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2019 Knox County Total Population<sup>1</sup> 470,313

**Total Confirmed** COVID-19 Cases<sup>2</sup> 38,719

% COVID-19 Cases/ **Total Population** 8.2%

Total COVID-19 Deaths<sup>2</sup>

% COVID-19 Deaths/ **Total Population** .11%

# Masking policy debated at school board meeting

By Ken Lay

The Knox County Schools masking policy was again at the forefront Wednesday night as an item was added to the agenda after last week's work session meeting.

The item was added by board chairperson Susan Horn after a number of e-mails sent to her by parents of performing arts students, who are upset that those students must wear masks while in class or performing. The parents are also disappointed that performances have been limited this school year.

Despite the item being a late addition to the agenda, the public showed up and spoke at the meeting at the Andrew Johnson Build-

Many accused the board and the district of practicing discrimination, citing that athletes are able to participate in their respective activities without wearing masks.

The current policy for performing arts students requires them to practice social distance protocols and wear masks during activities both in the classroom and on

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The Andrew **Johnson** Building agreement is in a fog again as the **Knox County** Commission is being asked to delay the final sale for 30 to 60 days. The mayor's office is asking for the postponement until a third party can review the sale and the tax breaks in the revised deal. Photo by Mike Steely.

# \$1.5 million for sheriff's video courtroom on agenda

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

When the Knox County Commission meets Tuesday the proposal from Sheriff Tim Spangler for a \$1.5 million metal courtroom will be up for consideration.

The sheriff has said that the facility, to be built at the Rogers E. Wilson Detention Facility on Maloneyville Road, would be a pre-engineered 5000-square foot building with six video courtrooms and six holding areas.

The facility would save the

county money, according to the sheriff, by eliminating the transportation and holding of prisoners to the City-County building for hearings and trials. The judges would hear cases via virtual trials and not need to travel to the jail for the events. Spangler said all of the judges approve the idea.

Vendors would apparently bid on the construction and the sheriff's office would complete the interior. The agenda item includes the language: "Knox

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# Delay in AJ Building sale requested

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

Another delay in finalizing the sale of the Andrew Johnson Building is being requested from the Knox County Commission. The delay request has been added to the commission's work session agenda for Tuesday. Normally the commission meets on the third Monday of each month but that day is a national holiday, Presidents Day.

Finance Director Chris Caldwell responded to Knoxville Focus questions about the addition to the agenda, including whether or not the \$6 million agreement is being revised or if the sale of the historic building is in jeopardy.

"It's nothing like that, just a timing issue with the third party review. MuniCap, third party

review, is who we use to review all the financial documents and make a recommendation on the PILOT terms and amount," he replied.

"The process is still ongoing, so we are asking for a deferral in the development agreement until we get the report back," he said Thursday. "They had conversations with Mr. (Phillip)

Welker this week, but we haven't seen the report yet, and we didn't want to give it to commission at the last minute," Caldwell said. Welker is the Nashville developer.

The Focus also asked several Knox County Commissioners about the addition to the agenda and Chairman Larsen Jay replied, "My understanding is the third-party (MuniCap) review of the PILOT terms, payment, agreement, etc. is not yet

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# Call if you can, text if you cannot

Knox County 911 announced Friday that "Text to 911" - a texting option for those who need it in case of an emergency - is now available in our community.

Texting 911 should only be used in emergency situations when placing a call is not possible. For example, when a caller is deaf, hard of hearing, speech impaired, or when speaking out loud would put the caller in danger.

If there is an emergency and you are unable to call, remember these steps:

- Do not text and drive
- Text in simple language, without using abbreviations
- Be prepared to answer questions and follow instructions from the 911 operator "Our team is excited to offer "Text to 911" ser-

vices to our community," said Brad Anders, executive director of Knox 911. "We are proud that we can better keep our community safe and provide more options for them to contact emergency services when they need help." Molly Anderson, a Family Engagement Specialist

with ARC of Tennessee, agreed. "For the deaf and hard of hearing communities,

people with speech disabilities, and people in medical situations who cannot verbally communicate, texting 911 will be a helpful alternative way to



Tennessee Senator Becky Duncan Massey and state Representative Eddie Mannis spoke at Friday's E911 press conference, both in support of an effort to make 911 texting available statewide. The texting to 911 will help deaf people and anyone else especially in times like abductions, domestic violence, or school shootings.

contact 911 in case of an emergency," she said. "texting 911 can save lives."

Officials stress that voice calls are still the best and fastest way to contact 911 operators. They also want to remind folks that abusing or pranking 911 is against the law and very dangerous

# **COVID-19 cases down** in Knox County

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

The number of COVID-19 cases locally and statewide seems to be easing up although the number of deaths locally remain high. This welcome trend may see Tennessee's governor ease up on regulations.

The question before the Knox County Board of Health now is how to adjust should the governor change the state plans on February 27. The board's next meeting is on February 24 and Attorney David Sanders is looking into what may happen to the board's powers if the state eases up on regulations.

of Health has extended the mandatory mask mandate, social gathering limits, and 11 p.m. restaurant and bar until

March 4.

Two teachers took part in the board's public forum Wednesday, urging the board to continue to regulate local COVID-19 precautions. Although the school system falls under state and not local rules, the teachers pleaded the public mask mandate remain in effect because it helps inside classrooms.

Health Director Dr. Martha Buchanan, in her report to the Board, noted that while the number of cases and hospitalizations seem to be lower, the number of COVID-19 deaths is averaging five per day. She said testing is showing 26 cases per 100,000 population and a new In the meantime, the Board case rate of those tested was 13.4% over the last week. The board is hoping for a 10% positive result rate or less.

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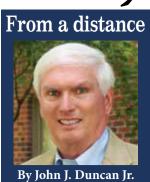
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# Today's liberals oppose free speech



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Sen. Joseph McCarthy died in 1957, but the term associated with his name McCarthyism - has lived

Since the 1950s, this term has generally been used by those on the left to mean an untrue or greatly exaggerated charge of communism or socialism made by someone on the

It has almost always

been used to try to make even moderately conservative people appear to be on the far right and thus guilty of McCarthyism.

Today there is a very dangerous reverse McCarthyism going on against conservatives.

This past weekend NPR had a leftist radical on expressing his hope that big business would stop advertising on the Fox Network so it would have to go off the air.

There are already many liberals urging that Tucker Carlson be taken off because he has been so outspoken against high tech, left-wing billionaires.

Lou Dobbs lost his program making it very obvious that many liberals do not really believe in free you truly believe in free speech, you have to allow even speech that you hate or speech with which you strongly disagree. Glenn Greenwald, a lib-

eral investigative journalist, said recently that Democrats today "believe that they are the party of science and rationality and the only way to disagree with them is you are either a deranged conspiracy theorist or exhibitionist, someone who is engaged in criminal conduct or terrorism."

Speaking of terrorism, Mark Steyn, guest hosting on the Rush Limbaugh program, said the left has "invented a domestic terrorism threat that does not exist but is breathtaking in its audacity."

agreed saying that Democrats believe "that if you disagree with their orthodoxies and their consensus, you are a threat and a danger."

He added that they are trying to "silence everyone that disagrees with them, the very hallmark, the epitome of the fascism they claim to be fighting but in reality, they embody." **Professor Bradley Hart** 

of California State University, writing about Germany after the Nazis took over, said "open discussion of politics, unless obviously supportive of the regime, was dangerous if not out of the question."

In the last several weeks, almost 6,000 lawyers, law professors, and law stu-Glenn Greenwald, on dents demanded that

Cruz, graduates of Yale and Harvard Law Schools, be disbarred simply for questioning the presidential election.

Sen. Hawley even had a book contract cancelled by one of the largest book publishers, and 1,000 who work for the book industry demanded that no books by any Trump administration officials be published.

Untold thousands have had their accounts cancelled, restricted, or temporarily banned, and Parlor destroyed, by the billionaire owner-rulers of Twitter, Facebook, and Google.

Columnists in several very large newspapers have urged that former Trump officials not be hired by major corporations, the modern-day blacklists.

Many people have said for years that there is less free speech on college and university campuses than in any other part of society.

Sen. McCarthy had almost no real power. Much of what he said about communism was true, but many of his specific charges could not be proven.

He was censored by a 67-22 vote in a Democratic Senate on Dec. 4, 1954. He died, a broken man, of alcoholism, 2 1/2 years later at the age of 48.

Unlike McCarthy, the big tech, big media, big government combine of today has very real power.

The left-wing McCarthyism going on now is very dangerous to every freedom we have always held dear in this country.

# **Ethics** complaint against Commission Chair Jay dismissed

By Mike Steely steelym@knoxfocus.com

In a brief meeting of the Knox County Ethics Committee Wednesday morning a complaint by Andrew Flores against Knox County Commission Chairman Larsen Jay was dismissed with little discussion.

Flores, a longtime opponent of the Board of Health, charged that Jay had used his own money to purchase 2,000 snack bags and donated them to health care workers. Jay responded that he had raised the funds online from individuals and organizations. Flores then claimed the funds came from supporters of the Board of Health.

Jay said it is unfortunate that basic kindness could become political.

Flores filed an amended complaint the day before the ethics committee meeting but Knox County 24 votes. Law Director David Buuck told the meeting the filing was only a "restatement of the complaint" and noted that having a suspicion of an impropriety is not evidence. He said the complaint was "not enough to pursue."

Ethics member Perry Beal said the Flores charges showed "no plausible violation" and was Flores' opinion only.

"It's like smoke, you can't get your arms around it," he said.

Buuck told meeting that Flores made accusations and assumptions and did not present a valid complaint. He called for the committee to dismiss it.

Ethics member Billy Stephens made the motion to dismiss and it passed on a verbal vote with no Durrett. objection.



**Ethics** Chairman chael Covington oversaw a dismissal of a complaint against Knox Commission Chairman Larsen Jay Wednesday. The complaint was found to contain no plausible violation.

Buuck spoke the political nature of complaints to the ethics committee, referring to complaints against two Knox County mayoral candidates following a Republican primary when that seat was won by only

All complaints of ethics violations first go to the law director's office and, once reviewed, are sent on to the ethics committee for consideration.

The Flores complaint comes at a time when the Knox County Commission's "Committee on Committees" is considering if the Ethics Committee is necessary. Ethics Chairman Michael Covington has responded to that in defense of the group.

Current members on the the committee include Covington, Beal, Stephens, Kim Frazier, Daryl Arnold, Mary Linda Schwarzbart, Virginia Anagnost, Rusty Goddard and Byron Wood. Non-voting members include Carleton Bryant, Marcus Kennedy and Commissioner Courtney

# Walker Springs development rejected

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The second attempt to develop 15 acres next to St. Andrews subdivision failed Tuesday evening when the Knoxville City Council voted 5-4 against the proposal. The request narrowly passed

**Knoxville-Knox County Planning** in an 8-6 vote. The zoning change would have changed the property at 8300 East Walker Springs Lane from an Office Park designation to a RN-5, General Residential, category. But the local homeowners association and the West Hills Neighborhood spoke against it and noted an opposition petition signed by 2,500 residents.

The applicant, The Offices at St. Andrews LLC, was represented by Taylor Forrester, who requested approval for the construction of nine apartment buildings. Local residents said the large development would hurt property values, increase traffic, and add children to the school system.

But the largest and most effective argument was the potential for adding to the existing flooding problem there. Seven members of the council visited the property and walked the adjacent greenway there. After hearing that any development there, including a previous Office Park request that fizzled, would

require run-off holding basins and possibly even water injection into the ground, the council discussed flooding in the area. One council member said the flooding issue has been neglected for two decades. Another member said that even with a possible flooding problem a property owner has the right to develop there.

The motion to approve, by Councilwoman Janet Testerman and seconded by Seema Singh, failed with Testerman, Singh, Lynne Fugate and Tommy Smith supporting the change. Voting against the change were Charles Thomas, Gwen McKenzie, Amelia Parker, Lauren Rider and Andrew Roberto.

In another zoning matter, an 8-1 vote approved an appeal made by Acres Kingston Pike T5 LLC to change the zoning at 8002 Kingston Pike from General Commercial, CG-3, to CG-1. The matter failed a Planning vote, 7-6. The approval would permit the building of two businesses, Scooter's Coffee and Take 5 Oil Change, there. The main issue for the drive-through businesses was the access off the busy street. Councilman Tommy Smith was the lone "No" vote.

