

# Rep. Tim Burchett tours 2nd District fire stations with Girl Scout cookies



*Congressman Tim Burchett visited the Knoxville Fire Station # 20 Friday morning to present the first responders boxes of Girl Scout cookies. He spent much of the day delivering the cookies around his congressional district. Photo Courtesy of Andrew Davis.*

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Congressman Tim Burchett was a busy guy Friday visiting several fire stations in his district and delivering 21 cases of Girl Scout cookies.

The Second District Congressman wrote a check for \$1,000 for the cookies

and he and Lynne Fugate, who heads the Girl Scout Council of Southern Appalachians, met with each other before Burchett set out.

The first place he stopped was Knoxville Fire Station # 20 at 200 Portsmouth Road. He then proceeded to the Old Clinton Pike station, a Maryville, Alcoa, Lenoir City and Loudon fire hall.

The last station on his schedule was Rural Metro Fire Station # 41 on Campbell Station Road.

Burchett chose not to wear a face mask and his staff said that face masks are designated for first responders. He also didn't wear gloves but kept "a safe distance" from the fire fighters.

## Verbiage of human resources ordinance to be changed

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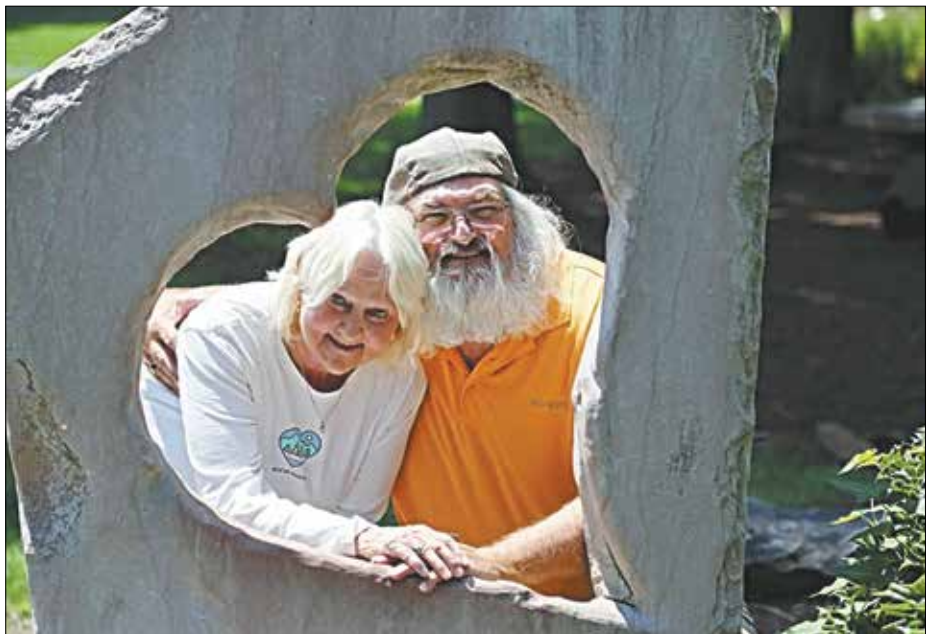
A City Council Work Session on Zoom took almost three hours with one discussion item: The mayor's proposal to create a Human Resources Department. One of the main concerns by callers and council members centered on appeals by city employees about changing their classification.

Currently employees may request an upgrade of their employment to their department head. The department director passes a recommendation on to the Civil Service Merit Board where Executive Director Vickie Hatfield and her staff of eleven review it and issue a decision. Hatfield told the Zoom meeting she's held the position for 21 years.

Employees may then appeal the decision to the Civil Service Merit Board.

The proposal to establish a Human Resources Department removes the executive director from the process

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*David and Kathy Keck played Mr. and Mrs. Claus each December in their community. The Island Home Baptist Church member died last week.*

## David Keck, Island Home's Santa, passes away

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He was Santa during the holidays and is wife, Kathy, was Mrs. Claus. He was ideal for the part with his long white hair and beard. Last week David Keck fell going down the stairs of his house and was rushed to the hospital. He seemed to recover a bit after a few days but died suddenly.

Because of the hospital's coronavirus safety precautions, Kathy was not

allowed to see him and finally talked with him by phone when someone held the phone for him because he couldn't raise his hands.

Keck's death was a huge loss for Island Home Baptist Church, where he was very active. He also worked ballgames at UT during football and basketball season.

Kathy and David met at the Tennessee Country Dancers Club while they were dancing on the Boots Bells and Beaus Dance Team. They were regulars on

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*Interested in history? Dr. Jim Tumblin was inspired to follow and write about local history as a child. He was to be honored last week but the event has been postponed due to the pandemic.*

## What sparked Dr. Tumblin's interest in history?

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Dr. J.C. (Jim) Tumblin is one of most valuable historians in the region and the first person everyone turns to especially for knowledge of Fountain City's earlier days. This past Thursday Tumblin was to be honored by the Knoxville History Project.

Unfortunately the event has been postponed until the coronavirus pandemic passes. Paul James, the History Project's

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## KAT announces temporary service reductions

Effective Monday, April 20, 2020, Knoxville Area Transit will be reducing weekday service on some routes as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to maintain the transit service needed to get essential workers to their jobs and for people to make life-necessary trips for supplies, KAT will be making the changes listed below to KAT routes. Please note that additional buses will be dispatched as needed and available to allow for proper distancing on board. The routes are listed below, and this change will be in effect until further notice.

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# What Is Hearsay?

One of those weird legal terms that attorneys use a lot is the term, "hearsay." Attorneys throw that term around quite a bit, and it seems important. And they sure do object to it a whole bunch during trials, but what does that term actually mean?



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against her own daughter and say that?" And the client will say, "Well, no." Okay, well then you cannot testify about that hearsay statement.

Or a parent may want to testify and say, "Well, the teacher told me the

children had dirty clothes every time they came to school after staying with their dad." Again, that testimony is hearsay and is inadmissible. If the teacher comes and testifies themselves about the children's clothes, that is perfectly fine, but no one can testify about what the teacher told them as to the children's clothes.

There are a whole bunch of exceptions to what hearsay is allowed though. For example, you can always testify about what the other party in a case said. That is called, "an admission by a party opponent."

Let's recap though. Hearsay, which is very common in the real world, is generally inadmissible in legal proceedings. Even though you may rely on hearsay every single day in your life, you generally cannot testify about hearsay statements in court. You have to limit your testimony to information of which you have personal knowledge or what you personally saw or experienced, not what someone else told you.

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# Funding for Sharp's Ridge antenna site approved by E-911

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E-911 Board Attorney Donald Howell announced Wednesday that a settlement has been reached with AT&T on two lawsuits and the Emergency Communications District has received a check for \$274,000. The lawsuit settlement, involving several jurisdictions, gives Knox County that

much extra funding.

Executive Director Brad Anders asked for and received permission to designate most of that money for purchasing an additional antenna location on Sharp's Ridge. He said there has been past issues with the owner and the purchase will give E911 "an additional footprint" atop the mountain, plus resolving issues with the system's two other towers there.

Anders added that the purchase will benefit Legacy Parks with access to the property. The board voted to authorize him to go forward with a \$250,000 negotiation for the property.

Finance Chairman John Fugate moved to have the settlement money put into the current budget for use.

On a motion by Fugate, Anders was also authorized to work out an

agreement to use part of the future Knoxville Safety Complex at the old St. Mary's Hospital site for emergency management backup.

"It's a great opportunity for partnership and a back up facility that we need," Anders said, adding, "We'll have to have a lease."

Fugate said the cost, which Anders will work out, would be added to the 2021 system budget.

## KAT service reductions

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Route 32 – Dandridge – service once an hour

Route 34 – Burlington – service once an hour

Route 40 – South Knoxville – service once an hour

Route 44 – University Park/303 Flats – service every 30 minutes through May 4

Route 45 – Vestal – service once

an hour

Orange Line Trolley – ends at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings

Blue Line Trolley – ends at 8:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings

Red and Green Line Trolleys will not be operating

All other weekday routes will maintain their current schedules, and weekend service will remain the same. Detailed information on schedule changes can be found at

katbus.com or by calling 865-637-3000.

In an effort to maintain proper social distancing, KAT routes will still operate fare-free and passengers are encouraged to enter through the back doors. Seating on buses is limited to 10 passengers or less, and additional buses are dispatched as available when buses reach maximum capacity. The public is strongly encouraged to limit transit use to essential trips only.

## What sparked Dr. Tumblin's interest in history?

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director of development, told The Focus that Dr. Tumblin sometimes puts history into practice like taking the lead in returning an authentic gazebo to the Fountain City Park.

"He's been prominent as a Knoxville historian for at least 30 years," James said.

Tumblin has written several important local history books including "Fountain City: People Who Made a Difference."

"I am honored to be chosen but feel there are others much more worthy of the honor," Tumblin told The Focus.

Where did Jim Tumblin's love of history begin?

The Knoxville Focus asked him and here is his reply, written in third person as any expert historian or journalist might do:

"Extended family provided the tapestry against which his childhood played out. His mother grew up in Fountain City as one of eight children of Perry B. Conner (hence Dr. Tumblin's middle name), and their clan, along with another set of cousins, the offspring of W.A.A. Conner, lent their name to three streets in Fountain City: Conner Road, Conner Drive, and Rennoc Road. (The town fathers decided they were bidding fair to have confusion with too many streets named Conner, so, for the third one, they just spelled it backwards.)

"His father was instrumental in young Jim's

choice of profession. He took his son to visit several businesses in town to help him understand what people do all day. One such visit was to the office of an optometrist friend of the family. Jim Tumblin knew then, his freshman year in high school, that he would become an optometrist.

"So, what sparked his interest in history? The answer comes quickly and with no hesitation.

Miss Nannie Lee Hicks, who taught him American history at Central High School. 'She made it live,' which may be the highest compliment anyone can pay to any historian. 'She had all of her senior students write essays about a local historic treasure spot (her term for a place with a particularly rich history) or some other historic subject. I wrote about my ancestors in the Civil War.'

"Miss Hicks' students' essays have been collected in the school's 'heritage room' and at the McClung Historical Collection downtown. Dr. Tumblin says unequivocally that her books "Historic Spots of Knox County, Tennessee" and particularly "The History of Fountain City," now in its fourth edition, are still the best histories of the area."

I'm a history buff myself and Dr. Tumblin has been a continual source of information for me when needed. He often introduces me to others a "historian" but I'm not of his caliber. He teases me with the moniker "Colonel Steely" because I am a Kentucky Colonel but that is in jest. I pride myself in being an occasional friend and we talk now and then on research we're both perusing.

Jim's knowledge reaches well beyond Fountain City and he is an inspiration to anyone with a similar love of local history.

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# Commission to play catch-up in today's meeting

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When the Knox County Commission meets in work session today they'll probably take up some items they had to skip during their first Zoom session. Among those is the county's acceptance of a limited warranty deed for the historic McBee Ferry Landing.

That will lead to the creation of a new county park at 1233 Old Strawberry Plains Pike thanks to a donation from Legacy Parks.

The commission may also approve a lease agreement with the Knoxville Jewish Alliance for the placement of a monument honoring Sergeant Roddy Edmonds. He was the highest ranked enlisted prisoner of war being held in a prison camp during WWI and, when asked to point out the Jews among the ranks, he said, "We're all Jews." That saved the lives of those soldiers.

The agenda, for the second time, has Edmonds listed as "Robbie" but he was called "Roddy" which was short for "Roderick." He was a Knoxville native.

