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470,313	22,660	4.8%	211	.0004%

SOURCES 1. U.S. Census Bureau 2. Knox County Health Department data from 12/12/2020.



Trump enthusiasts at the Trump rally Monday, December 7 at the Knoxville Expo Center. From left: former County Commissioner R. Larry Smith, attorney and constitutional scholar Jeff Cobble, colonial re-enactor Roger Whittaker, attorney Rhonda Lee, Tennessee Stands founder Gary Humble and state Sen. Mark Pody. Photo by Bill Howard.

Trump rally held at Knoxville Expo Center

By Bill Howard

On Monday night, some 500 vociferous supporters let it be known how badly they hope Donald Trump remains president.

Republican state Sen. Mark Pody, who represents the state's 17th district, organized the rally at the Expo Center. He's done so at other locations across the state.

"We're excited about being here," said Pody. "We know the election is over but that doesn't mean all the ballots are counted

or that everything's done yet. We want to go through all the legal processes to make sure that everything is done properly."

On Nov. 3, Joe Biden defeated Trump in the presidential election by several million votes, and an electoral college advantage of 306 to 232. Trump's campaign is contesting the results, claiming election irregularities, especially in various battleground states. The case might be headed to the Supreme Court.

"We're very confident," said

Pody, of his hope that the election results can be overturned. "We are not done, we are not giving up. Just because we feel it's being called one way, we want all the court cases to be heard and we feel that we're gonna be victorious in the end."

The event didn't consist entirely of Trump cheerleading. Attorney and Constitutional scholar Jeff Cobble gave the crowd a lesson on the nation's founding document, and how various parts of it could possibly help Trump stay in office.

Cobble started by telling the crowd that the U.S. is a republic, not a democracy, and that the president and vice president are selected by electors, not the people directly.

According to Cobble, in 35 states, including Tennessee, electors are not required to vote for the candidate that won the state's popular vote. If, after the electors' votes are counted, no candidate wins a majority, the election goes to the House of Representatives, where each

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School board talks legislative priorities, future virtual meetings

By Ken Lay

The Knox County Board of Education held its regular session meeting Wednesday. Minutes earlier, KCS announced that the district will switch to virtual learning.

School campuses will be closed beginning today (Dec. 14) and will remain so throughout Winter Break.

In-person students are scheduled to return to their buildings on Jan. 5.

At last week's meeting, held at the Andrew Johnson Building, the board passed its legislative policies with a 7-2 vote. The dissenting votes came from new board member Betsy Henderson and Mike McMillan.

The legislative policies were implemented for a meeting with state legislators, possibly in the coming weeks.

"I spoke to (State Representative) Jason Zachary today and he said that (the legislature) is planning to have a special session before they go back into session," KCS Board Chairman Susan Horn said. "They are going to discuss education and we have our legislative policies, so (any board member) can speak on behalf of the board, and not just the chair."



Dry cleaning is the family business for Fred Williams of Knoxville Cleaners #1.

Knoxville Cleaners #1 celebrates 43 years

Everybody likes to do business with "family owned and operated" establishments. You're more likely to find honesty, quality service and fair prices at these places. The owners let the same set of values they subscribe to at home bleed over into their business dealings.

Knoxville Cleaners #1 at 3106 Chapman Highway is one of the community's oldest family owned and operated businesses. On March 1, 2020, owners Fred and Linda Williams marked their 43rd anniversary of doing business with good old family values in South Knoxville.

The Williams family is among the most qualified dry cleaners in the area. Fred has over 70 years of experience in the dry-cleaning business. Linda has 53 years of experience. Fred's parents, Hobert and Emily Williams, owned and operated a dry cleaner in Knoxville during the 1950s.

The Knoxville staff is also experienced. Linda Houser has worked the counter there for 33 years.

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Fred and Linda were married on Valentine's Day 1976. On March 1, 1977, they assumed management of the Knoxville Cleaners #1.

Fred was born Jan. 14, 1936 in the old General Hospital in Knoxville. Linda is the daughter of Hoyle and Sue Mount. Fred and Linda have four children, Randy Williams and Karen Miller of Knoxville, Toni Smart of Nashville and Gene Lindsey now of Mexico. They also have seven grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Stop and visit Fred and Linda at Knoxville Cleaners #1 for all your dry-cleaning needs.

Ethics Committee may be dumped

By Mike Steely
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When the Knox County Committee on Committees meets Monday afternoon one of the recommendations they may make is to dissolve the Ethics Committee.

Commissioner Carson Dailey told the committee's last meeting that the Ethics Committee has become too involved in politics. He cited instances where political candidates and incumbent officials have been the subject of ethics complaints over the past two years. The county was required to create an ethics code policy according to Law Director David Buuck.

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AJ sale, COVID funds, Board of Health on county agenda

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When the Knox County Commission meets today at 5 p.m. to review a fifty-four item agenda they may discuss a final sales agreement with BNA Associates LLC for the historic Andrew Johnson Building. The agreement was up for closure last month but hit a snag when BNA wanted to change the initial use of the building.

The commission meeting will be "virtual" and can be seen on Community Television at 5 p.m. Speakers in public forum are being asked to call (865) 215-2534 or email to a request to commission@knoxcounty.org. Chairman Larsen Jay ordered the virtual meeting since all five benchmarks set by the Health Department were in the "Red" zone as the pandemic skyrockets in Knox County and the state.

Agenda items discussed in the work session are selected by the chairman or individual members and must be approved or rejected at the commission's regular monthly meeting next week.

The commission may choose to accept a \$14 million COVID-19 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for pandemic expenditures for this year.

A Knoxville-Knox County Sports Authority, on both the city and the county agendas, may be discussed in anticipation of a proposed Smokies Baseball complex near downtown Knoxville.

The Volunteer Ministries Center may get \$47,000 to manage and operate a homeless housing facility for COVID-19 isolation

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My jobs through the years

From a distance



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My brother and sisters and I were very fortunate to have parents who put great pressure on us in a kind, loving, but strict, way to do well in school. Good schools are very important, but I think it is also true that most people learn just as much or even more outside of school.

I think all the various jobs I had while in school taught me a great deal about people and about life in general.

I always felt food about earning most of my spending money, and I sold programs, cokes and popcorn at UT football and basketball games, Knoxville Knights hockey games, and worked as a batboy for the Knoxville Smokies for five and a half seasons.

My first hourly-paid job was for \$1.00 an hour as a groundskeeper at the Holston-Chilhowie ballpark when I was 15.

In high school, I worked as a bag boy at the A&P grocery store on Asheville Highway. I made \$1.10 an hour

for the first six months and \$1.15 after that, with time and a half on Sundays.

I also joined a union, the Retail Wholesale and Department Store Workers, which was the union for A&P employees.

The summer after I graduated from Holston, I became a salesman at Sears on Central. I got to work full-time that summer to temporarily replace a woman who was out due to a car accident.

I was required to wear a suit and tie and was very proud of that job. I worked part-time after starting at UT and had more hours over the holidays, selling cameras, luggage and office equipment, which was all in the same department.

Because of my work at and love for UT sports, I was surprised at how many people did not go to the Tennessee games when I had to work on some of the football Saturdays.

I still have a very clear memory of the first time I was called to the office at Sears. At the escalator, I saw David Weaver, who was 18 like me and who had gone to Central High School. He worked in the paint department.

I told him I bet I had been "hit by one of those Hallmark shoppers" who were mystery shoppers for Sears.

David told me he had just gotten a very angry call from a woman to whom he had sold the wrong color of

paint. We both were scared, thinking we were in big trouble. But they had called us to the office to tell us we had been there for six months and were getting a raise from \$1.25 to \$1.30 an hour.

I worked two summers, 1967 and 1968, full-time in the Nixon for President campaign and will talk more about that in another column.

I then worked my senior year at UT, 1968-69, as a full-time reporter for The Knoxville Journal, our morning daily newspaper.

The Journal gave titles instead of money and I was called the Assistant State Editor, writing stories about

events in the areas near but outside of Knox County. I also did the tv logs and obituaries.

I was admitted to go to law school full-time at George Washington but ended up teaching American Government and Journalism and advising the school newspaper at TC Williams High School in Alexandria.

I joined my second union there, the Alexandria Education Association. I loved teaching and will write a full column about that.

In fact, I loved every job I ever had at the time I had it and thought very seriously about making my career at each place - A&P, Sears, The Journal and as a high school teacher.

Ethics Committee may be dumped

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Buuck told The Focus Friday that the county went beyond the requirements of creating a policy and created the Ethics Committee. The committee has been without an ethics complaint hearing for a couple of years. The county has a standing ethics code, he said.

"The state does not mandate an Ethics Committee," he said.

Ethics Chairman Michael Covington heads the nine-member committee and wrote the Committee a defense of keeping the ethics group.

"We do not support the proposed dissolution of the Ethics Committee," he wrote. He said he had consulted with Kim Frazier, the vice chair, and said the committee "serves a vital role and is a valuable resource for Knox County to offer a level of unbiased, transparent execution of the Knox County Code of Ethics."

Joint Education Committee hears School Budget Report

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"The news continues to be encouraging," said Knox County School's chief financial officer to a meeting of the Joint Education Committee last Monday. Ron McPherson told the members that local sales tax so far has put the system about 30% above their current budget.

McPherson said the budget report doesn't cover the past two months and the current budget had been cut some to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. He said that the cuts and the incoming federal CARES Act money have helped.

He looked at the rest of the school year and reported that 19,000 students have opted for virtual learning at different schools and different

grades. He said the effort to operate that program is "significantly costly" and includes supplying hot spots and online teachers. He also talked about the virus and teachers who are absent because of it or have been sent home because they were in contact with positive-tested teachers or students, noting that obtaining qualified substitute teachers is difficult.

He also detailed the cost of other COVID-19 preventions. "We spend over \$500,000 on hand sanitizers, thermometers both portable and walk throughs, and over \$200,000 for masks," he said.

McPherson said there are "many unknowns going into the next year." "Virtual learning is not going away," he said.

The CFO also said that Knox County has had a

drop in student enrollment. About 1,200 students are not attending virtual or regular classes and he said that might lessen funds coming from the state government. McPherson said the state is being asked by the county to not include daily attendance in the next calculation.

"We're about \$14 million over what we projected and have \$15 million on hand in emergency funds," he continued, but he added, "Next year is hazy."

The Joint Education Committee met in-person in the Andrew Johnson Building.

Joint Education Committee Co-Chair Evetty Satterfield, who ran the meeting, heard suggestions on topics such as a budget report with each meeting, a possible tax increase to help the school system,



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY VIA CTV.

School board member Patti Lou Bounds and Knox County Commissioner Carson Dailey listen as the school system's chief financial officer presents a budget report to the Joint Education Committee last week.

how to keep and attract qualified teachers and a discussion on cooperation between public and private schools.

The next meeting is set for January 20 at 4 p.m. and tentative dates for the other quarterly meetings in 2021 were set.

Commissioner Richie Beeler is the other co-chair and other members include Commissioners Carson Dailey, Terry Hill and Dasha Lundy. School board members include Satterfield, Patti Bounds, Kristi Kristy and Daniel Watson.



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and quarantine for 2021 and the Knox County Forensics Center may be awarded \$7,500 for a software license to track overdose cases.

The use of commissioner discretionary funds is on the agenda as is a Rule Committee recommendation limiting the calling of "Emergency Meetings" to be only within the powers of the commission chairman. Special sessions, currently, may be called by the chair or the Knox County mayor.

The commission may pause in the work session

reading and will need a second "Yes" reading to pass. Currently the Board of Health operates as a state-empowered body and the passage of the Ward proposal would do nothing as the governor's emergency orders stand.

Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs has several appointments on the agenda that include new and renewed members of the Arena Use Committee, the E-911 Board, Three Rivers Golf Board, and the Tennessee Technology Corridor Development Board.



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Publisher's Positions



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Is Christmas Coming Early?

City Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie launched her reelection campaign for next year with an announcement in the Knoxville News-Sentinel she is sponsoring a resolution to spend \$100 million dollars for a nebulous repayment of those folks who were displaced through the eminent domain exercised by the City of Knoxville during the late 1950s and 1960s to build the Civic Auditorium and the Coliseum. That's simply a longwinded way of saying "reparations."

McKenzie, wife of State Representative Sam McKenzie (yes, they are collecting two checks from taxpayers), is proposing a

largely vague resolution committing the city government to spending \$100 million over a seven-year period even though the families and businesses, displaced by the building were paid at the time. McKenzie proposes the \$100 million be dispensed through the recommendations of a proposed African American Equity Restoration Task Force. All of this land, if we want to be blunt about it, at one time belonged to the Cherokee Indians. Which member of the city council is going to propose an Indigenous People's Equity Restoration Task Force? Why doesn't McKenzie sponsor another resolution offering to pay reparations to the Cherokees displaced? Good Lord, that would have to cost at least half a billion dollars.