In other action a request to place a 45-foot cross at 4605 Central Avenue Pike was postponed for two weeks in order to iron out the details. The request was to increase the height of a

detached accessory structure from 18 to 45 feet and was on appeal from a decision by the department of Plans, Review and Building Inspections.

The agenda listed 10 members of the Knoxville Police Department retiring along with six Fire Department employees. Chief Eve Thomas said there are currently 62 positions open in the police department but added that 20 new recruits would be graduating last week. She said that the upcoming March recruitment class has 53 applicants and she applauded the council's action two years ago to increase funding of the recruitment efforts.

The council also approved an agreement with the Community Action Committee for \$25,000 in federal grants for Mobile Meals/Public Service as part of the COVID-19 funding. Also approved was an agreement with Knoxville Leadership Foundation and Compassion Coalition to add an additional \$80,000 in federal funds for the Housing Assistance Fund, Chris Marin, founder and president of the foundation, told the council, "The calls just don't stop from all kinds of people." He said the COVID-19 pandemic has "a devastating impact on lower income families."

# Delay in AJ Building sale requested

needed more time and is for the county for years. being deferred till April." Jay forwarded a copy of the resolution sent to commission members that is not yet on the agenda.

Another commissioner replied they had not been informed of the addition to the agenda and another commissioner told The Focus that several commissioners have concerns about continuing the agreement to sell the AJ Building. The concern is that the latest purchase agreement, with a TIFF or

In an update to commissioners from the mayor's office said the following:

"On the legislative front, we are seeking to defer a vote on the PILOT payment for the Andrew Johnson Hotel building for thirty to sixty days because the third party review has not

yet been completed." The Andrew Johnson Building, originally a hotel and once the tallest building in the city, has been the home of the Knox County School System. Those

complete and as such they not produce any revenue be relocated to the TVA East Tower in an agreement between the city, TVA, and the University of

Tennessee. The final sales agreement with BNA Associates was approved by the commission in December. The deal goes back to 2017 when BNA came in as the low bidder and proposed a \$43 million renovation that would include retail space, a hotel, and apartments. The company had difficulty raising the investment money and came back with a plan to

PILOT tax deferment, will administration offices will eliminate the hotel rooms but build the apartments so they could be converted

> to hotel rooms. BNA is also requesting an in lieu of taxes break for the project and that request is apparently being reviewed by Muni-Cap inc., a public financ-

> ing consulting firm. Several controversies have surrounded the BNA deal including the building having an estimated insurance value of about \$15 million but selling for \$6

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# Publisher's Positions

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This Little Piggy...

Cliff Rodgers, former administrator of elections for Knox County, has underwhelmed anyone who happened to see the hardly earth shattering news he has left the Republican party. Rodgers is an attorney, but as far as I know, never practiced law or it was so long ago I was still a child. Rodgers was clerk to the late federal Judge James Jarvis, a Republican. Eventually, Cliff was hired as the administrator of elections by the Knox County Election Commission. The administrator of elections is actually a partisan one inasmuch as the first qualification to hold the office is one must be a Republican.

So Cliff Rodgers was gifted with an important post and a nice big salary by the Republican party. Now, if Cliff has done anything

to being appointed adminis- all the hard work Cliff Rod- had to tearfully break the trator of elections in particular or the Republican party in general, he's managed to keep it a secret lo these many years. I don't know of a blessed thing Cliff has done for any Republican or the party which bestowed honors and good paying jobs on him. To be fair, I'm sure Cliff would say he was a federal employee for a long time and couldn't participate in politics and certainly couldn't do so while administrator of the Knox County Election Commis-Now Cliff Rodgers has

cried he can no longer call himself a Republican, but identifies as a Democrat. That has allowed the local Democratic party to send out a fund raising email to turn Knox County "blue" after pointing to the "prominent" Republican party. What prominent Republicans? If the Democrats think Cliff Rodgers is a prominent Republican they are much mistaken. Go to the nearest Walmart and ask the first 25 people you meet who Cliff Rodgers is if you don't believe me. Now in good conscience, Cliff says he can't bear the burden of the Republicans being the party of Trump. Still, he was collecting a fine salary through most of the Trump presidency and never uttered a word.

In fact, I don't know of for any GOP candidate prior anyone who can attest to

C., while his father was

a Tennessee Congress-

Senator Estes Kefau-

ver sought the Demo-

cratic nomination but

lost to Adlai Stevenson,

who also lost but carried

Kefauver as his vice pres-

idential nominee. Kefau-

ver was born in Madison-

ville, Tn., where his father

ran a hardware store and

oddity from our state was

Governor Sam Houston.

He resigned that posi-

tion, moved to Mexican

Texas, oversaw the revo-

lution, and then served

as president of the Inde-

pendent State of Texas and then governor when

Another presidential

served as mayor.

gers has done on behalf of news almost 1,000 doses Republicans or the GOP. What I do know is Cliff Rodgers has spent a lifetime eating out of the Republican trough. That little piggy has

gorged himself at the GOP's trough and if any elected or appointed Republican has done less for his party or its candidates, that individual could only be a Democrat. Now that Cliff can collect his pensions from the offices bestowed upon him by his former party, he's become a Democrat or an Independent. As a news flash, that rates right up there with the news Nancy Pelosi has had a facelift. Cliff Rodgers is the little piggy that went wee, wee, wee, all the way home.

#### They Went That-a Way...

Regular readers of the Publisher's Position in this newspaper will recall I have often expressed my dismay where only in the school system is a teacher or former principal also qualified to be the Director of Transportation or Grand Poohbah of Nutrition. Which brings us to the Knox County Health Department. Being a fine doctor doesn't necessarily make one a mighty good administrator. That appears to be the case with Dr. Martha Buchanan. Dr. Buchanan of the COVID-19 vaccine were simply thrown away by mistake. We're all human beings

and human beings are prone to make mistakes. We all have and we will all likely continue to do so. Still, the loss underscores some troubling and fundamental problems. There are going to be the folks locally who have lost family members or friends to the virus and are hurt and upset, who are going to be outraged by this mistake. There are the folks who don't like masks who are going to use this opportunity to remind our elected officials Dr. Buchanan refused to discuss contract tracing in her own case when she contracted the virus. Folks tend to rightly be a bit peevish with the "it's okay for me but not for thee" way of doing things. Those same zealots are going to point to incompetence inside the Health Department and there's no getting around the fact it sure does tarnish all the halos at the Knox County Health Department.

It's bound to affect the debate surrounding the County Commission's ongoing frustration with the Health Department's Board of Directors. It also reinforces the argument of those, including this newspaper, who believe the board is age, especially when the County mayor is responsible for selecting the Director. The mayor is directly accountable to the people who elected him, while the director is accountable to the board while appointed by the mayor. One can argue that adds a layer of protection against political hires in a post that should be, above any other, nonpolitical. Yet one can also argue equally well it can insulate an incompetent Director as well.

Let me be very, very clear. I have never been critical of Dr. Buchanan in this paper. I am NOT saying I believe her to be an incompetent public official. From all I can tell, she appears to be a good doctor; as to whether or not she is a fine administrator, I honestly don't know. A former director of the health department, Mark Jones, was an exceptionally good public official. He was not a doctor, but he was a very fine administrator.

Distribution of the vaccine is a critical thing and the longer it takes, the worse off we will be. There is certainly the appearance the health department is unorganized at a critical juncture and there needs to be a centralized information distribution point. That likely should be the health department.

It looks like we may be call.

dealing with an entirely different strain of the virus before everybody is even vaccinated for the current virus, God forbid. Anthony Fauci is already saying that may very well be the case next month.

One South Carolina mayor, frustrated with his own government's inefficiency at organizing a drive thru vaccine experience called on a true expert: the manager of a local Chikfil-A. The drive thru had been hopelessly backed up before the mayor called on the team from Chik-fil-A to execute their own special brand of efficiency in moving people through and

delivering product. The government folks were so overwhelmed the computer system crashed while trying to handle the registrations. Manager Jerry Walkowiak pinpointed the problem quickly and precisely. Walkowiak donated his time and experience to help out his community and neighbors. The Chik-fil-A manager and his team of volunteers reduced the government's waiting time of hours to a mere 15

That demonstrated yet again, government doesn't always do everything well, but fortunately that local mayor knew just who to

# Remembering **Tennesseeans** on President's **Day**

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

Our state has played an man and later U.S. Senaodd place in presidential tor. Gore served as vice politics. While Tennes- president under Presisee claims three presi- dent Bill Clinton. dents, none were born here. We've also had Tennessean candidates in national primaries and the presidential races but none were elected.

Andrew Jackson, whose home is at The Hermitage near Nashville, was born in South Carolina and was elected while a resident of the Volunteer State. Andrew Johnson, who replaced Abraham Lincoln after the assassination, was born in North Carolina and was not re-elected after an unsuccessful impeachment. Johnson later was elected back to the U.S. Senate where he served after being president.

James K. Polk was also born in North Carolina and lived in Columbia, Tn. Presidential candidates from our state include Senator Hugh Lawson White, son of Knoxville's founder James White, who ran for president but failed. He had fallen out of favor with Andrew Jackson and lost to Martin Van Buren. White, despite his roots in Knox County, was another candidate born

Al Gore Jr. ran for president against George W. Bush and lost. Gore was another potential president not born in the state but in Washington, D.

in North Carolina.

**By Mike Steely** Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

Many names of places in Knox County have changed over the years and that can be confusing to residents and newcomers. Gibbs, for instance, is also called Harbison Crossroads by some folks. That former title is for American Revolutionary War veteran James Harbison. Many people still refer to the intersection of Taze-Crossroads.

Knoxville was originally known as White's Fort and is named for George Washington's Secretary of War, Henry Knox. Knox County was part of the Southwest Territory before statehood.

Farragut, Knox County's newest town, was originally called Campbell Station, for the family that settled there before the Civil War. The homestead still stands along Kingston Pike there.

Powell was originally known as Menifee's Fort, named for founder John Menifee. It then was known as Powell Station and, today, simply as Powell. Powell is known as an

**Knox Place Names: Byington or Karns?** 

Moses Brownlow Byington Road there as Harbison ty. He operated the first post a store there. office there, had a store, and promoted the area including building the Solway Bridge.

> independent town although it is not incorporated.

> Fountain City was originally Adair's Fort or Station. The town was unincorporated until taken in by a growing Knoxville. Halls is still referred to as Halls Crossroads for the family who settled the community.

Corryton was originally

Sawyer, a Revolutionary War veteran. The railroad station there named the community "Floyd." Developer Corryton Woodbury purchased and developed the community which is now Corryton. The branch library there, beside the railresemble a depot.

The Carter community is named for the Paschal was a moving force in what Carter family which settled

Many people still refer to Karns as Byington, and for good reason. The growing community along Oak pioneer Moses Brownlow Byington moved there from McMinn County. He attended Wesleyan College of and married Amanda Fox.

Byington's brief years of life saw him active in the progress and growth of the area, serving on the Knox County Court for 24 years,

Sawyer's Fort for John and promoting the L&N railroad to serve the area. He started a store at the intersection of what became the Byington-Solway Road and the little rural town became known as Byington for the train depot that was estab-

lished there. He was instrumental in road tracks, is built like to the promotion and building of the Solway Bridge, a 772foot long concrete bridge, which was replaced in 1975 with the current four-lane well Pike and East Emory is now the Karns communi- the area and built a mill and bridge crossing the river at the north end of the Pellissippi Parkway. The corner stone of the original bridge

> is in the Oak Ridge Library. Moses Byington is buried Ridge Highway began when in the Beaver Ridge Cemetery. He has many descendants in our area.

> The community kept the name of Beaver Ridge/ Athens, Tn., where he met Byington until 1950 when the citizens voted to change the name to Karns, in honor of the county's first superintendent of public education, Thomas Conner Karns.



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# February, the Month for Heart Health Checkups

By Ralphine Maior ralphine3@yahoo.com

It was a long night on that Palm Sunday, April 1, 2007. Our mother suffered a heart attack after experiencing nausea and cold sweats. My brother and I sat in the waiting room for hours while the doctors put stents in to open the blocked artery. Then, it was more waiting through the early morning hours as her recovery process began. Looking back, I remember sitting in the waiting room watching Pat Summit's Lady Vols. They won the national champi-

After three days in the hospital, mother was released. Slight complications required another quick trip to the hospital a few days later. During her recovery, Dr. Kyle McCoy, her cardiologist, stressed the importance of cardiac rehab and a low-sodium/low-fat diet. That was nearly 14 years ago, and our mother has experienced no other heart problems since.

