and saved along with hours produced for public service hours.

Each person in attendance introduces themselves, tells a bit about their business, and shares referrals. One member mentioned an upcoming golf tournament in April to benefit special needs children and another reminded everyone of the Lion’s Club Chili Dinner coming this Thursday.

Sharon Jennings described the services at Priority Financial Solutions and mentioned a fundraiser coming in March at the Bijou Theatre for Ronald McDonald House.

Pratt said the group needs members who represent businesses types

not currently attending the gathering. Professions represented in the recent meeting included real estate financing, insurance, investment, memory care, day spas, technology and copiers, financing, banking, heating and air, and credit unions. All businesses and professionals are welcome to attend the meetings, even those from industries already represented.

Pratt asked the members to be on the lookout for someone to represent accounting and real estate.

“We’re really excited to see where we go from here,” Pratt told the members at the end of the meeting.

You can find more information about Fountain City Forward on Facebook or you may contact Charles Pratt at (865) 919-6468.

## Keep it farmland or let ‘em build?

### Planning commission hears opposing sides

By Bill Howard

Two of the agenda items at the February 13 meeting of Knoxville-Knox County Planning were very similar, and oh so common: whether to allow land currently zoned as agricultural to be rezoned as residential, and therefore allow developers to build homes, businesses, or other structures.

Unsurprisingly, residents in each area weren’t happy with the proposed changes.

Scott Davis, representing developers Mesana Investments LLC, requested from the commission such a rezoning for about 44 acres at 7711 Thompson School Road in Commission District 8 in the Corryton area. Mesana wants to build up to five dwelling units per acre on the tract. According to the commission, the request is consistent with the Sector Plan.

Several area residents were in attendance to voice their opposition. One was Adam Thompson, who wanted the development to be limited to 3.5 dwelling units per acre.

Thompson’s first objection was increased traffic congestion. “It would force (cars) into narrow roads that destroys property, risks safety to drivers and pedestrians, and compounds already existing congestion,” he said. “It would add 2100 trips per day to this confined area.”

Thompson’s second concern was school overcrowding. “Our schools are rapidly reaching capacity,” he said. “While the middle school is new, it’s already at 60% capacity. Our elementary school is already over 90% capacity. It’s had to add a seventh fourth-grade classroom. Those kids will be in middle school by the fall of 2021. If we allow higher densities inconsistent with existing development, we’ll quickly overextend our resources, our utilities, our infrastructure, and destroy the quality of life that makes Corryton such an attractive place to live.”

When Planning Chair Janice Tocher asked Davis if he’d met with area residents to discuss their concerns, he said the communication should be a two-way street. “They have my phone number and my email,” Davis said. “Nobody has contacted me.” Davis said he’d be glad to meet with residents to try reach consensus.

Commissioner Art Clancy added that zoning the land for up to five units per acre doesn’t mean it would wind up with that density. “The area around it was zoned for the same density, and most of that was developed at fewer units than that,” Clancy

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## Gibbs Ruritan Club Celebrates 70 Years of Service with Platinum Jubilee

The Gibbs Ruritan Club will celebrate 70 years of service to the community on March 21st.

The Platinum Jubilee will be held at 2 p.m. at the Ruritan Club building, 7823 Tazewell Pike. Members of the community are invited to join in the celebration. There will be food and fellowship as well as comments by national and district Ruritan officers. Years-of-service pin

presentations will be made to several long-term members, including one who has been a Gibbs Ruritan Club member for 60 years.

Services by the Gibbs Ruritan Club include:

- \$4000 in annual scholarships to Gibbs High School seniors
- Support for local athletic teams
- Support for local Boy Scouts
- Support for local needy


families during the holidays and other times during the year as needed

- Sponsor of annual Gibbs Community Christmas parade

The Gibbs Ruritan Club charter petition was signed on January 3, 1950. Signers included 13 farmers, one minister, two engineers, two physicians, one dentist, the postmaster, a mechanic, a machinist, four businessmen, and

one school superintendent. Thus, began a tradition of service to the Gibbs community which has grown over the years to its current status.

Gibbs Ruritan Club members met at the high school for the first 20 years. Long-time Ruritan member Rebecca Longmire remembers when, in the mid-1960s, her grandfather, T.J. Hammer, was approached by the Ruritan Club about



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30 acres of land where the current club building is now located on Tazewell Pike.

The public is invited to attend the Gibbs Ruritan Club Platinum Jubilee, Saturday, March 21st, at 2 p.m., at the Ruritan Club building, 7823 Tazewell Pike.



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# Greeneville's President Andrew Johnson



By Ralphine Major  
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The scenic drive was filled with farm land---beautiful green pastures dotted with homes and cattle. Greene County in Upper East Tennessee is known for its agriculture. When we visited the area many years ago, that was of particular interest to our father who was a dairy farmer. Greene County holds a special place in history, also. Greeneville was home to

America's 17th President. A stately two-story brick home sits on Main Street in downtown Greeneville. It belonged to Andrew Johnson. In the huge backyard is a lovely weeping willow tree that seems to be standing watch over the grounds. Just a short distance away is the tailor shop where Johnson worked before, he became involved in politics.

Both buildings are tourist attractions that give insight to the man who started his political career as mayor of Greeneville and later served in the state legislature and United States Congress before becoming President of the United States. Greeneville, Tennessee--a place steeped in our nation's history! Happy President's Day!



Andrew Johnson's home in Greeneville, Tennessee, complete with American flag and white picket fence.



Rosie's World

## A Writer Extraordinaire

"We learn as much from sorrow as from joy, as much from illness as from health, from handicap as from advantage, and indeed perhaps more." These words were spoken by Pearl Buck and is my Thought for the Day, today. I first read her book, "The Good Earth," when I was in high school. Then I read it again when my kids were in school. Every time I read it, I learned something new and it never ceased to enthrall me. I find that to be true with some fantastic books such as, "Gone with the Wind," "To Kill a Mockingbird," and other masterpieces of fiction. I can read them over and over and always learn something new. Although she was born in America, she spent most of her life before 1934 in Zhenjiang, China, where her parents were missionaries. "The Good Earth" was the best-selling novel in the United States in 1931 and won the Pulitzer Prize in 1932. She began

to write in her twenties, her first novel was "East Wind, West Wind." Her interest in writing spread to countries like India and Korea, leading her to some activity in political journalism. She set up an agency for the adoption of Asian-American children and took an active interest in special needs children. She became the first female Nobel laureate. Her first book, "East Wind, West Wind," is the saga of a Chinese family while "The Good Earth" dramatizes family life in a Chinese village during the 20th century. Many people say I'm a writer, and I appreciate that, although I'm not of the same caliber as Ms. Buck, but I notice one fact in every writer: it is imperative to write about what you are familiar with, about what you know. Ms. Buck wrote about life in China because she lived there. In my books I write about life in Pennsylvania because I lived there. I also like to read about the customs of other countries, which makes her books so interesting. Here is another quote of hers: "The truth is always exciting. Speak it then. Life is dull without it." How true! Send comments to: rosemerrie@att.net or call 865-748-4717. Thank you.

# Not perfect



By Joe Rector  
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We hear that things are "perfect" all the time. Of late, that perfection has centered around a telephone call, but over the course of our lives, many claims of perfection are proclaimed. In truth, we all know nothing is perfect. Amy and I discovered soon after we began dating that we loved each other. Over a few months, our time was spent together when we weren't in classes at Tennessee Tech. At some point, we just knew in our bones that we were meant to be together. I was a student who earned a little each month for serving as a dorm head resident. That meant money was tight, but I still wanted to buy an engagement ring for Amy. I'm not sure exactly when we traveled to the jeweler to pick out a diamond and setting, but I remember the owner presented several stones. One diamond that the jeweler finally showed us was not his best. He said it had

a flaw in it, nothing that was visible to the naked eye but still a little cloud on one spot. Amy okayed it, and we waited for the rings to be made and sized. That diamond was imperfect, but it was good enough to present at the altar on our wedding day. Amy and I have worked since our teens. Part time jobs and full-time ones have provided living wages. I spent 30 years teaching high school English, and I enjoyed that time. However, no year was ever perfect. Some years, the classes I taught weren't much fun. Sometimes I struggled with misbehaving students and even a couple of future criminals. However, for the most part, I loved what I did, and I have good memories of hundreds of students. Still, the job was far from perfect. Amy's work experiences haven't been perfect either. She's been a "worker bee" and a "boss"

in jobs. She's worked long hours and fretted over things that I didn't understand. All the while, she made good friends and memories at each job. My wife can always find positives in any situation, but she would never say her work life has been perfect. Amy and I are working on our 45th year of marriage. That's a long time, especially for a woman who married at the age of 19. We are still in love and devoted to each other, but the road hasn't always been easy. That first year was tough as we learned to live with someone new. Finances sometimes have sparked some angry words, and too often through the years, I've been hateful and gruff, and my words have been hurtful. Adding children to the mix brought about some tense moments, and, yes, some dark times have tested our love and dedication. Even so, we've come out on the other side stronger and closer. Our marriage has not been perfect, but it's stood the test of time. A few years ago, we brought Sadie into our

lives. She was a rescue dog, and I knew she was the right one when I saw her face on a website. Unfortunately, another family had already adopted her, but they brought her back within a week because she had "accidents" in the house. She's ours now, and we love her completely. She's made some of the hard times over the last six years easier to bear, and we're sure she was sent to us. This past spring we discovered that Sadie has a cancerous tumor growing in the roof of her mouth. It's inoperable, so we watch and wait and pray. Sadie comes as close to perfect as any pet could ever come, but she isn't. That just makes us love her more. Life is filled with opportunities and events and people that make existing richer and fuller. However, bumps in the road and natural flaws keep it from being perfect. I'll take the imperfect any time. For one thing, it makes living much more interesting. For another, I can't compete with perfection.