The chair and members may select items to discuss and place the other items on the consent list that requires only one vote. Because of the Zoom meeting all items will require a voice vote.

Commission may also be asked to approve a professional service contract with Ernst & Young for consulting services "related to FEMA reimbursement for COVID-19 related expenses." The amount of the contract was left blank on the early

agenda released last week.

Also on the agenda is a resolution to adopt a rule that will place public forum at the beginning of the meetings for agenda items and at the end for open topics.

The planning commission is asking the body to amend the county code to permit a study of parking spaces to reduce the number of spaces required for businesses with off-street parking spaces.

The commission may also consider appointments to the Merit Board, Board of Equalization, Air Pollution Control Board, Board of Health, and the Knox-Chapman Utility Board.

Commissioner Richie Beeler wants to talk about illegal littering and dumping on private property and Commissioner Charles Busler want to discuss problems with TDS and Comcast and their service to customers.

Mayor Glenn Jacobs is declaring April as Fair Housing Month and the health department has several items on the agenda including an air quality management grant, mosquito sample service, and retail food store inspections.

The meeting will be streamed online at [www.ctvknox.org](http://www.ctvknox.org).

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# Mannis and Oster vie for Republican nod to replace Rep. Martin Daniel

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The Republican primary to replace Rep. Martin Daniel, who chose not to seek re-election for his District 18 state House seat, is down to two candidates. Attorney James Corcoran withdrew from the race earlier this month.

James Corcoran told The Focus, "After much thought and prayer, I've elected to withdraw from this race, and will not be appearing on the ballot. Unfortunately, the current economic shutdown has forced me to prioritize putting my family first."

That leaves Eddie Mannis and Gina Oster in the primary and the winner will face Democrat Virginia Couch. The Knoxville Focus asked Mannis and Oster several questions to share with our readers. The primary election is August 6.

## What more can the state do during the coronavirus situation?

**Oster:** My heart goes out to any families that have had a loved one impacted by the Coronavirus. It is important for the state and local governments to make sure the health and safety of residents and first responders is a priority. This includes making sure our first responders have adequate supplies and resources. Fortunately, Republicans just

added \$150 million additional dollars to an emergency health and safety response fund. At the same time, we need to assess situations on the ground locally to make sure that once businesses can open again, we get the economy back up so people can get back to work.

**Mannis:** This is uncharted water for all of us. I think the governor is working with the information that he has and doing as good as can be expected. We can always question decision making during this time, but all things considered I think he, and the legislature are making good decisions based on the fluid information that they have.

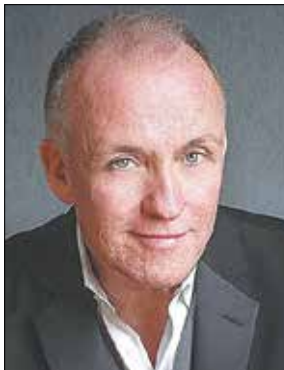
## What are you doing during the emergency?

**Oster:** I'm doing my part to take precautions to make sure the spread of disease is minimized. I am donating to a friend that is making masks and donating them to neighbors that need them.

**Mannis:** Over the past 3 weeks we have seen our business decline over 60%. I was faced with the decision of laying members of our team off. We are recognized as an essential business because we provide service to the health care industry. In order to minimize the negative impact, and to keep our employees encouraged, I encouraged our



Gina Oster



Eddie Mannis

alterations departments to start making masks to give away in the community. Since then we have been a production facility and have manufactured thousands of masks for the elderly, veterans and the frontline medical personnel in our community. I'm working far more hours than I did weeks leading up to this pandemic.

## What's the first thing you will do if elected?

**Oster:** By November of this year I expect the Coronavirus pandemic to be behind us. If our economy is hurting due to the recent business closures and employment layoffs, a priority for me will be to make sure that unnecessary regulations are not hurting economic growth and job creation in Tennessee. We need to keep a favorable tax environment that supports job growth.

**Mannis:** This next legislative session will be faced with many tough decisions. Loss of jobs across our state, an economy that will be suffering, and a budget that will be

severely impacted. I will do everything within my power to work side by side with our governor to navigate these tough times. I have firsthand experience with my own multi-million private sector company, and my volunteer roles as chair of the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority and the immediate past president of Zoo Knoxville. All of which have been tremendously impacted.

## What do you see as the state's biggest challenge?

**Oster:** Our state's sales and use tax and franchise and excise tax revenues represent more than two-thirds of the revenue collected by the Tennessee Department of Revenue. If our state's economy falters and that revenue declines, we will face new challenges in making sure we prioritize education and essential infrastructure while keeping a low tax environment that is friendly to economic growth. Fortunately, Republicans have created

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# David Keck

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the popular TV show, Club Dance.

David had a new passion after the birth of his grandchildren: South Doyle High School sports. He never missed an opportunity to cheer on his grandchildren in football, basketball, soccer and track and was their number one fan.

Keck was the patriarch of his family, a 1973 Rule High School graduate, a Master Mason and an Air Force veteran. He is survived by his wife, two brothers, a daughter, two sons and grandchildren.

Berry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements and a graveside service was held Friday at the Island Home Baptist Church Cemetery. The family requested donations be made in his memory to the church.



## Count your blessings

"When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed,

When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,

Count your blessings, name them one by one,

And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done!"

I know, it's hard to remember our blessings in these perilous times, even stop to count them, but it can be, and should be, done.

Just do it. Think of the blessing of sunny weather, blue skies, gorgeous flowers, beautiful green trees, also rainy days are a blessing. Are you blessed by a roof over your head, food on the table, generous friends and neighbors--what a blessing they are? Yes, there are people who don't have these blessings, but God is watching over them also. Rest assured; He has not forgotten about them.

The lovely hymn was written by Johnson Oatman, a hymn writer, who was born in 1856 and was

accredited with writing over 5,000 hymns, and wrote this particular one in 1896. This hymn was a popular reminder of the verse in Ephesians 1: 3..."Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ".

In the movie "White Christmas", remember Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney singing another version of this hymn, "Count Your Blessings, not sheep, when you go to sleep"?

Truck drivers, nurses, policemen, so many other helpers, I can't mention them all, are our blessings in this time of unpleasantness. What would life be without them? It's hard to imagine.

Life is hard just now but, remember,

"Are you ever burdened with a load of care?

Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?

Count your many blessings, the doubt will fly,

And you will be singing as the days go by.

Thought for the day: Two kinds of people on earth can be seen, the people who lift and the people who lean. Ella Wheeler Wilcox

# Verbiage to be changed

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and the new department would assume the duty. According to City Attorney George Shields the recommendation by the department may still be appealed to the merit board.

The verbiage involving Hatfield's duties are replaced by "Director of Human Resources" in the proposal.

Several callers and city officials said that Hatfield "wears two hats" and that the civil service director should not set the rules and handle the appeals. While the current language in the proposal denies any appeal beyond a human resources decision, that section will probably be changed to add the Civil Service Board for appeals.

Councilman Andrew Roberto said, "Some work is needed on that language." Mayor Kincannon replied "We'll find a way to fix that."

Another concern with the new department involved adding "marketing and recruitment" as one of its duties. Mayor Indy Kincannon said applicants would still be

vettted by the merit board.

City Attorney Charles Swanson said, "It was never our intention to try to impair any core functions of the Civil Service Merit Board or their Charter protection." Apparently the merit board would continue to have the power to monitor actions by the Resources Department.

The new department would also assume the duties of classification of employees and compensation.

Current rules of procedure within the Civil Service Department would be passed to the new department which could modify them.

Various callers into the meeting took both sides and the three hour meeting saw many asking for more information, public hearings, etc. The mayor wants to include the department in her 2020-2021 budget. Two new employees, authorized in previous council meetings, would be hired initially for the new department.

The city council may vote on the department's inclusion in the upcoming annual budget in its June meeting.

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a Rainy-Day Fund that is estimated to have over one billion dollars in it. This will help us when making these challenging decisions.

**Mannis:** Jobs, Economic Development, Education and Healthcare. In the foreseeable future, I would say that the financial and economic development crisis that will be left as we come try and recover from this pandemic will be a huge focus.

## Talk about state funding of schools, teacher salaries, etc.

**Oster:** As a former president of the Cedar Bluff Parent Teacher School Association and as a mother and grandmother, education is important to me. Through responsible budgeting we can prioritize education to make sure students are prepared for the changes of our technological world and improve opportunities for students seeking to work in the trades. This includes making sure that teacher compensation stays competitive so local school districts can recruit and retain quality teachers who put students first.

**Mannis:** During the Mayor's race I spoke often of my support for funding of our local schools and the teachers who impact the lives of our kids. I support teachers and fully funding our local school system.

## Do you support charter schools?

**Oster:** As previously mentioned, as a grandmother, mother, and

former president of the Cedar Bluff PTSA, education is important to me. Charter schools are public schools operated by independent, non-profit governing bodies and they already exist in Tennessee. I support what is best for the educational outcomes of students while making sure that taxpayer investments in public education are invested wisely. If the evidence shows that charter schools are helping the educational outcome of students, I support continued investment in them.

**Mannis:** It's my understanding that Knoxville only has one charter school and that is Emerald Youth Academy. To my knowledge they have done a great job. We have great schools and great teachers here in Knoxville, but I support the freedom our citizens have to make their own decisions as to where their children should attend school. Parents should be able to make a choice about which school may be the best for their child according to the mission of the school, and their child's strengths or weaknesses.

## Do you support statewide vouchers?

**Oster:** In 2019, Tennessee enacted a limited education savings account program that is eligible for certain schools in Davidson and Shelby County. Some people have referred to this as a voucher program. Considering how difficult it was for the Republican supermajority to pass this limited program applied to only two counties it would be even more difficult to see a broader, statewide voucher program passed at this time. I'm

interested to see what the data shows for student achievement in Davidson and Shelby County so I can assess the program's effectiveness. At this time, as the next state representative for the 18th district I will not be a voice for expanding vouchers.

**Mannis:** I am 100% for teachers and for public education. All our kids, regardless of their zip code, deserve the same learning opportunity. I am Pro Public Education.

## How are you campaigning during the virus outbreak?

**Oster:** My heart goes out to any families that have had a loved one impacted by the Coronavirus. My campaign is engaging voters and community and business leaders through phone and social media. Without getting into too much detail about campaign strategy and tactics, my campaign is ready to engage voters through personalized contact with face-to-face door knocking or through other alternative means that do not involve close contact.

**Mannis:** I want to be mindful that our community is very frightened and uncertain at this point. I'm not sure how long these feelings will last, so I will be 100% respectful and will work hard to get our message across to voters of District 18 in as many safe ways as possible.

## What in your experience makes you the most qualified?

**Oster:** As a graduate of Karns

High School, our Knoxville community is important to me. I'm currently a real estate agent with Southern Legacy Realty and a Realtor member with the Knoxville Area Association of Realtors. With my job I see firsthand the sacrifices that families make to afford homeownership.

My business experience will help me bring a pro-economic development awareness to the General Assembly. I have experience in government including serving on the County Ethics Board from 2013-2018 and currently serving on the county Board of Equalization and the Knox County Sheriff's Merit System Council.

As a Republican who is proud of my party, I want to support the founding principles that made our nation great. As a fiscal conservative I want to eliminate wasteful spending and make sure we keep taxes low to maintain freedom in the personal and business life of individuals. It is important to me that the 18th District is represented by someone that supports our party and the policies that have made Tennessee the best place to live.