Heart disease is still one of our nation's greatest enemies, though treatment for this killer has come a long way. It is important onship a few days later. that all of us take care of

this vital organ that sustains life and see a health care provider if any alarming symptoms occur. Hopefully, there will always be a "Dr. McCoy" on call for anyone who needs emergency heart health care.

Words of Faith: The scripture from the Book of Psalms has long been a favorite and was quoted in my first column 10 years ago. It remains a favorite verse today. I hope you are blessed by Psalm 46:10 (KJV): "Be still, and know that I am God."



Picture of Wayne, Juanita (our mother), and Ralphine Major at the 2019 Grainger **County Tomato** Festival months before the COVID-19 pandemic began, courtesy of Steve Ellis, Light House Studio.

# Lack of skill costs

**By Joe Rector** 

the waiting room of a car dealership this morning. No, I'm not looking to buy a new, or even a used, vehicle. Instead, it's oil change time for my wife's car, I always wait for a coupon to

pop up to find the best deals for these kinds of difficult. Still, I managed to basic services. The sad fact is that I never learned the skills necessary to perform these types of things. Oh, I've tried to fix things before, but as you might imagine, things didn't work well.

Jim and I drove an old '54 Chevy that had already gone through both parents and an older brother. I loved that car and wish I could afford to buy another one. On occasion, I ran up against some problems and tried to fix them to save a few bucks. On one rainy trip from Knoxville back to Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, the windshield wipers malfunctioned. They were vacuum wipers, which meant they worked depending on how the gas pedal was pushed. Around Crab Orchard, the darn things wouldn't move. A leak had developed in the vacuum line. I drove down I-40 with my head out the window so that I could see the road. clear skies until a mechanic could fix the problem.

on the vehicle another time. My friends all told me how easy it was to replace it, and the concept seemed simple enough. The problem was having the correct tools to do the job. I spent several days trying to get the tools so that I could buy a new one. I'm not sure who installed the new pump, but it wasn't me.

Amy and I owned a Datsun

first years of marriage, and I decided to change the oil in the vehicle before driving to my brother's home in Powell Valley. I had no ramps, a fact that made reaching joerector@comcast.net the oil pan plug and oil filter more

> complete both tasks. I put on the new filter and poured in the oil. My pride swelled over having succeeded. I hopped in the car, backed it out of the garage and eyeballed a puddle of fresh oil oozing across the garage floor. To my shame, I realized I'd forgotten to replace the plug in the pan.

> Over the years, I've tried to work on my lawnmowers. The same thing always happens with them as with cars. A couple of weeks ago, I replaced the pinion steering gear on a lawn tractor. Hours of labor went into a job that shouldn't have taken longer than half an hour. When I finished, the gear and plate weren't aligned evenly, so the turning radius in one direction was much smaller than the other direction. I later discovered that the wheels had to be offset to install the thing.

If I had my time to do With no idea of how to fix over. I would take an auto the thing, I drove only during mechanics class, a small engines class, and a construction class. The money The water pump went out I could have saved would have been in the thousands. Parents, I don't care if your children are geniuses who are headed to prestigious colleges. Insist that they take some of these vocational classes so that they aren't as lacking as I am. In the end, having those skills will save them, and possibly you, thousands of dollars.

# 'I take the Fifth' from bar owners in curfew hearings

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

The main response from bars facing curfew violation hearings seems to be "I take the fifth amendment" on advice from their attorney. That was the go-to reply from Billiards and Brews owner Richard Lawhorn when asked, repeatedly, about breaking curfew 18 times.

The 1 p.m. hearing last Tuesday lasted well into the evening as details of the charges were intro-

City Attorney Alyson Dyer called multiple city police officers as witnesses and quizzed Lawhorn about the 18 curfew violations, the shooting death in the parking lot, and the employee hours he filed with the city. Several officers testified they saw beer bottles and pitchers on the tables in the bar after curfew and issued citations.

The bar has already lost its liquor license from the state and Lawhorn's attorney, Rick Owens, noted the bar was cited several times "for being tions about beer drinking inside beyond the curfew.

That was disputed by most of the officers appearing before Hearing Officer Gerald Gulley. Gulley asked the beer enforcement officer, Sgt. John Coward, if he had notified the state of the alleged curfew violations and Coward replied he had. The state then removed the liquor

Board of Health member Dr. Patrick O'Brien told the hearing that the regulations mandate closing at curfew except for drive-through, delivery and carry out business. He referred to the spike in COVID-19 cases and 500 deaths. Attorney Owens suggested the board's curfew regulation implied no alcohol service but not to close.

O'Brien said that for bars and restaurants serving beer, the closings at curfew "was our intent all along."

In his decision issued Wednesday Gulley wrote, "Given the severity of the sanction of revocation of the Permittee's beer permit, your

open" with no mention on the cita- Hearing Officer declines to assess fines for any instances of violation by the Permittee. Pursuant to Section 4-89 of the City Code, your Hearing Officer taxes the costs of this matter to and against the Permittee, including reimbursement to the City of Knoxville for fees paid to the court reporter and the hearing officer.

He ruled requiring the owner to pay per violation is "likely an exercise in futility."

Gulley decided even with the owner evading questions by "taking the fifth," the evidence presented was enough to prove guilt.

Gulley revoked the license "immediately" and directed Billiards and Brews to "pay the costs incurred in this matter." The city had asked for a suspension for 90 days and fines for each offense but Gulley went beyond the suspension request and suspended the license without a renewal for 10 years, with no fine for the various offences.

# County property tax rate has not increased in over 20 years

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How has Knox County's property tax rate actually decreased over the past Director Chris Caldwell explained the apparent conflict to the Knox County Commissioners during a Chairman's Briefing last

Caldwell said the current property tax rate is \$2.12 per \$100 of assessed value and has been for four years. A state law forbids the rate to increase based on appraisal. As a person's property increases in value the rate fluctuates

evaluation time.

revenues are up? Finance Caldwell explained, is based on property and sales tax growth, including the Amazon internet sales taxes that return to the county. The property tax revenue increase is credited to new residents, new construction and new

> the county's general funds, 80¢ to schools and 43¢ go to retiring county debt.

and cannot increase. The growth," Caldwell told internet sales. The school property evaluations are the virtual meeting but system gets about 72% of set every four or five years agreed that while the indi- the revenue from these and next year is the next vidual tax rate remains taxes. low, the costs of services The "healthy growth" the county delivers to res-discussion of the county twenty years while county in county revenue, as idents is increasing each debt, the school revenue year. Chairman Larsen Jay noted that the county maintains about 2,000 miles of road with more being added each year and has been using about \$6 million per year in local and state funds for upkeep and paving.

> Caldwell said the county Of the \$2.12 rate of receives about \$270 milappraised value, 89¢ go to lion from property taxes and \$170 from sales taxes and expects the sales tax revenue could go to "We've always had \$190 million thanks to the

The meeting also saw a and expenses, and general financial matters. Caldwell said that an increase in population will also see an increase in local sales tax

revenue. Caldwell said the property tax rate is "likely the lowest in metro govern-

ment history." Other sources of local revenue for the county includes the local wheel tax, hotel-motel taxes and

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# Masking policy

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All students must wear masks with the exceptions of those who play wind instruments. Those students must wear face coverings when not playing. Wind instruments are also now equipped with bell covers for further precautions After an extended discussion, the board

determined that no policy change would occur. The board did, however, leave the door open to re-open the issue at a later date.

But a pair of board members, Daniel Watson and Jennifer Owen took time to survey performing arts teachers, including band, chorus and orchestra instructors.

Both said that the teachers who responded were in favor of the current policy, despite

opposition from parents. "One band director that I spoke to said that no mask equals no band," Watson said. "Personally, I can't wait for the day that I can

start a bonfire and burn every mask that I

ever bought, but I spoke to Joe Childs, the

Chief Medical Officer at Children's Hospital

and he said that this is not the time to let our guard down."

Owen noted that teachers in her survey had similar opinions.

As for KCS Superintendent Bob Thomas he said that all current protocols have worked and helped schools stay open.

"The policy works," he said. "We had 75 days of school (out of 80 instructional days in the fall), and this semester, we've only canceled two days and those were inclement weather," Thomas said. "Not that we had any really inclement weather.

"But our policy works and I think that our teachers and staff have done a phenomenal job. "Like (Watson), I can't wait to get rid of our masks. We can do it together."

The board also approved the Elevate Program to help students with substance abuse problems. The program is a partnership between the school system, Knox County, the Boyd Foundation and the Helen Ross McNabb Center.

The program, which is set to be implemented this fall, passed unanimously without discussion.

# Carroll Reece Tennessee's 'Mr. Republican'

## **Pages from the Past**



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personality.

Reece's campaign fea-

tured a picture of the young

candidate wearing his uni-

form, much to the chagrin

of Congressman Sells.

Sells snorted there was no

way he could lose to a can-

didate who had not lived in

the district for years; after

a decade of service, Sells

felt confident he would

be renominated. Carroll

Reece campaigned on the

theme ten years in Con-

gress should be enough

for any man, a slogan that

would come back to haunt

During the 1920 cam-

paign, newspapers referred

to the young candidate by

his military title, as did the

Knoxville Journal and Tri-

bune in noting Reece spoke

in Bybee, Tennessee in the

local high school auditori-

um. The Journal and Tri-

bune reported, "Lieuten-

ant Reece's speech was

somewhat different from

his former ones, in that

he sought to answer the

opening speech of his

opponent which was deliv-

ered in Elizabethton a few

nights ago..." Reece ques-

tioned why Congressman

Sells had voted to "exempt

excess profit taxes on cor-

porations." Sells was a

successful businessman,

owning a lumber compa-

ny and other concerns.

in 1919, and why he voted

to exempt these excess

profits from taxes?" Reece

reported on the race in

the First District as grow-

ing more heated with every

passing day, dispelling

"what followers of Sells at

first considered a joke" was now a real race. The Sen-

tinel acknowledged Carroll

Reece had been "compar-

atively unknown until a few

months" before the prima-

ry election and the candi-

date's "reputation he made

in the recent world war was

the first thing to bring him

the GOP nomination held

a joint debate in Tazewell,

Tennessee. It was "court

day" in Tazewell and some

500 people in Claiborne

County gathered to hear

Sam R. Sells and B. Carroll

Reece speak and speak

they did. Carroll Reece

spoke for an hour, while

Congressman Sells spoke

for an hour and 15 min-

utes. As might be expect-

ed, the candidates tossed

the occasional barb back

and forth. "Lieutenant

Reece says that he is in

favor of reducing the high

cost of living," Congress-

man Sells snorted. "Who

in the name of common

sense and good judgment

is not?" Reece jabbed Sells

for paying considerable

The two candidates for

into notice."

Jr., the first Republican ever to be popularly elected to the United States Senate from Tennessee, has a great claim to being labeled "Mr. Republican" for the modern era. Yet Brazilla Carroll Reece of Johnson City may have a better claim to being "Mr. Republican" for Tennessee during a time when the GOP was distinctly the minority party in the Volunteer State. Like his successor, James H, "Jimmy" Quillen, Carroll Reece was not an orator. Reece spoke quite slowly and methodically, which oftentimes didn't excite audiences. Yet Carroll Reece proved to be enduringly popular with the people he represented. For one thing, Congressman Reece never stopped campaigning, in or out of office. Reece also concentrated on providing excellent constituent services to the people of upper East Tennessee. The people in Tennessee's First Congressional District liked and appreciated Reece's efforts. Carroll Reece was elected to Congress eighteen times by his

The late Howard H. Baker

Carroll Reece had been born in the town of Butler, Tennessee and was one of thirteen children of John Isaac and Sarah Maples then Carson and Newman College. From there, Carroll Reece went to New York where he graduated from New York University with honors. Reece made quite an impression, as the trustees of the college noted his ability and offered him a professorship of political

economy.

constituents and his career

spanned forty years.

and nine inches, Carroll Reece had fought in the First World War where he earned the Purple Heart, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Cross, and the Croix de Guerre with Palm from the French government. After a brief teaching career in New York, Carroll Reece came home in 1920 and ran against Sam R. Sells, the sitting congressman from Tennessee's First Congressional

Standing about five feet

District. When Colonel Grant Trent had announced himself a candidate for Congress, Congressman Sells had sneered he would withdraw as a candidate for reelection if "a real soldier" wanted to run. Colonel Trent withdrew and Carroll Reece emerged as a candidate. Sam R. Sells did not withdraw and charged his political enemies had recruited Reece to run against him. The incumbent seemed to campaign

less on his record than his

ers he would devote all his time and energies to serving in Congress. "There is no reason why I should lose touch with the people from whom I sprang, when I am elected to office," Reece said. "Whatever office is held, the powers of it are from the people, and if I do not render as much service in two years as Sells has in 10, I will not seek reelec-

attention to his business

interests, telling his listen-

Carroll Reece had actually gone to the office of Congressman Sells before announcing his candidacy to visit. It was during the Tazewell debate Reece described his initial conversation with Sam R. Sells.