# Keep it farmland or let 'em build?

**Cont. from page 1** said. Three commissioner votes against the proposal didn't prevent it from being approved. A similar, though slightly different, case followed Mesana, when attorney Ben Mullins, speaking on behalf of property owners Gregory Jones and Steven Ousley, approached the commission seeking a rezoning of 42 acres at 4937 Wise Springs Road in Commission District 8. The

agricultural-to-planned residential change would allow the land to be developed. Unlike Mesana, however, the opposition requested a postponement on the decision, not necessarily a denial. The commission's recommendation was to approve the request, up to one dwelling-unit per acre. What concerned the opposition wasn't the density of the development, but what exactly would be built.

At issue was a possible boarding home and who might inhabit it. Kathy King has lived in the area for 61 years. "We understand there was a potential boarding home (being considered)," King said. "We're not sure exactly what 'boarding home' means. We're agricultural ... we have farms, cows, horses... those kind of things are what we know." King also said development would create more problems with the septic system

and drainage, as well as increased traffic and ecological degradation. Commission staffer Liz Albertson read the legal definition of "boarding home," but its breadth seemed to offer little clarity to anyone. According to Mullins, changing the zoning designation would benefit both the property owners and the community, because the latter would then have input as to how the land would be developed. "This property has been

for sale for quite some time," said Mullins. "There has been interest in looking at it for a residential treatment facility, which I understand in the county ordinance would fall within the definitions we talked about. That is one potential use. The owners want to increase the marketability of the property in case that use doesn't come to fruition. There will be more conversations in the future about whatever goes in there. Right now we don't know what the

end use will be." Tocher added, trying to reassure the residents, "after the rezoning, that's when the Concept Plan will be presented for public input. So right now you're not gonna see (how the land will be developed) until the next step." "We'll be glad to have conversations with the neighbors," said Mullins. The commission voted unanimously to allow the rezoning. The next meeting is March 13.



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# Tennessee Governors & the Path to the US Senate, II

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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Only nine men have made the transition from governor of Tennessee to United States senator. One of those nine was one of the most successful politicians to take part in Tennessee's turbulent politics: Andrew Johnson. In fact, Andrew Johnson prospered politically during the Civil War, the most tempestuous time in Tennessee's history. Johnson's political rise was sure and steady and eventually he became President of the United States. Despite rising to the pinnacle of political success, it was an exceedingly bitter experience for Andrew Johnson.

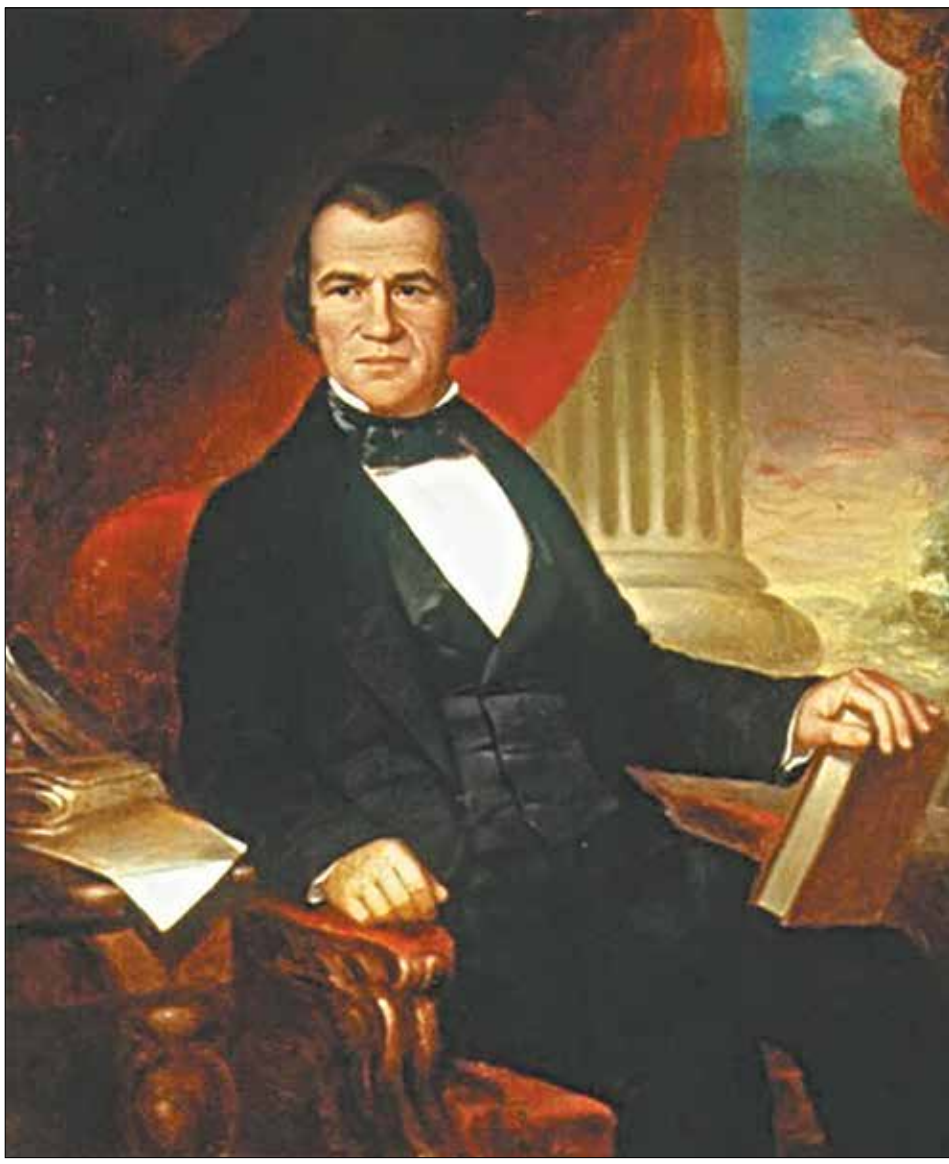
In many respects, the life of Andrew Johnson was the very definition of an American success story. Johnson was born in abject poverty in Raleigh, North Carolina, into a home that was less home than hovel. Both of Johnson's parents had worked at one time as servants in a tavern and neither could read nor write. Andrew Johnson never attended any kind of school and was illiterate. Johnson was only three years old when his father Jacob died of what was likely a heart attack while ringing the town bell for help. The elder Johnson had just rescued three men who had been drowning. Johnson's mother, Polly Johnson, became a washerwoman to support her family, which was then considered something less than a lowly occupation. Polly did eventually remarry, but she married another poor man, which did little or nothing to improve the material circumstances of her family. Good fortune did finally shine on Andrew Johnson when Polly apprenticed him to a local tailor. The agreement, which was legally binding, apprenticed the ten year-old Johnson to the tailor until he was twenty-one. There was another benefit to working in the tailor's shop as some folks dropped by to read aloud while the tailors worked. Even before becoming a tailor's apprentice, Andrew Johnson would visit the tailor shop to listen to the readers. Eventually, Johnson acquired some elementary reading skills, but he was unhappy as a tailor's apprentice. Along with his brother William, who had been apprenticed to the tailor before Andrew, the brothers ran away. The tailor promptly offered a reward for both boys, but especially wanted Andrew Johnson back in his shop. Johnson offered to buy out his way out of his apprenticeship, but the tailor would not agree. Andrew Johnson decided to go west and traveled to Tennessee, the most of his journey made

on foot. For a fleeting time, Johnson lived in Knoxville, but left for Mooresville, Alabama before moving to Columbia, Tennessee. Johnson returned to get his mother and stepfather, both of whom were eager to move west as well. The Johnsons settled in Greeneville, Tennessee. If Andrew Johnson had been touched by wanderlust before, his soul was soothed by Greeneville, which he loved. Johnson set up a tailor's shop in Greeneville, which visitors can still visit to this day. When he was eighteen, Johnson married sixteen year-old Eliza McCordle, daughter of the local shoemaker. Their marriage would last almost fifty years and produce five children. Eliza Johnson disliked attention and would remain in Greeneville throughout most of her husband's political career. Even when Johnson succeeded Abraham Lincoln as president, Eliza preferred her home in Greeneville to the White House. The Johnson's eldest daughter Martha would serve as the President's official hostess during his time in the White House. Yet Eliza's influence upon her husband could hardly be underestimated. It was Eliza who spent hours tutoring her ill-educated husband.

Andrew Johnson's political career began literally at the bottom of the rung, when he was elected town alderman. While he may have been illiterate for years, politics afforded Andrew Johnson the opportunity to speak publicly and he excelled at the endeavor. Johnson was not merely an able speaker, but a gifted orator with the power to both entertain and move his audiences. Johnson moved up the political ladder, quickly winning election to the Tennessee House of Representatives. It was in the legislature where Andrew Johnson won a reputation for bucking his own party. Johnson was a Democrat and highly admired the most notable Democrat of them all: Andrew Jackson. Still, Andrew Johnson did not feel duty bound to vote with his party, revealing an independent streak, which remained with him throughout his life. Johnson was a man of firm convictions and could be infuriatingly stubborn.

Johnson suffered a rare defeat in 1837 when he sought reelection to the state legislature. Andrew Johnson ran again in 1839 and was elected. Johnson was careful to mend his political fences and built a powerful political organization in Greene County.

Nor did Andrew Johnson's political talents



Official portrait of Governor Andrew Johnson.

go unnoticed by his fellow Democrats. Noting that crowds flocked to hear Johnson speak, Tennessee Democrats selected him as a presidential elector in the 1840 election. Andrew Johnson, supporting President Martin Van Buren, campaigned the length and breadth of Tennessee, urging his fellow Tennesseans to vote for Van Buren. The Whig candidate, General William Henry Harrison, won Tennessee decisively, although Johnson gained significant exposure from his canvass throughout the state. Johnson won a political promotion in 1841 when he was elected to the Tennessee State Senate.

As Johnson began his political rise, he had also moved up in the world in terms of business success. Johnson's tailoring shop prospered; in fact, Johnson was himself something of a walking advertisement for his own skills. Andrew Johnson was always impeccably dressed for any public appearance, a habit he kept for the rest of his life. Along with his business, Johnson acquired real estate holdings, built a fine home in Greeneville and purchased a farm where he settled his mother and stepfather. Johnson also owned several slaves.