**Mannis:** I have grown a business in the Knoxville community from the ground up. I know what it's like to make a payroll, encourage and motivate staff and also listen to customers and receive feedback/input from a team. I've volunteered in many different not for profit organizations including being the Founder of HonorAir Knoxville. I've served as chair of the University of TN Chancellor's Associates, Boards of Leadership Knoxville, Knoxville Chamber of Commerce, Chair of Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority and

current board member and immediate past chair of Zoo Knoxville.

I am committed to making Knox County, and specifically District 18, the best it can be. I consider myself to be a Republican and sometimes referred to as a Big Tent Republican. I believe in low taxes, less government regulations and less government in our daily life.

## Tell us about your family.

**Oster:** I'm a proud wife to Stanton Oster of 30 years (and we have three sons). Stanton J is married to Madison and they are the parents to our granddaughter Savannah. Alexander is married to Madelyn. Matthew, our youngest, is dating his high school sweetheart, Lexi. They are part of the reason I am running to help continue making Tennessee a great place to live.

**Mannis:** I have been in Knoxville all my life. I grew up in North Knoxville in the Inskip community and am a true product of our public school system. I graduated from Central High School but started my company before I could finish college. Growing up, my family was very blue collar and hard working. My 87-year-old father still lives in North Knoxville and my mother passed away three years ago. I have two sisters, one being a 2nd grade teacher at West Hills Elementary School and a brother that lives in NYC. I am the proud uncle of three beautiful nieces and six nephews. I have a partner of three years and an Aussiedoodle puppy named Bexley.

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

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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Malcolm Rice Patterson, the “gamecock” of Tennessee politics, had left the governor’s mansion in 1911 as a hugely controversial figure and bitterly hated by many inside his own party. To make matters worse, a combine of “fusionists,” Democrats opposed to Patterson and Republicans, had elected Ben W. Hooper governor in the 1910 election. That only increased the dislike of many Democrats for the former governor. Symptomatic of many Democrats, Luke Lea’s Nashville Tennessean published a gloating editorial as Patterson left the governor’s office. Confessing its “gratification” with the election of a new governor, the Tennessean noted Hopper had been placed in the governor’s chair not because he was a Republican, but rather because the people of Tennessee in “their majesty, their strength and their judgment” had chosen a man they believed they could trust “to rule fairly, honestly and impartially over the public affairs.”

Patterson returned home to Memphis where he practiced law and pondered a comeback. By the end of the year, Patterson’s legal skills would come in handy as he left Tennessee for Seattle, Washington, where his son, Malcolm C. Patterson, was being held in the county jail. The twenty-three year-old Patterson had been charged with assault and intent to kill one R. T. Seal. According to news reports, Seal’s condition was serious, cautioning, “The injured man may recover.” The former governor was allowed to leave Seattle with his son, but only after the younger Patterson had been adjudged to be insane. Patterson was to bring his son home and place him in the Tennessee State Asylum for the Insane. Worse still, were the newspaper reports following an assessment of Malcolm C. Patterson’s condition. The former governor’s son had shot and seriously wounded R. T. Seal while he “was suffering from alcoholic epilepsy, or ‘dipsomania induced by drinking continuously for five years’.” That was the official finding of the “lunacy commission” gathered to assess Malcolm C. Patterson’s mental health. The commission also determined Patterson represented a threat to the public at large. Former governor Patterson went through the humiliation of having to testify on behalf of his son.

Patterson admitted his son had not done well in school, “resorted to low companionship”, as well as “refusing to associate with persons of his family’s social standing.” The latter, according to the father, led the younger Patterson “into many unseemly escapades, one resulting in his being slashed across the face with a knife.” A Memphis police captain also testified he did not believe the Patterson son to be sane, citing the “frequent brawls” in which the former governor’s son engaged in within the Bluff City. Captain O’Haver told the commission Malcolm C. Patterson had once spent ten days locked up in the Memphis City jail.

The tragedy of Malcolm Patterson’s severely alcoholic son would deeply affect him personally, but it would also affect his politics as well. Patterson was not entirely shunned by Tennessee Democrats and the former governor retained a large following, most of whom admired him for his abilities or had been the recipient of favors while he was in office. The legislature would elect a new U. S. senator in 1912 and Patterson thought the time ripe for a comeback. Tennessee Democrats would be holding a special primary November 1, 1912 and Patterson officially announced his candidacy, issuing an open letter to the people of Tennessee. Patterson readily acknowledged he had twice served as governor of Tennessee “under peculiar difficulties”, as well as admitting “I may have made some mistakes” but “no man ever brought to bear upon his public duties a stronger and more devoted purpose to serve the people and advance their interests.”

Patterson reviewed his record as governor and laid out a platform for the future should he be elected to the Senate. Not surprisingly, there were those who thought Malcolm Patterson had not waited long enough to get back into politics. With Democrats anxious to oust Ben W. Hooper from the governor’s office, some thought the candidacy of Malcolm Patterson for the U. S. Senate was “the fly in the ointment” for Tennessee Democrats. The Clarksville Leaf-Chronicle referred to Patterson as “the stormy petrel of Democratic politics” in Tennessee, acknowledging the former governor as a highly polarizing figure. As “regular” Democrats met in Nashville for their state convention, Malcolm Patterson appeared to a “great ovation” and “was listened to with



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Oil painting of Governor Malcolm R. Patterson.

marked interest, and was applauded with wild enthusiasm.” Patterson seemed to have reclaimed his place as the leader of the regular Democrats, but it was soon readily apparent Tennessee’s Democratic Party was still deeply divided. Independent Democrats, largely those opposed to Malcolm Patterson, held their own convention and were obviously once again headed to a melded combine with the Republicans and Governor Ben W. Hooper. It was soon clear the Democratic Party in Tennessee was anything but united. The platform adopted by the Independent Democrats specifically addressed the former governor’s candidacy for the United States Senate: “We deplore the baneful re-entry of Malcolm R. Patterson in state politics...” The Independent Democrats decried “the mastery” Patterson had supposedly regained “over the organization now claiming to represent the so-called regular” Democrats of Tennessee. The Independent Democrats stated, “It behooves every citizen of Tennessee, and all who love the good name of the state, to stand against Malcolm R. Patterson and all that he represents. We are against him for the United States senate or any office in the state of Tennessee.” Furthermore, the Independent Democrats condemned “soap-box primaries” saying they favored “party nomination by primary elections duly guarded by law.”

Hooper was an able speaker and set out on the campaign trail and had considerable fun at the expense of his opponent, former governor Benton McMillin as well as Malcolm Patterson. “Two years ago the regular Democrats of this state had what the people called the June-bug primary,” Hooper howled. “In that primary they nominated Benton McMillin

for United States senator, and Malcolm R. Patterson for governor of the state. This year they had a primary the first of August, and nominated Benton McMillin for governor, and in November they are going to have another primary and nominate Malcolm R. Patterson for United States senator.”

“Two years ago,” Hooper chortled, “they gave the people this prescription all in one dose in the June-bug primary, but in 1912 they are giving this prescription to the people in broken doses.” Both of Malcolm Patterson’s opponents in the soapbox primary withdrew, causing the Tennessean to sneer it was obvious just who would receive the “barren honor” of winning the election. Clearly, the former governor, the “gamecock” of Tennessee politics did not see it as a barren honor and opened his drive for the nomination with a lengthy speech at Nashville’s Ryman Auditorium. Patterson spoke of his administration as governor and defiantly complained his pardon of Duncan B. Cooper would have been long forgotten had not his opponents in the press constantly kept it before the public. Patterson said he followed the dictates of his conscience and had no apologies to make. Boldly, Patterson declared he was in opposition to Tennessee’s temperance laws and called for their repeal.

Patterson was equally defiant in his speech at the opera house in Obion County, saying he would pardon Duncan Cooper once again under the same circumstances. The theme of that particular speech was Patterson’s belief every Democrat in Tennessee should stand by the results of the primary election. As the former governor campaigned, he was doubtless embarrassed as the press reported his son and namesake

had escaped from the insane asylum in Bolivar, Tennessee. Evidently, the younger Patterson had left the asylum without anyone noticing. By the time they began searching for Patterson, he returned to the asylum on his own. Patterson explained he had received a telegram stating his wife was ill and about to undergo a serious operation, so he had departed for Lebanon, Tennessee to check on her condition. Satisfied his wife would be all right, he had returned to the asylum. Officials at the facility sheepishly added Malcolm C. Patterson appeared to be harmless, “is very quiet, has very little to do with any of the other patients or to say to anybody, and since he has been at the asylum has given authorities, so they say, no trouble...”

Luke Lea, elected to the U. S. Senate in 1911, was using every means at his disposal to criticize the senatorial candidacy of Malcolm Patterson. As one might expect, Lea’s Tennessean newspaper was hostile to Patterson’s candidacy. While speaking in Columbia, Tennessee, Senator Lea castigated Patterson, or as his newspaper put it, “severely arraigned” the former governor. Still, Malcolm R. Patterson won the primary for the United States Senate. The legislature still elected U. S. senators and was not bound by the results of the primary. The November election also brought the reelection of Republican governor Ben W. Hooper, who defeated Benton McMillin. It was soon readily apparent that as the legislature convened to elect a United States senator for the last time in Tennessee’s history, a majority of its members would refuse to vote for Malcolm Patterson. The former governor soon realized he could not win inside the Tennessee General Assembly and before the New Year, contemplated a new career in journalism.

Patterson also pondered moving to Nashville from Memphis. On January 10, 1913, Patterson officially withdrew as a candidate for the United States Senate, releasing those legislators who had promised to back him. The former governor likely made the gesture to save face, as he knew even many of the regular Democrats would not abide by the results of the soapbox primary.

The fusionists once again came together to elect John Knight Shields, Chief Justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court, to the U. S. Senate. It was the last time the legislature would elect a U. S. senator; in the future, the people would nominate candidates inside party primaries and elect a senator in the November general election.

Patterson’s disappointment was palpable, but he resumed his former pursuits, but his legacy still troubled Tennessee Democrats. In 1914, Ben W. Hooper sought a third two-year term and Volunteer State Democrats thought they had nominated a candidate that could finally reunite the party: Tom C. Rye. A small town district attorney from West Tennessee, Rye was heartily supported by Senator Luke Lea and his Tennessean. Rye won by a narrow, albeit decisive majority over Hooper in the fall and Democrats were elated.

Former governor Malcolm Patterson was too good an orator not to still be in demand. Patterson was frequently sought out as a speaker, even out of state, as evidenced by his speech in Bowling Green, Kentucky on Thanksgiving evening that year. Nor was Patterson done with seeking elective office in his native state. Like Patterson, Luke Lea was a highly polarizing figure in state politics. A beneficiary of the fusionist movement, the defeat of Ben W. Hooper for reelection as governor was the death knell of that same movement in Tennessee politics. Lea likely thought he had sidestepped that issue by supporting Tom C. Rye so avidly in the last gubernatorial campaign, but there were a host of Democrats in Tennessee who felt Luke Lea was as guilty as Malcolm Patterson for having torn apart the state party. Lea was not an especially effective senator and seemed never to be in the nation’s Capitol, much preferring to remain in Tennessee, trifling in other people’s races. Nor was Lea well-liked by his colleagues in Washington, D.C. Several of Tennessee’s congressional delegation were thinking of challenging him for the Democratic nomination. Cordell Hull, Thetus W. Sims, John Moon, and Kenneth McKellar all assessed their chances of defeating Luke Lea. So, too, did Malcolm Patterson think of running. Patterson and Lea were bitter personal enemies and the coming senatorial election offered Malcolm Patterson yet another chance at vindication and victory.