According to McKenzie, the \$100 million would come "largely" through grants. Let's address that aspect; first of all grant money, whether it comes from the state or federal governments, is still money taken from taxpayers. Just what are these grants and how does one get them? How much of this money

would come from local government, meaning City of Knoxville taxpayers. We already have candidates running for city council who want to double or triple the size of the city's budget to provide free housing and numerous other social services. The only way to do that is through doubling, tripling or quadrupling city taxes. What does that matter anyway when you're spending other people's money? That means folks advocating more expenditures for social services, giveaways or freebies or even reparations are talking about increasing the tax burden of city residents. Giving an unelected body the authority to designate just how \$100 million of taxpayer money is spent seems like a bad idea. One can wrap it up in a pretty little bow of social justice, but that doesn't make it a good idea, much less fiscally sound. Keep in mind, the adopted budget of the City of Knoxville was just over \$336 million, so \$100 million is a pretty big expenditure.

Taxpayers have forked over something like \$17 trillion in social services and programs since

President Lyndon Johnson got Congress to approve his Great Society and, unfortunately, society hasn't gotten all that much greater that I can tell.

Gwen McKenzie's resolution presents a real quandary for the incumbent members of the Knoxville City Council. Several of them are likely going to be shaking in their shoes, fearful they will be viewed as racists lest they vote to approve McKenzie's resolution. Council members are also supposed to be stewards of the taxpayers' money and that poses a political problem for them and might very well affect Gwen McKenzie. McKenzie will have to run citywide in the general election and it may well be a goodly portion of city voters might not appreciate the idea of the vice mayor trying to jack up their taxes.

Mayor Indya Kincannon might be able to give council members some political cover by forthrightly coming out and saying the City can't afford McKenzie's resolution. Of course doing so would require some political courage and Kincannon has all the

courage of the Cowardly Lion. Nor is Kincannon a paragon of leadership.

Most folks don't realize virtually every big sales tax producing business is inside the City of Knoxville's limits, annexed by the city government for the revenue. The city provides residents with little more than fire and police protection, along with garbage pickup and Councilwomen Amelia Parker, Seema Singh and the Socialist Democrats want to defund or abolish the police and spend the money on social services. It's Knox County who operates the school system (yes, there are school buildings inside the city, but Knox County runs and funds the school system), the health department, the libraries and just about every other service you can think of. By annexing businesses and buildings, the city government got a bigger slice of the sales tax pie, which largely came at the expense of Knox County.

One thing for sure is McKenzie's resolution has certainly put her colleagues on the spot. I wonder if some of them didn't faint dead away?

Media Discovers Hunter Biden

Now that the 2020 election is over, the mainstream media has discovered Hunter Biden. With the Biden Transition Team releasing a press release acknowledging Hunter Biden has been under investigation for the last two years, the mainstream media has finally begun reporting it. The Daily Beast, a leftwing publication noted the Hunter Biden issue had gone "unnoticed"... no, it went UNREPORTED by people like the Daily Beast. The Biden folks acknowledged Hunter was being investigated for tax evasion issues, while failing to mention Biden's son is also being looked at for money laundering and God alone knows what else.

Apparently, since the election is over, it's just hunky dory for the media to acknowledge Hunter Biden might be as pure as the driven slush. There are an awful lot of people who are going to find it hard to believe the left is deliberately out to shove Old Joe Biden off the stage to make room for Chameleon Kamala.

County moves ahead with alternative Health Committee

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Following failed attempts to limit the Knox County Board of Health the Knox County Mayor's office is calling for applicants to its new Committee on Health and Economic Well-being. The mayor's office announced the application process open as of noon last Monday.

The committee would advise the mayor and Knox County Commission on health and economics issues, with the key word being "advise."

The 11-member body will be comprised of two economists, one epidemiologist, one virologist, two medical professionals, two psychologists or social workers, two county business leaders and one county commissioner. Everyone except the commissioner would be appointed by Mayor Glenn Jacobs and approved by the commission.

Applicants have until noon, December 21st and no email or other methods will be accepted outside the "linked" forms attached to the announcement. To apply people

are being directed to the Knox County Commission website and asked to click the button on the right marked "Committee on Health and Economic Well-being." From there the various categories of membership are listed with a link in each to apply.

Each member approved for membership would serve for four years except the sole commissioner who would serve during their term.

The new committee would be called to meet when Mayor Glenn Jacobs or the commission chairman deems it necessary,

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state has one vote. Currently the Democrats have a majority of the House's 435 members. But each state's vote can be determined by a majority of its electors. If, of Tennessee's 11 votes, six or more vote for Trump, then Tennessee's one vote for president goes to Trump.

Cobble told the crowd, to great applause, that at the moment a majority of states have Republican-dominated legislatures. Presumably, a majority of the 50 states' individual votes could go for Trump.

Said Cobble: "In Georgia and Pennsylvania and all the battleground states we need to be pressing the state legislatures, especially those that are under Republican control that they need to exercise their own authority to pick the electors and not allow people to select the electors. They have every

constitutional right to select them themselves."

The rally, like any such event, had its circus-like element. In response to one of the speakers, colonial re-enactor Roger Whitaker, wearing 1770s garb, stood up and began loudly chanting "stop-the-steal," as he waved his American flag. The crowd quickly chimed in.

As moving as any of the speakers was Tennessee Stands founder Gary Humble. Only a few months old, Tennessee Stands is, according to its mission statement, a "nonprofit social advocacy organization that serves to protect the individual liberties of all Tennesseans as stated in the Tennessee State Constitution."

The crowd ate up Humble's message of oppressive government stifling citizens' freedoms.

"We are in a war that has been going on now for quite

some time," said Humble. "This is not just about an election. This is about a fundamental global shift in the takedown of what you and I know as America.. The doctrine of non-resistance against arbitrary power and oppression is absurd and slavish. Here's what that means: You and I as Tennesseans have a duty to resist arbitrary power."

Humble took a swipe at what many on the right believe is the government's excessive use of power – both locally and nationally - concerning COVID-19. "Unelected boards of city health don't make laws," he declaimed, referencing Knoxville.

"Government overreach," according to Humble, is why there have been rising national rates of social pathologies, including suicide, depression and child abuse.

South High: How to take care of yourself this holiday season

We have officially hit holiday season! We're hoping that this season is the most wonderful part of 2020 (it won't be hard to top many parts of this year!) for you and your family. While we know that many people are shifting their focus to spreading joy to others, the staff of South High wants to make sure we remind you to take the time to take care of yourself and protect others.

Here are some of our tips for staying healthy this holiday season:

- Invest in your mental health. Devote some time to your mental health – it's just as important as

your physical health! Our Vibrant Life® directors ensure that there are a number of mental health-boosting activities every week, so you can choose from things like a relaxing walk to enjoy some fresh air, arts and crafts, writing letters to your loved ones, or even spending a day just relaxing. This year has definitely been difficult, so be sure you are communicating with those around you if you are feeling depressed or overwhelmed.

- Indulge in treats. In our opinion, the best desserts and snacks are typically around during the holiday season. So, while

living a healthy lifestyle is important, it is also good to allow yourself to indulge in a few more treats than usual. Don't overthink it but remember to still mix in some healthy vegetables or lean meats in order to get the nutrients you need. And of course, drink plenty of water to stay hydrated.

- Combat germs. This year, we've learned a lot about how to keep each other safe from viruses and bacteria. But with flu season upon us, it's doubly important to make sure you're putting the CDC's best practices to use! Besides simply arming yourself with the

flu vaccine, take other preventive measures to fight germs. Remember to frequently wash your hands, wear a mask, and social distance.

Enjoying the holidays with your family and friends is the most important part of the season, so do your best to keep yourself healthy and happy! While you are visiting with family this season, consider exploring our Assisted Living or Memory Care services. Our wonderful and highly trained care staff are available 24 hours a day to support your loved one, to give both you and them peace of mind with the knowledge

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How Do I Get a Divorce?

If you are contemplating getting a divorce, you may not understand how to even start the process.

Although it may seem strange, you are actually suing your spouse for a divorce. That means that

a divorce goes through the court system just like a personal injury or contract case.

That may seem strange given that a marriage is a personal relationship being decided on by a judge. It does not feel correct that a judge should rule over a divorce as they would a contract dispute, which we think of as a business relationship.

Unfortunately, that is the case. You have to file a Complaint for divorce with the court and that Complaint has to be served upon the person you are divorcing. The Complaint is the same name of the document served upon a defendant in a contract dispute or a car wreck case, or a real estate dispute lawsuit.

As you go through the legal process of getting divorced, if an agreement



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is not worked out by the parties, at some point there will be a trial. In divorce cases, there is no jury. A judge is the sole individual who will be deciding what the outcome of a divorce case is.

I would note, I have never had a judge NOT grant a divorce. If one person in a marriage wants to get a divorce, and the other one wants to stay married, I am sorry to tell you, but the judge will grant the divorce. The final outcome may be delayed for some period of time, but eventually if someone wants to be divorced, they will have that divorce granted to them.

The main issues that the judge usually is deciding is, who gets the stuff, where the kids will be living, whether child support will be awarded and how much will be awarded, and whether alimony will be awarded, and how much will be awarded.

As I have just explained it, that may make the process sound straightforward and easy, and a good attorney will try to make the process work that way, but because

marriage is such a personal thing, divorce cases can often get bogged down in fights over the smallest things.

I once had a case that almost went to a trial because both parties could not agree who got specific Christmas ornaments.

The easiest way to do a divorce quickly and easily is to consult with an attorney that will be brutally honest with you about what to expect throughout the process, and who will advise you how to achieve your goals while still working quickly to conclude the case.

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School board talks legislative priorities, future virtual meetings

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In the board forum, member Daniel Watson opened a discussion on whether the board will switch to virtual meetings, much as the Knox County Board of Health does and Knox County Commission has opted to do in the near future.

His plan met with opposition at this time, but that is subject to change.

"I think we're better when we meet here in this room," Horn said. "But we can change (to virtual) with a 48-hour notice."

Several board members,

including Patti Bounds, Virginia Babb and Evetty Satterfield, said that they were of the opinion that the board should continue in-person meetings as long as school buildings remain open.

Knox County Health Department Director Dr. Martha Buchanan also addressed the board regarding the changes in the COVID-19 quarantine protocol.

She said that Knox County has adopted the revised Center for Disease Control protocols, which includes a reduction in quarantine days from 14

to 10 if a person has been exposed to the virus.

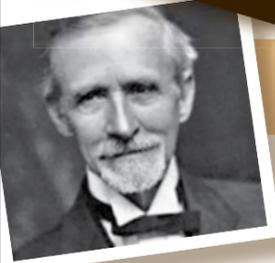
The board also recognized teachers Marcia Southern, Caitlin Seidler and Wendie Love for recent awards.

Southern was named Simon Youth Foundation Teacher of the Year for 2020.

Love was named 2021 Tennessee Art Education Association Special Needs Educator of the Year and Seidler was named Tennessee Art Education Association East Region Art Educator of the Year for 2021.

Over two centuries many notable people have been born or lived in our county, from music and movie stars to business and political leaders. The Knoxville Focus highlights some of the outstanding individuals who have left their stamp on our history.

NOTABLES FROM KNOXVILLE



WILLIAM RULE

William Rule was born in south Knox County and was largely self educated. After the general store he founded with his brother closed, he joined the staff of the Knoxville Whig newspaper, a radical and pro-Union publication.

In the early days of the Civil War he escaped to Kentucky and joined the Union Army, serving as a captain. After the war he returned to Knoxville as editor at the Whig and was elected twice as County Court Clerk.

Rule created the Knoxville Journal, served in the Senate and as city mayor. He created the city waterworks, opened a small pox hospital and created a board of health. In 1900, Rule helped write and edit "Standard History of Knoxville," the city's comprehensive history.

Rule High School was named after William Rule and operated in Knoxville from 1927 until 1991. A house built by Rule at 1604 Clinch Avenue in Fort Sanders is now in the National Registry of Historic Structures.

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Cherel Henderson retiring as ETHS director

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The East Tennessee Historical Society's long time executive director, Cherel Bolin Henderson, is retiring on December 31st. Henderson has served for the past 17 years, guiding the society and the East Tennessee History Museum in programs

like the Bicentennial heritage First Families of Tennessee, the renovation of the former Custom House, the Voices of the Land and many other innovative programs and displays.

"Cherel has been a driving force for ETHS. Cherel's leadership legacy will be evident in every aspect of ETHS for many years

to come," said Board Chairman Jerome Melson.

Melson announced that A. Warren Dockter, Ph.D., has been named by the board of directors as the new president and CEO. A Grainger County native, Dockter has spent the last four years as historian at a university in Wales, United Kingdom.

Henderson said she's

looking forward to spending time with her children and grandchildren, doing historic research and writing, and traveling to places where she can "stand in the spot" where historic events took place.

"I will certainly be engaged with the East Tennessee Historic Society," she said.