The lure of politics was a siren's call he could not resist and Andrew Johnson sold his tailoring business so he could immerse himself in electioneering. The next logical step in his political progression was a seat in Congress. In 1843, Johnson won a seat in the U. S. House of Representatives. One of the themes of Johnson's political career was his advocacy for the less fortunate, likely a topic he personally felt keenly about, especially considering his own childhood. Andrew Johnson was always ready to fight for the poor as opposed to what he derided as "the aristocracy." Johnson served five terms in Congress and while he supported fellow Tennessean James K. Polk

when the president went to war with Mexico, it did not mean the two enjoyed warm personal or political relations.

Polk noticed Congressman Andrew Johnson in attendance at a White House function just before the president relinquished his office to General Zachary Taylor in 1849. Polk wrote in his dairy that while Johnson professed to be a Democrat "he has been politically, if not personally hostile to me during my whole term." Polk believed Johnson to be "vindictive and perverse in his temper and conduct." The President complained Johnson did not have "the manliness and independence" to openly declare his profound opposition to the Polk administration because "he knows he could not be elected by his constituents." Considering that Polk had been twice beaten for governor by a Whig candidate and that Tennessee had voted for Whig presidential candidates in the elections of 1840, 1844, 1848 and 1852, it might well have been wishful thinking on the part of the president. Polk had lost his home state in the 1844 presidential campaign to Henry Clay of Kentucky. Polk closed the entry in his diary by carefully noting, "I am not aware that I have ever given him cause for offense."

Andrew Johnson may well not have been an orthodox Democrat, but he certainly showed a broad streak of populism. Congressman Johnson pressed for the popular election of United States senators, as well limiting federal judges to a term of twelve years on the bench.

When Johnson sought his last term in Congress, the Whigs offered no opposition, nor did they have to, as renegade Democrats nominated a candidate to oppose the congressman so deep was the divide inside the Democratic Party. Democrats were divided on several issues, but none so hotly as the issue of slavery.

Evidently the only way to defeat Andrew Johnson was gerrymandering his Congressional district. When the Whigs won a majority in the legislature, they did precisely that. Johnson was too astute a politician not to realize he could not win in his own district. The congressman felt his political career was at an end. Some of his friends began promoting him for the Democratic nomination for governor. Doubtless some Democrats who thought little of Johnson saw no harm in giving him the gubernatorial nomination; after all, the Whigs had successfully elected the governor in the previous two elections. The Democratic state convention unanimously nominated Andrew Johnson while the Whigs nominated Gustavus Henry, the man who had been primarily responsible for redrawing the lines of Johnson's Congressional district. The two men conducted a joint campaign, speaking at courthouses all across Tennessee. Andrew Johnson surprised not only most of the Whigs, but some Democrats as well when he narrowly defeated Henry. Governor Johnson had little real power as Tennessee's chief executive, but he used every advantage he

had shrewdly. With the legislature still in the hands of the Whigs, Johnson traded with powerful Whig legislators to approve some of his own appointments in exchange for the governor appointing John Bell to the U. S. Senate. Few believed Johnson could be reelected governor in 1855, but after a bitter campaign, he won a second term, albeit by a slender margin.

Andrew Johnson did not seek a third term as governor as he was already looking to Washington and a seat in the United States Senate, a prospect that horrified Whigs in Tennessee. Whigs campaigned hard to win a majority in the legislature precisely to keep Johnson from being elected to the Senate. Governor Johnson campaigned equally hard for the Democratic nominee in the gubernatorial election, as well as Democratic candidates for the state legislature. Democrats elected Isham G. Harris governor and won a majority in the legislature. Governor Johnson gave his farewell address as Tennessee's chief executive and two days later, the Tennessee legislature elected him to the United States Senate.

Johnson did not appeal to the "Bourbon" Democrats in Tennessee, the well-heeled attorneys and plantation owners, but few Democrats were more popular with the working class voters and small businessmen. Andrew Johnson had repeatedly demonstrated his ability to win elections, even when the odds were stacked against him. Johnson's iron constitution helped him to remain a favorite with voters, as he endured difficult travel over bad roads and other deprivations and hardships to see as many people as possible. Few people, especially those working people, forgot meeting Andrew Johnson. They also never failed to remember him at the polls.

When Andrew Johnson arrived in Washington, D.C. as Tennessee's junior senator, he came alone, as Eliza insisted upon remaining at their home in Greeneville. Mrs. Johnson would visit the Capitol only once during Johnson's first term in the Senate. The country was becoming more polarized as the slavery issue tore asunder old alliances and made bitter enemies of former friends. The political atmosphere in Washington and the country was becoming increasingly toxic. Tennessee became a microcosm of the country, tearing itself apart over the slavery issue.

Andrew Johnson quickly chose a side.

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# Houk surprises himself in 200 IM at state swim meet

By Steve Williams

Harper Houk figured he would make a better showing at the Tennessee Interscholastic Swim Coaches State Meet this year, but he didn't expect to win.

His mom Kristi also said it wasn't until Monday that it really "sunk in."

Houk, a Hardin Valley Academy senior, had become a state high school champion for the first time Friday night, Feb. 7, when he won the men's 200-yard Individual Medley finals at UT's Allan Jones Intercollegiate Aquatic Center.

In an exciting finish, Houk snipped Sevier County senior Thomas Horne by six hundredths of a second. Houk was timed in a personal best 1 minute, 50.76 seconds and Horne in 1:50.82.

Houk was among 15 or so Knox County high school swimmers and divers to place among the Top 5 in the state events but the only one to earn a state title this year.

"It meant so much to me," said Houk, reflecting on his performance last week. "That was probably the best race I've ever had!"

"I think it shows how much dedication, attention and patience I've put into the sport the last few years."

Houk's previous best state showing was finishing fifth in the same event last year.

"I knew I was going to improve this year, but quite honestly, I didn't think I was going to take the title. I dropped four seconds in one day and that's still shocking to me."



*Dedication and hard work, including 5 a.m. practices, resulted in a TISCA state swimming championship for Hardin Valley Academy senior Harper Houk.*

Houk bettered his previous best 200 IM time by two seconds in the prelims and then knocked another two seconds off in the finals.

Swim coaches at Grand Canyon University in Phoenix were glad to hear about his championship and sent their congratulations, said Houk, who has verbally committed to GCU and plans to sign April 15. "They

said, 'What a great swim!'"

Harper started swimming in a summer league when he was five years old. "But I didn't consider myself a serious swimmer until I joined year-round swimming," he said. "My club team, Atomic City Aquatic Club in Oak Ridge, that I've been with for seven years, has really made me into the swimmer I am today."

Andy Wagner is his head coach

for ACAC and Ben Whiteside is his HVA coach.

"Harper is about as good of a person and athlete as you will find," said Wagner, his coach for five of the seven years at ACAC. "His attention to detail, his work ethic, and his outstanding character are the largest contributors to his success. Winning the 200 IM at State was just a reflection of how he approaches his everyday preparation, in and out of the pool. We are all very proud to have him as a teammate."

At GCU, a NCAA Division 1 member of the Western Athletic Conference, Houk most likely will compete in the 200 IM, which includes using all four major swim strokes – butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle – and the 200 and 100 breaststroke events plus relays. He plans to major in exercise science.

When it comes to the IM event, Houk says, "Everyone has their strong strokes and their weak ones, so planning your race around your strengths will help you maximize your performance. That's what I was working on with my coaches leading up to the state meet. I knew I had to make my move on the breaststroke, so I built my race around it."

Harper doesn't participate in any other sports at HVA.

"Swimming takes up all my time," he said. "I practice nine times a week and lift two times."

Training some 330 days out of the year, maybe Houk shouldn't have been so surprised he won the state title. He earned it.

## Karns' boys pull away late from Gibbs, 65-53, in regular season finale

By Bill Howard

It was a game of numerous scoring streaks by both teams. But the Karns High School boys would have the longest streak of the game, and at a critical juncture as well.

Leading by only one over visiting Gibbs, 48-47, with 4:49 left in regulation, the Beavers ran off 11 straight points over two and a half minutes to make it 59-47.

The closest the Eagles would get after that would be eight, as Karns won 65-53 on senior night. The non-district game was the regular-season finale for both teams.

Beavers head coach Lee Henson thought his team was affected by the emotion of it.

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## Irishmen pay back Baylor, near region crown

By Steve Williams

Catholic owed Baylor one and settled up in a convincing manner. Sophomore standout B.J. Edwards had team highs in points (22) and rebounds (nine) as the Irishmen ran off and left the Red Raiders 63-39 in a Division II Class AA East Region rematch Feb. 11 in Knoxville.

The win avenged Catholic's only loss to an in-state team this season and put the Fighting Irish in sole possession of first place in the region. It also gave the Irishmen (3-1, 20-4) their sixth straight season with at least 20 wins.

But there is still work to be done for Catholic to capture the regular season title outright. It needs to win at McCallie (2-2, 13-13) Tuesday night. The Irishmen won 70-62 in the first meeting between the two teams in Knoxville on Jan. 8.

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## Hardin Valley ties for fifth behind Houk and Telep

By Steve Williams

After winning the state title in the 200-yard IM, Hardin Valley Academy's Houk Harper added a fourth place finish in the men's 100 backstroke to lead the Hawks to a tie for fifth in the men's team scoring in this year's TISCA state meet at UT.

Hardin Valley also got big points from senior Zack Telep, who placed third in the 100 butterfly and fourth in the 100

free.

Bearden junior Colby Maupin placed third in the 100 backstroke and fourth in the 100 butterfly to lead the Bulldogs to 12th place. Bearden's 200 free relay contributed a fourth place finish.

Meanwhile, Abigail King, a sophomore at Farragut, took fourth in the 100 backstroke, fifth in the 100 butterfly and swam on the fourth place finishing 200 medley

relay to lead the Lady Admirals to eighth place in the state.

UT signee Annie Rimmer of Carter finished third in the women's 100 butterfly and fifth in the 100 free.

Other top Knox County finishes included Webb senior Mic McClamroch taking fourth place in men's 50 free and the Hardin Valley women's 200 free relay placing fifth.

Knox County also had three divers to score. Sophomore Rylee Orr of Halls took third place in women's 1-meter diving and Bearden junior Laurel Smith was fourth. In men's 1-meter diving, Berean Christian's Nichol Cassell placed fifth.