"Before I made the announcement of my candidacy, I met Mr. Sells on the street in Johnson City with one whom I thought at that time was a mutual friend," Carroll Reece related to his audience. "After being introduced, I was invited into Mr. Sells' office where I presume Mr. Sells' henchmen thought some wholesome advice should be given for the benefit of 'the boy.' When we were alone, this is about the way the interview went. We both sat down and Mr. Sells lit a cigar which he stuck in the corner of his mouth at an angle of about 5 degrees. Then, sticking his thumb in the armhole of his vest, and looking out from under his shaggy eyebrows as he looked at me and said, 'Reece, who are you?'"

Doubtless, that brought some laughter and twitters from those gathered in Claiborne County, Carroll Reece continued with the telling of his tale of his

meeting with Sam R. Sells. "Old Goliath showed that "Why don't your congress- same spirit when he came man and mine in explain- face to face with David," Reece. B. Carroll Reece ing how much he made in Reece said. "What his attime for this office? He knew who I was. Well might he have recalled the days when my father and mother The Knoxville Sentinel lived in a log cabin which sat within the shadow of his mother's stately mansion, and when I came to the back door of his house peddling butter and eggs. He thought he could break my spirit and that I would sneak away like a whipped cur. 'You haven't a chance to win the nomination,' he said. 'I'm in better shape than ever financially to fight competition, and when I get ready to retire I am going to name my successor.' There was just one thing my friend overlooked and that is you can't disregard the wishes of a great people in things like this."

> When it came his turn to speak, Congressman Sells did not dispute most of what Carroll Reece said about their first meeting, but insisted he had never insulted the young lieuten-

The notion Carroll Reece's candidacy was little more than a joke had evaporated by the time the primary election approached. The Nashville Banner reported "the veteran congressman has a bear fight on his hands" and most Republicans inside the First Congressional District thought it

"will be very close." As



A campaign sticker for Congressman Carroll Reece.

the ballots were counted, Congressman Sells issued a statement claiming victory. "I am nominated by a majority of 200 to 300 with Claiborne county yet to hear from," Sells crowed. "Claiborne will give me a majority of about 400, which will make my lead in the district about 600 to 700. These are absolute facts, the statements of Lieut. Reece's friends to the contrary notwithstanding." Yet one Johnson City newspaper claimed Carroll Reece had been nominated by at least 300 votes.

The Kingsport Times carried a banner headline in its August 6, 1920 edition blaring: "Carroll Reece **Decisively Defeats Sells** in Congressional Race." According to the Times, Reece had won by more than 1300 votes. A day the Watauga Academy and people how much he made think that you can oppose Daily Times noted the success of veterans in elections all across Tennessee. "The people appear to have taken a great fancy to overseas men in the primary balloting in the state on Thursday," the Daily Times reported. "Lieut. B. Carroll Reece who served his country faithfully, honorably and with distinguished bravery during the war with Germany, appears to have beaten the veteran politician Sam R. Sells for congress in the First district." The Chattanooga Daily Times article illustrated just what a feat Reece had accomplished in vanquishing Sam R. Sells, who was described as "one of the bosses of the republican party in East Tennessee" for quite some time. The Daily Times thought Sells "a strong man, too, and a fighter of ability and

experience." Yet the Daily Times pointed out Sells had "a record that savors much of demagogy, hypocrisy and opportunism" which had given Carroll Reece the basis to upset the congressman. The Daily Times noted the similarities between the candidacies of Carroll Reece and Gordon Browning in Tennessee's Eighth Congressional District.

Browning had challenged Congressman Thetus W. Sims for the Democratic nomination. Sims had been in Congress for twenty-four years and Browning, like Reece, was a veteran of the First World War. The Chattanooga Daily Times thought Browning was "bright, active, progressive and sound on democratic principles." The editorial wrong of any kind."

win the general election in Usually surefooted on polit-1920 while Gordon Browning would lose to Republican Lon Scott, who was also a veteran of the World War. 1920 was a Republican year in Tennessee

and many Democrats were swept out of office by the GOP tidal wave. It was the first election in which women could cast their votes for candidates up and down the ballot. Warren G. Harding carried the Volunteer State in the presidential race, while Alf A. Taylor defeated incumbent A. H. Roberts for governor. Congressmen John A. Moon of Chattanooga and Cordell Hull, both of whom had opposed suffrage for women, lost to GOP candidates.

Gordon Browning, stubborn and irrepressible, made a determined bid for Congress once again in 1922 and defeated yet another incumbent, toppling Lon Scott and remained in the U. S. House of Representatives for 12 years before leaving to make an unsuccessful race for the U.S. Senate. Browning served three terms as governor of Tennessee and he and Carroll Reece enjoyed parallel political careers until 1952. Reece remained in office for almost another decade after Gordon Browning had been consigned to private

life by Frank Clement. Once in office, Carroll Reece followed the example set by Senator Kenneth D. McKellar, who stressed service to constituents. The McKellar office was the first modern congressional office to emphasize constituent service in Tennessee. Carroll Reece adopted the same practices as the McKellar office to go the extra mile in attempting to help constituents with problems, large and small. It was a practice continued in East Tennessee in the congressional offices of Jimmy Quillen, as well as Howard Baker, Sr. and John

Congressman Carroll described Gordon Brown- Reece became an instiforward, with no disposi- Congressional District, tion to compromise "with but like every officeholder, he was not without politi-Reece would go on to cal enemies or detractors. ical grounds, Carroll Reece made one political miscalculation that cost him his seat in Congress. It was an experience he never forgot.

and Jimmy Duncan.







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# S & E Properties seeks Planning Commission's permission to expand

By Bill Howard

Residential growth in most any city is a given. If one lives in Knoxville, it probably wouldn't take him or her long to observe yet another tract of land under construction for houses or apartment complexes.

On Thur., Feb. 11, the Knoxville-Knox Co. Planning Commission heard a case by Applicant S & E Properties, owned by William E., III & Courtney Manrod. The request was to rezone a property located at 12041 Hardin Valley Rd., west of Mission Hill Lane, in Commission District 6. The size of the tract is 6.98 acres.

The current zoning is RR (Rural Residential) / HP (Hillside Protection) and SP (Stream Protection) / A (Agricultural). The proposed zoning is LDR (Low Density Residential) / HP (Hillside Protection) & SP (Stream Protection) / PR (Planned Residential), and includes a density of up to four du/ ac (dwelling units per acre). The existing land use is RR.

The staff recommendation was twofold: first, to deny the Sector Plan Amendment of LDR because it "is not in compliance with the Rural Area of the Knoxville-Knox County Growth Policy Plan and the surrounding development is consistent with the existing RR / HP / SP land use des-

mendation was to approve PR up to 2 du/ac because

it "is consistent with the du/ac," Mullins said. "The surrounding development and the adjacent residential densities, as well as the slope analysis." The slope analysis would figure prominently in the Commission's This area is transitioning

to single family residential. Steep slopes and stream protection areas are also in the vicinity. Knoxville lawyer Benjamin Mullins spoke on

from large, agricultural lots

behalf of the Applicant. He told the Commission that S & E would settle for three du/ac, rather than the proposed four.

"What S and E is offering The second staff recom- today is to keep the Sector Plan as is, but to rezone the Sector Plan up to three

final density would be determined once there was a final engineering done and traffic impact done in this area to see exactly what the density would be. The difference in density on this zone for two du/ac that staff is recommending and the three du/ac that S and E is proposing is three units." "We would ask that

under these circumstances, a Sector Plan Amendment would not be needed to go up to three du/ac but this be approved at Planned Residential at three du/ac," Mullins said.

There was some confusion about how many total extra units would be added. Commissioner Dick Graf asked what part Hillside

Protections play in deter- is compatible." mining that number.

Said Senior Planner itself is 6.9 acres, and if you multiply that by three units per acre that the Applicant is comfortable with, that's 20 units. At two du/ac that's recommended, that's 13 units.

"Mr. Mullins said it only amounted to three du additional," said Graf.

"I didn't misspeak," said Mullins. "When the slope analysis is done, if you take two du upon slope analysis you get to 1.92 du/ac. If you were to apply that for three du/ac you would get a different density than that, so it depends on what number it starts with to what slope analysis shows

Commissioner Sandra Korbelik asked when the Michelle Portier: "The tract future traffic generated from the nearby 117-acre Ball PR would be factored into the traffic report.

> Said Transportation Engineer Tarren Barrett: "We're not considering traffic from other subdivisions because we're only looking at a point of a small land area and a small number of trips to this corridor. We only look at the entrance to the subdivision of the corridor."

> The Commission voted unanimously, first to deny the LDR Sector Plan. It then voted unanimously to approve the PR up to three du/ac.

The next meeting is March 11.

# \$1.5 million for sheriff's video courtroom on agenda

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and Criminal Court are in The lease would be with

Also on the agenda is a request from the Knox County Health Department to lease the former Food City location at 4216 North Broadway for use as a COVID-19 vaccination site. The six-month agreement doesn't have a cost estimate yet nor a beginning or ending date. Currently the health depart-

EXPO Center just off Clin- owed. The Procurement County General Sessions ton Highway for vaccines. K-VA-T Food Stores, Inc.

> The Commission may also discuss approving a \$14 million federal grant for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program and a grant of \$50,000 to the health department to address "social determinants of health."

They may also approve the selling of delinquent tax property owned by the ment has been renting the county for less than taxes

Department is making the request. It may also accept the donation by the Parton Family for real property for an air quality monitoring

A donation of materials and repairs at Gibbs Ruritan Park valued at about \$28,000 may be approved and Kimley Horn may be contracted for engineering and design services for the Carter Park ADA compliance program, at a cost estimated at \$232,600.

tinue the curfew and limit

social gatherings all the

members voted "Yes"

except for Knox County

Mayor Glenn Jacobs, who

continues to oppose those

local regulations, although

# What is a Motion for Default?

Occasionally I will have a potential divorce client call me and say something like, "They told me

they would not give

me a divorce, what

can I do to leave this

person?" Thankful-

ly, you do not need

the other person's

involvement in a

case to get a result

awarded to you from



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the court, whether the case is a divorce case, a contract dispute or a personal injury matter.

How can that be? Particularly in a divorce case. By law, when you file a lawsuit, you have to serve the Defendant with a document called a Summons and a copy of the lawsuit you have filed. The service of these documents is usually done by a private process server or the Sheriff's Department, although you can also accomplish it by certified mail.

Once the Defendant is served, the person who served the Defendant will turn into the court proof that the Defendant was served. By law, the Defendant has 30 days to file a written Answer with the Court responding to the lawsuit. The Defendant cannot say they did not know they were not supposed to respond because the Summons that the Defendant receives has this written on the top of the first page.

If the Defendant does not file an Answer with the court within 30 days of

basically says that the Plaintiff should win by default because the Defendant has not bothered to respond to the lawsuit against them. This actually happens a whole lot. A large percentage of people sued for credit card, payday loans and medical debt do not bother responding to lawsuits against them for these debts.

When a Motion for Default is filed, the Plaintiff must mail a copy of Motion for Default to the Defendant notifying them of the Motion and on what court date the motion will be held.

Then, if the Defendant does not show up for the hearing on the Motion for Default, the Plaintiff is awarded whatever they requested in their lawsuit. They have just won by default.