Retiring Executive Director Cherel Henderson of the East Tennessee Historical Society poses with "Heartland Series" producer and regional author Bill Landry in a recent year Christmas time event. She was active with the society for 33 years, the last 17 as director. The Knoxville Focus file photo by Mike Steely.

Creation of a Sports Authority on City Agenda

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The creation of a Knoxville-Knox County Sports Authority is on the city council agenda for Tuesday evening in a request from city administration. The Authority would cover financing and construction of the new stadium.

Earlier last year Randy Boyd, owner of the Knoxville Smokies, announced plans to build a \$142 million apartment and baseball complex adjacent to the Old City. Boyd has 7 acres of a former industrial park. The complex would include apartments and community space and, aside from the baseball stands for fan seating, the apartment building would feature bleachers atop the building.

The council also will discuss the renewal of their Nashville lobbyist, Fred D. (Tony) Thompson Jr., in a \$60,000 annual agreement for government relations service. Thompson



Randy Boyd's proposed baseball and apartment complex may get some action from the city council Tuesday as they consider creation of a Sports Authority.

is the son of the late Fred Thompson, former U.S. Senator and actor.

Austin Homes Phase II may get \$4.5 million in

an agreement with the Community Development Corporation for site infrastructure along Summit Hill, Harriet Tubman and

Bell streets.

COVID-19 funds are involved in three homeless programs with funds going to the Arts and

Cultural Alliance, Connect Ministries and UT. The university may get \$198,441

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VMC seeks Planned Development for East Fifth site

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The expansion plans of Volunteer Ministry Center's property at 1501 East Fifth Avenue is on the Knoxville City Council agenda for Tuesday evening. The ministerial organization is asking for approval of amending the zoning map there to designate a Planned Development (PD) for the property.

Knoxville-Knox Planning has approved the request 14-0 and it will take two readings at council for approval. The East Fifth Avenue project had been the subject of objection for the past two years as residents in the community fought successfully to make three partials part of the Caswell Park instead of giving them to VMC for expansion.

The city then voluntarily closed part of Myrtle Street and deeded it to VMC after the organization purchased the Positive Living apartments. The plans call for adding onto the apartments and creating additional housing for the homeless.

This request and other zoning requests on the agenda are appearing for their first readings; two readings are needed for passage

In the flurry of rezoning

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Councilwoman Seema Singh responds to critic

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At the end of a recent Knoxville City Council meeting, only one person spoke at public forum. Constance Every lambasted the mayor and council over various issues including funding being used for programs not aimed at the homeless or various community programs. Every often speaks

during public forums at the city council and county commission meetings.

The virtual meeting on Community Television captured the loud and angry comments and one council member replied to the criticism.

Every said the mayor should be recalled and said that she (Every) could easily qualify to run for a city position. She warned

the council they will be opposed in the next election. Then she noted that Councilwoman Seema Singh had her hand up to speak.

"Put your hand down, Seema," Every shouted, "I'm so sick of you selling out the ... money. How's your boyfriend Rick doing? Really well, I bet so."

As Mayor Indya Kincannon was looking

for an adjournment, Singh spoke up.

"I'm just wondering what the purpose of public forum is?" she asked, adding, "I hope that we have discussions on the forum that are productive and respectful because I don't generally answer to people who are screaming at me or taking out their issues."

"I understand anger. Not everyone has to be angry

to make change. That's not where I come from and I don't think most of the people on council come from it. So I'm hoping we get a chance to talk about what our expectations from public forum is and will be," Singh said.

Mayor Kincannon suggested the topic of public forum could be the subject of a future council work session.

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Where are the Christmas carols?

We wait the entire year to hear them. They bring us joy and comfort. Yet, it has been amazing at the lack of Christmas carols I have heard this year. And of all years, we need to hear them now.



By Ralphine Major
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words and melodies of the beautiful Christmas hymns like "Angels We Have Heard on High."

Such songs are familiar as they have become a part of our culture and heritage.

Even though our family is not attending in-person church services during the COVID pandemic, we watch many services throughout the week on television and online.

The more I see and hear, the more I realize we did not know what we had growing up in our small, rural church.

I never thought I would see the day when the beloved Christmas carols would be missing in many American churches.

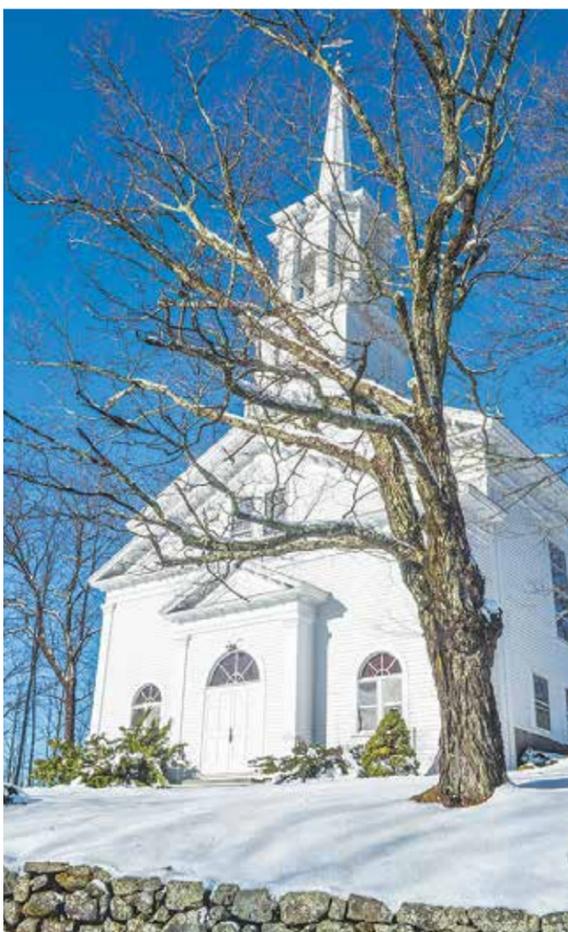
Are we losing the treasured and timeless Christmas carols like "O Holy Night," "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" and "O Come All Ye Faithful?" For years they have been the foundation of the Christmas season. Most adults know the

season of "Silent Night" and "O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem." When the music beckons us to sing "We Three Kings," "Go, Tell it on the Mountain" or "O Little Town of Bethlehem," there is hardly a need to open the hymn book.

Will our children and youth find the peace and joy in Isaac Watts' "Joy to the World?" Will they know the words to classic carols like "The First Noel" or "Away in a Manger?" Will the timeless Christmas carols remain a tradition?

Words of Faith are found in scripture from the Christmas story in the Book of Luke which surely provided inspiration for the lyrics of many beloved Christmas carols.

"And she brought forth



Picture of a beautiful church in snow---classic New England, courtesy of Bryce Williams, Meteorologist at the U.S. National Weather Service in Boston, Massachusetts

her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7 (KJV)

VMC seeks Planned Development for East Fifth site

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requests, the council is being asked to rezone three properties at the intersection of Greenway Drive and North Broadway in Fountain City. Ronnie Welch is asking that 2613, 2615 and 2625 Greenway be rezoned from Office to Highway Commercial. The request drew a favorable vote from Planning in an 8-6 split decision.

The 4.5 acres contain vacant land, an office building, a long double-door garage and a long carport. Greenway Drive is a minor feeder road located between Broadway and Beverly Road with modest residential homes and a few businesses.

Other zoning changes before the council include 114 Dameron Avenue from Office to

General Commercial, 2244 Western Avenue and 1606 Procter Street from I-G General Commercial to C-G-2 General Commercial and Zero Western Avenue from Single-Family Residential to Office.

Another residential lot at 817 East Oldham Avenue is being requested to rezone to Office and 205 Bridgewater is being considered for a change from Office Park to General Commercial. Property at 1136 Groner Drive is set to rezone from RN-1 General Residential Neighborhood to RN-4 Residential.

The council is also being asked to rename South Bell Street to Fort Summit Way and to close a portion of Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue between Harriet Tubman Street and East Summit Hill Drive.

Our Time to Defend America Is Now

I've always been amazed at this country we call home. Over the years, this land and its people have bowed their backs in the face of adversity and prevailed.



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could direct itself and retain its freedom.

The War of 1812 and the Mexican-American War sent our soldiers back into battle to war, but both paled in the comparison to the Civil War. Slavery

was one primary cause for this one, but Lincoln's concern was maintaining the Union. The secession of the southern states and formation of their own country led to a years-long blood bath. Much sadder than any other war the country has fought, the Civil War pitted

friends against family members. On the back of that were the lives of slaves who had been abused, belittled, killed. Knowing that humans were treated like livestock is something hard to understand. The final count of lives lost was 623,026.

The years after the Civil War saw the southern states destroyed. Carpetbaggers arrived with no concern for rebuilding the states or helping those who had been freed. Still, Americans worked together to eventually make things better. We survived as a whole country.

World War I took our young men to Europe to fight with allies to defeat a German country intent on dominating the area. The

murder of 128 Americans on the Lusitania by a German submarine fueled America's entry to the war. Two million U.S. soldiers fought, and 53,402 of them died in combat. Another 63,114 died due to the flu epidemic of 1918.

The world again found itself at war as Hitler maniacally worked to become the ruler of the world and as Hirohito pushed a nationalistic, militaristic Japan into conflict. The attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, killed 2403 servicemen and thrust this country into the conflict. The belief in American values and the determination to remain a free and independent country led thousands to enlist in branches of service. By the end of the war 405,399 soldiers had sacrificed their

lives for the country and citizens. What I wonder now is if we who are citizens of the U.S. today have the same courage to fight and sacrifice for this country. COVID-19 on Thursday, December 3 took the lives of nearly 2900, a larger number than Pearl Harbor and just short of the 9/11 attack (2977). The death toll stands right now at 276,513, and more than 14 million cases have been reported. Predictions are that as many as 500,000+ deaths will be recorded by April.

The CDC says 60,000 lives can be saved if Americans simply wear masks. President-elect Biden will ask everyone to wear a mask during his first 100 days in office. I wonder if Americans have what it

takes to take on this killer and defeat it. Yes, sacrifices must be made, but they are nothing compared to what others have given. We must stay home, wear masks in public, and wash hands frequently. No one is being asked to enlist or be drafted and to travel to a different country to shoot at enemies. I'd say our service is rather easy.

I've heard enough belly-aching to last a lifetime about how unfair and difficult it is to do these things. Look at it a different way. We are fighting a war that has already killed too many of our countrymen. The time is to fight for our country and its survival. Are we up to the challenge? Only time and actions will tell.

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The Nomination of Judge John J. Parker to the U.S. Supreme Court

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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One of the responsibilities of the United States Senate as set out in the Constitution is that of advising and consenting to nominations made by the Executive Branch of the federal government. Between 1894 and 1968 --- a span of seventy-four years --- the United States Senate rejected only one presidential nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Tennessee's senior United States senator, Kenneth D. McKellar, had an important role to play in the Senate's rejection of the nomination of Judge John J. Parker to the nation's highest court. There were two vacancies to fill on the Supreme Court in 1930, the first caused by the resignation of Chief Justice William Howard Taft. To this day, Taft remains the only former President of the United States to have served on the Supreme Court. Taft had been in failing health and resigned as Chief Justice on February 3, 1930. That same day President Herbert Hoover nominated Charles Evans Hughes to serve as Chief Justice. A former governor of New York, Hughes had been an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court in 1916 when he resigned to accept the Republican nomination for president to challenge incumbent Woodrow Wilson. Hughes went to bed the night of the election believing he was the President-elect, but as the votes came in from California, he only narrowly lost to Wilson. One newsman called for Hughes that evening and the phone was answered by an aide who coldly said the "president-elect" was asleep and could not be disturbed. The reporter snapped, "Well, tell him when he wakes up, he's not president any longer" and hung up.

A man of Olympian appearance, Charles Evans Hughes had served as secretary of state during the administration of Warren G. Harding and into that of Calvin Coolidge before resigning to return to a quite lucrative law practice in New York.

Progressive Republicans were especially unhappy with the Hughes nomination. Some fretted that he had resigned from the court to accept a nomination by a political party for office, albeit the presidency of the United States. Others, including populist Democrats, largely Southern Democrats, disliked the fact Hughes had earned a large income by representing corporations and corporate clients. The sixty-seven-year-old Hughes was the oldest man to be nominated to serve as chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. The Senate, following

debate, played its role of "advise and consent" and the nomination of Charles Evans Hughes passed the Senate 52 - 26.

Edward Terry Sanford died unexpectedly on March 8, 1930, after a visit to his dentist. Sanford, from Knoxville, Tennessee, had been nominated to serve on the Supreme Court by the late President Warren G. Harding. Although a Democrat, and a highly partisan one at that, Senator Kenneth McKellar had much to do with Sanford's nomination to the Supreme Court during a GOP administration and a Republican-dominated Congress.