Baylor and McCallie tied for the men's team title with 248 points apiece.

Baylor won the women's team championship

with 295 points, while Harpeth Hall (220) was second and Maryville (196) third.

Highlights of the meet included two record performances by Harpeth Hall sisters Gretchen and Alex Walsh. Gretchen, a junior, set a new national high school record with a 46.98 time in the 100 freestyle. Alex, a senior, posted a new state record of 51.35 in the 100 backstroke.

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# How Sports Keep Us Connected

By Mark Nagi

A couple of weeks ago I met two of my college friends in Detroit for the weekend.

That's right, the decision was made to go to Michigan. In February. This isn't exactly a must visit location in the dead of winter. Heck, if you look across the Detroit River, you'll see Windsor, Ontario looking back at you. You know... Canada.

It was cold. It was windy. And it snowed. I'm originally from upstate New York and I like the cold... but I also moved away from it so... yeah.

Why on earth would my friends fly from New York and why would I drive eight hours to a much colder climate for us to get together?

Well, the New York Rangers were playing the Detroit Red Wings. Neither team is a Stanley Cup contender. The odds are both will be left out of the playoffs. But that didn't matter. This was a chance for the three of us to get together for the first time in more than twenty years.

Sure, I've seen these guys individually since then... but life and jobs and kids and marriages and distance has made it tough for all of us to be together at the same time. Which is a shame, because back in college we'd go to Rangers games at Madison Square Garden a couple of times a year. Those are some of my best memories from that part of my life.

I know my story isn't a rare one.

How often in your life have you stayed connected to friends (and maybe even family) because of a sporting event? Be it Little League or golf or NASCAR, sports are an excuse to take a break from the daily monotony of life. You don't even have to be at the sport in person. I've made sure to hang out with a friend because of a soccer game on TV thousands of miles away. And I bet you have done something similar.

Those friends you see

at a Tennessee tailgate... how often to do see those folks when it isn't football season? Unfortunately, quite often the answer is a minimal number. If you were at the 1998 or 2004 Florida games, or maybe the 1982 Alabama game, I bet you remember with whom you shared that experience.

It's easy to come up with excuses why not to do something. I'm tired. I'm broke. I'm working. I'm busy.

Sports gives us the perfect excuse to break free from the routine and see our friends.

I don't know what it is about sports... but there is than common bond that we hold with each other because of a game. My friends that I was telling you about? We are always connected because of the New York Rangers Stanley Cup run in 1994. That Spring they snapped a 54-year curse. We all went to the championship parade on June 17, 1994... the same day as the O.J. Simpson White Bronco chase. I've said that my life is better today because they won that championship. It's crazy to think that way, but it's as true a statement as I've ever given.

It was a terrific weekend in Detroit (you don't read those seven words together often... Detroit isn't nearly as lousy as its reputation). We got to hang out, have a few drinks, and watch the Rangers beat the Red Wings 1-0. This was also the first time the three of us together actually saw the Rangers win a game in person. (There's been discussion that I'm a jinx at MSG, so road trips seem to work better.) We've already started talking about where to go next year. Maybe St. Louis? Pittsburgh? Tampa?

The city doesn't really matter. It's just the chance to catch up due to a shared interest... a chance to keep those friendships strong.

And that's what sports gives us.

# West Valley boys take third at MS State Championships

By Ken Lay

SMYRNA --- For the second consecutive year, a Knox County Middle School Basketball Conference team has claimed a third-place finish in the TMSAA Class AAA State Championship Tournament and Knox County teams have only been permitted to play in the state championships for two seasons.

The West Valley Wolves finished third with a 52-28 victory over Knox Doss, from Hendersonville, at Stewarts Creek Middle School.

The Wolves (33-4) join Powell Middle School as the only two Knox County teams to compete on the hardwood on the Volunteer State's grandest stage. The Panthers took third place at the Midstate in 2019.

West Valley fell to Ridgeway 49-40 in Saturday's semifinals and had to answer an early wake-up call Saturday morning to come back to East Tennessee with a third-place finish.

Ridgeway wound up claiming the state title early Saturday afternoon with a 49-35 win over Murfreesboro-Oakland at Stewarts Creek High

School.

Against Ridgeway, Connor Ruth, the Class AAA State Sectional's Most Valuable Player, scored 16 points for the Wolves. Sam Tummins, a sectional all-tournament selection finished with 12 points for West Valley.

Billy Richmond and Alijah Curry each scored 11 points for the Roadrunners late Friday night at Stewarts Creek High School.

West Valley had a 14-10 lead after the first quarter before Ridgeway used a 15-7 run to pull ahead.

# West Valley downs previously unbeaten Warriors in MS sectional championship

By Ken Lay

The third time was the charm for West Valley Middle School's boys basketball team last week.

The Wolves had played previously undefeated Whittle Springs twice and had come up on the losing end in the regular season and again in the championship game in the James A. Ivey Jr. Memorial Middle School Basketball Tournament, which crowns the Knox County Middle School Conference champion.

But that all came to an end when West Valley knocked the Warriors from the ranks of the unbeaten Tuesday night with a 53-37 victory in the Section 1-AAA Championship Game Tuesday night before a spirited crowd at Hardin Valley Middle School.

West Valley coach Noel Landrum had said that his team played well against Whittle Springs in the county tournament but cold shooting would doom the Wolves in a 39-19 loss.

But the shots fell for West Valley earlier this week and the Wolves (33-3) seized control of the contest early, opening an 11-5 lead by the end of the first quarter, and never really relinquished the upper hand.

The Warriors (26-1) were averaging more than 65 points a game heading into the state sectionals and they prevailed in a pair of close games to get a third meeting with the Wolves.

West Valley held Whittle Springs to a season-low in points in the last two meetings between Knoxville's



PHOTO BY KEN LAY

*The West Valley Middle School boys basketball team, coaches and cheerleaders celebrate a state sectional championship Tuesday night. The Wolves beat Whittle Springs 53-37 to win the title and punch their ticket to the Class AAA State Tournament at Hardin Valley Middle School.*

top middle school basketball teams.

The Wolves used a match-up zone defense to baffle the Warriors and, despite some early scoring woes again, the defense and rebounding were the keys to a victory that landed West Valley in the Class AAA State Tournament at Stewarts Creek Middle School in Smyrna over the weekend.

Furthermore, WVMS was able to keep the Warriors from running their trademark run-and-gun offense. "We didn't want to run with them for sure," said Landrum, who shed tears of joy after the game.

The Wolves picked their times to run judiciously and after missing five early layups, West Valley made its shots from all over the floor. Their offensive attack

was balanced.

Connor Ruth led West Valley with a game-high 18 points and was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Drew Parrott added 10. Brett Holden had eight points and Sam Tummins had five. Cody Clough was big off the bench as he scored five crucial points in the second half, including a layup and a pair of free throws that gave his team a 32-18 lead midway through the third stanza.

Dalton Siva also scored four points. Dane Britton and Braden Buchanan each scored two points.

Pulling upsets is nothing new for several West Valley basketball players. Several players including Ruth, Parrott, Tummins and Clough led Bearden's entry in the newly-formed Middle-school age Conference

football championship in 2019 when the Bulldogs beat previously unbeaten Alcoa in that title tilt on the road in Blount County.

"I'm so proud of these guys," Landrum said. "Cody Clough came in and scored some big points for us. He gave us a huge lift."

"I think winning begets winning and several of these guys, Cody, Sam, Drew and Connor were all on that football team."

Parrott and Tummins joined Ruth on the all-tournament team Tuesday night.

Twin brothers Denaj Kimber and Taj Kimber from the Warriors were also all-tournament selections. Denaj scored 15 points and Taj added 12 for Whittle Springs in the sectional title tilt.

# Karns' boys pull away late from Gibbs, 65-53, in regular season finale

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being the seniors' final regular-season game. "A lot of emotions for the kids, you could tell it," he said. "I think the emotions got 'em. Neither team played like they're capable of playing. Senior night... a lot of things going through the kids' minds...last time they're gonna get to play high-school basketball."

"I thought we competed tonight," said Eagles coach Timmy Meade. "I don't think we're playing bad. I think we made some mental mistakes tonight we don't normally make. We're gonna try to get that fixed next week."

Gibbs (15-11) jumped out to a 10-4 lead, but Karns cut it to 10-9 after one with five straight points at the end of the quarter. A 6-0 run in the second gave the Eagles a seven-point lead, 18-11, but the Beavers

then ran off 11 in a row to lead 25-21. The half ended with a 29-25 Karns lead.

Karns was hampered by big-man Traven Jackson's early foul trouble. He had to sit much of the half. "I think (that hurt us)," said Henson. "We put our other senior (Jay Clowers) in and that gave us a little lift."

The teams mostly traded buckets in the third, which ended 43-40 Karns. The Beavers' Trey Hawkins, who led all scorers with 20, got six in the period. "When he's playing under control, he's really strong," said Henson of his speedy senior point guard.

With 4:49 left in the game, Gibbs's Shawn Park hit a three to bring the Eagles within one, 48-47. Karns (12-15) then ran off 11 straight to seal it. The Beavers' penetration led to numerous dump-off assists.

"In the second half I think we came on strong and I think we realized we're gonna have to play if we're gonna win," said Henson. "We had the one (scoring run) that counted at the end, the one that really mattered. We were able to make some passes and that's how you win ballgames."

Other double-digit scorers for Karns were J.J. Faulkner with 15, Dalton Greer with 12, and Desean Bishop who chipped in 10. Dawson Warwick scored 19 for Gibbs while Caden Cupp added 14. Karns was six of eight from the free-throw line, while Gibbs was six of nine.

With the regular season now over, both teams look toward their respective district tournaments this week. Gibbs (AA, Region 2, District 3) will play Pigeon Forge Friday at 5:30 at

home. Karns (AAA, Region 2, District 3) will play either Powell or Campbell Co. Thursday at 6 at Oak Ridge. Both coaches are hopeful.

"I think we're in a pretty good place," said Henson. "We've been playing well and hopefully we can carry it on to the tournament."