Courts do not prefer to handle matters through motions for default if they can avoid it. They would prefer both parties to a lawsuit appear in court and tell their sides of the story and then the court can make a ruling. So motions for default are considered disfavored in court. However, they allow lawsuits to be resolved even if the person being sued refuses to participate.

So, yes, you can get a divorce through a motion for default even if the other person will not, "give you one."

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## **COVID-19 cases down in Knox County**

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As of Wednesday Knox County has had 509 deaths related to the virus and there was 2,164 active cases with 70 people hospitalized.

Dr. James Shamiyeh told his fellow board members the number of cases in people 71 years or older

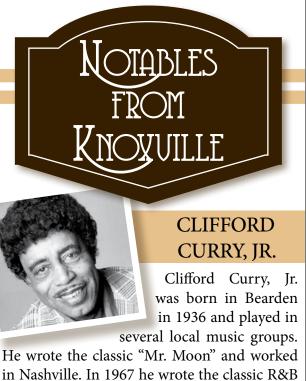
decreased in the Knoxville Dr. Buchanan added to the region and pointed to the number of vaccines being

"We would not be there being hospitalized has if not for masks," he said.

mask mandate requirement saying, "I'm afraid to take the lid off." On the motions to con-

Knox County's mask mandate has been in place since July of last year and apparently the majority of the population is observing the mandate when in

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.

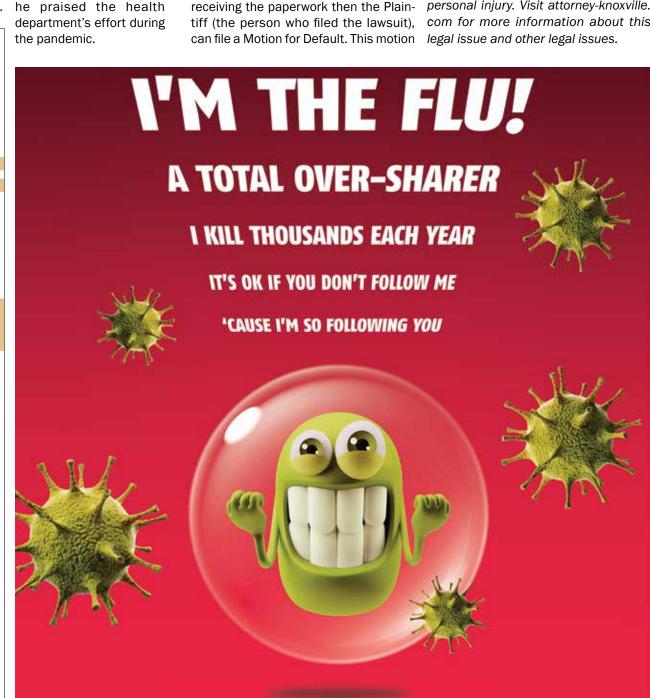


He continued to play in the Southeast with his own brand of Carolina Beach Music and was inducted into the Beach Music Hall of fame in 1995. In 1997 Curry recorded an album called "Tennessee R&B Live with Earl Gaines and Roscoe Shelton and joined singer Fay Adams in her number one R&B smash "Shake a Hand."

"She Shot a Hole in My Heart."

He died in 2019 at age 79 in Knoxville.

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Campbell University signee Ke'on Smith took

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A-E's Smith wants to succeed on and off the field

By Steve Williams

The tone of Ke'on Smith's football signing ceremony with Campbell University last week had as much to do with academics as athletics.

Austin-East High Principal Nathan Langlois punctuated his opening remarks with letting Ke'on know he wanted an invitation to his college graduation and that he would be there for it.

"Graduating from college is what this is really all about," Lan-

Alvin Armstead, the school's athletic director, followed up and reminded Smith his first priority in college was to be a studentathlete. "The big thing is to stick to it and finish the task."

Many of his Roadrunner teammates watched in the school's library Thursday as Smith signed

scholarship papers with Campbell, a NCAA Division I FCS member which is located in central North Carolina about 30 miles from Raleigh, the state's capitol.

The 5-11, 180-pounder stepped in and played most of his senior year at A-E as a replacement quarterback but will be a wide receiver for the Fighting Camels, who play in the Big South Conference.

was impressed with Campbell's coaching staff.

me, they stayed in touch a lot," he said. "Every coach has watched my film and told me they liked it.

"The head coach (Mike Mintor) is a great man. He just made me feel like I was going to be home

Smith, who has a 2.75 GPA,

wants to be successful in college somber after the on and off the field. "I want to get injury. in and play and then focus on my academics. I want to graduate in college and come back and give to the community."

He said he's been thinking about majoring in sports medicine. "I just want to stay connected with sports."

Smith got a big dose of dealing with adversity on a 0-10 team at In the recruiting process, Ke'on A-E in 2020. The Roadrunners' starting quarterback, sophomore Leshaud Holloway, suffered a "When they started recruiting season-ending knee injury in the first game against Webb School.

All of a sudden, Ke'on was the

"Coach threw me in the fire and I had to go with it," he recalled. "I came in (late in the first half) and that possession we scored."

But the mood at halftime was



Halls senior cheerleaders (left to right) are Grace Lawson, Abbey Hopkins and Sydney Hollingsworth.

# Halls cheerleaders are 'thankful' to get to finish the season

By Steve Williams

It's been a "rough season" for Halls High it is ending on a positive note.

Changes made by Governor Bill Lee and the Knox County School system late in the basketball regular season allowed Cheer and can't)," said Halls Cheer Dance teams to participate and their parents or guardians, grandparents and household members also

Halls, however, won't be competing as usual in School's cheerleaders, but the TSSAA State Championships for Cheer teams this year, which will be conducted in a "virtual" format due to the pandemic and COVID-19 concerns.

> "Unfortunately no (we Coach Cheri Duncan on Feb. 2. "We just found out about it, so we won't have

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# Central clinches third place with road win in Black Oak Ridge rivalry

By Ken Lay

A hard-fought road win in the Black Oak Ridge rivalry netted the Central High School boys basketball team third place in the District 3-AAA standings and a buy in the upcoming district tournament.

It also gave the Bobcats a chance to play together. Something that they and coach Andy Hill don't take for granted in the days of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We've had a lot of postponements and cancellations and we've had long periods when we haven't played games," Hill said after Central nabbed a 77-62 victory over rival Halls before a spirited crowd at Halls High School. "This was a chance to be back together in the gym again."

But the victory earned the Bobcats (11-7 overall, 8-5 in the district) halftime. much more.

And it didn't come easily for Cen-10 games.

"This clinched third place in the victory and having a bye in the first round of the district tournament is big for us," Hill said. "This is a tough place to win.

"Anytime you come here and win, you've done something."

The Bobcats were hot early as Red Devils (9-13, 3-12), but Halls didn't go away.



Halls High's Robbie Miller (5) attempts a shot while Central's Ahmad Belton Jr. defends in the Bobcats' 77-62 District 3-AAA victory over the Red Devils Thursday night in Halls.

evenly matched second stanza and Belton Jr. that carried the Bobcats the 'Cats had a 37-29 advantage at to victory on this night in hostile ter-

Halls was able to hang around thanks to its long-range shooting. tral, which has won eight of its last The Red Devils knocked down 10 3-point shots, including five over the first 16 minutes of the contest.

It was a 3-pointer by Luke Simpson that pulled the Red Devils to within 60-57 with 4 minutes, 18 seconds remaining in the game before Central closed out the game with a

The Bobcats made 9-of-10 from jumpers after halftime. they opened a 19-10 lead over the the free throw line in the fourth quar-

In the end, it was guard Greg arc, had 12 points.

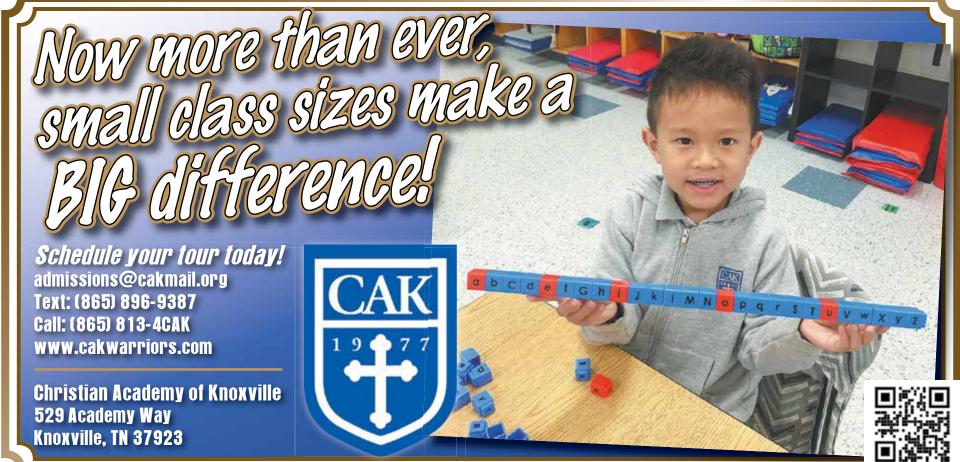
The two rivals slugged through an Moore and post player Ahmad ritory.

Moore and Belton Jr. both scored 27 points. Moore had 16 before halftime while Belton Jr. did much of his damage after the break as he scored 19 over the final 16 minutes and seven in the fourth quar-

Jaylon Harris also scored 12

points for the Bobcats. Halls got 14 points from Cole Shaffer, who sank four long-range

Simpson, who knocked down three shots from beyond the 3-point



## By Steve Williams

For the week beginning Feb. 9, Bearden was the capitol of Tennessee high school basketball!

The Dawgs were No. 1 in the boys' and girls' Associated Press Class AAA state rankings, and for a school to be on top in both polls is

The Bearden girls' 47-39 win at Ensworth on Feb. 6 helped propel Coach Justin Underwood's team to the top. Ensworth had won 60 straight games.

On the other hand, the Bearden boys' 62-49 loss to highly regarded Hamilton Heights on Feb. 11 probably will cost the Bulldogs' their top spot.

By the way, the Bearden teams will host Catholic tonight (Feb. 15) in a grand way to close out regular season play. An overflow crowd no doubt would be on hand, if not for the pan-

Also in the AAA poll, Oak the state this year.



Ridge boys were No. 5, Sevier County girls No. 8 and Maryville girls No. 10.

In Class AA boys, Kingston was No. 5, Fulton No. 9 and Loudon No. 10. Oneida ranked No. 8 in Class A boys.

Catholic ranked No. 2 in Division II-AA boys and Webb No. 4 in Division II-A

Other girls teams in the area ranked were Lakeway Christian Academy No. 1 in Division II-A, Grainger No. 5 in Class AA and Tellico Plains No. 10 in Class A.

#### **Edwards and Fritz are** basketball finalists

The TSSAA last week announced the finalists for Mr. and Miss Basketball in

the prestigious award from the Knoxville area - B. J. Edwards of Catholic (Division II-AA) and Denae Fritz of Maryville (Class AAA).

#### Road to Fame founder **Jerry Julian resigns**

Jerry Julian announced his resignation as president of the Halls High Athletics' Road to Fame at last week's organizational meeting to select the Class of 2021. Julian started the group

and headed up the process of selecting the first two classes of Halls High honorees in 2019 and 2020. According to the by-laws of the Road to Fame, there

will be annual changes as

certain directors will be exiting and new directors will be brought on. "Out of all the things I've done in my lifetime that was probably the saddest for me to have to give up. That was

hard," said Julian. "But the

Road to Fame will carry on

top athletes that have participated in the Halls community for years to come."

A new director will be announced at a later date. In the meantime, Ted Williams and Spencer Long are going to work together to fill

Applications for nominees for the 2021 class will be available to be picked up starting March 1. Those locations will be listed in next week's Focus.

#### Pigeon Forge wrestlers take second

Pigeon Forge finished runner-up in the TSSAA Class A-AA Duals Wrestling State Championships Feb. 6 at Nolensville.

The Tigers defeated Signal

Mountain 42-33 in the semi-

finals but lost 39-36 to Fairview in the finals. Baylor (Division II) and Cleveland (Class AAA) also

captured state crowns. In the Tennessee High

Two are in the running for in fine style, presenting the School Wrestling Poll's final for TSSAA spring sports rankings for the season, Baylor was No. 1 and Cleveland No. 2. Rounding out the Top 5 were Wilson Central, Christian Brothers and Bradley Central.