President Herbert Hoover announced on March 21, 1930, he had nominated John J. Parker to fill the vacancy caused by Justice Sanford's death. Hoover had served as secretary of commerce during the administrations of Warren G. Harding and Calvin Coolidge and had been considered a sort of political wunderkind when he first ran for the Republican nomination for president in 1928. Hoover was so popular he had been lauded for the presidential nomination of both the Democratic and Republican parties; in fact, Franklin D. Roosevelt had advocated the nomination of Herbert Hoover for the Democratic nomination for president in 1920. Hoover swept past the political bosses to clinch the GOP nomination and won the 1928 presidential election in a landslide over New York governor Alfred E. Smith. Smith was the first person of the Catholic faith ever to head the ticket of one of the country's major political parties and it was a disaster. The Protestant South, which was normally the most reliably Democratic region in the country, rebelled. Suddenly, Southern Democrats had to scramble and actually campaign to keep their states in the Democratic column in the 1928 general election. Herbert Hoover carried several normally Democratic states, including Florida, Texas, North Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee. Al Smith, a political "wet," meaning he did not support the national prohibition of liquor prevalent at the time, carried only six states in the 1928 presidential election: Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and South Carolina. Herbert Hoover carried everything else. Neither Virginia nor North Carolina had voted for a Republican since 1872; Texas had never before voted for a Republican presidential candidate. No less than 215 counties that had never before



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John J. Parker of North Carolina, Judge of the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals.

supported a Republican presidential candidate voted for Herbert Hoover. Still, Al Smith had polled more votes than any previous Democratic presidential candidate in 30 of the 48 states (Alaska and Hawaii were not states at the time); Tennessee was one of four states (the others were Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas) where Smith ran behind the vote won by John W. Davis, the Democratic nominee for president in 1924. Al Smith won just over 40% of the ballots cast, while Herbert Hoover won over 58% of the vote.

Democrats had difficulty in holding some of the most rabidly Democratic states in the old Confederacy; Hoover tallied 120,725 votes in Alabama to 127,797 for Smith.

Alabama U. S. Senator Tom Heflin had bolted the party to campaign against Smith and "the Pope of Rome." Likewise, Senator Furnifold Simmons, the Democratic boss of North Carolina, refused to support Smith's presidential candidacy and saw the Tar Heel State carried by Herbert Hoover with 55% of the vote.

It was a devastating defeat for the Democrats and Hoover followed Calvin Coolidge into the White House on a wave of Republican prosperity. That prosperity evaporated in October of 1929 when the stock market crashed. The "chicken in every pot" and "Model T in every garage" carried the ring of a cruel mockery. By 1930, President Hoover's political clout was diminishing as the suffering inflicted by the Great Depression became more acute. Hoover's nomination of John Johnston Parker seemed likely to be approved by the full Senate, but there were immediately rumblings of discontent as opposition began to bubble to the surface.

John J. Parker was a judge of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the

Fourth Circuit. Parker was a Southerner, having been born in North Carolina, which was a political calculation made by President Hoover, who thought Southern Democrats inside the U.S. Senate would have difficulty in opposing the nomination of a Southern judge. Parker was no political novice as he had carried the GOP banner in a 1910 race for Congress, had been his party's nominee for state attorney general in 1916, and for governor in 1920. President Calvin Coolidge had appointed Parker to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in 1925. John J. Parker had been confirmed by the United States Senate on December 14, 1925.

Parker's nomination to the Supreme Court was immediately opposed by organized labor due to an opinion he had written in a case involving the United Mine Workers, which was considered to be highly anti-labor by unions. The American Federation of Labor and the CIO instantly mobilized to oppose Parker's nomination. The NAACP also issued a blast against Parker's nomination to the Supreme Court because of a statement he had made during his 1920 campaign for governor. Responding to an accusation made by a Democratic opponent who asserted Parker, if elected, would urge participation in the political process by black citizens, Parker replied, "The participation of the Negro in politics is a source of evil and danger to both races and is not desired by the wise men in either race or the Republican Party of North Carolina." That comment ignited a flame that ultimately would doom John J. Parker's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court.

When John J. Parker was nominated for the Supreme Court, Tennessee was represented in the United States Senate by Kenneth D. McKellar and William E. Brock. McKellar was the first person ever to

be elected by the people of Tennessee to serve in the Senate, winning election in 1916. Brock, a wealthy candy manufacturer, businessman and philanthropist from Chattanooga, had been appointed to the U. S. Senate in 1929 by Tennessee governor Henry Horton following the death of Senator Lawrence D. Tyson. Senator McKellar was no admirer of President Herbert Hoover; quite to the contrary, the peppery McKellar was one of the more vocal members of the Senate in his criticisms of the Chief Executive. As the president nominated John J. Parker for the Supreme Court, McKellar was denouncing Hoover on the Senate floor over the tariff, which Hoover had asked for "limited" revisions. McKellar growled the president was "absolutely responsible and has been for a long time for the muddled condition of the present tariff bill." Senator McKellar said, "The president has stood by in silence, without the vision, leadership or courage to direct the Republicans in Congress to do what he advised them to do." The Detroit Free Press in an editorial opinion sniffed, "Senator McKellar is a Democrat, who has never given any striking evidence of a willingness to place country above party; and for that reason, his implied regret that Mr. Hoover has not seen fit to 'direct' the Republicans in Congress to override the Democratic opposition to the present tariff bill seems to border on insincerity." The Free Press wondered why McKellar did not use his influence inside the Senate to promote Hoover's stated intent with regard to the tariff, wisely choosing to ignore the reality the Senate was controlled by its Republican majority.

It was hardly unusual for K.D. McKellar to issue a blistering statement on any issue involving President Herbert Hoover. Yet McKellar commanded the attention of

his colleagues and the national press when he announced on the floor of the Senate his office had been entered on the previous Saturday night and "his desks and files ransacked." "Of course, I do not know what was wanted," McKellar said, "but probably some secret service agents or somebody else desired to get something for their benefit and to my detriment." Senator McKellar told his colleagues any person, especially whoever had illegally entered his Senate office and wanted to "find out something about my office, instead of coming in the night time, to come in the day time, get my consent and go through all the files and desks regardless."

Senator Reed Smoot of Utah acknowledged his office had also been entered and two new pens had gone missing. Senator William E. Brock also said his office had been "disturbed." Senator Brock said a "desk pad and a couple of pens" were taken from his office. Smoot was quick to say he never believed secret service agents were responsible for looting his office. McKellar did say while nothing had apparently gone missing from his Senate office, his "files and records" were left in considerable disorder. McKellar darkly reminded his colleagues "this is not the first time such an incident has occurred," saying he recalled the office of Senator Thaddeus Caraway of Arkansas had been broken into "some time ago."

McKellar's announcement came a few days before the final vote on the nomination of John J. Parker to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court. Opposition to the Parker nomination in Tennessee had commenced almost immediately. The Chattanooga Daily Times reported senators McKellar and Brock had received a telegram from Local Number 89 of the International Typographical Union protesting against Judge Parker's nomination.

As the United States Senate considered the nomination of Judge John J. Parker to sit on the Supreme Court, the matter went first to a subcommittee of the Senate's Judiciary Committee headed by Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska, a progressive Republican who had bolted his own party to endorse the candidacy of Governor Al Smith. The fight over Judge Parker's nomination would be hard-fought, bitterly contested and close.


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Planning Commission hears case about boarding-home men trying to start anew

By Bill Howard

You understand that some people have serious problems – substance abuse and/or mental health come immediately to mind – and need help. Of course, some might also have criminal records. But you try your hardest to be compassionate toward these people, both in word and deed.

Then you find out a dozen or so such men might be occupying a boarding-house type facility in your neighborhood. Does your compassion suddenly morph into self-protection?

On Thursday, Dec. 10, the Knoxville-Knox Co. Planning Commission took up the issue when real estate developer Parker Bartholomew, representing architect applicant Seth Schweitzer, requested permission to house 12 residents, along with two staff members, in a facility at 3430 Zion Lane in County Commission District 6. The facility would be part of Angelic Ministries.

The staff recommendation was to deny the boarding home because “the use is incompatible with surrounding land uses and insufficient infrastructure

exists to support the use.”

Bartholomew’s address to the commissioners focused on the value of the program both to the residents, and the community. He also attempted to quell the fear that such a program commonly engenders.

“We’re prepared to bring the building up to code,” said Bartholomew. “Many people not associated with Angelic Ministries have tried to create an atmosphere of fear. Angelic Ministries has never operated a drug rehab program, and we will not operate one in this building.”

“We do not deny that in the past some of these men have struggled with substance abuse,” Bartholomew went on. “These men were not taught to be men:

“These men and women are already among us. They’re living in the shadows. The place to deal with it is not the criminal justice system; it is not to build more jails. We as a community need to decide to try something else or we’ll have the same result. Angelic has a track record of success in helping these men change the path they’re on.”

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Commissioner Scott Smith questioned whether the building’s location was helpful. “I know this kind of thing is needed and

fathers, husbands, servants. These men need to learn how to cook, how to do laundry, get up in the morning and go to work, create a budget, pay bills, show their children love, ask for forgiveness and to forgive.”

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a more urban setting would be more helpful to developing life skills. Another commissioner thought that might lead to more temptations.

Speaking for the opposition, area resident Stephanie Kozak told the commission a chilling

story from her past.. “Growing up my father ran two different homes, exactly like the one proposed here,” she said. “Even with security protocols in place, one of the men found the opportunity to rape my little sister. The man had no prior criminal history, and was actually referred by his church. That’s why this plan was rejected by the Halls community and why it’s being opposed by our community.”

Said Commissioner Tim Hill: “I just don’t see this being a bad place for it. I certainly think there’s no wrong place to help folks get their feet back underneath them. I’m sensitive to the young lady who got raped but it’s not fair to infer that it’s more common in groups like this.”

Bartholomew was asked about the facility’s security. He told the commission that the men were free to leave, but an effort would be made to get them a ride, not just have them walk off on their own.

The planners voted 8-6 to allow the boarding home to operate with no more than 12 residents, and two staff members. The next meeting is Jan. 14.

those people that are in those programs are not less than anybody else,” he said “But would you choose this location if the building wasn’t there? They’re back at the end of that little road. What do they do on weekends? I’m not sure that this use is appropriate for this location.”

An exchange developed about what exactly defines a boarding house. Commissioner Dick Graf thought that issue was secondary.

“This is a use on review,” said Graf. “What is the use of the property? It doesn’t matter if there’s 12 people there, or 14. What is it gonna be used for? (Commissioner) Scott Smith questioned the location and surrounding area. I think that’s what we should be looking at. This needs to happen but this is not the location.”

The suggestion was made that a more urban setting would be more helpful to developing life skills. Another commissioner thought that might lead to more temptations.

Creation of a Sports Authority on City Agenda

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to administer the Homeless Management Information System.

The council will also look at a contract to provide underground utility location services for the city’s streetlight program, an agreement with AT&T to use their utility poles, and an agreement on the use of Volunteer Landing Marina subject to TVA approval.

Twelve receptacles for RV connections may be installed on the top of Garage B of the Civic Coliseum and Auditorium. The contract would be with Miller Electrical Contractors Inc. for \$43,284.

The council may express thanks to the Boyd Foundation for donating \$250,000 for construction of five new dog parks within the city.

Vice Mayor Gwenn McKenzie is asking for acknowledgment and an apology for actions hurting African Americans and to address equity restoration.

She and several council members also plan to congratulate Vice President-elect Kamala Harris on her selection as Joe Biden’s running mate.

Mayor Indya Kincannon

has several appointments to the Neighborhood Advisory Council, the Industrial Development Board, the Downtown Cinema Inc., and the Knoxville Transportation

Authority Board.

On second reading the council may approve \$100,000 for the Knox Education Foundation to support efforts to secure internet access for local

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Catholic High's Handje Tamba goes for a layup in the Irish's 60-48 victory over Bearden Thursday night. Tamba scored 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead Catholic to victory.

Tamba leads Catholic past Bulldogs in hoops showdown

By Ken Lay

Longtime Catholic High School boys basketball coach Mike Hutchens wasn't sure what to expect when his team took the floor against Bearden in a matchup of area heavyweights late last week.

"I thought we were sharp defensively and I was a little concerned about that," Hutchens said after the Irish toppled the Bulldogs Thursday night in a battle of defending state champions at Catholic High School. "We missed four days of practice last week and we had two games canceled."

The Irish (5-1) got off to a quick start, opening a 14-2 lead as junior forward Handje Tamba, a 7-footer scored eight of his game-high and career best 22 points in the inaugural frame.

The Bulldogs (9-1), after their early struggles, fought an uphill battle all night.

But Bearden battled back to pull to within 39-35 when Walker Kyle grabbed an offensive rebound and converted a putback with 3 minutes, 24 seconds left in the third quarter.

Bulldogs' coach Jeremy Parrott commended his team effort but said that Bearden's slow start proved too much to overcome.