Photo from the sixties on Easter Sunday of Wayne and Ralphine Major on their family's dairy farm, by Juanita Major.

# Almost Normal

It was the day before Palm Sunday. I stepped outside to a beautiful Saturday morning. Birds were singing! The sun was coming up! It seemed the entire landscape had turned green overnight. Signs of spring were everywhere! Everything felt normal---almost.

As I opened the car door, my mind raced back to reality and the task at hand. A quick trip to the grocery store was once so simple. Now, it is so different. Before going shopping, we must arm ourselves with hand sanitizer, face masks, and gloves. Instead of



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Easter merchandise being swept off the store shelves, it was the paper goods and cleaners in high demand. Shelves that were once stocked full of the coveted items were now empty.

Awards, a trip to the church cemetery to put Easter lilies on our father's grave completed the list of Saturday activities. Then came Easter Sunday. Church pews were mostly empty on the most important day of the year. Online and television church services were in full force as worshipers found ways to celebrate our risen Lord while social

distancing. Even if some of the places are soon opened up, leaders are still urging us to use social distancing as well as wear masks and gloves for some time. While our world has changed drastically, there is so much that has not.

The Easter message is still the same. The tomb is empty. Jesus rose from the dead. He's alive! Not even a deadly coronavirus can change that! Blessed with the hope that Easter brings to us today and always!

Be encouraged by the words in Psalm 91:1 (NIV): "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."

## Easter and birthday celebrations missed

I hoped that things would have been better by now, all the while knowing they wouldn't. That's all right as long as this staying home is working to end this pandemic. I admit that I've made a few trips to the grocery store



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and home improvement places, but other than that, home has been where most of my time has been spent. What disappoints me is that the secular part of Easter celebration didn't occur. Even worse, we haven't been able to travel to Hendersonville to celebrate our

daughter's birthday.

For as long as I can remember, Easter Sunday has been a big event. When we were small, Mother sewed Easter outfits. In those days, she dressed us in identical clothing because she thought it was cute. However, little boys with big heads, skinny legs, and round bellies were anything but cute.

Our family loaded up in the car and traveled to church. Somehow, Daddy always managed to be off on those Sundays, and that

made the day more special. The sanctuary was always packed with folding chairs set up in aisles, and, in every service the congregation always sang "Old Rugged Cross." Mother always managed to be the last to leave after church, and we ran to change clothes the minute we arrived home.

Mother and Daddy would hide eggs for a few rounds. Then she would go in to finish Sunday dinner, and he would just go in. Dal would hide eggs for us a couple of times, and then Jim and I would hide for each other. By the time we finished, the shells were smashed and our works of art from the

night before were destroyed.

Dinner always included ham and potato salad. Mother took some of our most battered eggs and made deviled eggs. Desert was always some kind of pie. Afterwards, we'd go out for another round of hiding eggs or searching for the ones we'd not found earlier.

Lacey's birthday is a special time for us. She was our first born, and the day of her arrival was an unusual event. Amy was in labor, but the contractions came at different intervals. A call to the doctor had us driving to UT Medical Center. We walked into the office, the staff checked her, hailed a

wheelchair, and sprinted my wife to delivery. Lacey was born just about ninety minutes later.

As a little girl, I spoiled her and could never resist her requests when she looked up at me with that sweet face and blue eyes. I still have a hard time saying "no" to her. We had grandparents and other family members at our house for parties. On some birthdays, friends came and giggled, laughed, yelled and enjoyed the time together.

Our family always has celebrated her birthday within a week of that day, but this year, we're not sure when things will settle down

enough to have a party. It's sad to a dad to not be able to give a birthday hug to his daughter. I miss her even more than usual.

The changes to celebratory days my become the new normal, at least for a while. My hope is that this virus will go away soon so that our lives can return to some kind of normal. Of course, that will happen only if we all do our best to follow the instructions from health advisers. Let's all say a prayer that next year we will be able to give thanks for so many different things. Until then, stay home, stay safe, and stay in touch.

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# Catholic taps Travis Mains to be next girls basketball coach

**By Ken Lay**

Knoxville Catholic High School has a new basketball coach.

The school announced on Tuesday that it has hired Travis Mains and he's eager to get to work with the Lady Irish.

"I thought this was an excellent opportunity," said Mains, who previously coached at Daniel Boone High School from 2013-2018. "The support at the school is great and this is a great opportunity for our family."

His wife, Missey, will teach at Catholic and she will assist Travis in the girls basketball program.

With the Lady Blazers, Mains compiled a coaching record of 133-63 and in his final season at his alma mater, he guided the Daniel Boone girls' team to a 30-5 mark and their first-ever appearance in the Class AAA.

Mains left the program to work with his daughter, Sydney. Travis and Missey also have another daughter, London, who will enroll at St. Joseph's School in Fountain City.

Sydney and Liberty Bell Middle School won the TMSAA Class AAA State championship last season.

She'll be a freshman at KCHS in the fall.

Basketball is a family affair for the Mains Family and Travis is a self-proclaimed basketball junkie and has been for a long-time. He played for the Trail-blazers under coach Bill Snyder, who instilled a passion for the game for the new Lady Irish head coach.

"I'm a basketball junkie and I played for Bill Snyder at Daniel Boone," Mains said. "He was a great basketball coach and a great mentor. He was a great basketball coach but he also taught you about life."

"He had a big impact on me and made me want to be around the game all the time."

At Catholic, Mains inherits a program that has had more than its share of struggles. He replaces Freeman Pinkney, who resigned in March after two seasons.

Pinkney had things looking up for the Lady Irish. He guided Catholic to an 11-18 record and an appearance in the Division II-AA State Quarterfinals.

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Travis Mains was named girls basketball coach at Catholic High School last week. He formerly coached at Daniel Boone High School in Northeast Tennessee. Photo submitted.

# West High student receives prosthetic swimming foot

**By Ken Lay**

A local high school athlete was recently given a swimming prosthesis by the Born To Run Foundation.

Marshall Harkrider, a 17-year-old junior at West High School, became the eighth person to receive a prosthesis device from the foundation, which was founded by Noelle Lambert, who lost her leg in a moped accident.

Harkrider was injured in January, 2019, when he was involved in an ATV accident. He was a passenger and the cycle turned over on his legs.

Then 15, Harkrider, a soccer player, endured nine operations after the accident, which led to a below-the-knee amputation on his right leg.

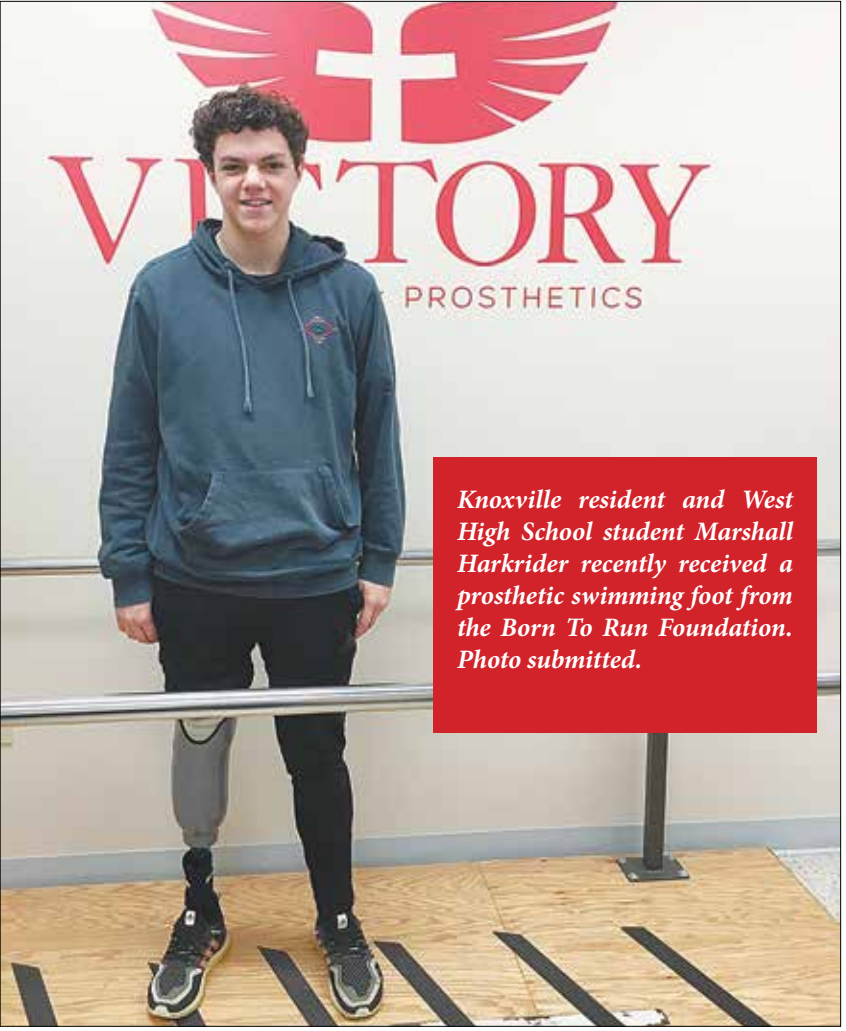
Before his accident and injury, Harkrider was an elite soccer player and athlete and with his new foot, he can now swim in the pool or at the beach and swim without using a wheelchair or the aid of crutches.

Harkrider, who is also an avid golfer, made a return to the soccer pitch in January, approximately a year after the accident and seven months after his final operation.

Harkrider, who met Lambert at a running clinic in New York City, said he appreciates his swimming foot.

"I am so grateful to have the opportunity to be given a swimming foot from Noelle and The Born To Run Foundation," Harkrider said. "I'm looking forward to being able to navigate the beach with ease and swim in the ocean."

Harkrider's mother, Ashley, also expressed her gratitude recently.



Knoxville resident and West High School student Marshall Harkrider recently received a prosthetic swimming foot from the Born To Run Foundation. Photo submitted.

"Marshall and I are so grateful for this amazing gift," Ashley said. "It has inspired him to be even more active and has given him the ability to look forward to just being a regular kid without worry at the pool, on the river or at the beach."

Lambert was hoping to be able to present Harkrider with the swimming foot in person but the COVID-19 pandemic made that impossible but she said she was moved by his story.

"Marshall's story is captivating and the foundation was more than happy to have the opportunity to provide him with a swimming foot," said Lambert, a former NCAA Division I lacrosse player, who is training for the 100-meter run in the upcoming Paralympic Games. "Now Marshall will be able to swim and go to the beach with ease."

# Q&A with Kevin Burnett

**By Mark Nagi**

Tennessee has had its share of quality football players over the years. In the 2000s, one of the best of the best with linebacker Kevin Burnett. A two-time team captain, Burnett shined during his senior season in 2004. He was an all-SEC performer, collected 120 tackles, including a career high 16 stops in the Vols victory over Florida. He went on to play nine seasons in the NFL. Today he's started a new career, as the high school football coach of the McArthur Mustangs in Florida.

Recently, Burnett took the time to catch up with The Knoxville Focus to discuss his time at Tennessee, where he sees the program headed, and his new gig on the sidelines.

**The Knoxville Focus:** How did your years at Tennessee prepare you for life in the NFL, and then after your pro football days were done?