> Pigeon Forge was listed among schools receiving

### Girls' state soccer site changed

Chattanooga was selected to host the TSSAA state championships for 2021 and 2022. Sites for the early rounds

will include Baylor School, Chattanooga Christian School, Girls' Preparatory School and the University of Tennessee Chattanooga Sportsplex.

The championship matches will be held at CHI Memorial Stadium.

#### Spring sports can start practicing

Today is the official first practice date of the season baseball, softball, boys' soccer, tennis and track and field ... weather permitting, of course.

### Football, anyone?

East Tennessee State University's football team will host Samford Saturday afternoon starting at 1 as the South Atlantic Conference kicks off its spring season.

Head Coach Randy Sanders' Buccaneers have six players from Knoxville on their roster: Dashaun McKinney, a redshirt freshman wide receiver from Fulton; Trey Foster, a freshman running back from Austin-East; Nate Adkins, a junior tight end from Bearden; Gavin Campbell, a freshman offensive lineman from Bearden; Riley Bryant, a redshirt freshman wide receiver from Powell; and Colton Webb, a freshman defensive end from Powell.

to top and left to right are Halls cheerleaders Kaitlyn Kreps and Karmen Godfrey; Amelia Drafts, Caroline Sentell and Maddie Clevenger; and Chloe Fleenor, Caroline Plyler and Karah

From bottom



# Halls cheerleaders are 'thankful'

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time to practice. Many of my girls have already while we were benched from cheering.

group of girls!"

Cheer and Dance good news about a week later, and on Feb. 10, Coach Duncan and her squad acknowledged the changes that had been made by the Tennessee governor and KCS and what getting to cheer

again meant to them. Senior Abbey Hopkins said: "It has been amazing getting the opportunity to cheer again and finish out the season with my best

friends! I'm so thankful

cheer again!"

Sydney Hollingsworth, started spring sports a senior, also appreciated the opportunity to cheer "They have had a rough thankful for everyone that season but are a great fought for us. We appreciate everyone so much!"

teams, however, received Lawson agreed, adding "It has been so fun and has made me appreciate it so much more."

> excited to see her cheerleaders on the sidelines again.

"We would like to thank all those people who emailed, called and signed petitions for us. We would especially like to thank our State Representative Michelle Carringer for fighting on our behalf."



again and added: "I'm so

And senior Grace

Coach Duncan was very



Ke'on played QB up until

first season as A-E's head coach, said Smith was willing to do anything he asked him to do.

"Yes, it was a tough year

for a lot of different reasons," said Mays. "On the field, Ke'on was always readily available to play any position."

Smith maintained a positive attitude.

"It was frustrating, but he was one of three captains on the team. So everybody always had eyes on (number) 15. I told the (Campbell) coach he's what er who loves to block. He you want at the next level.

"Prayerfully, he's going

to do his best and we're all going to support him and

stand behind him." When asked about Smith's potential on the collegiate level, Coach Mays said: "Well, he's definitely a receiver. His best attribute is that he's able to win the

one on one ball." Ke'on is also a receivshowed that his junior year in a big win over rival Fulton.



A-E's Smith wants to succeed on and off the field

wide receiver signed with Campbell University. "She kept pushing him (in academics) and worked with him when he

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"Even though we were down, we tried to stay up," said Smith.

It was a young team, and Ke'on was one of only seven seniors. The roster also included 10 freshmen, 19 sophomores and

11 juniors. "We just kept working to get better and focused on the task at hand," said Smith. "If the game on Friday didn't go well, we just

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kept practicing. We never got down on each other. We always stayed up as a team. That's what I liked about the young ones on the team."

was a freshman up to his senior year," said Kayla Williams, the school's head secretary.

the last two games when he was moved back to receiv-

Antonio Mays, in his



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# A lifetime in sports

If you hang around University of Tennessee ath-



By Tom Mattingly

enough, there are a number of questions and events that help make

letics long

life entertaining. Here are

some examples.

### Is it NEE-land or **NAY-land?**

More than a few years

ago, someone called and mentioned knowing "Gen. NAY-land" when each of them served in Calcutta during World War II. No one had attempted to correct him, but we'll try to set the record straight.

Local radio and television reporters often refer to a wreck on "NAY-land Drive" or report on a game from " NAY-land Stadium." Breaking them of that habit has been an impossible task. Many people have clung grimly to the name "NAYland," including some of his former players.

The name is pronounced "NEE-land" according to Mrs. Neyland, Ada Fitch Neyland formally, but "Peggy" to her closest friends. Their son, Bob, has also shared this perspective over the years.

Mrs. Neyland emphasized her point to UT's Charles Brakebill, the development guru who worked with her to establish the Neyland Scholarship program in the early 1960s,



Robert R. Neyland, Jr., shown to the right of University of Tennessee president Andy Holt, speaks at dedication ceremonies for the newly-named Neyland Stadium on Oct. 20, 1962. Photo courtesy of the University of Tennessee Sports Information Office.

shortly after the General fairly small circle of close termed the selection the her as "Mrs. NAY-land" and forthrightly let him in on the family's point of view.

She rose from her chair, stood on one leg, patted her knee "three times," and said, "It's 'NEE-land,' just like my knee." That apparently settled that issue, at least for Brakebill.

Bob Neyland Jr. also expressed a similar opinion in a letter to The Tennessean, Nashville's morning newspaper. It won a "three-star" designation from the newspaper's editorial board.

"Our family has always pronounced our name 'NEE-land,'" he wrote. "My father was a very private person, despite a very public position. He had a

died. She heard him refer to friends, who knew the correct pronunciation."

> straight to the source. "General," Ward once asked, "I've heard people

> pronounce your name NAYland and NEE-land. What do you say?" Neyland's answer was

direct. "Where I come from, they say NEE -land." Those are three votes from people who seemed to be in the

#### Statistically **Corpulent?**

After Michigan's Charles Woodson won the 1997 Heisman Trophy, Wolverine Watch, an independent weekly covering UM sports, "Not by Numbers Award."

"Woodson's victory John Ward, ever mindful over statistically corpulent of these things, once went Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning," editor John Borton wrote, "caused the biggest uproar in the Volunteer State since the FDA's identification of grits as hazardous waste."

### Are "free tickets" really "free"?

Every now and then, someone offers tickets for a sporting event, in some cases not requiring the exchange of cash or other considerations. It is, however, a classic case of no good deed going unpunished. "Free tickets" often come with significant

We were sitting at S&S one night when a very nice lady appeared out of nowhere, offering two tickets (on the south side, right at mid-court, near the top of the lower level) and a parking pass for a Lady Vols game against Texas. Couldn't turn that one

down. In retrospect, we

probably should have.

We arrived close to tipoff, and here came the questions, in roughly the tone of voice TSA agents use when they want to put the fear of God in an unsuspecting traveler. Maybe they were TSA agents in their day jobs. Maybe TSA agents were nicer. Maybe we didn't look as if we "belonged."

Here came the queries. Who are you?

Where did you get these tickets?

Things, however, did get better as the game progressed. We were all on the same side, even when it might not have appeared so at the outset.

### **Ghosts under the** Field?

There's a rumor there are ghosts under the Neyland Stadium turf, apparitions capable of causing all kinds of dastardly occurrences for visiting teams. You want evidence? Check out the 1981

Wichita State game. It was 21-21 in the fourth quarter, when Shocker tight end Anthony Jones caught a pass over the middle. Two Vols in pursuit collided, and Jones had a clear path to the south end zone. For no apparent reason, he started veering to his right toward the west sideline. "I was sitting with former Vol baseball player Robbie

Howard," said Bob Campbell, the long-time caretaker of the Shields-Watkins Field turf, then a high school baseball coach. "We saw him heading our way and Robbie said, 'He's going to run out of bounds.' He did."

Three plays later, the Vols intercepted a pass and marched to the game-winning field goal.

These memories, plus many others, are part of the Tennessee football experience that make being a fan so special.

# Wrestling is one of girls' fastest growing prep sports

By Steve Williams

Eleven high schools in The Focus' coverage area, including 10 in Knox he said. County, have girls' wrestling

one of the fastest growing state girls' championships girls' sports in the country," said Gibbs Coach Tim Pittman recently.

Wrestling is a great spectator sport too, but it's not related to the professional rasslin' that your grandfather probably watched on local TV back in the day.

"I truly enjoy it and love coaching it," said Pittman, who is one of 10 on the local scene who is the head coach of their school's boys and girls wrestling teams.

The "kids in general" boys and girls - that put the time in that it takes and sweat and go through pain, those are the ones Pittman respects and admires. "It's like no other sport

because you have to make your weight," he said. "You have to keep up your grades. You have to do all these things. "And yet, you go out

there. You don't have a team behind you. It's just you one on one. And you got to go battle. It really comes down on your shoulders and what you did at practice. "These are all the things

that I just admire about these kids and how they overcome certain issues to get to where they're going. You just want to watch them do it."

Tim Free said professional wrestler Rhonda Rousey may be the reason girls' wrestling has grown like it solid six minutes."

"She has shown us you can be pretty and wrestle,"

Knox County will have two East Region cham-"Somebody told me it is pions going after TSSAA Friday at the Chattanooga Convention Center.

> Jailynn Tindall, a junior, will represent Carter in the 140-pound weight class and Gibbs sophomore Haley Redmond will go after the title in the 132pound division.

In addition to Redmond, Gibbs will have two other girls competing at state, Bearden one, Farragut four and Seymour one. Because of the sport's

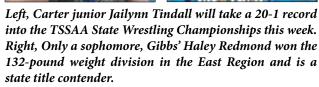
growth, starting in 2021-22, TSSAA girls' wrestling also will have a dual meet state championship. Boys also will be compet-

ing for state honors at Chattanooga this week, with qualifiers in action Thursday (Division I Class A-AA), Friday (Division II) and Saturday (Division I Class AAA). Like boxing, wrestling

takes a lot out of the athlete and physical conditioning is so important. "Even in MMA (Mixed

Martial Arts), when they go 15 minutes in a cage fight with three five-minute periods, I did a little bit of that when I was coaching, but they (the MMA fighters) told me a six-minute match in wrestling is the hardest thing they have ever done, because you're going the whole time; your whole body is going and there is no time to rest. You've got to fight, fight, fight for those





And the matches for high school girls' wrestling is the same as boys' wrestling, with three two-minute periods, said Pittman. In addition to Gibbs, local

high schools that have both boys' and girls' wrestling programs are Bearden, Carter, Catholic, Farragut, Fulton, Halls, Hardin Valley, Karns, South-Doyle and Seven schools have

boys' wrestling only, including CAK, Central, Powell, The King's Academy, Webb Come worship with us

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and West. Grace Christian also has a boys' program and co-ops with First Baptist Academy.

## **Bailey and Reagan** Trumm will team up again in college By Steve Williams

ball talented Trumm sisters Western Carolina. will be playing their college careers together after all.

ed to be joining @Catamount-WBB" and was pictured wearing a Western Carolina sweatshirt.

Bailey's younger sister, Reagan, who is in her junior season at Powell High and is a Western Carolina commit, retweeted on the same day: "Whee are back;)"

Powell Coach John Fisher told The Focus on Feb. 8 that "She (Bailey) didn't like App. State when she got there"

and confirmed on Feb. 10 that "they'll be united again It looks like the basket- in the 2022-23 season" at

Both are good shooting guards, and the 5-7 Bailey Bailey Trumm, who origi- was a 3-point specialist in nally signed last year with her prep career. Reagan, who Appalachian State Universiis 5-8, has been scoring on ty, tweeted on Feb. 3: "Excit- the outside and inside for the

Lady Panthers this season. Bailey made news on the state scene last winter as she became the all-time leader in making 3-point shots in TSSAA girls basketball. She is now in the state record book with 416 treys.

Through the first 16 games at Powell (14-2) this season, Reagan was averaging 24.8 points per game, 5.8 rebounds, two assists and two steals.

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# Josh Heupel's Hiring Process Tennessee after serving as as defensive coordinator to be offensive coordinator

No matter the success you have had as a head coach in the past, transitions typically present some challenges. New Tennessee football

coach Josh Heupel is learning that firsthand. He's been on the job for

over two weeks and his coaching staff is still a work in progress. Let's look at the hires we

know about.