"These kids will always play hard and you can talk about moral victories, but we lost this game in the first six minutes," Parrott said. "We got it to within four when it was 39-35, but if we'd gotten off to a better start, we might have been tied or had a two or three-point lead at that point in the game."

Bearden struggled out of the gate, making only one of its early field goal attempts and committing six turnovers in the opening frame.

"We missed some early

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KCS shutdown puts athletic teams at a 'disadvantage'

By Steve Williams

Knox County Schools may have valid reasons to go to online learning starting today – five days prior to the beginning of winter break (Dec. 18 through Jan. 4) – but is there really a need to stop athletic play and practice during this time?

If so, don't the coaches and student-athletes at least deserve an

explanation?

KCS Superintendent Bob Thomas' announcement Wednesday night simply ended with, "In addition, all sports and extracurricular activities will be cancelled during this time."

Meanwhile, Division II schools in Knox County will continue to play their games, as will high school teams in neighboring counties.

The KCS announcement also came only four days after TSSAA's football season ended with its last of nine state championship games in Cookeville.

TSSAA sports that will be affected in Knox County include basketball, wrestling and bowling.

Supt. Thomas said with COVID-19

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PHOTO BY SHELLEY JOHNSON

South-Doyle's David Hull (71) goes to work against Central's defense line. The 6-6, 300-pound veteran left tackle allowed only two sacks in the 2020 campaign.

Hull was big and dominating for South-Doyle

By Steve Williams

At 6-foot-6 and 300 pounds, it was hard to miss David Hull on South-Doyle High's offensive line.

But it wasn't just his size that drew a lot of attention.

The Cherokees' senior left tackle, a first-team selection on The Focus / Coaches' 2020 All-Knox County squad, also stood out for his consistent performance.

Hull had 95 "domination blocks" according to Coach Clark Duncan and "only two sacks allowed" during the season. The four-year starter also was named the Region 2-5A Offensive Lineman of the Year.

Hull had a torn labrum in his

shoulder but "chose to fight it out," said Duncan.

Late in the regular season, Hull had several colleges interested in him, including Tulane, according to Duncan. With a weighted GPA of 4.48, he also was considering playing for one of the service schools – Army, Navy or Air Force.

"David will have (shoulder) surgery," said Duncan Friday in an update on Hull. "He has not committed to anyone. He has left his recruiting options open."

Junior teammate Tavian Goodwin joined Hull on the All-Knox County offensive line. The 6-2, 280-pounder had 105 "domination blocks" and

allowed only three sacks.

Another interesting thing about Goodwin, said Duncan, was, "He is our best defensive lineman, but we played him on offense only. He's a great player."

POTTS ON TARGET: All-Knox County quarterback Jordyn Potts completed 170 of 262 passes (65 percent) for 2,590 yards and 28 touchdowns in his super sophomore season.

Farragut junior Dawson Moore earned second-team honors with 2,073 passing yards, 27 TDs and only four interceptions.

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Lady Bulldogs keep perfect mark intact with win at Maryville

By Ken Lay

MARYVILLE --- Bearden High School girls basketball coach Justin Underwood knows that his team is at its best when it shares the basketball. Underwood had to like what he saw Tuesday night.

Four Lady Bulldogs posted double figures in the scoring column as the Lady Bulldogs picked up a key District 4-AAA victory, beating Maryville 70-64 on the road.

"It was just a great game between two good teams after Bearden (7-0 overall, 2-0 in the district) kept its perfect record intact with the win over the Lady Rebels (6-1, 1-1) "It was a big early-season win for us and it was a great early-season game.

"We knew coming in that this would be a tough game with Maryville coming off their state tournament run last year. Any road win in our district is big and important."

Senior Zneyah McLaughlin scored 25 points and grabbed 10 rebounds and dished out five assists for Bearden. But she also received plenty of help from her supporting cast on this night.

Avery Treadwell and Emily Gonzalez had 16 points each and newcomer Jennifer Sullivan, who transferred from The King's Academy, finished with 13 points.

Treadwell also pulled down 10 boards, posting a double-double. Sullivan knocked down three 3-point shots.

"Zneyah had a double-double, with 25 points and 10 rebounds," Underwood said. "She really helped us set the tone."

"We really hit some big shots. Our girls have worked extremely hard and right now, our offense is probably a little bit ahead of our defense."

The Lady Bulldogs, who were scheduled to host Lenoir City Tuesday, will now face a long layoff. Knox County Schools campuses will close their doors and switch to remote learning district-wide beginning today (Dec. 14).

In-person learning is slated to resume on Jan. 5, following Winter Break. With school closures, all district extracurricular activities including sports will be suspended.

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THE 'X' FACTOR: Halls senior Xander Allen racked up big numbers in earning first-team All-Knox County honors at defensive end. He recorded 29 TFL, 11 sacks, five forced fumbles and 85 tackles.

'MR. EVERYTHING': That's what Central Coach Nick Craney called Liam Fortner when submitting his nominees for the All-Knox County team.

As a wide receiver, Fortner had 64 receptions for 869 yards and 11 touchdowns. Those numbers alone would have qualified as an exceptional season. But Liam also ran with the ball out of the "wildcat" formation, gaining 536 yards on 87 attempts and scoring 14 more TDs. Throw in his one two-point conversion run and he totaled 152 points.

Defensively, Fortner had 38 solo stops and eight assists as a strong safety plus seven TFL, 1.5 sacks, two interceptions and four PBUs.

It's no wonder he was named the MVP of Region 2-5A.

DYER PAVED WAY: Senior Zach Dyer was a three-year starter at right guard for Gibbs and drew praise from Coach Brad Turner.

"He anchored the

Hull was big and dominating for South-Doyle



PHOTO BY TRACY HEARD

Powell High junior Jayden Collins caught 39 passes for 802 yards 10 touchdowns to earn a spot on The Focus / Coaches' 2020 All-Knox County football team.

offensive line during the second and third highest scoring offenses in school history," said Turner, whose Eagles averaged 30 points in 2019 and 34.2 in 2020.

SPARTAN SMASHER: Webb offensive lineman Jackson Bradley had an 85 percent grade average for the season with 106 "pancake blocks" in 10 games.

A Mr. Football semifinalist

this year, one of Bradley's college offers is from Navy.

WORKHORSE: In a word, that's what De'Sean Bishop was for Karns.

Two games in particular stand out for the All-Knox County running back and Region 3-5A Sophomore of the Year.

Against Heritage, Bishop carried the ball 49 times for 342 yards and six

touchdowns, plus caught three passes for 58 yards and threw a 17-yard pass.

In another game at Campbell County, he had 42 carries for 330 yards and six TDs.

Bishop's nine-game totals were 259 attempts for 1,731 yards (6.7 yards per carry) and 22 touchdowns. He also caught two TD passes and had 265 receiving yards. He returned one kickoff for a touchdown and threw two TD passes.

De'Sean finished with 2,248 all-purpose yards.

STANDOUT FRESHMAN: Brody Blankenship, Carter's young defensive back, received second-team All-Knox County recognition with his seven interceptions in eight games.

FUN TO WATCH: Marcellus Jackson of Fulton was the kick return specialist on the All-Knox County team.

"He's an athlete and our most explosive player," said Falcons Coach Rob Black. "We used him all over the place."

Unfortunately, Jackson missed several games due to injury and COVID protocols, but the sophomore has two more seasons for Fulton fans to enjoy.

Bradley named offensive coordinator at Webb School of Knoxville

By Ken Lay

Rusty Bradley wasn't away from football for long. He parted ways with Grace Christian Academy following the conclusion of the Rams' 2020 season.

But a little more than two weeks later, Bradley has been named offensive coordinator at Webb School of Knoxville, the school announced Monday, Dec. 7.

He is one of three former head coaches on David Meske's staff with the Spartans.

Former Gibbs head man Randy Carroll and former

Halls head coach Kevin Julian have been assistants under Meske for several seasons.

At Grace, Bradley was

head coach for four seasons and won 29 games and guided the Rams to the playoffs in all four of his campaigns as head coach.

Prior to that, he spent one season at University School of Jackson, where he coached University of Tennessee offensive lineman Trey Smith.

Bradley got his first head coaching job at Christian Academy of Knoxville. He succeeded Bill Young as the Warriors' head coach. He was Young's offensive coordinator from 2003-2005.

He was promoted to CAK's head coach in 2007. Bradley coached there from 2007-2015 and led the Warriors to back-to-back

Class 3A State Championships in 2011 and 2012.

Bradley said he's excited about his new opportunity to stay in Knoxville and joining Meske's staff at Webb.

"Without a doubt, it's great to be able to stay in the area," he said. "I am excited about the opportunity to be on coach Meske's staff."

"They have a great program and I can't wait to be a part of his staff, to see how he does things and to see how his other coaches do things."

Bradley, who graduated from Bearden High, will now join Meske, who has won seven state titles in 35 years as the Spartans' head coach.

Myers, S-D standout, commits to Gardner-Webb



By Steve Williams

National Signing Day for football is Wednesday and news of one Knox County standout having committed was released Friday.

South-Doyle linebacker Noah Myers, one of seven Cherokees to land on The Focus / Coaches' All-Knox County first-team, has committed to Gardner-Webb University, said Head Coach Clark Duncan.

Myers was a two-way standout for South-Doyle, which reached the Class 5A state semifinals this season.

Defensively, he had 94 total tackles in 14 games, 2.5 sacks, 15.5

TFL, two fumble recoveries and two interceptions, including one he returned 60 yards to score.

The All-Region 2-5A honoree was a running back on offense and rushed for 138 yards and five touchdowns.

EVIE RETURNS: Former Carter basketball standout Evie DePetro, who is now a freshman at Furman, saw two minutes of action late in the Paladins' 90-53 loss to the Tennessee Lady Vols last week at Thompson-Boling Arena.

STATE CHAMPS: Alcoa blanked Milan 35-0 in this year's BlueCross Bowl at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville. It was the Tornadoes' sixth straight Class 3A football title.

Another local area representative didn't fare as well as Oak Ridge lost to Summitt 28-7 in the Class 5A finals.

BRING IT ON: Coach Lamar Brown's West Rebels already have state powers Alcoa and Maryville on their 2021 football schedule.

BEST ON THE MAT: Jeff Price's first state high school wrestling poll of the season has Baylor on top. Cleveland, Wilson Central, Christian Brothers, Bradley Central, McCallie, Dobyons-Bennett,

Blackman, Summitt, Beech, Pigeon Forge and Brentwood round out the dandy dozen.

Among teams receiving votes were Gibbs, Halls and Heritage.

Now in its 29th year, The Poll is primarily a measure of "dual meet strength" with some consideration to individual tournament strength.

Votes are cast by a state-wide panel of high school wrestling coaches and are based on a maximum Power Ranking of 144.

Oops ... sorry!

I had a mistake in two of my stories in our Dec. 7 issue I would like to apologize for and correct.

In my feature on long-time Falcons youth football coach Ricky Jones I mistakenly referred to Pug Woods, Jones' assistant coach, as Pug Jones. By the way, I remember Pug as a standout high school football player at Knoxville Catholic some 30 years ago.

My other error that I'm aware of was listing Halls defensive end Xander Allen as a Powell player in our announcement of this year's Focus / Coaches' All-Knox County team.

I am truly sorry guys for these mistakes and congratulations on the fine season each of you had.



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'Roll the scores'

In the late 1960s and into the 1970s, there was one college game on the tube each weekend, several emanating from

Knoxville. ABC had the broadcast rights, and whatever game they chose, that's what the nation saw, with a few exceptions for so-called "regional" games. (For example, when Notre Dame and Michigan State played that famous 10-10 tie on Nov. 19, 1966, fans in Knoxville and surrounding areas watched Tennessee and Kentucky.)

In 1968, two regular-season Tennessee games were on ABC, the Georgia game Sept. 14 and the Alabama game Oct. 19.

As was the case with the Georgia game, the Alabama game went to the final frantic seconds. Jimmy Weatherford, an All-American selection that season as a defensive back, blocked a potential game-winning field goal, by Nick Dean at the north end. Jimmy had changed places with Nick Showalter just before the snap and came charging through from the right side of the defensive formation to make the play.

"What did we have to lose?" asked Weatherford. "They were going to win if

we didn't block the field goal. It was just a chance, one of those oddities that worked, like throwing the dice and winning."

Weatherford's blocked kick ending the game was as dramatic as what happened in the final seconds of the 2009 Alabama game, Alabama 12, Tennessee 10. Weatherford could never, ever, be confused with Alabama's Terrence Cody, AKA "Mount Cody," who saved that game with his field goal block, but the result was the same.

On this day in 1968, Tennessee partisans went home happy. Alabama folks hit I-75, U.S. 11, and I-59, wondering what might have been

While the Vols and Crimson Tide were slugging it out on the newly installed Tartan Turf on Shields-Watkins Field, there was a fascinating drama being played out between the broadcast booth, the production truck, and a large room under Section X.