**Kevin Burnett:** First thing you have to look at is the experience with Coach Fulmer, John Chavis, Larry Slade, Randy Sanders, Jay Graham... they provided us with the best on field experience possible. Look at how many pro players came out of our program.

Every day was like an NFL practice. And then in the classroom, look at what Tyler Johnson has done, Fernandez West... the support staff and (former Athletics Director) Doug Dickey was doing at the time to get us resources. Mr. Haslam providing us with such nice facilities. Look at the opportunities we had. I don't think you had a choice but to turn out great if you applied yourself. It was a great experience for me.

**KF:** Obviously Tennessee football hasn't been at the level it had been when you were playing. How hard has it been to watch Tennessee struggle?

**KB:** I guess what makes it so disheartening is that you get people that aren't tied to the program. Fulmer and Chavis played at UT. Having guys around the program that loved the program really brings a sense of culture and pride back. When you have coaches come in that are climbers that leave after a year or two years or are fired... that leaves such a hole. No one is tied to the program when people leave in a year or two. It really disrupts the program. It was hard to watch.

**KF:** Do you think that

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# Josh Maine named to ACHA Academic All-American Team

By Ken Lay

A former Knoxville Amateur Hockey Association High School League star has taken his game to the college level and he's having success both on the ice and in the classroom.

University of Tennessee Ice Vols hockey club player Josh Maine was recently named to the American College Hockey Association's Academic All-American Team.

Maine, a junior defenseman for the Ice Vols, was one of five Tennessee players to be named to the ACHA's Academic All-American Team.

Other Ice Vols selected included: Drew King, a sophomore forward from Marietta, Georgia; Michael Garcia, a sophomore forward from Nashville; Andrew Hubert, a junior defenseman from the Washington, D.C. suburb of Haymarket, Virginia and Ryan Seibert, a junior defenseman from Murfreesboro.

During his high school day, Maine played for the Knoxville Knights, a team comprised largely from Maryville, Hardin Valley and other communities. He was coached by his father, Greg, and played with two of his brothers.

Greg is no longer coaching high school hockey in Knoxville but he has other children playing hockey. And another son, Joe, is a football player for Farragut High School.

Josh, an industrial design major who hopes to one day design athletic apparel and shoes or cars, was home schooled and hockey has a huge impact on his life.

"I always enjoyed being

coached by my dad when I played soccer, hockey or baseball," Josh Maine said. "I always enjoyed playing hockey with my brothers and now, my sisters are playing hockey.

"Hockey has always helped us come together as a family. And being home schooled, it always helped me to meet other kids. It always helped me in life."

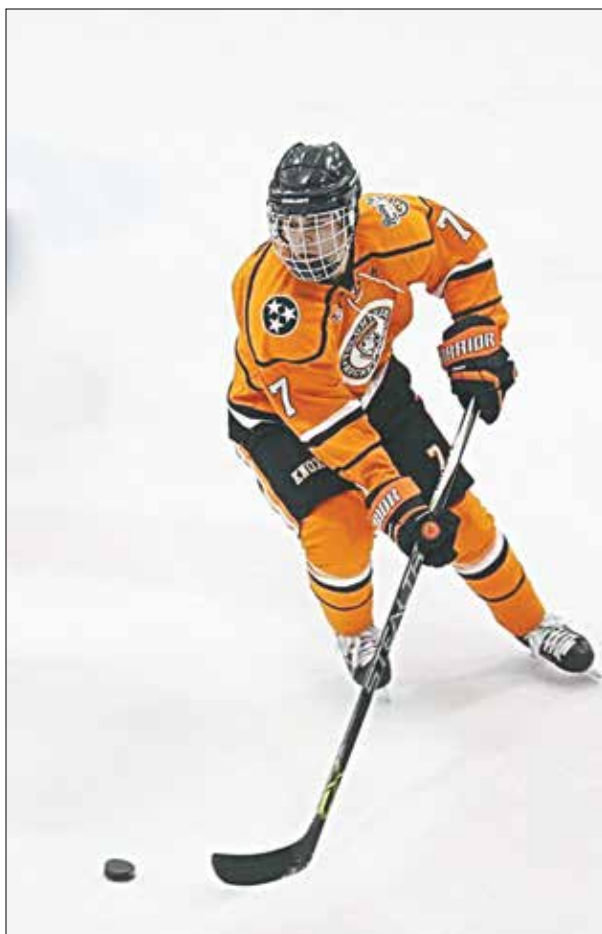
Josh has always loved hockey and basketball. He didn't quite take to football, but with Joe on the gridiron for the Admirals these days, Josh is doing what any big brother would do, supporting a family member.

"I don't know a lot about football, but Joe enjoys it and I'm happy for him," said Josh, who enjoys watching basketball and hockey. He watches professional basketball but has a limited allegiance to NBA teams, while pulling for the Philadelphia Flyers and Nashville Predators of the NHL.

"I love the Nashville Predators, of course," he said. "I lived in Pennsylvania for a while, so I like the Philadelphia Flyers. Basketball is tough, because I pull more for players than I do for teams. I like Russell Westbrook (of the Houston Rockets), so I like the Rockets and the Golden State Warriors."

The 2019-2020 campaign was Josh's first full season with the Ice Vols. He didn't play as a freshman and played part-time as a sophomore.

"It's hard to keep up with your school work, so



**Josh Maine Photo:** University of Tennessee hockey player Josh Maine was recently named to the ACHA Academic All-American Team. Maine played his high school hockey for the Knoxville Knights. Photo submitted.

I didn't play my freshman year and I played off-and-on during my sophomore year," Josh said. "And I have to work my regular job too."

He also works at the Target in Turkey Creek.

Maine is one of a handful of former KAH players currently playing for Tennessee's hockey club, which was formed in 1966 and boasts being the oldest college hockey team in the South.

Others local products are playing for the Ice Vols, who compete in the ACHA and are a part of the South Eastern Collegiate Hockey Conference.

Other Knoxville Area high school players now with the Ice Vols include:

Kenny Richter, Ian Tulk, Joe Walker, Nathaniel Lamm and Pete Bunch.

Maine played against most of those guys in high school.

"It's funny. A lot of the guys I play with now, I played against them in high school and in travel hockey," he said. "I love playing with my buddies from school and wearing Tennessee's colors," he said.

But hockey, as a game, has taught him about much more.

"I always wanted to be a leader and be a captain, so hockey has helped me in everyday life," Josh said. "It helps me in my job."

## 'The money athletes make is obscene!'

*No more so than plenty of other entertainers*

By Bill Howard

If you're a sports fan, then you've probably heard the complaint: "I can't believe that guys make millions of dollars just to play a game. That's a perfect indication of what's wrong with our society. Some guy can throw, or hit, or kick or catch a ball, and he makes more in one year than a teacher makes in a lifetime."

(Before I continue, let me state that I was one of those teachers—high school and middle school math—for about 20 years.)

Oh, where to begin. Let's start by reviewing the iron rule of economics: supply and demand. When a good or service is in great demand, the price of it goes up, and those who can supply said good or service make money. Not complicated.

Almost everybody on planet Earth wants a cell phone. That's why Apple has made a gajillion dollars over the last 13 years selling iPhones. Why has Netflix made a similarly ridiculous amount of money over the last 20 years? Because - surprise - it provides a service that tens of millions of people want and are oh-so eager to pay for. I could go on with examples like this all day long. It's called capitalism, it's called the profit motive, it's called Econ 101.

Sports is simply another product/service that countless millions want, and are willing to pay for. That, obviously, is why some athletes make what is, yes, an enormous amount of money. Believe me, as a sports fanatic, I've had my share of gripes about what it costs to see this or that game. But in a free economy (well, given about a billion rules and regulations), the Super Bowl is free to charge \$3000 a seat if it wants. And I'm free to say, "No thanks, I'll watch it on TV."

"But how does watching a guy kick/throw/hit/catch a ball help society?" Oh please...

How does bingeing on "Tiger King" (or a thousand other Netflix shows) help society? How do the pop songs of Taylor Swift help society? Top Hollywood stars make \$30 million for one movie; give me your evidence that those movies help society more than sports does. How does posting what you had for breakfast or your fanatical political screeds on Facebook help society? (Believe

me, they don't.)

(Just now I went to Google and typed in "how much money is Mark Zuckerberg worth?" The answer: \$64.9 billion. You'd have to add up the net worth of many hundreds, if not thousands, of the highest-worth athletes in the world to match that figure. Yes, Facebook has valuable functions, but quite arguably it's biggest "contribution" by far has been to increase the nation's narcissism).

This whole debate is so utterly pointless. Sports, just like movies, just like music, just like Facebook, and many, many other things in our society, is entertainment. People put their money on what matters to them, be it a game, a movie, drinks in a bar, or a thousand other things. We each spend our money on what's important to us. And guess what: we have that right. If you disagree with my choice of how I spend my entertainment time and money, then I guess that's your problem, not mine.

The next time someone asks questions how much sports contributes to society's betterment, ask them to demonstrate how much their own entertainment choices do. Ask them why watching the world's greatest athletes is less valuable than watching a sitcom. Ask them why watching Roger Federer play Rafael Nadal is less valuable than watching a scripted TV show or movie, in which the outcome can probably be predicted. Ask them how the glory of the Olympics is subservient to playing endless hours of video games. Ask them how Game 7 of the World Series offers less about life, about people, about pressure, or about character, than someone's inane Facebook post.

It's a simple numbers game. If a billion people want to buy your cell phone, you're gonna get unimaginably rich. If millions want to download your song, you're gonna be sitting pretty probably for the rest of your life. Good for you.

If a billion people want to watch LeBron James play basketball, and therefore make him fabulously rich, I'd love to hear the criticism that billion with why their decision is wrong.

By the way, the service I provided - teaching math to high school and middle school kids - didn't exactly draw huge, paying crowds. In fact, the "fans" who showed up to watch me teach were few and far between, and paid me not one red cent. Probably some were home watching Judge Judy.

## Q&A with Kevin Burnett

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things are moving in the right direction with Fulmer in charge?

**KB:** Me and Coach Fulmer spoke when John Currie had the job (as Tennessee athletics director). I came to a football game and sat in Coach Fulmer's box. We said that we had to get a football guy in the office. We need a football AD, someone that knows X's and O's because football pays the bills. That's not a knock to any other program... that's just the reality of it. To run a successful program you have to have a good deal of knowledge about football to know how to run a good program. Looking at what Currie had done up to a point.. OK, now it

is time to get things turned in a different direction. Right after that was the whole coaching debacle (in 2017) and then Currie got fired and Fulmer stepped in. I called him and said, "This is what we were just talking about." I have no doubt Coach Fulmer will get things turned around, I have not seen enough from Pruitt and staff to form an opinion yet. Usually with football they give them three years. You have it or you don't. This will tell the tale with three recruiting cycles. Football isn't a one man show. How well can you get guys to execute?

**KF:** How are you adjusting to life as a high school football coach?

**KB:** It's exciting. It gives

me an opportunity to give back to the community that I came from. Not geographical, but the same middle to lower class, working class neighborhood. You get a lot of kids that get passed by, so I feel fortunate and grateful that I can be around young minds and help mold them and steer them in the right direction.

**KF:** How are you staying connected to your players during COVID-19?

**KB:** Everything is digital. It's hard being a new coach to be able to reach out and they have to remember you. It's a challenge,

**KF:** Do you see yourself doing this job for a while?

**KB:** Just being around the kids is a joy to me. Gives you something to

look forward to outside your family. It's fun to be around young minds to cultivate from ground up. You check classes or do scheduling or try to do grades. It gives you a bunch of stuff to do.