Not surprisingly, Heupel Central Florida, bringing in former Auburn standout Kodi Burs to coach wide receivers, Alex Golesh to be in charge of tight ends and Glen Elarbee to work with the offensive line.

The coaching community is a close-knit group. Having people he already knows well will assist Heupel greatly, especially in his first season, which likely will be a rough one.

Heupel got some Tennessee blood on the staff with the hiring of longtime SEC assistant Rodney Garner to coach defensive line. Garner was a member of Phillip Fulmer's coaching staff in 1996 and 1997, and a key recruiter for some of the best Tennessee teams in the program's history.

offensive coordinator Jerry Mack will be the running backs coach.

As of the writing of this article, those are the names we know about. We don't know who the offensive coordinator will be, but that's not a huge deal as Heupel will be the one calling plays.

the lack of hiring of a defensive coordinator.

have a defensive coordinator on campus? Why yes! Yes, they do. A highly son to replace David Cutrespected one in Kevin Steele. He knows the SEC after decades working in the Derek Dooley's decision

an assistant at UT twice. Oh, and Tennessee was already paying his \$900,000 over the next two years.

Of course, none of that resume (and financial commitment) has anything to do with Heupel, so he is under no obligation to keep him around. And barring some major change, Steele won't get the job.

Tennessee has been turned down multiple had raided his old staff at times, including a polite rebuke by Ohio State linebackers' coach Al Washington. Football Scoop's John Brice reported that Heupel approached Louisville defensive coordinator Bryan Brown and University of Southern Cal defensive coordinator Todd Orlando, only to be told "no thanks."

The Vols are ready and willing to pay big bucks to make that hire, in the range of \$1.5 million annually over three years, but so far Heupel can't get anyone to

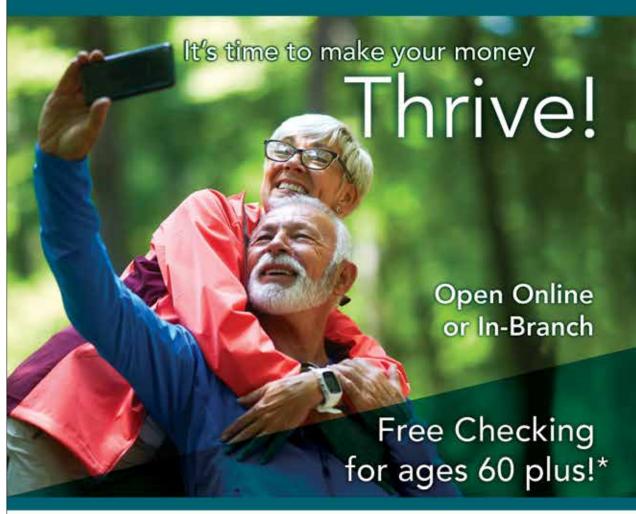
Things move quickly and maybe by the time you read this, Heupel has his man. But the fact that his top choices weren't interested shows you his dire things are on Rocky Top.

Heupel's offensive In addition, former Rice system can in turn be difficult on the defense. They work quickly, which means the defense doesn't get as much rest. The Vols defense was already pedestrian and has seen a bunch of transfers this offseason. Whoever gets the job has their work cut out for them.

Coordinator hires are The major concern is with among the biggest decisions a head coach can make. It can catapult your program Does Tennessee already to new heights or accelerate your dismissal.

Fulmer hired Dave Clawcliffe in 2008 and the program never recovered. conference. Steele knows to bring in Sal Sunseri doomed him in 2012. Butch in 2017 and would be fired Jones promoted Larry Scott later that year.

Certainly, Heupel doesn't that doesn't mean he can have to worry about being on afford to make the wrong the hot seat right now... but choices.



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## **Tenets**

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

Martin Luther King

What happened? It has been almost 60 years since the right Reverend King dreamed of a colorless society, but now all the left sees is color. Karl Marx envisioned class warfare in his communist manifesto. By analogy, the "left" uses race to divide us and to promote their poisonous ideology. As an example, the left's mouthpiece, the NY Times in their 1619 project, maintains the Orwellian notion that race was what founded America rather than the pursuit of freedom.

I am a stickler for words because, other than body language, words are our tools to communicate with others. This is the premise of the science fiction novel I'm writing. Leftism is NOT liberalism. I've explained these concepts before, but they are important enough to reiterate.

The tenets of the "left" are intolerance of free speech and any perspectives different from their own (hate speech). Race is the tenet of their class warfare. They are anticapitalist and socialist. Leftists want open borders and deny Abraham Lincoln's assertion that America is "the last best hope of earth." They consider themselves the hope for mankind (think of clueless AOC).

On the other hand, "liberals" are historically pro-capitalist, believe in national borders (USA), free speech and hold that MLK was correct and skin color is irrelevant. In fact, liberals consider a focus on skin color as the very definition of racism.

I know a few leftists, and recognize their organizations (BLM, Antifa). I have

many friends who are more liberal than me. It's hard to label Congressional Democrats. Like "professional" Republicans, most Washington Democrats are just party animals, also known as denizens of the swamp. Some who march under the Democrat ensign are avowed socialists (Bernie Sanders). Some, like AOC, describe themselves as Democratic Socialists (I doubt AOC could define the term). Some are "progressives" who believe in ever larger government to promote utopia through redistribution of wealth, perfection of humans by education and feeding the masses. Progressives see the Constitution as a "living" document rather than the "original" wording of the amended document.

I'm a "conservative," but it's a complex term because it encompasses many nuanced perspectives. Political conservatism advocates smaller government, lower taxes and adherence to the Constitutional rule of law. Social conservatives generally oppose abortion, a welfare state and believe a relationship with God is paramount. Fiscal conservatives desire a balanced budget, limited governmental regulation of businesses and personal responsibility for an individual's needs.

The word conservative derives from Latin and seeks to preserve traditions such as American culture, western civilization from which it derives and English as our lingua franca. Change is inevitable (Heraclitus), but conservatives desire slow and studied change rather than revolutionary upheaval.

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As the unconstitutional impeachment of a private citizen continues, the powerful force of hatred is on full display. Blind hatred is more than a metaphor; it has led to insanity. The inmates of Washington are now in control. But, Pogo was correct; the enemy is us and we elected these miscreants. A friend's husband "just couldn't vote for Trump" so he voted for iPOTUS.

Recently, I came across this moniker for Joe Biden at a news site. I didn't understand the term, but after a bit of research I found the term was used in 2019 to denigrate President Trump. I thought it only fair to turn the tables (an idiom) and allow the reader to choose the "i" modifier word for POTUS 2021.

As my readers know, I love quotes. These pithy observations of life and reality make me think. Recently, two quotes were impactful.

I like Mike Rowe who

is noted for his TV series Dirty Jobs. Commenting recently on the pandemic, Rowe said "Safety is devastating." In other words, the continuing lockdowns have not ended the pandemic, have devastated the economy and isolated us as never before.

Some have chosen the

pseudo safety of their home and, like my church, are dying. Since my church has been closed for "safety," I've tried online worship. While it may be safe and convenient, it's just not the same. I've asked myself why humans tend to think of things they don't have rather than their blessings. I believe the answer is we take our baseline for granted. An example is health. After an illness you really appreciate feeling good again. It's that way for me with church service. I've been attending a church which is open and I now realize what has been lost.

I teach medical students online using a platform similar to Skype and Zoom. I can lecture, discuss, pose questions and critique answers online. But how do I teach a medical student to use a stethoscope or feel a patient's liver on Zoom? The answer is I can't.

Regarding virtual classrooms, Marsha Blackburn recently quipped that children are "learning virtually nothing." To a certain extent I agree. The school closings have become the "lost year" for many kids, another casualty of Covid mismanagement. As a teacher and a parent, I can state with certainty some of the best lessons a kid learns are from other kids. You might wonder why the progressive left has allowed education to founder since "education" is purportedly one of their utopian tenets. Perhaps "indoctrination" can continue without a classroom.

This seasoned citizen's tenet is thankfulness for life, a loving wife and my Lord, Jesus Christ. I pity those like Bill Maher who are "blind" and others who chase idolatrous tenets. As a student of history and the Bible I can tell you with certainty apostasy always leads to destruction.

In these troubled times so, many are asking what they can do. It is said that not everyone can do great things, but everyone can do small things with great love. I can speak and write the "truth." I can pray and champion the Way. A friend once assigned me the title, Watchman. Maybe she's right.

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

# A Dangerous Word in Scripture – 'Tomorrow'

One of the most dangerous words in all of Scrip-



Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

the putting off of some-

thing today for tomorrow

is procrastination, the

thief of time. I think many

of us have had moments

when we could be called a

procrastinator. Were you

Jesus. A

common

word we

use to

describe

the last minute to write a paper? Have you been accused of letting projects pile up around the house that you are always going to get to but never do? Do you find yourself flitting away precious time on meaningless things, like binge watching shows or getting stuck on social media for hours on end?

Why is this such a problem? Let's go to Jesus for our answer. What did Jesus think about time-wasting? Luke 9 is a turning point in the text. In Luke 9:51, Jesus heads out for Jerusalem. Up to this point he has been in the region of Galilee. In this chapter, Jesus is calling people to

at one of these examples in Luke 9:61-62. After the invitation to follow Jesus, the guy says, "I will follow you but let me first..." He is saying, "Jesus, I want to follow you, but I have something more important to do right now. I need to go home, tell my family and friends what I am doing and then I will follow you." This sounds like the same sort of thing in I Kings 19:19-21. God picked Elisha as a successor for the prophet Elijah. Elisha asked permission to go back and tell his family that he is going into ministry. Elijah said, "Yes, go back to your family and tell them." Elisha had a big feast with his family

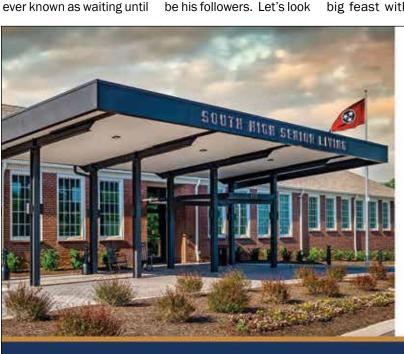
and even burned his plow. That was a big deal to burn the plow. That was the family heirloom passed down through the generations. What Elisha is saying is that I am not coming back. There is no plan B. He is going to go where God sends him and be who God wants him to he

This reminds me of Cortez who attacked the Aztec Empire in Mexico. Cortez continued up the coast. On April 21, 1519, he landed near the site of Vera Cruz. There, to prevent all thought of retreat, he burned his ships. That expression has been used in many ways. Win or lose, we are in it till the end, and

there will be no retreat, there will be no return to our former way of life. So, this man says to Jesus, "I want to do what Elisha did." But Jesus knows this man's heart. If this man goes back, he will never move forward. He will not burn the plow or the ship. Sometimes we are like this. Before we go forward, we want to go back. We want to go back to a bad relationship, the old buddies, an old lifestyle. No, we have to go forward.

Jesus uses the analogy of plowing. His hand was on the plow as he set towards Jerusalem and the cross. There is no looking back. Just as Jesus plowed a straight line into

Jerusalem, we need to plow a straight line toward the future heavenly kingdom - the New Jerusalem. We have kingdom work to do until we get there. Life was not better before Jesus so don't look back, but also don't put off today for tomorrow. All you have is today (Proverbs 27:1). Augustine said, "God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination." "Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while he is near" (Isaiah 55:6).



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KIMBERLY DAWN SEXTON and MATTHEW STEPHEN HICKLE v. DOMINIQUE THERESA DONALD IN RE: The Adoption of MDD by KIMBERLY DAWN SEXTON Docket# 2-199-20 IN THE SECOND CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX

COUNTY, TENNESSEE NOTICE of hearing on March 19, 2021, at

10:30 AM by Zoom

DOMINIQUE THERESA DONALD is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that notice of hearing of the Motion for Default Judgment and to Set Hearing cannot be served upon respondent DOMINIQUE THERESA DONALD.