There was a mini-studio set up, where the television graphics were being produced, encompassing the relevant statistics for the game, player identifications, and the scores of other games being played.

There were game monitors, but no sound. We could, however, hear the crowd noise just outside the door.

There were metal cylinders covered with black

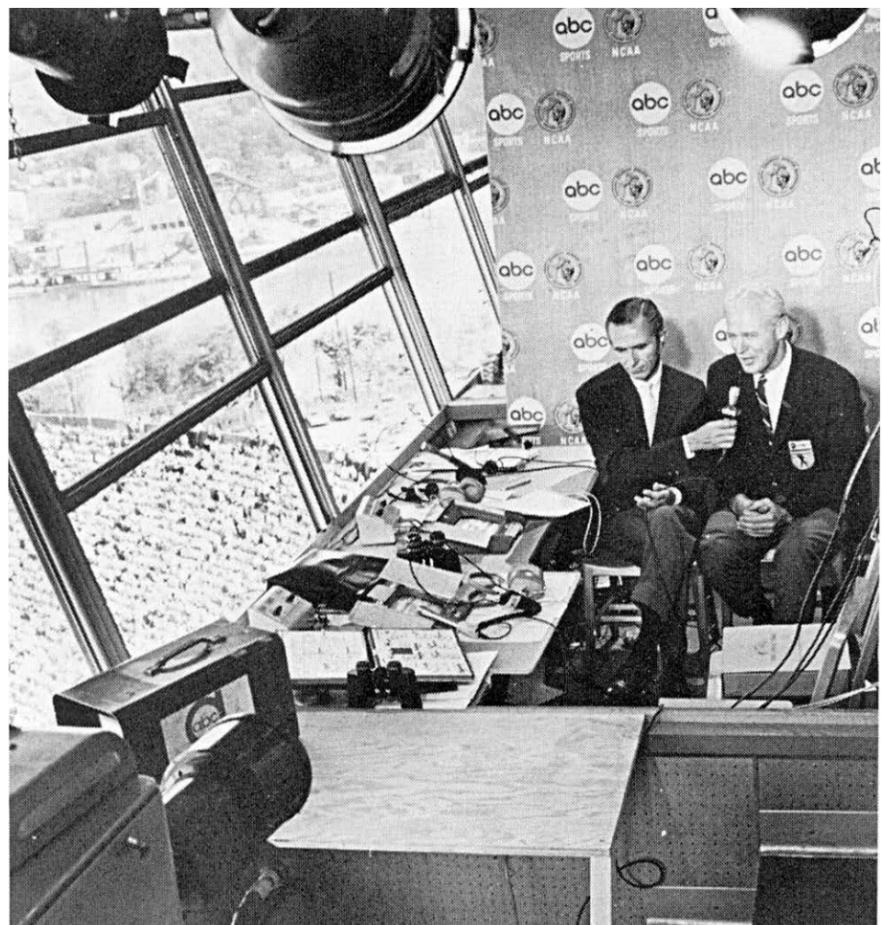
felt, accompanied by a great many white numbers and letters to be applied thereon. There was a special camera that showed only the letters and numbers, allowing them to be superimposed on the game broadcast. Those of us who worked there thanks to the assistance of Haywood Harris wore black gloves to ensure a set of hands didn't appear on screen by accident.

Before the game, we tried to figure which player(s) might have the greatest impact on the game for each team, so that when someone made a big play their name could appear on the screen in mere seconds.

The cylinder for the scores of other games was an entirely different story. We had 30 games or so listed with space for the score and the current quarter.

The sports ticker, probably from The Associated Press, hummed throughout the game, updating the scores, allowing us to change the current results ever so quickly.... and ever so carefully.

During lulls in the action, a voice would come over the headset, saying, "Roll the scores." This was a slow-motion activity accomplished on cue, as one of us turned the canister by hand, allowing Chris Schenkel and Bud Wilkinson to comment perceptively on



Chris Schenkel and Bud Wilkinson were the on-air talent on ABC college football in the 1960s and into the 1970s, including games at Neyland Stadium, but events happening under Section X were integral to making the game broadcast a success. Photo courtesy of University of Tennessee Spores Information Office.

games in progress. None of us could hear what Chris and Bud were saying to the listening audience. We could only hear the voices coming from the production truck and the producer in the television booth.

When the final horn sounded and the broadcast went off the air, it was time to settle up the accounts. Even then, we never saw Schenkel or Wilkinson,

except on the monitor. They were probably quickly taken to the Hyatt Regency or McGhee-Tyson Airport.

We made \$25 for the day's work, the latter figure equivalent to \$187.06 today, plus all we could eat, generally some form of mystery fried chicken and coleslaw, and a slice of bread or two, maybe potato salad and or pork and beans, with a choice of beverage, served on paper

plates with plastic knives and forks.

When you look at today's game telecasts and graphics, you could rightly conclude it was very primitive in those days, but it was all we had, all we knew. We couldn't have foreseen how technology might have developed over the years. The 1968 Alabama broadcast may look funny now, but it looked perfectly normal back then.

Tamba leads Catholic past Bulldogs

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shots that we have to convert," Parrott said.

Tamba, meanwhile, was the brightest star on this night for the Irish as he had a career-high 11 rebounds, three blocks and two steals.

Tamba, who has multiple NCAA Division I scholarship offers including one from Tennessee, is among one of the most improved players in the state, according to his coach.

"He is probably the most improved big men in the state," Hutchens said. "He's athletic and he'll fool you. His speed will fool you."

Catholic, the defending 2020 Division II-A State Champion, also got some big effort from its perimeter players as Presley Patterson had finished with 13 points and made three shots from long range.

Point guard B.J. Edwards, another junior and UT recruiting target, scored 11 points and dished out five assists. Sophomore Blue Cain pitched in with eight points.

Kyle scored 13 points to lead the Bulldogs, who won the 2019 Class AAA State Championship

Fantasy Football Hates Me

By Mark Nagi

I'm writing this article at 2:24 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, a few hours after the final NFL game of the week.

Baltimore beat an awful Dallas team tonight 34-17, but that's not the big news. I'm here to type a rambling, hopefully, coherent piece on why fantasy football should be banned from American society.

I know what you are thinking... "Mark, that could never happen. It is a billion-dollar business that is played by millions of sports fans." Well, look here good sir or madam. I'm not here for your logic. I'm just here to deal with my emotional pain yet again.

I've been playing fantasy football fairly consistently for 25 years and have yet to win a title. I've been kept out of the playoffs, lost postseason games and a couple of championship contests in every possible way.

Running backs a yard away from a touchdown who can't cross the goal-line. Quarterbacks getting hurt at the worst possible moment. Opposing players having hall of fame weekends. Me making awful decisions on who

to start and who to sit. You think it up and I probably have felt that anguish.

This year I am in three leagues. Yes, three. Don't judge me.

In one league I've been solid all year long... until the final weeks of the season. Tonight, I needed another league matchup to end up my way and it ended in the opposite direction. By one point. In another league, I was terrific... until the final weeks of the season. I needed something similar to happen in an opposing game... and was kept out of the playoffs by two points.

Full disclosure. I didn't even watch the Ravens/Cowboys game because I assumed that something like this was going to happen, and I hoped that somehow not watching would turn karma in my favor.

I was wrong. But all is not lost just yet. In my third league I likely have earned a first-round bye (still waiting for final ESPN confirmation), but let's be honest. I have no confidence that I can win the final two games of the year. It doesn't matter that my team is stacked with Russell Wilson (third-ranked quarterback), Dalvin Cook

(top-ranked running back), Adam Thielen (fifth-ranked receiver) and Travis Kelce (top-ranked tight end). I'm just waiting for them to all quit the sport minutes prior to kickoff and announce they are opening a juice shop.

It isn't about the money. I certainly can't exactly buy a private island with the \$100 first prize. And I realize that it is insane for me to care this much about basically what amounts to a make-believe team.

That "insane" word works well here. The famous quote goes as follows. "Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results."

Year in and year out I'll play fantasy football and year in and year out I'll lose in soul-crushing fashion. And I know that I'll be back again in 2021.

This time of year, I actually do take solace when I hear the stories of other awful fantasy football failures. By no means am I a man on an island. To those poor folks that read this article and have similar bad beats, just know this... You aren't alone. Keep hope alive.

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Not winning Mr. Football award motivates Dunn

By Steve Williams

JD Dunn didn't return from Nashville with the Tennessee Titans' Mr. Football award last week, but the Christian Academy of Knoxville junior running back is already aiming for a return trip in 2021.

This year's Division II Class AA Mr. Football award instead went to Dietrick Pennington of Evangelical Christian School as Tennessee's best high school football players were recognized at the Titans' awards dinner Tuesday.

Pennington, a 6-5, 326-pound offensive guard, has committed to Clemson.

Awards were presented to 10 winners and Dunn was among 20 finalists at the presentation held at Nissan Stadium.

"JD was very pleased to be included as a finalist and was happy to represent the Warrior football program," said CAK Head Coach Travis Mozingo, who accompanied Dunn on the trip.

"As you can imagine, being a finalist, but not winning will be a great motivator as we go into the off-season. In our conversation on the ride back to Knoxville, JD made that clear.

"Like all well-rounded football players, he has personal goals that coincide with our team goals. He's eager to return to Nashville next year, but knows earning that trophy and recognition will not come without a great deal of personal and team work."

Dunn had a magical season, bursting onto the Knoxville prep scene and leading the Warriors to their first-ever undefeated regular season before being eliminated by Goodpasture 61-43 in the second round of the playoffs.

JD finished with 2,091 yards

rushing and 120 yards receiving and scored 25 touchdowns.

Central senior linebacker Kalib Fortner also was a finalist for the Mr. Football award in Class 5A, which went to Prince Kollie, a David Crockett High running back who has committed to sign with Notre Dame.

"It was a great honor to be gathered in the same room with high achieving coaches and players from across the state," said Coach Mozingo.

Knoxville's two finalists did not have any interaction at the event.

"Social distancing guidelines limited much of the interaction with anyone not in your party," said Mozingo.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, fewer people were permitted to attend this year's awards ceremony compared to previous years.

"This is such an outstanding honor for all 30 of the young men recognized today at the Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Awards," said Bernard Childress, Executive Director of the TSSAA. "They were here not only due to their athletic ability that they displayed on the field throughout the season, but just as much for their outstanding character and academic achievements."

High school head coaches and members of the media nominated the finalists. A committee of statewide sports writers selected the winners based on performance in the 2020 regular season. Academics and character were also taken into consideration.

The awards were presented to the top football players in each of the nine classifications of the TSSAA and also to the state's



JD Dunn, CAK junior running back, is interviewed by media at the Tennessee Titans Mr. Football awards event.

top kicker regardless of classification.

The Titans became sponsors of the Mr. Football Awards in 2007.

Other Mr. Football award winners were Hunter Frame, South

Pittsburg (Class 1A); Khalik Ganaway, Peabody (Class 2A); Grey Carroll, Alcoa (Class 3A); Troy Parker Hughes, Elizabethton (Class 4A); C.J. Taylor, Warren County (Class 6A); Griffin Swinea,

Davidson Academy (Division II Class A); and Dallan Hayden, Christian Brothers (Division II Class AAA). Teagan Lenderink of Brentwood Academy received the Kicker of the Year award.

KCS shutdown puts athletic teams at a 'disadvantage'

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cases rising in the community and a corresponding rise in the number of students and employees who are required to quarantine, it had become challenging to find substitute teachers.

Thomas also said some people were concerned that a COVID-19 exposure before Winter Break could result in one or more members of their family being quarantined during the holidays.

In-person students will return to their buildings on Jan. 5, unless otherwise notified.

The Focus spoke with several Knox County coaches that were disappointed about their games and practice being halted.

"I believe the layoff will definitely impact our conditioning," said Jon Higgins,

Farragut boys basketball coach and former UT player. "As a program that was on quarantine already for two weeks, when we came back from it, we were in bad shape. This will only make things tougher because we have just started to get back in shape from it.

"Not having the next 18 days to practice and play while other teams in our district are playing will put us at a disadvantage, but that is something that we are going to have to deal with because there is nothing that we can do about it.

"I think it's hard for the student-athletes to have to start and stop all the time, not to mention that they need athletics and being around their teammates for the social aspect of it."

Higgins' Admirals evened their record at 3-3 with a

65-58 win over Dobyne-Bennett Friday in the Doubletree Roundball at Science Hill High in Johnson City.

Farragut was scheduled to play Science Hill Saturday.

The Admirals' next action won't be until Jan. 8 against Lenoir City in district play.

The Powell girls' start to the season had already been affected by COVID-19, so now this "layoff is huge," said Coach John Fisher.

"I haven't practiced my team since Nov. 22," he said. "We haven't played a game since Nov. 20. It will be the only undefeated team I have ever had going into January. The problem is - we have only played two games.