*Mark Nagi is the author of "Decade of Dysfunction," which takes an up close look at all that led to Tennessee's crazy coaching search of 2017. The book is available on Amazon.*

## Catholic taps Travis Mains to be next girls basketball coach

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At Catholic, Mains will have one of the area's top point guards. Jazmin Williams.

Williams, a rising sophomore, had a big season last year before suffering a season-ending injury.

The Lady Irish didn't win another game after Williams was hurt on Jan. 30. "She's a special player,"

Mains said of Williams. "I can't wait to get to know the girls currently in the program and begin working with them."

Away from the game, Mains loves to be in the outdoors but basketball is his true passion.

"I love to be in the outdoors. We all love being at the lake or working in the yard," he

said. "But we're pretty busy with basketball."

"We're North Carolina basketball fans and we have been for a long time and we're Tennessee football fans. I love basketball and I remember getting the *Street & Smith's* (yearbook magazines). I used to get them every year."

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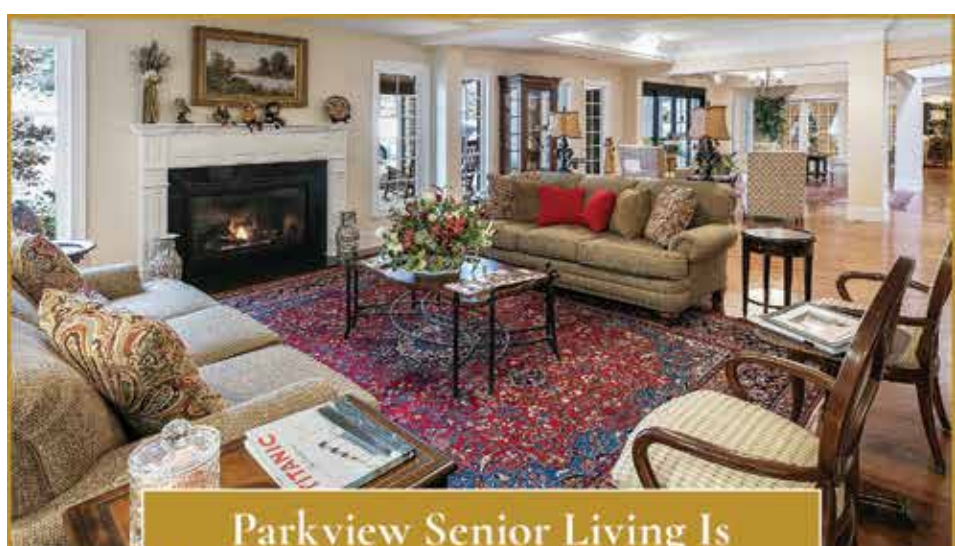
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# DOGWOOD ARTS trails AND GARDENS

## Dogwood Arts distributes art kits to kids in need

### Organization Hopes to Continue Program Throughout Spring/Summer

Dogwood Arts is working through the Boys & Girls Club of the Tennessee Valley and Centro Hispano to provide free art supplies to underserved youth during this time of crisis. Earlier this week, Dogwood Arts compiled and delivered over 600 Art Kits that will be distributed to kids ages 3-18 through the nonprofit partnerships. Dogwood Arts staff and board believe that it's more important than ever to inspire and invest in the next generation of artists. "Many families don't have the resources or supplies at home to keep their children busy, entertained, and engaged in art education--they're in need of things to do," said Rene Yanez, Community Resource Director at Centro Hispano and Board member at Dogwood Arts. "This is a great opportunity for the two nonprofits to combine their powers. Together, we're able to support the Latino community by providing art supplies to families that are struggling due to the spread of COVID-19."

The Art Kits include crayons, colored pencils, modeling clay, coloring pages, construction paper, scissors, pencils, pencil sharpeners, glue, pens, and blank notepads. Since many educational programs at Centro Hispano and the Boys & Girls Club have moved online, the art kits are designed for students to participate in virtual art classes or simply create art on their own at home. Art education is increasingly important in times of crisis; it gives students the tools necessary to communicate what

they're feeling in creative, expressive, and constructive ways.

"My kids are going to be so excited. The Art Kits will provide an opportunity for them to continue creating even when they're not at the Boys & Girls Club," Says Gwen Pevonka, Professional Teaching Artist at the Boys & Girls Club, "this will allow them to have supplies at home that they don't normally have."

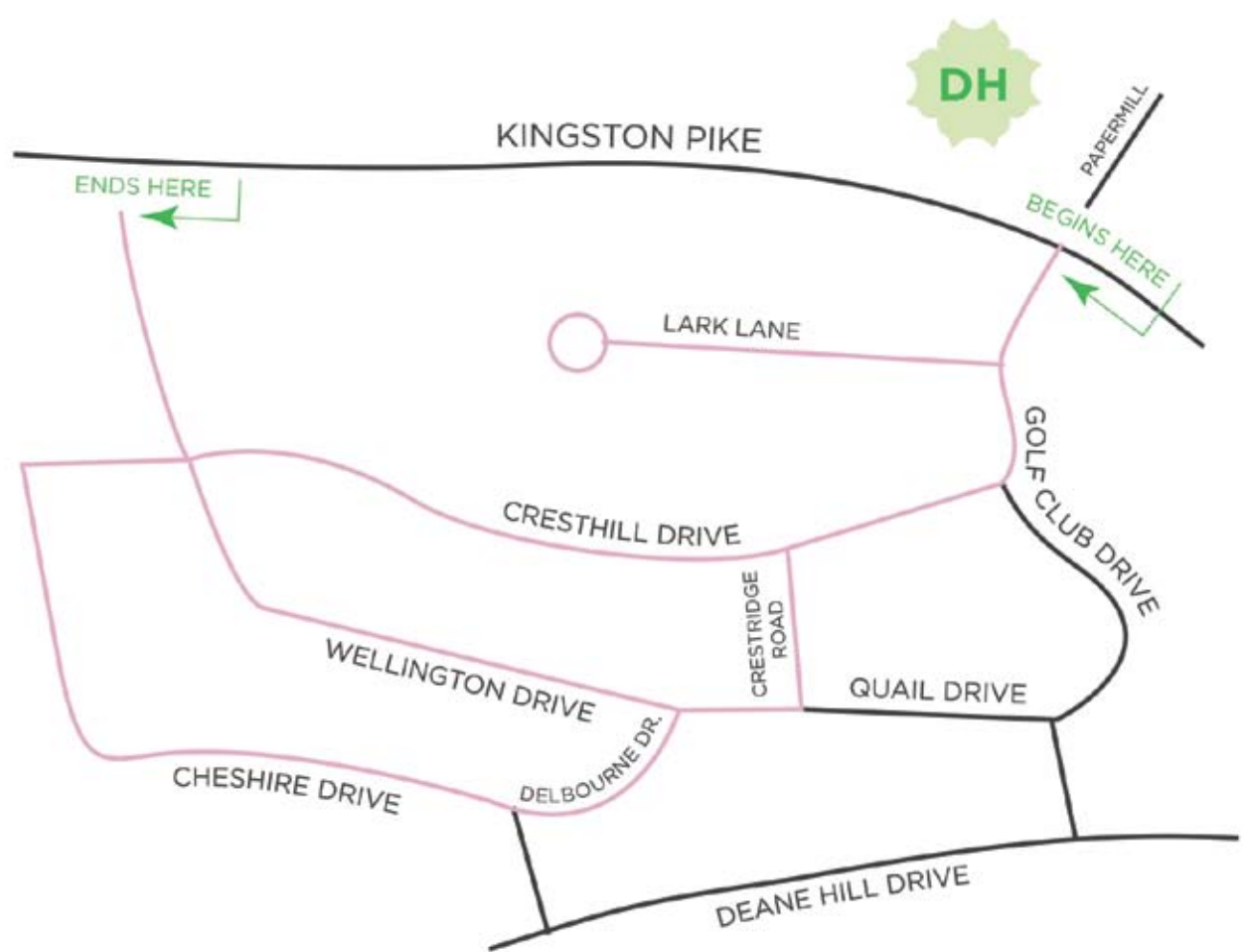
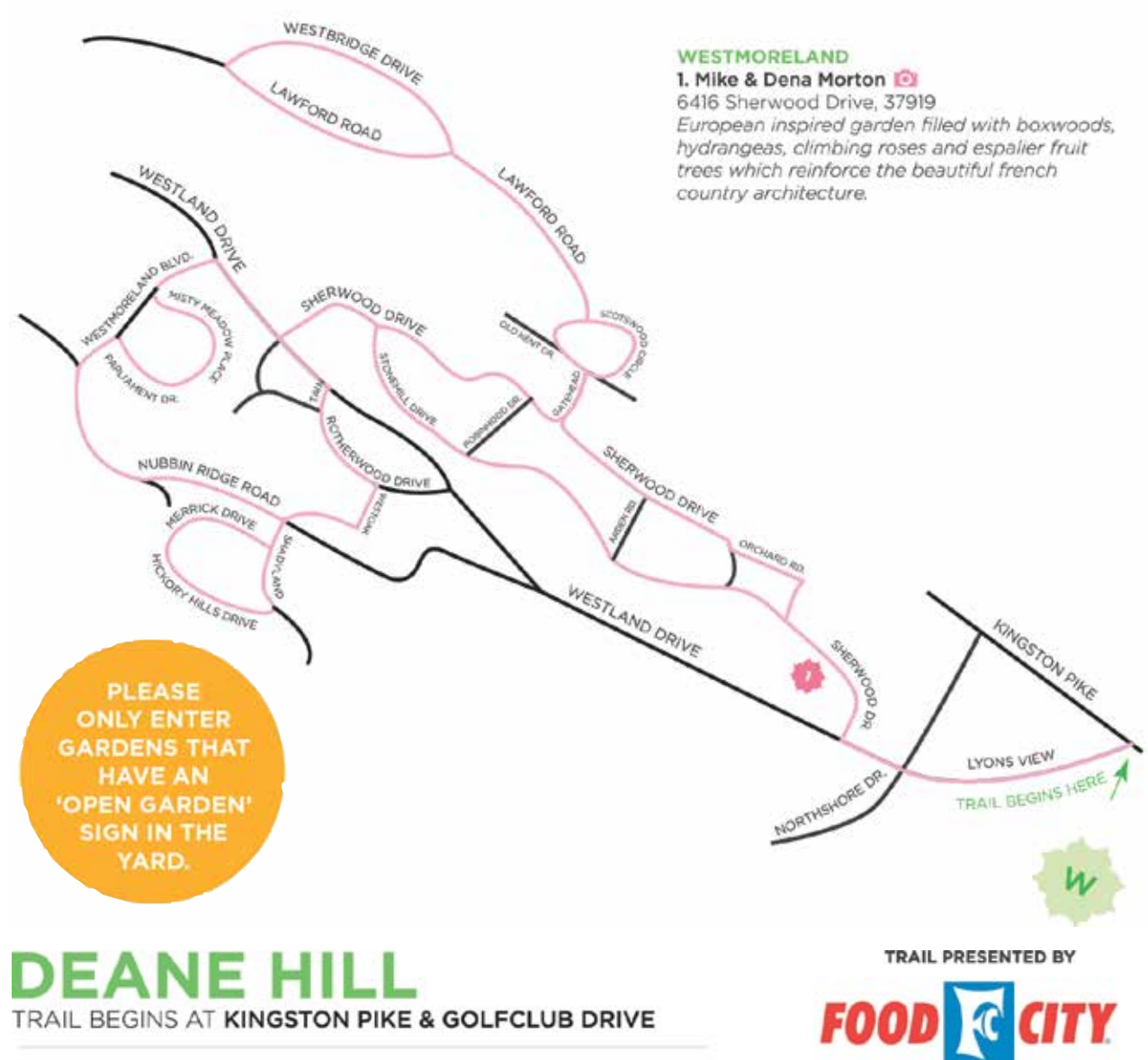
Dogwood Arts hopes to expand the program throughout the spring and summer, reaching more kids and partnering with additional organizations that serve communities in need. If companies or individuals are interested in supporting the Art Kit For Kids program, Dogwood Arts is seeking donations of bulk art or school supplies such as pencils, note pads, pens, paper, stickers, markers, etc. Monetary donations can also be sent by check or online at <https://www.dogwoodarts.com/donate/> (please click the button to designate your donation to the Art Kit For Kids program). 100% of donations received through this program will go to purchase Art Kit materials.