"It's all about how we're playing going into the district tournament," said Meade. "We're gonna try to be mentally and physically ready. There's no moral victories. After tonight everybody's 0-0. I feel good as long as we'll come out and practice the right way. We have four more practices so as long as we do that I feel good."

In the girls' game, Karns beat Gibbs 61-16.



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# Five Bobcats sign scholarships at Sam & Andy's

By Steve Williams

Central High School took its February signing day ceremony into the Fountain City community.

Sam & Andy's on Broadway hosted the event Wednesday and it attracted a big turnout of family members, students, teachers and community supporters.

Four members of the Bobcats' 2019 state championship football team signed scholarship papers – linebacker Tyler Bost (Maryville College), quarterback Dakota Fawver (Carson-Newman University), wide receiver Isaiah Osborne (Union College) and linebacker Malik Robinson (Lindsey Wilson College).

Central's Jake Dommersmuth, a cross country runner and a distance runner in track (800, 1600

**Focus' First Five**  
*(A ranking of high school boys and girls basketball teams in The Knoxville Focus' coverage area, which includes Knox County and Seymour area through Feb. 14 games)*

BOYS
1 - Catholic (4-1, 21-4)
2 - Webb (9-0, 22-6)
3 - Bearden (12-2, 21-7)
4 - Carter (8-2, 22-5)
5 - Fulton (6-1, 16-5)

GIRLS
1 - Bearden (13-1, 25-2)
2 - Powell (12-1, 21-2)
3 - Farragut (10-4, 20-8)
4 - TKA (12-0, 20-7)
5 - Carter (6-4, 17-9)

and 3200 meters), also signed with Milligan College.

"We're extremely happy

with the turnout," said Nick Craney, Central's new head football coach. "These guys have accomplished something really significant in earning an athletic scholarship. I'm proud of the young men that signed today and excited to see what they are going to do in the future."

Diamond Clear Media covered the event and streamed it on line.

Former Central head coach Bryson Rosser, who resigned in January for family reasons and now resides in Boston, also watched the signings via FaceTime.

"He's just very proud of the boys," said Kelly Johnson, who was asked by Rosser to FaceTime him.

More Central football players are expected to sign in the near future after weighing their offers, including

running back Jason Meritts, WR-DB Makhi Anderson and Braden Gaston, a football wide receiver and track athlete.

One Bobcat standout, defensive lineman Eunike Valentine, announced Saturday he had verbally committed to Tennessee as a preferred walk-on. Earlier last week, Valentine decommitted from Navy.

**TOURNEY TIME:** Several high school basketball district tournaments will tip off this week. Starting tonight (Feb. 17) are District 3-AAA at Oak Ridge and 4-AAA at Bearden. District 3-AA gets underway Friday at Gibbs and 4-AA begins Friday at Fulton.

The top four finishers in each Division I district advance to region tournaments.

**DIVISION II CHAMPS:** Webb boys and The King's Academy girls captured District 1 Class A titles Friday night. The Spartans rolled past Grace Christian Academy 79-41, while the Lady Lions edged Webb 39-38 in a surprisingly close game.

**STATE FINALISTS:** Senior Edward Lacey of Fulton (Division I Class AA) and sophomore B.J. Edwards of Knoxville Catholic (Division II Class AA) were announced as Mr. Basketball finalists in their classifications last week by TSSAA.

**HOYAS IN TOWN:** Georgetown University Assistant Coach Robert Kirby was in Knoxville last Wednesday to watch Catholic senior post Akeem Odusipe at practice. Hoyas head coach and former Georgetown and NBA star Patrick Ewing saw

Odusipe play in a holiday tournament in Washington D.C. in December.

Akeem made an official visit to Rhode Island the Feb. 8 weekend and received a solid offer, according to Catholic Coach Mike Hutchens.

"The visit from Georgetown went well," said Hutchens. "Coach Kirby and Georgetown also are very high on Handje Tamba (6-11 sophomore post) and B. Edwards (6-2 sophomore guard)."

**BOMBING BAILEY:** Powell senior Bailey Trumm, the TSSAA's new girls' career record holder for 3-pointers, moved past the 400-plateau in the Lady Panthers' win over Union County last week and added five more treys in a Senior Night victory over Halls Thursday.

# Irishmen pay back Baylor, near region crown

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A region crown would lock up home court advantage for Catholic in the Sub-State game.

Akeem Odusipe, the Irishmen's 6-9 senior post, added 15 points in the win over Baylor (2-2, 13-8), which defeated Catholic 55-51 in Chattanooga on Jan. 17. Junior guard Sam Sompayrac chipped in 11. Sophomore guard Eli Sparkman (13 points) was the only Raider to score in double figures.

"Before the start of the game they want to slow you down and we had to speed them up," said veteran Catholic Coach Mike Hutchens. "We ran our man press almost every possession, except one or two times we changed to a zone press. We got to running and there are not many teams in the

state who can run with us."

After Catholic led 15-6 at the first stop and 24-15 at halftime, it was Sparkman who drilled two 3-pointers to pull Baylor within eight points (29-21) in the third period.

The Green and Gold, however, answered with a 17-0 run to end the quarter in command at 46-21.

Odusipe, who grabbed seven rebounds, followed his own missed shot with a basket to open the final period and cap the 19-0 run.

One interesting assist in the game-deciding stretch saw Odusipe feed the 6-foot Sompayrac under the basket for a wide-open shot.

"They were in a 3-2 zone then," recalled Coach Hutchens. "We

inverted. Akeem came to the high post and Sam dropped to low post and when Akeem got the ball, their whole defense just swarmed him, and he turned and made a perfect pass to Sam."

"Akeem passes the ball well. And he's very unselfish. Sometimes we holler at him to shoot it a little bit more. He reads the double and triple teams really good. That was a nice play against their zone."

Sparkman hit his third trey to end Baylor's long scoring drought and added his fourth three from the right wing to shave the deficit to 22 (50-28), but the Red Raiders would never get closer than 21.

Catholic reserves started mopping up with 2:34 to go.

Baylor Coach Mark Price was

disappointed with his team's effort. The Raiders committed 22 turnovers in the game and Price felt many of those were unforced.

At least seven times in the game, Baylor turnovers or Catholic steals led directly to easy layups or dunks.

Hutchens said freshman guard Blue Cain had about eight of his team's 15 steals. The Catholic coach also pointed out Odusipe "played great defense on their leading scorer (6-6 center Nick Kurtz, who was held to eight points)."

"It was a big win for us," added Hutchens. "In our first year in Division II Class AA, we've now beaten Baylor, McCallie and MBA. That's big for us."



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Sophomore standout B.J. Edwards of Knoxville Catholic goes up for an easy basket in the Irishmen's 63-39 win over Baylor last week.

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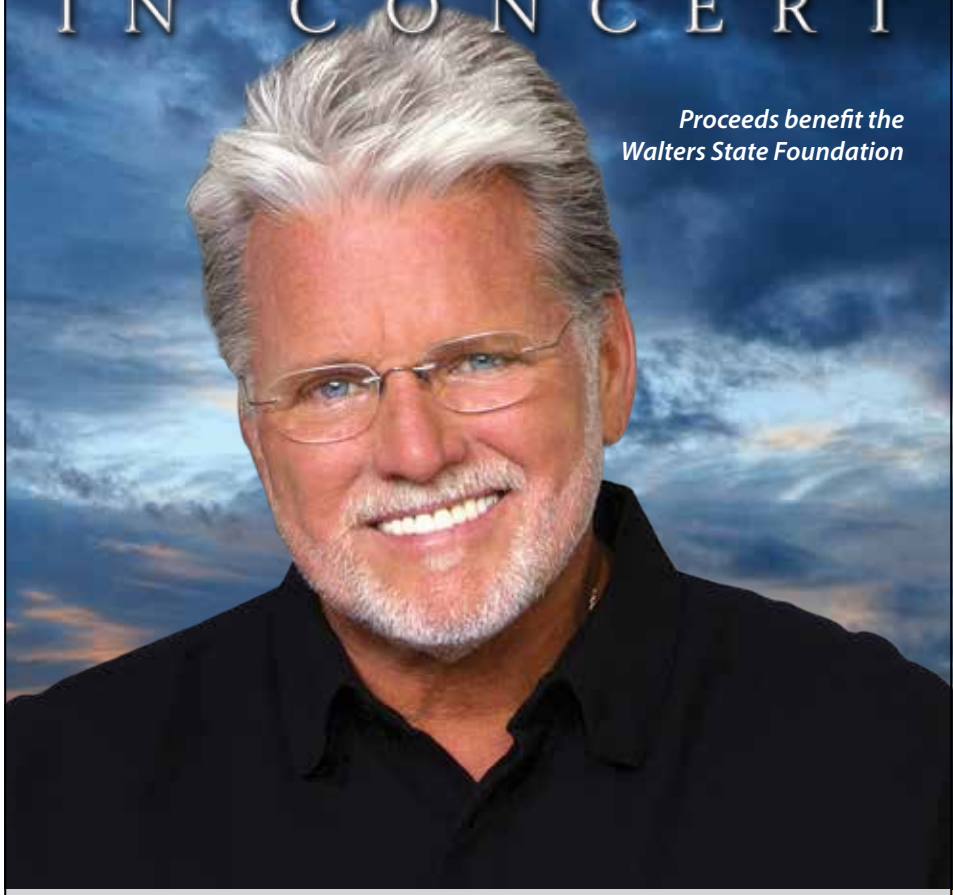
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# Bearden girls hold off Farragut to take title

By Steve Williams

Farragut wanted to play the spoiler role on Valentine evening, but the Bearden Lady Bulldogs would have no part of it.

Coach Justin Underwood's girls trailed by four points early but led at the end of each period and eased out of reach down the stretch for a 53-42 victory that gave them the District 4-AAA regular season title Friday at Lynn Sexton Gymnasium.

A win by the Lady Admirals could have prevented their rivals from clinching the district outright, but Bearden (13-1, 25-2) finished one game ahead of Maryville (12-2, 25-3). Farragut (10-4, 20-8) settled for third place and Heritage (9-5, 22-5) came in fourth in one of the state's toughest Class AAA districts.

The game was much closer than the final score. The Lady Admirals were within five points (45-40) inside the final two minutes.