"You can reschedule all the games you can, but you can't make up all the

practices that have been missed. We will do the best we can and deal with it, but the layoff will be hard to overcome. I just hope and pray that everyone remains healthy and everything can get back to normal."

As it stands now, the Lady Panthers won't play again until Jan. 7 at Karns.

"We are going to focus on what we can control and try to prepare ourselves to have the best season we can," added Coach Fisher. "We look forward to getting back to practice and being able to play. I have missed my players."

Bearden had a bowling match scheduled Thursday, but it was canceled.

"South Doyle got put on Red (protocol)," said BHS Coach Jennifer Allen. "With all KCS schools going on Red (today), there won't be

no more bowling until after Christmas, if at all ..."

Grace Christian Academy Athletic Director Shawn Mehegan said, "We are doing our best to move forward within reason."

GCA is one of several Division II schools in Knox County.

"As of today, yes (we're still playing and practicing)," said Knoxville Catholic AD Jason Surlas. "But we are taking it day by day."

First Baptist Academy AD Johnny Cox said: "We have games on our schedule for (this) week, but I'm not sure how it will all play out. Things are being discussed with each team at this time."

CAK will continue to play through the Christmas break, said Athletic Director Ried Estus.

Division II schools'

games scheduled against Knox County teams during the break will have to be canceled or replaced with another opponent.

"Basketball schedules are changing hourly these days," said Estus. "I'm sure basketball officials wake up not knowing where they're working that night."

Lenoir City High AD Chris Brittain told The Focus, "We are re-evaluating our annual Christmas tournament, which is set for Dec. 28, 29 and 30. We will continue to practice."

In Blount County, Daily Times Sports Editor Troy Provost-Heron said, "To my knowledge, no decision to stop play has been made."

Teams in Anderson County also are reportedly still playing.

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A Month of Infamy

"In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected men. And there was a widow in that town who kept appealing to him, 'Give me justice against my adversary.'"

Jesus Christ (Luke 18:2-3)

It has been a month since the November 3rd election and we still don't know who will be President in 2021, despite what Joe and the media monkeys tell us. At this writing there are lawsuits against voting irregularities in swing states from Rudy Giuliani, Jenna Ellis and Sidney Powell. But most importantly is a Texas election lawsuit against the states of Georgia, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Michigan which has been joined by at least eighteen other states. This Constitutional case will be decided before the Supreme Court.

I probably pay more attention to current events than is healthy for me. The

allegations and lawsuits are steeped in legalese and are way above my pay grade, even though I once stayed in a Holiday Inn Express. Therefore, I'll just list the concerns behind these cases because the "drive by" media and Tech-Lords are suppressing information about the following incredibly important issues.

1. The Texas lawsuit, joined by Tennessee, holds that election laws were changed in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Georgia and Michigan by functionaries rather than the state legislatures as mandated by the Constitution.

2. As a result, various counties in these four states handled ballots differently, disenfranchising other counties and other states in the Union.

3. Problematic Dominion voting machines and software were used to change huge numbers of votes based on programmable computer

algorithms.

4. Chain of custody issues occurred with mail-in ballots compromising certification of legal ballots and votes.

5. Election observers, as required by law, were excluded from vote counting.

Additionally, Georgia State Republican Chairman David Shafer and President Trump have filed another case in Georgia alleging that more than 300,000 applied for absentee ballots AFTER the deadline, 40,000 changed counties without reregistering, 66,000 underage people registered to vote along with 10,000 who were deceased, and thousands more voted as felons, illegals or residences with "improbable" P.O boxes. Dozens of sworn affidavits from witnesses support these charges. There is a saying - alluding to Wagnerian opera - "It's not over till the fat lady sings." And this battle for the election process and the soul of America is not over.

Becky and I are in several Christian discussion groups and recently read and discussed a fascinating book by J. Warner Wallace called "Cold-Case Christianity." Wallace was a detective and an atheist, but felt challenged to use his detective skills to investigate the supernatural which he discounted. He was unable to debunk the

claims of Christianity and his investigation changed his life. He is now a Christian and an apologist for the Way.

Warner educated me about the legal system and evidence. Heretofore, I considered eyewitness accounts as the gold standard of evidence. In a court of law, I learned that eyewitness accounts are considered no more valid than a preponderance of circumstantial evidence. And I learned that the distinction between possible and probable explanations of events are operative in law just as they are in science and medicine. Though this book explores the Christian ethos, I believe Warner's experience and logic are worthy for anyone who desires to better understand our legal system. And I believe his book should be required reading for everyone called to jury duty.

Some believe the United States is a democracy; it is not. Our Founders were terrified of the historical abuses of democracy, sometimes described as a MOB-ocracy. An example is ancient Greece where the first democracies arose. Terrible injustices were inflicted on the minority by the ruling majorities. A simple example of such "abuse" might be two wolves and a sheep deciding what to have for dinner. It became so bad in Greece that an ancient

leader known as Solon the Lawgiver rose to establish basic laws to limit abusive majorities. As a result, our Founders established our Representative Republic where the rule of law protects us all.

In the current election brouhaha, the major news media's proclamations and group-think just don't add up. Pollster Patrick Basham spoke to this conundrum. He rightly predicted Trump would defy the proclamations of most other pollsters and win the 2016 election. Basham predicted Trump would win in 2020 and here's why:

Trump's accomplishments are undeniable as was the enthusiasm of his supporters. Basham asked how Trump could lose 2020 having increased his vote count by almost 20% over 2016. No incumbent President has ever been defeated when he garners more votes in his reelection bid. Obama lost 3.5 million votes in 2012. Basham wondered how Republican Trump could receive the highest percentage of black and Hispanic votes since Richard Nixon in 1968 and lose. Trump also received more Jewish, Catholic and working white votes. And held his own with women and suburban voters. Basham said Trump's performance was so impressive that 99 out of 100 independent observers would predict

his reelection.

I don't think much of pollsters, but this circumstantial evidence along with the indisputable voting irregularities and my distrust of the media and the Tech-Lords makes me pause and consider the allegations. And what is even more important than the Presidential election results is the Constitutional rule of law. If the Constitution is made null and void by SCOTUS refusing to adjudicate the Texas lawsuit joined by 18 or more other states, then our Republic and country are lost.

Whatever the decision of the Supremes, chaos will ensue. If Biden wins, he will soon be forced to step down from the Biden family financial scandal, no longer being suppressed by the activist media. And Americans will never support an illegitimate president nor the progressive socialist Kamala Harris who never garnered a single Democrat primary vote.

I'm afraid if SCOTUS disregards the Texas lawsuit and ignores the concerns of numerous states, the only recourse is subjugation of the "bitter, clinging, deplorables" who will then rise in resistance. And worse is the talk of secession from a government that ignores We the People. This led to open rebellion in 1861.

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

Joseph and Mary

When was Jesus born? Well, no one knows for sure. It was most likely not December 25th; however, I grant it that you have a 1/365 shot that it was. The reason it was probably not this day is because the Bible says there were shepherds in the fields watching over their flocks and that would have been very unlikely in the middle of winter.

The selection of December 25 actually came from the Roman holiday called Saturnalia, a pagan birth-day celebration of the



By **Mark Brackney**, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

unconquered sun god. Saturnalia began on December 19 each year, which, in the northern hemisphere, is when the days begin to get longer, and continued with seven days of wild partying leading up to the final day of the celebration, the 25th. Many

of our current Christmas customs have beginnings in Saturnalia: parades, eating, special music, gift-giving, green trees, and lighted candles. As Christianity spread throughout the Roman empire, the pagan holiday was given a

makeover with a Christian spin. In 336 A.D., Emperor Constantine declared Christ's birthday an official Roman holiday.

There are many aspects of the birth of Jesus that are interesting to study. For now, consider the parents of the Christ-child, Joseph and Mary. Over time, the history of Joseph and Mary has been romanticized. In art, they are often pictured with mystic expressions and halos around their heads. But they were two people, just like you and me. Joseph was a carpenter, and Mary a young girl with a simple background. They were pretty plain people, that is except for their faith was

anything but plain; it was extraordinary.

The lives of this young couple were changed when the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary with the announcement that she would bear a son. This had huge implications, the first being that Joseph almost divorced Mary over the news of her pregnancy. Joseph must have wrestled with confusion and heartache when he heard that Mary was carrying a child that was not his.

Luke 1:27 tells us that Mary was engaged to Joseph, which was considered the same as marriage at that time and could only be broken by a

divorce. Keep in mind that the couple was not living together yet and had no intimate relations, and would not until after Jesus was born. He, like any future husband, was looking forward to the day when they would begin living together as man and wife. Joseph knew the quality of Mary's character, so he must have been completely astounded and heartbroken to hear the news that she was pregnant.

Joseph had two options. He could make her a public example by charging her with adultery in a public court that would ruin her reputation forever, or he could come quietly before

two or three witnesses and write a bill of divorce and end their relationship without anyone needing to know all the details. Joseph decided on option two. Thankfully, Joseph did not have to be burdened with his thoughts long because he learned in a dream that Mary indeed was pregnant with the Son of God and that she was conceived by the Holy Spirit as prophesied in Isaiah. God used two humble servants, Joseph and Mary, to raise the Son of God. God continues to use humble servants today to introduce Jesus to the world. We give thanks each Christmas for the greatest gift ever given - Jesus.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE

Default having been made in the terms, conditions, and payments provided in a certain Deed of Trust dated July 11, 2011, executed by Scott A. Bradley and Morena S. Bradley, to Crossland Title Inc. as Trustee for the benefit of Peoples Home Equity Inc., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Nominee, of record at Instrument No. 201107180002729, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, conveying certain real property therein described, and Edward D. Russell of The SR Law Group, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee of record at Instrument No. 202007300008321, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee;

WHEREAS, the said Deed of Trust was last assigned to U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF CABANA SERIES IV TRUST ("Holder"), by SN Servicing Corporation, its attorney in fact, the entire indebtedness having been declared due and payable and Holder having requested foreclosure proceedings to be instituted; and as provided in said Deed of Trust, Edward D. Russell of The SR Law Group will by virtue of the power and authority vested as Substitute Trustee, on **Thursday, January 14, 2021 at or about 10:00 a.m.**, at the City County Building, Knoxville, Tennessee, sell to the highest bidder for cash, free from the equity of redemption, homestead, and dower, and all other exemptions which are expressly waived, and subject to any unpaid taxes, if any, the following described property as follows, to wit:

SITUATED in District No. Six (6) of Knox County, Tennessee, without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 33, Final Plat of LEGACY PARK SUBDIVISION, as shown on the plat of the same bearing Instrument No. 199906030201491, Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, to which plat specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

Being the same property conveyed to Scott A. Bradley and wife, Morena S. Bradley by Warranty Deed from John Wagner and wife, Stephanie J. Wagner dated May 30, 2007 and of record by Instrument No. 200705310098335 Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

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Common Address: 1613 Legacy Park Rd., Knoxville, TN 37922

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

THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO DEED OF TRUST RECORDED IN BOOK 1444, PAGE 55, ANDERSON COUNTY ROD, ANY UNPAID TAXES, IF ANY, ANY PRIOR LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES, LEASES, EASEMENTS AND ALL OTHER MATTERS WHICH TAKE PRIORITY OVER THE DEED OF TRUST IS UNDER WHICH THIS FORECLOSURE SALE IS CONDUCTED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE PRIORITY OF ANY FIXTURE FILING. IF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY/INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, OR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ARE LISTED AS INTERESTED PARTIES IN THE ADVERTISEMENT, THEN THE NOTICE OF THIS FORECLOSURE IS BEING GIVEN TO THEM, AND THE SALE WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES RIGHT TO REDEEM THE PROPERTY. ALL AS REQUIRED BY 26 U.S.C. 7425 AND T.C.A. 67-1-1433. THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF T.C.A. 35-5-101 ET SEQ. HAVE BEEN MET.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE.

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

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Scott A. Bradley, Morena S. Bradley, American Express Centurion Bank, Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union, Atwood Rentals.

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

This day, December 8, 2020.
 Edward D. Russell
 Substitute Trustee
 The SR Law Group
 PO Box 128
 Mt. Juliet, TN 37121
 (615) 559-3190
 erussell@thesrlawgroup.com

Insertion dates: December 14, 2020, December 21, 2020, December 28, 2020

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the debts and obligations secured to be paid by Deed of Trust ("Deed of Trust") dated October 11, 2016, and recorded as Instrument No. 201610170024505 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Clayton M. Schmied, Kelley P. Schmied, being one and the same person as Kelly P. Schmied, and Sammy A. Peroulas ("Grantor") conveyed in trust to David A. Underwood, as Trustee for Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, a certain tract of land located in Knox County, Tennessee and the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and the owner of the debt secured, Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, having requested the undersigned to advertise and sell the property described in and conveyed by said Deed of Trust, all of said indebtedness having matured by default in the payment of a part thereof, at the option of the owner, this is give notice that the undersigned will, on **February 16, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.**, at the City-County Building, outside the large assembly room, Knox County, Tennessee proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:

SITUATED in District No. Five (5) (old District No. 8), of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 45th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the center line of Francis Road, Northwest corner of tract conveyed to Hinkle by Deed of record in Deed Book 1105, Page 95, in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee; thence North 2 deg. West and with the center line of Francis Road, and distance

of 312 feet, more or less, to a stake, corner to other property of second parties; thence North 81 deg. East and with the Southerly line of Second Parties' lot a distance of 450 feet, more or less, to Miller's West line; thence South 2 deg. East and with the Miller line 256 feet, more or less, to a stake, corner to Hinkle tract referred to at the commencement of this description; thence South (approximately) 72 deg. West and with the Hinkle (second parties) line a distance of 430 feet, more or less, to the point of BEGINNING.