Inquiries about the program can be directed to Sherry Jenkins, Executive Director of Dogwood Arts, at [sjenkins@dogwoodarts.com](mailto:sjenkins@dogwoodarts.com) or (865) 246-4397.

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## Dichotomies

A common idiom holds that there are two sides of a coin. The interpretation of this saying, or dichotomy, is a contrast between oppositional perspectives. Philosophically, I've always held that with any concept you can conceive of its opposite. Simple examples are left/right, up/down or matter/anti-matter.

I am a monotheist and so were the ancient Hebrews when they were conquered and enslaved by the Babylonians in the 6th century BC. The primary religion of ancient Babylonia was Zoroastrianism. This religion believed in a cosmic battle between the forces of good and evil. This notion of competing opposites (Babylonian dualism) influenced Judaism which later conceptualized a malevolent force of evil (the Devil) in opposition to God's goodness.

The coronavirus has intensified the American political dichotomy. However, I believe we have moved far beyond the differences of opinion between Republicans and Democrats. Though the two main political parties still march under these ensigns, I don't believe either exists as originally conceived. We now have the party of Trump and its polar opposite, the party of Pelosi. Poor ole Joe is a mere figurehead - at best.

The political dichotomy is extreme, driven by enmity evident in the daily White House briefings. The Democrat progressive press hates Trump, and the president does not have warm feelings for the media or Pelosi's propaganda machine. Similarly, Pelosi's Democrat progressive party opposes anything Trump proposes. And America

suffers because of this modern civil war, as divisive as the American Civil War period with poisonous enmity between the Northern Unionists and Southern separatists.

We are approaching a decision point regarding reopening our economy or remaining isolated in our caves. The dichotomy is the choice of life or livelihood. We may be temporarily safe in isolation, but eventually we will starve physically and emotionally. Our country cannot survive being shut down and "boarded-up." Ezekiel Emmanuel, Obama's medical ethics advisor, said we should keep the country shut down for eighteen months, until we have a vaccine. You realize there's no vaccine for HIV, the common cold or a host of other diseases. Though I believe there will be an effective vaccine for COVID-19, at this point it is only a hope. If we follow such advice, the country will be lost and so will our children's future. We must live as free men or we are already dead.

Recently, I've read several articles extolling the virtues of the American shut down. With less industry and automobile use there has been less CO<sub>2</sub> production and decreased smog. I find it

interesting that those so concerned about anthropogenic, (manmade) global warming may be horrified to learn that the internet requires increasingly vast amounts of electricity, largely produced by fossil fuels. Shut down the economy and the lights will go out along with the Net. Ayn Rand envisioned this outcome in her magnum opus, "Atlas Shrugged."

The Master once said, "Those with eyes will see" (Mark 8:18). There are many dichotomies around us for those not visually impaired. Whether you like science fiction or not, most are familiar with the Spock character of Star Trek. Mr. Spock was a man of pure reason, having gone through a process to shed himself of emotional concerns. The dichotomy of reason and emotion is operative in virtually all of us and in virtually every real world situation. A pathologic medical exception is a sociopath who is unable to feel emotions or have empathy for others.

Though I am a rational man, I have an emotional side which affords me a balance when considering the opinions of others. I believe the shutdown of America was a reasoned decision based

on observing coronavirus infections in other countries and theoretical models. Unfortunately the latter have been proven repeatedly wrong. Now, the emotion of fear is gripping the country and paralyzing us. And I am appalled that some are now interjecting filthy politics into the equation. From her mansion, Pelosi has warned Trump not to open the economy. Similarly, Wall Street types are telling the president to keep America boarded-up because they are getting richer as Main Street goes broke.

Easter is behind us, but another dichotomy was posed by Pilate in his interrogation of Jesus. He asked the Master, "What is truth?" (John 18:38). Is truth to be found in facts, and if so whose facts? The modelers of climate change and COVID-19 present their projections as factual. And yet actual observations have over and over proved them wrong. So, why do we continue to accept these "divinations" as facts, recognizing that no one can predict the future. Jesus said so himself.

We have entered a time of extreme danger. Not only are we facing a severe recession, the real possibility of

a self-inflicted Great Depression is increasingly likely. And now with the revelations of China's coronavirus malfasance and deception, world retaliation may produce a new cold or hot war.

Pelosi's Democrat progressives will have to decide whether they side with China or America.

I comprehend the conundrum we face. If we open the country for business people will die of COVID-19, heart attacks and cancer. If we don't open the country people will die of COVID-19, heart attacks, cancer, poverty, suicide and hopelessness.

As a doctor and geriatrician, I have often discussed the dichotomy of safety/freedom when counseling families as their loved ones begin to fail and decisions need to be made balancing freedom and security. Most accept the risk of freedom rather than incarceration and safety. Most would rather die with their boots on rather than parked under their bed.

I pray New Hampshire's motto of "Live free or die" still resonates in the hearts of Americans, and our countrymen will choose wisely.

You may email Dr. Ferguson at [fergusonj@knoxfocus.com](mailto:fergusonj@knoxfocus.com)

# A Growing Faith

In John 4:43-54, we read about the second of seven miraculous signs Jesus performs in John's gospel. This sign is the healing of an official's son who appears to be an official in Herod's court. He was a man of power and influence. He also had great wealth. He no doubt had consulted all of the best doctors around, but nothing helped. His son was dying and he had to watch helplessly as the life drained from him.

I can't help but think of COVID-19. To see the pictures of so many



By Mark Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

on ventilators fighting for their lives is hard to watch. Many of those dying is the aged who have underlying health issues. But some whom have died are children. I suppose in the history of the world, one of the most difficult things to watch or observe is a dying child. For a parent to have to endure this horrible sight is almost beyond comprehension.

It seems as if children have a sense of immortality about them. They call fall from slides and trees and walk away

without a whimper that would kill anyone over forty. But that is not always the case. On the outside this official may have looked composed, but on the inside, it was a different story. In the ancient world and even not so distant past of our own nation, many children never graduated from childhood. Just look at the gravestones in an old cemetery. Little children lay buried all over the place. Sickness was the chief enemy.

The royal official fears the worse but he has one more option. He has heard of Jesus, and he was now in Cana for the second time. The first time

there was a wedding and a miracle took place of water to wine. Perhaps another miracle is waiting for his son. So, the royal official makes the 20-mile uphill trek from Capernaum to see if Jesus could help. In all humility he begs repeatedly for Jesus to come heal his son. Jesus performed miracles to take people to new levels of faith, but many people were missing his real identity. The royal official thought that if Jesus could work his magic, his son could be healed. If Jesus would just come with him to Capernaum, everything would be just fine. Even today, many are looking for signs and miracles to

confirm their faith, but they may be missing the intent of the signs. Jesus does heal the man's son, but his purpose was not just to extend the boy's days on earth. It was to build faith.

Jesus says, "Go back home. Your son will live." Jesus gives a partial grant to the request. He claims to heal the son, but he chooses not to go with him to perform the miracle. In other words, there was no sign to confirm the healing. The only thing he gave the man was his word. Jesus is wanting to take this man to a higher faith. The man takes Jesus at his word and departs even though this

would be the first miracle Jesus does at a distance. He believes. Faith is able to see the unseen (Hebrews 11:1). Jesus heals the boy. What we discover here is that Jesus has power over time and space. He is not bounded. What he speaks happens, for he is the Word of God (John 1:14).

Where is your faith in this midst of this global pandemic? Some of us may be experiencing emotions similar to the official. You might have a sense of closing darkness or a feeling of futility in your life. Don't give up. Turn to God in faith, for he can meet your need.

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# Local Balloon Designer Creates ‘Spirit Lifters’ to Uplift East Tennesseans

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Like many small business owners, Glandon's event design business was hit hard with the order to “Stay at Home.” Overnight, she had mass cancellations from clients who had booked her business. Above the Rest Balloon and Event Designs, to decorate their events. Worried about how to keep her employees on payroll, Glandon literally hit her knees in prayer. What she heard was that she needed to use what she knows to bring joy.

Glandon, employee Piper Wells, and Glandon's 11-year-old granddaughter Emma, got busy designing some balloon displays and placed them at neighborhood entrances along Ebenezer. They also created two colorful sculptures to put in the front yard. The first sculpture was “Faith” and the current beautiful one is “Rise Up.” Her granddaughter created some free balloon activity kits which are available for people strolling down the sidewalk.

People started to react to and inquire how they could get the spirit lifters for their neighborhoods. So, being a creative entrepreneur, Glandon created a Spirit Lifter program through which people could order sculptures for delivery to be put in their yards. The demand has been high for these.



Above the Rest's “Rise Up” balloon along Ebenezer Road where thousands of cars normally drive

To be respectful of the Stay at Home order, Glandon was only offering yard delivery which limited her capacity. To make it possible for more people to have and share the Spirit Lifters, she created “Do It Yourself” kits that families can do together to create a mailbox or porch version. Kits come with balloons, straws to blow them up, an encouraging vinyl sticker and instructions. Glandon's granddaughter even made a YouTube video to show how to put them together.

Glandon is full of gratitude about the reaction she is getting when people see the Spirit Lifters. “This idea was truly from God. As always, he opens my eyes to things that allow me to provide joy.”

To express her gratitude, Glandon is donating a percentage of the Spirit Lifter profits to Knoxville's Emerald Youth Foundation. She is a long-time supporter of

the organization, whose major fundraiser has had to be cancelled because of the pandemic.

Spirit Lifters allow you to spread positivity, color, and uplifting words throughout your community while at the same time providing a fun, joyful, and easy family activity while we are all staying at home. To order one or more of the DIY kits, go to [www.abovetherest-balloons.com](http://www.abovetherest-balloons.com).

Founded in 2006, Above the Rest Balloon and Event Design is headquartered in Knoxville, Tennessee. Owner Dianna Glandon is one of only 3,000 Certified Balloon Artist around the world. Her team's award-winning designs have received multiple recognitions at The World Balloon Convention.