But after her teammates had missed the front end of two 1-and-1 free throws, Bearden's Jah'niya Bussell stepped up and swished in four in a row and Emily Gonzalez added two more to enlarge the final score.

Underwood felt the key to the win was his team's play "defensively and then sharing the ball offensively. We hold a really

good team to 40 points and we're hitting free throws with next person up down the stretch.

"Our defense sometimes in the second half led to our offense, which in a close game like that, every possession is crucial."

Bearden had a balanced attack. Gonzalez and Zneyah McLaughlin scored 11 points each. Bussell tallied 10 and Emma Stone nine on three big 3-pointers in the first half. Jakhya Davis and Avery Treadwell added six each.

Carrie Wyatt and Avery Strickland led Farragut with 18 and 14 points, respectively. Strickland had four of the Lady Admirals' seven 3-pointers but scored only three points after intermission. McCall Willis and Keeleigh Rogers chipped in five points apiece.

"It was close for 3½ quarters," said Farragut Coach Jason Mayfield. "They just made some plays at the end and we got a little careless with the ball. They are a great team and they proved it tonight."

After having only one turnover in the first half, Farragut committed seven in the final two periods.

The Lady Admirals took a 10-6 lead in the opening quarter when Wyatt drilled a long 3-point shot from the left wing. Bearden, however, managed to move

ahead 12-10 by the end of the quarter, thanks to Stone's first trey.

Six straight points gave the Lady Bulldogs an 18-12 lead, but back-to-back threes by Strickland tied it at 21. Bearden led 27-25 at the half and 39-35 after three stops.

Davis fed Treadwell for a basket that put the Lady Bulldogs up 45-38. Farragut would get no closer than five the rest of the way.

"The games only get bigger from here, no matter who the opponent is," said Coach Mayfield, alluding to the fact that the district tournament starts Monday (Feb. 17) at Bearden.

And if fans gave Bearden a Valentine card on the way out the door, it might have read: "No bones about it, you are top dog."

**BROOM, PLEASE:**

Bearden's boys made it a sweep, outscoring Farragut 21-5 in the final period to win 61-46. The Bulldogs' Cahlib Edwards scored a game-high 20 points.

Robert Geron, Farragut's leading scorer this season, got in foul trouble and did not score through the first three quarters. He finished with five points.

The Admirals were coming off a 73-71 overtime win at Fulton Thursday night.

For many, National Signing Day is the culmination of a long recruiting journey!

## LOCAL COLLEGE SIGNEES

Local high school student-athletes who signed on National Signing Day Feb. 5 or in the current national signing period:

AUSTIN-EAST			
Trey	Foster,	ETSU,	football
Kalen	Jones,	ETSU,	football
BEARDEN			
Jacob	Balsley,	San Diego State,	baseball
Patrick	Boles,	Georgetown College,	baseball
Braden	Caldwell,	Maryville College,	baseball
Gavin	Campbell,	ETSU,	football
Andrew	Kregel,	Maryville College,	football
Brandon	LeJeune,	Cleveland State,	baseball
Kenneth	Parker-Smith,	Union College,	football
CAK			
Luke	Etherton,	Ole Miss,	track and field
Zanner	Tonkin,	Elon,	football
Josh	Whitaker,	Carson-Newman,	track and field
CATHOLIC			
Eleni	Christopoulos,	Wentworth,	track and field
Kate	Gleason,	Travecca Nazzarene,	soccer
Bruce	Nicely,	Austin Peay,	football
Paxton	Robertson,	Western Carolina,	football
CENTRAL			
Tyler	Bost,	Maryville College,	football
Jake	Domermouth,	Milligan,	track
Dakota	Fawver,	Carson-Newman,	football
Isaiah	Osborne,	Union College,	football
Malik	Robinson,	Lindsey Wilson,	football
FARRAGUT			
Brenna	Bocik,	Ohio State,	dance
Akoiyea	Johnson,	Union University,	football
Alec	Keathley,	Dayton,	football
Bailey	Myers,	Tennessee,	softball
Colin	Ross,	Duke,	football
Sarah	Walker,	Southern Illinois,	swimming
Gavin	Wilkinson,	University of the Cumberlands,	football
GIBBS			
Troy	Davis,	Carson-Newman,	football
Ethan	Humphries,	Centre College,	football
Mikey	Robinson,	Union College,	football
GRACE CHRISTIAN			
Jackson	Bostick,	Carson-Newman,	track
Kat	Browning,	LMU,	soccer

GRACE CHRISTIAN	
Landon Crumbley,	Walters State, baseball
BJ Marable,	UNC-Asheville, basketball
Austin Sykes,	Roane State, baseball
KARNS	
Neyland Fendley,	Carson-Newman, football
Chase Hill,	Bluefield College, football
Jalen Tucker,	Lindsey Wilson, football
POWELL	
Cade Ballinger,	ETSU, football (PWO)
Ballor Hughes,	Furman, football
Tyler Kirkess,	UVA-Wise, football
Michael Treadwell,	Austin Peay, football (PFO)
SEYMOUR	
Aebri Graham,	Montreat, women's basketball
Will Zamboni,	Lindsey Wilson, football
SOUTH-DOYLE	
Nate Adebayo,	Morehead State, football
Damian Brabson,	Union College, football
Mason Brang,	Carson-Newman, football
Santana Curtis,	Air Force, football
Stover Evans,	King University, baseball
Hayden Grubb,	Milligan, men's soccer
Mohamed Sanoe,	Austin Peay, football
Jordun Wilson,	Morehead State, football
THE KING'S ACADEMY	
Ashley Bowes,	Birmingham-Southern, softball
Taylor Carter,	Milligan, basketball
Kaylan Cole,	Tennessee, softball
WEBB	
Grissim Anderson,	Duke, football (PFO)
Jasmine Jefferson,	Wofford, track and field
Emma Martin,	Richmond, swimming
Michael McClamroch,	Notre Dame, swimming
WEST	
Walker Cantrell,	Birmingham-Southern, lacrosse
Tyrece Edwards,	MTSU, football
Drew Francis,	MTSU, football
Andrew Kline,	Hampden Sydney, lacrosse
Sabastian Latorre,	Wofford, track
Alexander Magnuson,	ETSU, soccer
Isabel Petre,	Austin Peay, soccer
Tyrell Ragland,	Carson-Newman, football
Omarian Wright,	Lindsey Wilson, football

**OTHERS**

According to athletic directors, the following local schools did not have a signee during this signing period: Concord Christian School, Career Magnet Academy, Carter, Fulton, L&N STEM Academy and Tennessee School for the Deaf. The following schools did not reply: Berean Christian School, First Baptist Academy, Halls, Hardin Valley Academy.

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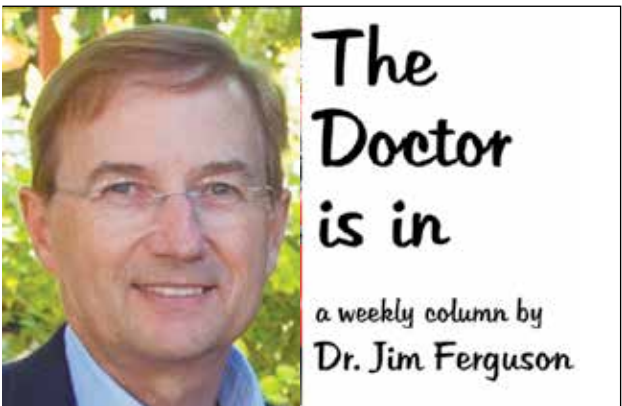
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## The Doctor is in

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### Frustrations

“Ya know what makes me sick? You know what makes me so angry, ah could tease a fat man with a Twinkie?” Some of you may remember the banter of Earl Pitts, Uhmerikun, the fictional radio personality, whose outlandish “editorials” were introduced with a bugle call of Reverie and ended with his eponymous sign off, “Pitts off.” This essay is not about the redneck, Earl, or his observations, but about things that frustrate me.

Recently, I was on Alcoa Hwy (Knoxville’s NASCAR) and traffic was backing up due to road construction. Lately, this is not uncommon, but most of us tolerate such delays. What makes me “Earl Pitts mad” is the driver who races ahead in the blocked lane and then whips back into the barely flowing open lane. Granted, he or she may be racing to the hospital in the

last stages of labor or just wasn’t paying attention to road work signs. This may be judgmental, but I aver the “child of God” who just cut line in front of me is just...behaving badly.

I learned in grammar school about lining up and the Golden Rule. Most Americans have been educated in civility and justice, but these perspectives seem to be forgotten in traffic jams where some conclude their time is more valuable than the other rubes around them.

Perhaps these “cutters” are not of English heritage where queuing up is the way folks are brought up. I have traveled extensively and experienced many cultures. In particular, Germans have trouble with lines. My ancestry is Scotch-Irish and German. Perhaps the Prussian in me is why I accrued so many black marks in grammar

school lunch lines.

I love movies, but early in my marriage I learned this was not something Becky and I could do together. It’s frustrating, but Becky just can’t sit still long enough to watch a movie in a theatre. She also has trouble with symphonies, chamber music and opera. We finally compromised, and now I select movies to watch at home, allowing her to wander if necessary.

Being a thespian, Becky does better watching plays. The ancient Greek, Thespis is credited with the “first person to appear on stage as an actor playing a character in a play.” Hence, thespians are actors, and Becky loves being on stage!

I no longer watch the Academy Awards, which this year had the lowest viewership in history. The last time I paid attention to the Oscars was when Saving Private Ryan lost to Shakespeare in Love. Though both are wonderful film achievements, the Hollywood fix was in, and I got “Pitts off” and tuned out. There are a few decent sorts in Hollywood. However, like previous Academy Awards, last week’s award show was reportedly filled with Tinsel-Town thespians who so often project stupidity from their ersatz facades.

As I write, Becky is enjoying her Christmas present, a construction project at our mountain cabin. Like many constructions in the 1980s, our place was fitted with a Jacuzzi tub which we have only used once in the last 30 years. Our family often celebrates Thanksgiving at our mountain home and one year we raised such a big turkey that we couldn’t clean it in the sink. In preparation, Big Bird and I shared the Jacuzzi tub!