BEING part of the same property conveyed to Clayton Schmied and wife, Kelly Schmied and Sammy Peroulas by Quitclaim Deed from Lena Peroulas, Trustee of the Achelleus Seraphim Peroulas Family Trust, said Quitclaim Deed being dated September 8, 2016, and recorded as Instrument No. 201609090016427, as corrected by Instrument.

TOGETHER WITH the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto appertaining, releasing all claims to homestead and any other rights therein. To have and to hold the said premises to the Second Party, and his successors forever, in trust for the purposes hereinafter set forth.

AND THE FIRST PARTIES, for themselves and for their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, do hereby covenant with the said Second Party, and his successors, that they are lawfully seized in fee simple of the premises above conveyed and have full power, authority, and right to convey the same, that said premises are free from all encumbrances, and that they will forever warrant and defend the said premises and the title thereto against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

This conveyance is made subject to applicable restrictions, building setback lines, all existing easements, and to all conditions as shown on the recorded map.

The proceeds of the sale will be applied in accordance with the terms and provisions of the above-named Deed of Trust. Said sale is being made upon the request of Knoxville Teachers Federal Credit Union, the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust executed on October 11, 2016, due to the failure of the makers to comply with all provisions of the Deed of Trust.

Other parties interested as defined by Tennessee statutes and to whom the agent for the Trustee has given notice of the sale include the following: City of Knoxville, Rose Mortuary, Inc., Peter G. Dedes, State of Tennessee, and United States of America.

In compliance with TCA section 35-5-104(4) the following liens of the United States are listed:

Notice of Federal Tax Lien filed against Saint Augustine Group and Sam Peroulas, General Partner, filed November 12, 2015, as Instrument No. 20151120029829, in the Knox County Register's Office.

Notice of Federal Tax Lien filed against Sammy Peroulas filed May 1, 2017, as Instrument No. 201705010066435, in the Knox County Register's Office.

Notice of Federal Tax Lien filed against Sammy Peroulas, filed May 1, 2017, as Instrument No. 201705010066436, in the Knox County Register's Office.

Notice of Federal Tax Lien filed against Sammy Peroulas, filed April 8, 2019, as Instrument No. 201904080058932, in the Knox County Register's Office.

For every above-listed lien or claim of lien of the United States so identified, the notice required by 26 U.S.C section 7425(b) has been timely given, and further, the sale of the land thus advertised will be subject to the right of the United States to redeem the land as provided for in 26 U.S.C. section 7425(d)(1).

In compliance with TCA section 35-5-104(5) the following liens of the state of Tennessee are listed:

Notice of State Tax Lien filed against Sammy A. Peroulas filed January 9, 2013, as Instrument No. 201301090045041, in the Knox County Register's Office.

For every above-listed lien or claim of lien of the state of Tennessee so identified, the notice required by T.C.A. section 67-1-1433(b)(1) has been timely given, and further, the sale of the land thus advertised will be subject to the right of the state of Tennessee to redeem the land as provided for in T.C.A. section 67-1-1433(c)(1).

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; and restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender and/or agent for the Trustee. Should the highest bidder fail to comply with the terms of the bid at the public sale, then the agent for the Trustee shall have the option of accepting the second highest bid, or the next highest bid with which the buyer is able to comply.

This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as agent for Trustee, and subject to the approval of the Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representation or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular purpose.

Notice provided for the foreclosure sale of
1200 Francis Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37909 by:
 Jedidiah C. McKeenan
 McKeenan Law Group, LLC
 Agent for Trustee
 1111 Northshore Dr, Ste P-295
 Knoxville, TN 37919

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: NORRIS JAY HARVEY, IN RE: ASHLEY NICOLE MITCHELL v. NORRIS JAY HARVEY NO. 197998-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, NORRIS JAY HARVEY, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon NORRIS JAY HARVEY.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Ashley Mitchell, the Plaintiff whose address is, 8440 Vessel Lane Powell, TN 37849, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael W. Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 12th day of November 2020
 Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

ALI FADHIL Vs. MONA ABDALLA Docket # 150238

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant MONA ABDALLA is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon MONA ABDALLA.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by ALI FADHIL MUTAR, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with SAMUEL B. TIPTON, Plaintiffs Attorney whose address is 206 S. WASHINGTON ST. MARYVILLE, TN 37804, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This the 18TH day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

MIKE HAMMOND
 Mike Hammond, Clerk
 Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: SHAWN MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN IN RE: ANGELINA JESSICA GOLDSTEIN v. SHAWN MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN NO. 200801-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant SHAWN MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon SHAWN MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN it is ordered that said defendant SHAWN MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Jedidiah McKeenan, an Attorneys whose address is, 1111 N. Northshore Drive, Suite P-295, Knoxville, TN 37919 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part I, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 20th day of November 2020.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: LEONOR BRIONES LEOS AND DOMINGA BRIONSE TOVAR IN RE: FRANK E. FEILD VS. JOHN S. FEILD NO. 200252-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants LEONOR BRIONES LEOS AND DOMINGA BRIONSE TOVAR are non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon LEONOR BRIONES LEOS AND DOMINGA BRIONSE TOVAR it is ordered that said defendants, LEONOR BRIONES LEOS AND DOMINGA BRIONSE TOVAR file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Sharon H. Kim, an Attorney whose address is, 550 W. Main Street, Suite 500 Knoxville, TN 37901, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Part I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 30th day of November 2020.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: SHARON ELAINE WARD IN RE: TOMMY WAYNE LAWRENCE v. SHARON ELAINE WARD NO. 200260-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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This 3RD day of December 2020.

Clerk and Master

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This 12th day of November 2020

Clerk and Master

at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 1 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF EDWARD OSCAR AULT, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DEBORAH E AULT; EXECUTRIX 11604 MIDHURST DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

H STEPHEN GILLMAN ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 870 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF REBA LENORE CHANDLER DOCKET NUMBER 83767-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of REBA LENORE CHANDLER who died Oct 8, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 25 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF REBA LENORE CHANDLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SHERRY HAYNES; EXECUTRIX 7804 BUD HAWKINS ROAD CORRYTON, TN. 37721

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT L CRAWFORD DOCKET NUMBER 83773-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT L CRAWFORD who died Oct 1, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 30 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF ROBERT L CRAWFORD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) KAREN ROBBETT; EXECUTRIX 2476 PINEY GROVE CHURCH ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CHRISTINE DOMOSLAY DOCKET NUMBER 83710-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHRISTINE DOMOSLAY who died Sep 19, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 24 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF CHRISTINE DOMOSLAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DIANA RICHMOND; EXECUTRIX 1517 LAPALOMA DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF VANDA MARIE EARLES DOCKET NUMBER 83782-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of DECEMBER 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of VANDA MARIE EARLES who died Oct 12, 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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at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

ESTATE OF VANDA MARIE EARLES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) LAUREN EARLES; CO-ADMINISTRATOR 1100 BUCKTHORN DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

COLBY EARLES; CO-ADMINISTRATOR 4427 TOWNHOUSE WAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAY D HATMAKER DOCKET NUMBER 83770-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAY D HATMAKER who died Jan 11, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 30 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF JAY D HATMAKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JESSIE J NICELY; PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 4552 HOOKS LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

ANDREW J CRAWFORD ATTORNEY AT LAW 5344 NORTH BROADWAY, SUITE 105 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LEON GEORGE HAYES DOCKET NUMBER 83787-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LEON GEORGE

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BEVAN W BROWN, III
DOCKET NUMBER 83798-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BEVAN W BROWN, III who died Jul 11, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 7 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF BEVAN W BROWN, III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARY G MALICHIS; EXECUTRIX
1405 LAPALOMA DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

AMELIA CROTTELL ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 3804 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37927

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ELIZABETH SMITH
DOCKET NUMBER 83792-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELIZABETH SMITH who died May 5, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 3 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES V SMITH; EXECUTOR
7304 CHARLOTTE DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANGELA BRIDGES
DOCKET NUMBER 83789-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SHIRLEY ANGELA BRIDGES who died Oct 28, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 3 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANGELA BRIDGES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RONALD A LAY; EXECUTOR
7208 SETTLERS PATH LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

ROBERT W WILKINSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 4415
OAK RIDGE, TN. 37831

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT DEAN NIPPER, SR.
DOCKET NUMBER 83793-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT DEAN NIPPER, SR. who died Aug 20, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF ROBERT DEAN NIPPER, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROBERT DEAN NIPPER, JR.; EXECUTOR
P.O. BOX 22297 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37933

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BETTY LOUISE
CLAIBORNE WATSON
DOCKET NUMBER 83795-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY LOUISE CLAIBORNE WATSON who died May 27, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF BETTY LOUISE
CLAIBORNE WATSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TRACY W COCHRAN; EXECUTRIX
360 FALLEN OAK CIRCLE
SEYMOUR, TN. 37865

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT D HUGHETT, SR.
DOCKET NUMBER 83747-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT D HUGHETT, SR. who died Nov 26, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against 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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date of death. This the 3 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF ROBERT D HUGHETT, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ANNA V HUGHETT; EXECUTRIX
326 LEE STREET
BARNESVILLE, GA. 30204

E RICHARDS BRABHAM, III
ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 442
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOSEPH W SULLIVAN, III
DOCKET NUMBER 83743-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH W SULLIVAN, III who died Oct 2, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 24 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF JOSEPH W SULLIVAN, III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
1ST HORIZON/M. ALAN
MOORE; CO-EXECUTOR
800 S GAY STREET, 5TH FLOOR
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929

ROSS MCCLUNG SULLIVAN; CO-EXECUTOR
1090 BUTTERFIELD ROAD
SAN ANSELMO, CA 94960

M. ALAN MOORE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
800 S GAY STREET, 5TH FLOOR
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LINDA S EAGLE
DOCKET NUMBER 83635-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of NOVEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LINDA SEAGLE who died Aug 3, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 30 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF LINDA SEAGLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BARBARA JAHN; EXECUTRIX
170 JAMES LANE
VINCENT, OH 45784

CHRISTOPHER W MARTIN
ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 23380 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37933

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ARDEN ANNE S ACKER
DOCKET NUMBER 83607-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ARDEN ANNE SACKER who died Aug 7, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF ARDEN ANNE S ACKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM EDWARD STACK, JR.; EXECUTOR
212 WILSON AVENUE
NASHVILLE, TN. 37205

BRENDA G BROOKS ATTORNEY AT LAW
6223 HIGHLAND PLACE WAY, SUITE 102
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BETTY KATHERINE
HARPER HODGES
DOCKET NUMBER 83124-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of DECEMBER 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of BETTY KATHERINE

HARPER HODGES who died Apr 29, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 7 day of DECEMBER, 2020.

ESTATE OF BETTY KATHERINE
HARPER HODGES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM JEFFERY HODGES;
ADMINISTRATOR
1421 REAVES ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

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

Bid 3013, Attended Donation Center Collection Services, due 1/20/21

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

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

SALE DATE 12/26/20
7120 ASHEVILLE HWY
KNOXVILLE TN 37924
00 CHEVY BLAZER VIN
1GNDT13W9Y2139257
06 CHEVY SILVERADO VIN
1GCEC19T86E138025
99 GMC VIN 1GDFG15R8X1120602
00 BMW VIN WBAA5341YEJ41837
99 CHEVY VIN 2GCEK19T4X1281303

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6119 Chapman Hwy

Furniture, glassware, clothing & more

Variety of clothing \$1 each

Friday Special: Adult clothes \$2 a bag

Proceeds help feed homeless.

M-F 10am-5:30pm
Mgr Vicki 604-8077

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Location for Lease**



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865-679-5256
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865-687-6622 www.cvcknox.org

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\$10-20 PUSH OR \$40-100 RIDING
MUST BE COMPLETE
865-933-9660
LEAVE PHONE # IF NO ANSWER

ALTERATIONS

JOANNE'S ALTERATIONS
PANTS HEMMING \$5,
SPECIALIZING IN JEANS.
CALL 579-2254 OR 438-5614

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1411 Exeter Ave, Knoxville
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Night Shift 4:30 pm - 12 midnight

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