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Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JORGE VALENTIN POLISCHUK who died Mar 6, 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

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or

ESTATE OF JORGE VALENTIN POLISCHUK  
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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HAZEL C BOATMAN DUNCAN  
STOUT DOCKET NUMBER 82886-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HAZEL C BOATMAN DUNCAN STOUT who died Jan 15, 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 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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JOHN M BECKNER; EXECUTOR  
1708 GRAY OAKS LANE  
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JOEL A CANNON, JR.  
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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WANDA RAYE WELCH  
DOCKET NUMBER 82889-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 13 day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA RAYE WELCH who died Mar 25, 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 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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ESTATE OF WANDA RAYE WELCH  
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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOSEPH  
BARTLETTE YANCEY, JR.  
DOCKET NUMBER 82896-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 14TH day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH BARTLETTE YANCEY, JR. who died Mar 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 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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ESTATE OF JOSEPH  
BARTLETTE YANCEY, JR.  
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## MISC. NOTICES

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

THE OWNERS AND/OR LIEN HOLDERS OF THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES ARE HERBY NOTIFIED OF THEIR RIGHTS TO PAY ALL CHARGES AND RECLAIM SAID VEHICLES BEING HELD AT THE STORAGE LOT OF B & M AUTOMOTIVE & DIESEL. FAILURE TO RECLAIM THESE VEHICLES WILL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF ALL RIGHTS, TITLE AND CONSENT TO DISPOSE OF SAID VEHICLE AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON May 4, 2020 AT 7301 MAYNARDVILLE PK, KNOXVILLE, TN 37938.

2008 Ford F-250 Super Duty FX4 6.4L Diesel,  
VIN # 1FTSX21R98EA54117

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The following described vehicles impounded/ repaired/towed will be sold at public and/or private auction in compliance with the Tennessee Public Acts 1967, Chapter 240, House Bill 379. The sale will be held at Jim's Garage & Wrecker Service Vehicle Impoundment Lot located at 5906 Walden Street, Knoxville, TN 37919.

These vehicles have been checked through the files of the Commissioner of Revenue, Title Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Revenue, State of Tennessee. In appropriate cases, the vehicles have been checked in other states, and the owners and/or lienholders have been notified by certified mail. In those instances where no vehicle identification/serial number or license number was available, this Public Notice in the newspaper will comply with the law.

The failure of the owner/lienholder to exercise their rights to reclaim any vehicle listed below not bearing a VIN/serial number shall be deemed a waiver of all rights and title and authorization to sell said vehicle.

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2)14 FORD FOCUS 1FADP3K21EL304446  
3)03 FORD TAURUS 1FADP3K21EL304446  
4)03 HONDA VANS 5FNRL18503B011039  
5)99 TOYOTA COROLLA 1NXBR12E7X2159612  
6)95 INFINITI JNKAY21D2SM201709  
7)03 TOYOTA CELICA JTDDR32T530150335  
8)01 NISSAN MAX JN1CA31A11T104079  
9)95 PACE RV 3FCMF5368RJ80805  
10)98 HONDA ACCORD 1HGC6551WA024880  
11)99 PROWER RV 1EC5D322X4080313  
12)12 FORD MUSTANG 1ZVBP8EM4C5287197  
13)04 HYUNDAI SANTA FE KM8SC13D64U722555  
14)10 FORD FOCUS 1FAHP3F1AW237684  
15)05 CHEVY VET 1G1YY22P6S5100362  
16)06 FORD FREESTAR 2FMZA52286BA40877  
17)03 BMW WBADT43403G034897  
18)08 FORD FOCUS 1FAHP36NWX207188  
19)04 CHEVY T-BLAZER 1GNET16S046239134  
20)04 FORD C.VIC 2FABP78V7BX176561  
21)05 NISSAN PATHFINDER 5N1AR18W65C783741  
22)99 HONDA PASSPORT 4S6CM58W2X4419075  
23)07 HONDA CRV JHLRE387X7C059337  
24)11 FORD FUSION 3FAHP0JA4BR315186  
25)03 TOYOTA SOLARA 2T1CF22P23C603026  
26)08 CHEVY HHR 3HND13D18S634125  
27) 53 TRAILER 16RAA0625KW135622  
28)95 CHEVY S-10 1GCCS1948S8173319  
29)03 DODGE NEON 1B3ES56C73D125025  
30)97 OLDS REGAL 1G3NL52M7VM352194

31)99 LINCOLN T-CAR 1LNHM81W3XY675499  
32)00 CHEVY CAMARO 2G1FP22K4Y2118331  
33)98 HONDA ACCORD 1HGC61659WA022245  
34)06 JEEP COMMANDER 1J8HG48K06C156762  
35)04 NISSAN XTERRA 5N1ED28Y64C653819

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The following vehicle will be sold at auction on April 30, 2020 at 1:00pm at Rocky Top Towing & Garage, 10748 Old Rutledge Pike, Blaine TN 37709. Phone 865-465-3011.

2002 Chevy Silverado 1500 Red, VIN 2GCEC19T421149017

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These vehicles have been checked through the files of the Commissioner of Revenue, Title Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Revenue, State of Tennessee. In appropriate cases, the vehicles have been checked in other states and the owners and/or lienholders have been notified by certified mail. In those instances where no vehicle identification/serial number or license number was available, this Public Notice in the newspaper will comply with the law.

The failure of the owner/lienholder to exercise their rights to reclaim any vehicle listed below, not bearing a VIN/Serial number, shall be deemed a waiver of all rights and title and authorization to sell said described vehicle(s).

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2)06 DODGE RAM 107HA16K16J170066  
3)04 BUICK CENTURY 2G4WS52J041257219  
4)07 MAZDA 3 JM1BK12F471651002  
5)06 HYUNDAI SONATA KMHEU46C06A146500  
6)04 MAZDA B3000 4F4YR46U0ATM02946  
7)95 FORD RANGER 1FTCR14A1SPA26709  
8)08 CHEVY IMPALA 2G1WT58N189161644  
9)13 DODGE DART 1C3CDFCA5DD132702  
10)03 FORD EXP 1FMDU74W43ZA98751  
11)08 CHEVY MALBU 1G1ZG57N38F233339  
12)14 HYUNDAI ELANDRA  
KMHD35LH9EU198743  
13)05 FORD TAURUS 1FADP56U95A249482  
14)04 CHRYSLER PACIFICCA  
2C86M6849R360813  
15)02 FORD EXPEDITION 1FMRU15L22LA26925  
16)01 FORD EXPEDITION 1FMRU16L61LB71101  
17)18 CHEVY CAMARO 1G1FE1R78J0114209  
18)05 MERCEDES WDBRF81J45F643983



# Taking the Dayton Loop

## A Day Away



By Mike Steely

We have been asked to keep our distance, wear our masks, and basically stay at home for safety these days. But there are some places we can drive to without encountering other people or endangering ourselves or others.

A family day outing to nearby places is a great idea, just be sure to use hand cleaner after gas-ing up your vehicle. Isn't it odd that when we can't travel much when the cost of gasoline is so low?

An ideal drive that the kids will find entertaining is a daytrip to Dayton, Tn. The adventure begins driving down to Athens and taking Highway 30 west to Decatur. That Meigs County seat has a neat courthouse, a traditional courthouse square, and a mural of the old Blythe



*The historic Blythe Ferry is pictured in a mural on courthouse square in Decatur. The old ferry, like nearby Washington Ferry, have been abandoned and replaced with modern highway bridges. The Blythe Ferry east landing is now the Cherokee Removal Park. Photo from the collection of Mike Steely.*

Ferry crossing, painted by Bill McDonald.

Blythe's Ferry is located further south and you could turn south on Highway 58 and get there or continue west along Highway 30, aptly known as the William Jennings Bryan Highway, to another history ferry crossing. The Old Washington Ferry and the little settlement of Old Washington are on the waters of the Tennessee River. Once a thriving community and once

the home of Judge David Campbell the community today is just a few houses and a little park. The ferry landing on the west side of the river still has the ferry landing ramp and a few items left from when the ferry was replaced by the tall Washington Bridge.

It was the Rhea County seat until 1889 when a vote moved the seat to Dayton. It is an interesting place to pause and look around.

Continuing west of

Highway 30 you'll soon see why it has been named to honor Bryan.

Just before you reach Dayton you'll come to Bryan College, a Christian university named in honor of the same man. Bryan defended Tennessee's anti-evolution law in Dayton against Clarence Darrow. Citizens were impressed by Bryan, who won the court battle only to lose in a court decision. He became ill after the trial and died.

The Rhea courthouse, in Dayton, still stands and was the site of the "Scopes Monkey Trial" where Bryan and Darrow faced off. It's normally open to the public with a basement museum and, when open, you can visit the upstairs courtroom where the event took place in 1925.

If you follow Highway 29 south of town you'll come to Highway 60, or Hiwassee Road. Follow it south to the Blythe Ferry Bridge and cross over

Chickamauga Lake. The Blythe Ferry Park is on your left after you cross the bridge. You'll have to go about a half mile before turning left and circling back along Blythe Ferry Lane.

When you arrive at the abandoned ferry landing you will be visiting what was once where a huge encampment of Cherokee tribe members were forcibly removed from their homeland and sent west to make way for white settlers.

There's a lot of other lesser known places in that area worth noting including the Garrison Cemetery where the Hiwassee Garrison Fort once stood, Hiwassee Island that was once a large Native American village that's now a wildlife refuge, and the Sand Crane Viewing Park.

You can loop back up Highway 58 north to Decatur and return to Knoxville that way. As you turn north and cross the Hiwassee Bridge you may notice a historic marker for the Agency Creek location, a fort and Indian Agency.

## Tennessee Civil Air Patrol assists with COVID-19 relief

Over 40 Civil Air Patrol members from across the state of Tennessee have answered the call to assist the Salvation Army and Tennessee Emergency Management Agency in response to COVID-19.

CAP members, acting as the auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, are preparing to assist in the delivery of over 1,000 meals over the next week alongside the Salvation Army to 15 homeless camps in the Nashville

area.

"We are thankful for our community partners at Civil Air Patrol," said Major Ethan Frizzell, Area Commander for the Salvation Army Nashville. "The time their members are giving to us has allowed for an increase in the number of meals we can take out each day, further allowing us to spread help, hope and love into our encampment communities. We are grateful for their members'

hearts, and their commitment to our shared mission of loving our neighbors."

Lesli Remaly-Netter, senior voluntary agency liaison, thanked Tennessee Wing for its "commitment to answering the call to public service" in support of the pandemic response and recovery.

In addition to "working continually with the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency," she said CAP members have also supported feeding operations at Nashville Salvation

Army locations.

"These are several extremely important roles that are outside of the normal expected participation from CAP, but its members met the challenge head-on and have proven themselves to be a highly versatile and capable partner," Remaly-Netter said.

Acting as a Total Force partner and official civilian auxiliary of the Air Force, Civil Air Patrol is aligned with First Air Force to rapidly respond to non-military threats domestically

when tasked in a Defense Support of Civil Authorities capacity to save lives, relieve suffering, prevent property damage and provide humanitarian assistance.

Col. Dent Young, Tennessee Wing commander, said, at the core of it all, CAP is about helping others and saving lives.

"I'm extremely proud of the members of Tennessee Wing who are stepping up in the midst of this pandemic threatening our neighbors," Young said. "Be safe, watch

out for your wingmen and, working together, we will all come safely through this nationwide effort."

Visit [www.GoCivilAirPatrol.com](http://www.GoCivilAirPatrol.com) or [www.CAP.news](http://www.CAP.news) for more information on Civil Air Patrol.



*Capt. Jerry Shannon (left) of the Williamson County Composite Squadron and 1st Lt. Damon Evans (right) of the Music City Composite Squadron hand out meals with the Salvation Army. Photo by 1st Lt. Lauren Divers*

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