My Becky is a multi-talented woman and my Handy Ma’am. Part of Becky’s Christmas present included being Chuck’s (the Construction Guy) Handy Ma’am. Chuck was impressed by Becky’s energy and her ownership of an electric tile cutter. I wonder how many other women possess such a tool.

Unfortunately, the Fergusons were not gifted with construction skills. This frustrates Becky, but frustrates me only when I am pressed into service. Our minor projects often become major in our hands. The apostle Paul said we have “gifts differing.” I have learned to stay within my areas of expertise and avoid frustrations by hiring experts when needed.

Becky’s mom and mine are seasoned citizens and have the requisite infirmities of older Americans. They truly need handicap parking spaces which are now by law readily available. I have to admit I am sometimes frustrated when all the regular parking spaces are filled and handicap spaces are empty. The ADA, Americans with Disabilities Act, specifies how many “accessible parking spaces” are required. This is based on the total number of spaces available. The law has done some good, but is far from perfect and too often manipulated by activists.

My two brother’s small engineering office was designed for their online sales and consulting business. Nonetheless, they were required to have a handicap parking spot and to build an expensive wheelchair accessible ramp.

As a doctor I was often asked to certify someone as disabled, enabling them to get a blue handicap parking card for their car. Most of the time their debility was obvious and a parking card was advisable. I have frustrated others by challenging the fully functional to describe their handicap. I take my signature of certification seriously.

My most frustrating ADA situation arose when a company who provided translators for the deaf called me and demanded I pay for their expensive services. I had been a lady’s doctor for twenty years without a translator, and when I explained the situation to my patient, she told the rapacious company to take a hike.

Some years ago I took a comprehensive course on American history offered by The Teaching Company, whom I can recommend. The course was so good that Becky and I have done the thirty-seven hour curriculum twice. I learned a frustrating factoid. The professor observed that during our Revolutionary War one-third of American colonists fought the British, one-third supported King George’s army and roughly one-third sat uninvolved on the sidelines. I find the analogy to our current politics similarly frustrating.

We all whine at times, but my life has been blessed. And if I died today, it’s been a good run. Hopefully, the good Lord will let me continue, as long as I am useful to myself and capable of service in His Kingdom.

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# The Gospel is for All

Prejudices are hard to break. I think that is true for many people due to how one was raised. The same was true when Christ was first being shared at the beginning of the Christian church. According to Acts 1:8, Jesus tells his disciples, “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

It was one thing to take the good news of the risen Jesus to the Jews in Judea,



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but it was a different story to consider the Samaritans and the Gentiles as worthy of the good news. They were both despised by the Jews due to their different food laws, social customs, and practices of idolatry. Centuries of traditions and practices kept these groups from each other. But all of this changed with Jesus’ death and resurrection.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus told Peter, “I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven” (Mt. 16:19). In other words, “Peter, you will

be the guy who will unlock the next door in the expansion of the kingdom.” On the Day of Pentecost, it was Peter who stood up and preached to the thousands in Jerusalem (Acts 2) as the door of the kingdom of heaven was unlocked to the Jews. Next, it was the Samaritans turn to hear the Gospel. But this was a tough door to open, a tough barrier to push through.

The Samaritans history dates back to 727 BC, when Israel to the north fell to the Assyrians and they were taken into captivity.

The Assyrians then planted some people in the land called the Cuthites, or the Cuthians, and the Jews left behind in Samaria had

intermarried with these people. They were considered half-breeds and despised.

The Jewish rabbis went so far as to say, “Let no man, no Jew, eat of the bread of the Cuthians, the Samaritans, for he who eats their bread is as if he was eating swine’s flesh.” But now it was the door of the Samaritans that had been unlocked by Peter (Acts 8:14-17).

There’s one key left in Peter’s hand that hasn’t yet been put in a door, and that’s the key that opens the kingdom to include the Gentiles. Peter is going to have to have a little bit of preparation before he’s going to be able to stick

this key in because a strict Jew wouldn’t have anything to do with a Gentile.

The scribal law said, “The dwelling places of Gentiles are unclean.” Even the dust or the dirt from a Gentile city was defiled. Upon returning home, they would shake the dust off their feet so as not to track any Gentile pollution back into Israel.

Milk that was drawn out of a cow by Gentile hands was not allowed to be consumed by Jews. Bread and oil prepared by a Gentile could be sold to a stranger, but could never be used by a Jew. No Jew would eat with a Gentile at all. If cooking utensils were bought from a Gentile, they had

to be purified by fire and water. Any article that was in the hands of a Gentile at any time was unclean.

So, for centuries, Jews and Gentiles had been divided and all of a sudden, Christ came along and said, “Now, I’m going to take Jews and Gentiles and make one new person.”

In theory, this was great; but reality is something different. Acts 10 tells us an amazing story of how God opened the door for the Gentiles to hear the good news of Jesus. God used Peter to open that door.

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### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of October, 2013, Anthony Weaver and Travis Weaver conveyed the hereinafter described real property and improvements thereon to Keith D. Stewart, Trustee, by Deed of Trust of record at Instrument No. 201506020065830 in the Knox County Register's Office, to secure certain debts and obligations as are described in said Deed of Trust; and

WHEREAS, Robin M. McNabb was appointed and designated to serve as Substitute Trustee under said Deed of Trust by instrument dated December 12, 2016; and

WHEREAS, an event of default has occurred, and the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust, Robert Wayne Whaley and wife, Tammy Bernice Whaley, being the owners and holders of the debts secured by and described in the Deed of Trust, have declared all debts and obligations secured thereby to be immediately due and payable; and

WHEREAS, the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust has directed the undersigned Substitute Trustee to foreclose the Deed of Trust in accordance with the terms thereof, and to sell the real estate.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by said Deed of Trust, I will on the 24th day of February, 2020, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., at the main entrance to the City/County Building for Knox County, Tennessee nearest the main assembly room, Main Avenue, in Knoxville, Tennessee offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the last, highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, or on such terms as may be announced at the sale, the following described real estate (consisting of nineteen tracts) and all improvements thereon:

TRACT ONE: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being a lot located on the northern side of West Morelia Avenue, fronting 45 feet thereon, and extending back northerly between parallel lines, a distance of 145 feet to an alley, and being known and designated as a Portion of Lots 5 and 6, Block F, of the C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, said point being distant in a westerly direction along the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, a distance of 227.5 feet from the point of intersection of the northern line of West Morelia Avenue and the western line of Bond Street; thence in a westerly direction along the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, a distance of 45 feet; thence in a northerly direction and on a line parallel with the western line of Bond Street, 145 feet to a point in the southern line of an alley; thence in an easterly direction along the southern line of said alley, and parallel with the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, a distance of 45 feet; thence in a southerly direction and on a line parallel with Bond Street, a distance of 145 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

TRACT TWO: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being a lot located on the northeast corner of Morelia Avenue and Dupont Street, fronting 47.5 feet on the northern side of Morelia Avenue and extending back between parallel lines and along the eastern line of Dupont Street, 100 feet to an alley, and being known and designated as a Portion of Lot 6, Block F, of C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point located in the northeast corner of Morelia Avenue and Dupont Street, which point is formed by the intersection of the northern line of West Morelia Avenue with the northern line of Dupont Street; thence in an easterly direction along the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, a distance of 47.5 feet to a stake; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the eastern line of Dupont Street, 145 feet to an alley; thence in a westerly direction along the southern line of said alley and parallel with the northern line of West Morelia Avenue, 47.5 feet to a point located in the eastern line of Dupont Street; thence in a southerly direction along the eastern line of Dupont Street, 145 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

TRACT THREE: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, and being known and designated as Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block F, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said property lies on the eastern side of DuPont Street, and having a combined frontage of 162 feet thereon and extends easterly to an alley.

TRACT FOUR: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being known and designated as Lot 11, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines to the railroad right of way, 116.2 feet, more or less, on the southern line and 113.4 feet, more or less, on the northern line.

TRACT FIVE: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 12, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines to the railroad right of way, 110.6 feet, more or less, on the southern line and 110.6 feet, more or less, on the northern line.

TRACT SIX: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 13, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines to the railroad right of way, 107.7 feet, more or less, on the northern line and 110.6 feet, more or less, on the southern line.

TRACT SEVEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 15, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County,

Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines to the railroad right of way, being 105 feet, more or less, on the southern line and 102.2 feet, more or less, on the northern line.

TRACT EIGHT: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 16, Block L, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines to the railroad right of way, being 102.2 feet, more or less, on the southern line and 85 feet, more or less, on the northern line.

TRACT NINE: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 17, Block L, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot being cornered in shape, fronting 96 feet, more or less, on the west side of Chelsea Street, being 85 feet, more or less, on its southern line, the entire rear of said lot facing on the curve of the railroad right of way.

TRACT TEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block I, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lots front 50 feet each on the northern side of Morelia Avenue and extend back between parallel lines 145 feet, more or less, to an alley.

TRACT ELEVEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lots 9 and 10, Block I, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lots front 50 feet each on the west side of Dupont Street and extend back between parallel lines, 125 feet, more or less.

TRACT TWELVE: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 6, Block I, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the east side of Chelsea Street and extends back between parallel lines 125 feet, more or less.

TRACT THIRTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 7, Block I, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 32 feet, more or less, on the east side of Chelsea Street, 125 feet, more or less, on the southern line and 76 feet, more or less, on the eastern line, the northern line facing its entire length on the curve of the railroad right of way.

TRACT FOURTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 8, Block I, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 54 feet, more or less, on the west side of Dupont Street, and extends back 125 feet, more or less, on its southern line, and being 26 feet, more or less, in width in the rear. The eastern line of said lot extends along the curve of the railroad right of way.

TRACT FIFTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being known and designated as Lot 9, Armstrong Addition to Knoxville, as shown on the map of the same of record in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the western side of Chelsea Street on the dividing line between Lots 8 and 9 of said addition, said point being 390 feet measured in a northerly direction along the western side of Chelsea Street from the northwestern corner formed by the intersection of Chelsea Street and Springdale Avenue; thence in a northerly direction with the western line of Chelsea Street, 50 feet to the line between Lots 9 and 10 of said addition; thence westerly at right angles to Chelsea Street with said line between Lots 9 and 10 of said addition, 122.8 feet be it more or less to the property line of the Southern Railway Company; thence with the property line of the Southern Railway Company in a southerly direction to the dividing line of Lots 8 and 9 of said addition; thence easterly at right angles to Chelsea Street and with the line between Lots 8 and 9, 125.3 feet, more or less, to the point of BEGINNING.

TRACT SIXTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, being a small strip of ground off of the southeast corner of Lot 10, Armstrong Addition to Knoxville, Tennessee, and described as follows:

BEGINNING on Chelsea Street, 19 feet westwardly from the divisional line between Lots 9 and 10; thence eastwardly 19 feet to the divisional line between Lots 9 and 10; thence southwardly on line of Lots 9 and 10, 38 feet; thence northwardly on a curve line to the place of BEGINNING. A blueprint of said land made by the Southern Railway Company is on record in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, in Deed Book 296, page 387, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee (see Key No. 17161).

TRACT SEVENTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 8, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, as shown on the map of the same of record in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northwest corner of the intersection of Burwell Avenue and Chelsea Street; thence in a westwardly direction along the north side of Burwell Avenue, 125.6 feet; thence in a northerly direction 50 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 9; thence eastwardly along the dividing line between Lots 8 and 9, 122 feet to Chelsea Street; thence in a southwardly direction and along the west side of Chelsea Street, 50 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

TRACT EIGHTEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being known and designated as Lot 10, Block K, Armstrong's Addition, as shown on the map of the same of record in Map Book 10, page 30, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, said lot fronts 50 feet on the west side of Chelsea Street with a depth of 123 feet.

THERE IS EXCEPTED from the above described property small strip off of the southeast corner of said lot, as set forth in Warranty Deed Book 480, page 269, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

TRACT NINETEEN: SITUATED in the Second Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 17th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point of intersection of the northeast corner of the first alley North of and parallel to Morelia Avenue, N.W. and Worth Street N.W. (formerly Dupont Street); thence northerly with the dividing line between the east line of Worth Street N.W. and the west line of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block F, of the C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition, 162 feet to the southerly line of the Southern Railway right of way; thence southwesterly with said southerly right of way line of the Southern Railway right of way, 41 feet, more or less, to the west line of Worth Street, N.W.; thence southerly 40 feet from and parallel and at right angles to the said east line of Worth Street, N.W. and with the dividing line between Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block I, in said addition and the west line of Worth Street, N.W., 154 feet to the point of intersection of the north line of said above mentioned alley produced with the west line of Worth Street, N.W.; thence easterly 40 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

INCLUDED in the above description, but specifically EXCLUDED therefrom is a portion of Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block K, C. B. Atkins Armstrong Addition to Oakwood, conveyed to Dempster Brothers, Inc., by Warranty Deed from Nashville Trust Company, Trustee, of record in Deed Book 919, page 327, in the Knox County Register's Office.

BEING the same property conveyed to Anthony Weaver and Travis Weaver by Quitclaim Deed from Weaver's LLC, dated October 8, 2013, and recorded as Instrument No. 201310080023491, in the Knox County Register's Office.

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Provided, however, in the event of any inconsistency between the description and the address or tax map number, the property description shall control.

The sale shall be subject to: (i) all matters shown on any recorded plat; (ii) any unpaid taxes; (iii) any restrictive covenants; (iv) applicable easements or set back lines; (v) any prior or superior liens or encumbrances; and, (vi) any other priorities as may appear in the public records or as may be disclosed by an accurate survey of the property. The sale shall be made in bar of all rights or equities of redemption, homestead and dower, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust. Title is believed to be good, but the undersigned shall convey only as Substitute Trustee, without covenants or warranty of title.

Known interested parties: Leo W. Walker, Jr. and Henrietta Bishop, HSBC Bank Nevada, N.A., Auto Owners, O'Neal Steel, Inc., Knoxville HMA Cardiology PPM, LLC, Knox County Trustee, City of Knoxville, Infra-Metals Co., CB Funding, LLC and Bank of Tennessee.

The Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service has filed:

a. A Notice of Tax Lien against Anthony P. Weaver in the amount of \$52,915.24, plus penalties and interest, dated June 21, 2018, and recorded at Instrument No. 201806290077896, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Notice to the United States Department of Treasury of this sale as required by 26 U.S.C. § 7422(b) has been timely given.

This sale will be subject to the right of the United States to redeem the property, as is provided for in 26 U.S.C. § 7425(d)(i).

The right is reserved to: (i) adjourn the date or time of the sale to another date or time certain without further publication, upon announcement of the same at the time and place for the sale set forth above; (ii) extend the time that the successful bidder has to make settlement; (iii) keep bidding open for any length of time; (iv) reject all bids; and, (v) accept the second highest bid or the next highest bid with which the bidder is able to comply, should the highest bidder fail to comply with the term of the sale. The sale may be rescinded at any time.

This the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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filed by BRITTANY HAIRSTON, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with BRITTANY HAIRSTON/PRO SE, Plaintiffs Attorney whose address is 2639 BAKERTOWN RD. APT. 603 KNOXVILLE, TN 37931, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. This the 22ND day of JANUARY, 2020.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JESSE SHERDEN MISE  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82677-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of JESSE SHERDEN MISE who died  
 Nov 29, 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:  
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 than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four  
 (4) months from the date of first publication as  
 described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's  
 date of death This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF JESSE SHERDEN MISE  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 DOUGLAS EARL HINSHAW; EXECUTOR  
 239 N BROADWAY STREET  
 STERLING, KS 67579  
 PHILIP R CRYE, JR.  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 125 N MAIN STREET CLINTON, TN. 37716

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HARRY ALVIN NEWLIN  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82672-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of HARRY ALVIN NEWLIN who died  
 Oct 8, 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 the 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  
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 described in (1)(A); or  
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 date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2020

ESTATE OF HARRY ALVIN NEWLIN  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 JUDY ANN NEWLIN; EXECUTRIX  
 402 HAMILTON ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN L REEDY JR.  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82579-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of JOHN L REEDY, JR. who died Oct  
 4, 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  
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ESTATE OF JOHN L REEDY JR.  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 JUDY ANN NEWLIN; EXECUTRIX  
 402 HAMILTON ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HARRY ALVIN NEWLIN  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 JUDY ANN NEWLIN; EXECUTRIX  
 402 HAMILTON ROAD  
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ESTATE OF JOHN L REEDY JR.  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 JUDY ANN NEWLIN; EXECUTRIX  
 402 HAMILTON ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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 described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's  
 date of death This the 6 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF JOHN L REEDY, JR.  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 SYLVIA HALL; CO-EXECUTRIX 6113 MONT  
 RICKER AVENUE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918  
 KATHY LAMI; CO-EXECUTRIX 607 E  
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 GAIL F WORTLEY ATTORNEY AT  
 LAW 3715 POWERS STREET  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LEROY SANDERS  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82683-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters administration in respect  
 of the Estate of LEROY SANDERS who died Jan  
 14, 2020, 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  
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 described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's  
 date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF LEROY SANDERS  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 BRUCE A SANDERS; ADMINISTRATOR  
 4417 TYNE MOUTH DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914  
 KEVIN A DEAN ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 P.O. BOX 39 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LEROY SANDERS  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82674-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of STEPHEN HOWARD  
 STORMER who died Dec 26, 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 the estate are  
 required to file the same with the Clerk and Master  
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 date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF LEROY SANDERS  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 BRUCE A SANDERS; ADMINISTRATOR  
 4417 TYNE MOUTH DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914  
 KEVIN A DEAN ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 P.O. BOX 39 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF STEPHEN HOWARD STORMER  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82674-2

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 date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF STEPHEN HOWARD STORMER  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 BETTY J WHITE; ADMINISTRATRIX 2704 MARY  
 EMILY LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEANS WHITTAKER  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82688-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of JEANS WHITTAKER who died Dec  
 5, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk  
 and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County,  
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ESTATE OF STEPHEN HOWARD STORMER  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 DAVID LEE SMITH; EXECUTOR  
 221 S CARTER SCHOOL ROAD  
 STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN. 37871  
 PATRICK G NOEL ATTORNEY AT LAW 1816  
 W CLINCH AVENUE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37916

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES HENRY TOLBERT  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82543-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of JAMES HENRY TOLBERT who died  
 Nov 19, 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  
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 date of death This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF JAMES HENRY TOLBERT  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) EVELYN  
 KEELER; EXECUTRIX 848 BARKSDALE DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918  
 RACHELE SANDERS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1348 DOWELL SPRINGS BLVD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NOLAN BRYSON WHITE, JR  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82630-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters administration in respect  
 of the Estate of NOLAN BRYSON WHITE, JR who  
 died Nov 5, 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  
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 date of death This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF NOLAN BRYSON WHITE, JR  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) EVELYN  
 KEELER; EXECUTRIX 848 BARKSDALE DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918  
 RACHELE SANDERS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1348 DOWELL SPRINGS BLVD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANTHONY LEROY  
 ALEXANDER WILLIAMS

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of ANTHONY LEROY ALEXANDER  
 WILLIAMS who died Jan 17, 2020, 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  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's  
 date of death This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF ANTHONY LEROY  
 ALEXANDER WILLIAMS  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ANNA  
 WILLIAMS; ADMINISTRATRIX 712 W  
 MEADECREST DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923  
 JILL R TALLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 P.O. BOX 1490 DANDRIDGE, TN. 37725

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY CAROLYN WORLEY  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82675-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of NANCY CAROLYN WORLEY who  
 died Dec 5, 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  
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 described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's  
 date of death This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2020.

ESTATE OF JEANS WHITTAKER  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) STUART  
 J THOMPSON; EXECUTOR 12313 SINGING  
 HILLS POINT KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANTHONY LEROY  
 ALEXANDER WILLIAMS  
 DOCKET NUMBER 82680-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of  
 FEBRUARY 2020, letters testamentary in respect  
 of the Estate of ANTHONY LEROY ALEXANDER  
 WILLIAMS who died Jan 17, 2020, were issued the  
 undersigned by the Clerk and Master