The full text of the Motion for Default Judgment and to Set Hearing is available through the Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with NATALIE P. LeVASSEUR, Petition Attorney, whose address is 5420 SMOKY TRAIL, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37909, 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

To make an appearance at this hearing by Zoom, call the Judicial Assistant at (865) 215 2393 for information and instruction

This the 25th day of January, 2021

#### **NON-RESIDENT NOTICE**

#### TO: JUSTIN M. WILLIAMS IN RE: JACQUELYN MARKS v. JUSTIN M. WILLIAMS NO. 200588-1 IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX

COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant,

JUSTIN M. WILLIAMS, 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 JUSTIN M. WILLIAMS. IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file

an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Michael B. Menefee, an Attorney whose address is, 9724 Kingston Pike, Suite 505 Knoxville, TN 37922. 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 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 19th day of January 2021.

Clerk and Master

#### **NON-RESIDENT NOTICE**

PATRICIA STANSBERRY -Vs-JOSHUA STANSBERRY Docket # 150673

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX

COUNTY TENNESSEE In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint which is sworn to, that the defendant JOSHUA STANSBERRY 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 JOSHUA STANSBERRY. IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by PATRICIA STANSBERRY, 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 Judoment 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 27TH day of JANUARY, 2021.

Mike Hammond, Clerk

Michelle Henry, Deputy Clerk

#### **NON-RESIDENT NOTICE**

TO: KATY M. PFEFFER. IN RE: TAMARA L. PFEFFER v KATY M PFFFFFR

NO. 201306-2 IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX

COUNTY, TENNESSEE In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed. which is sworn to, that the Defendant KATY M. PFEFFER, 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 KATY M. PFEFFER, it is ordered that said defendant KATY M. PFEFFER file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Melanie J. Hogo. an Attorney whose address is, 1522 Highland Avenue Knoxville, TN 37916, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pridemore, Jr. in the Knox County Chancery Court Part II at 400 W. Main Street Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice

This 1st day of February 2021.

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#### **NON-RESIDENT NOTICE**

TO: SHAWN HALE IN RE: RICHARD H. BURRIS. JR. v. SHAWN HALE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, SHAWN HALE, 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

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Glen B Rutherford, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 1668 Knoxville, TN 37901, 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 Clarence E. Pridemore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part II, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 8th day of February 2021.

Clerk and Master

### **NON-RESIDENT** NOTICE

TO: JEREMIAH LEWIS MILLER

IN RE: LAURA KAY WISE v. JEREMIAH LEWIS MILLER

NO. 199495-3 IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint which is verified, that the Defendant, JEREMIAH LEWIS MILLER, 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 JEREMIAH LEWIS MILLER.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Michael B. Menefee, an Attorney whose address is, 9724 Kinaston Pike, Suite 505 Knoxville, TN 37922, 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 Chancello Christopher D. Heagerty 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 8th day of February 2021.

Clerk and Master

### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF DAVID HARRIS ADAMS DOCKET NUMBER 84038-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DAVID HARRIS ADAMS who died Dec 8, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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 (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(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 ns from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A): or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF DAVID HARRIS ADAMS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) WILL THOMAS ADAMS, JR.; ADMINISTRATOR 7505 WILKINSON ROAD

MATTHEW MCDONALD ATTORNEY AT LAW 116 AGNES ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF LINDA B BABB DOCKET NUMBER 84033-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LINDA B BABB who died Dec 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:

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

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor eceived 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 FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF LINDA B BABB

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ANGELA B FLAMMANG; EXECUTRIX 923 OAK HAVEN ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932

# **NOTICE TO**

**CREDITORS** 

#### ESTATE OF SUSAN E BASTIANELLI DOCKET NUMBER 83891-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JANUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SUSAN E BASTIANELLI who died Nov 8, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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

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

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date of death. This the 27 day of JANUARY,

**ESTATE OF SUSAN E BASTIANELLI** 

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MICHAEL A BASTIANELLI; EXECUTOR 1753 SAWGRASS ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF WALTER C BEAHM** DOCKET NUMBER 84030-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JANUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WALTER C BEAHM who died Dec 17, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will he forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication: (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 29 day of JANUARY,

ESTATE OF WALTER C BEAHM PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

LISA MANDRELL; EXECUTRIX 8813 MALLOW DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922 KEITH BURROUGHS

ATTORNEY AT LAW 900 S GAY STREET 14TH FLOOR KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

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### **DOCKET NUMBER 84046-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JANETTA MERL CARTER who died Dec 17, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors (4) months from the date of this first publication;

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date of death. This the 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF JANETTA MERL CARTER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) J OSEPH MACK CARTER EXECUTOR POWELL, TN. 37849

> ATTORNEY AT LAW 500 MAIN STREET, SUITE 400 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

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#### **ESTATE OF EMOGENE GARRETT CARVER DOCKET NUMBER 83796-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters of administration c.t.a respect of the Estate of EMOGENE GARRETT CARVER who died Sep 11, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All nersons resident and non-resident having claims matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication: or

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

This the 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF EMOGENE GARRETT CARVER

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ANNA C NABB; ADMINISTRATRIX CTA 404 LOCUST HILL LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS** ESTATE OF MICHAEL SCOTT CARY

### **DOCKET NUMBER 83846-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL SCOTT CARY who died Aug 28, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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

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ESTATE OF MICHAEL SCOTT CARY

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## NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF DOROTHY DAVIS COWAN **DOCKET NUMBER 84048-2** Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of

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ceived 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 described in (1)(A): or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF DOROTHY DAVIS COWAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) EUGENE JOHN WATSON, JR.; EXECUTOR 2219 LAKE LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

#### DALLIS D HOWARD ATTORNEY AT LAW 4820 OLD KINGSTON PIKE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

#### **CREDITORS ESTATE OF ELEANOR FAUVER DAVIS** DOCKET NUMBER 84031-3

NOTICE TO

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELEANOR FAUVER DAVIS who died Oct 2, 2020, were issued the undersigned the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or atured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

515 MARKET STREET KNOXVILE, TN. 37902 P NEWMAN BANKSTON ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 2047 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

HOME FEDERAL BANK, EXECUTOR

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF JONATHAN N DEGNAN DOCKET NUMBER 84045-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JONATHAN N DEGNAN who died Dec 11, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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 he forever barred:

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

(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 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF JONATHAN N DEGNAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DIANE ANDING; EXECUTRIX 2620 NW 38TH STREET

> MATTHEW MCDONALD ATTORNEY AT LAW 116 AGNES ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of

## NOTICE TO

GAINESVILLE, FL. 32605

#### **CREDITORS** CAROL B MCGLOTHIN; EXECUTRIX ESTATE OF GLENDA DUNBAR **DOCKET NUMBER 83448-2**

JANUARY 2021, letters administration in respect ATTORNEY AT LAW 1111 N NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE S-700 of the Estate of GLENDA DUNBAR who died Mar 9, 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 (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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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 27 day of JANUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF GLENDA DUNBAR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) **BILLY JOE PACK; ADMINISTRATOR** 

8320 ORLEANS BLVD

UNION, KY. 41091 ROBERT HINTON

ATTORNEY AT LAW 730 HWY 321 N, SUITE 104

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF LYNDA RULAND ELDER DOCKET NUMBER 84041-1** Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LYNDA RULAND ELDER who died Nov 15, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured. against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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date of death. This the 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

LAURA E BREWER; EXECUTRIX 1220 BENTLEY PARK LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

ESTATE OF LYNDA RULAND ELDER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

ATTORNEY AT LAW 10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200

**BRADLEY LEWIS** 

### KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922 NOTICE TO

**CREDITORS** 

#### ESTATE OF DIXIE WESTON JOHNSON **DOCKET NUMBER 84028-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JANUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DIXIE WESTON JOHNSON who died Dec 18, 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. (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication;

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor 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 Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 29 day of JANUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF DIXIE WESTON JOHNSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CHARLES I HOUSTON, JR.; EXECUTOR 408 BANTRY LANE FARRAGUT, TN. 37934

KELLY GUYTON FRERE

ATTORNEY AT LAW

1001 E BROADWAY

LENOIR CITY, TN. 37771

NOTICE TO

#### **CREDITORS ESTATE OF BETTY G KELLER**

### DOCKET NUMBER 84043-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY G KELLER who died Dec 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: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; (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 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF BETTY G KELLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

6320 WATERS EDGE LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919 WILLIAM D EDWARDS

### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF GAROLYN MARIE LARIIDDE DOCKET NUMBER 84020-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of JANUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CAROLYN MARIE LABUDDE who died Dec 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 (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or ('2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 28 day of JANUARY,

if the creditor received the copy of the notice less

ESTATE OF CAROLYN MARIE LABUDDE

BRIAN R LABUDDE; EXECUTOR 9604 W LAURENS LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922 ROBERT WILKINSON ATTORNEY AT LAW

P.O. BOX 4415

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

OAK RIDGE, TN. 37831 NOTICE TO

#### **CREDITORS** ESTATE OF BONITA RUTH LAX DOCKET NUMBER 83902-3

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BONITA RUTH LAX who died Dec 6, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County. Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

first publication of this notice if the creditor

received an actual copy of this notice to creditors

(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 FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF BONITA RUTH LAX

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CHARLES GLEN LAX, II; EXECUTOR 15 TESSIE LANE BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC 28711

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF MARY MARGARET LEDBETTER** DOCKET NUMBER 83856-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MARY MARGARET LEDBETTER who died Nov 2, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All

are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred. (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first nublication of this notice if the creditor

received an actual copy of this notice to creditors

at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four

persons, resident and non-resident, having claims,

matured or unmatured, against his or her estate

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(4) months from the date of first publication as scribed in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

**ESTATE OF MARY MARGARET LEDBETTER** PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JONATHAN L LEDBETTER; ADMINISTRATOR

4049 W MARY FILLS STRFFT

BLOOMINGTON, IN 47404

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF SA'AD MAHMOOD DOCKET NUMBER 83941-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect

of the Estate of SA'AD MAHMOOD who died Dec 13, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

ns 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 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF SA'AD MAHMOOD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ADIL ALI MAHMOOD; EXECUTOR 6501 EMBER COURT PLANO, TX 75023

DUDLEY TAYLOR ATTORNEY AT LAW 800 S GAY STREET, SUITE 600 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929

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# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF DOROTHY COOPER MANNING** DOCKET NUMBER 83740-3

of FEBRUARY 2021 letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DOROTHY COOPER MANNING who died Mar 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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(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual conv 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 FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF DOROTHY COOPER MANNING

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MARTHA JOHNSON: EXECTRIX 8517 SAVANNAH COURT KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

> LORI PHILLIPS-JONES ATTORNEY AT LAW 253 GRAVE HILL ROAD

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF DORTHY AKA DOROTHY PAYSINGER MITCHELL DOCKET NUMBER 84037-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in ect of the Estate of DORTHY AKA DOROTHY PAYSINGER MITCHELL who died Dec 13, 2020. were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee, All nersons, resident and non-resident having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

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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 FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF DORTHY AKA DOROTHY PAYSINGER MITCHELL PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

> MICHAEL JESSE MITCHELL; EXECUTOR 1152 LAUREL HILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

REBECCA D ABBOTT ATTORNEY AT LAW 118 HUXLEY ROAD, SUITE 7 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF PAULINE J O'DELL** DOCKET NUMBER 83866-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PAULINE J O'DELL who died Aug 13, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will

be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 1 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF PAULINE J O'DELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CAROL O'DELL TAPP; EXECUTRIX 5294 TURTLE CREEK CIRCLE

VERO BEACH, FL 32967

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

### **ESTATE OF ROY PATTERSON**

### DOCKET NUMBER 83995-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROY PATTERSON who died Dec 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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from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor ceived 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 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF ROY PATTERSON

> SHERI L MCCURRY: EXECUTRIX KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF MARY PRICE** 

DOCKET NUMBER 84049-3

## **CREDITORS**

FFRRUARY 2021. letters administration in respect of the Estate of MARY PRICE who died Dec 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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received an actual copy of the notice to creditors f 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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF MARY PRICE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) GARY E PRICE; ADMINISTRATOR 2615 PARKVIEW AVENUE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF EDWIN J RUSSELL** DOCKET NUMBER 84040-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EDWIN J RUSSELL who died Jan 8. 2021, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

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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 FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF EDWIN J RUSSELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DIXIE L RUSSELL; EXECUTRIX 2557 BARRINGTON CIRCLE TALLAHASSEE, FL 32308

**DUDLEY TAYLOR** ATTORNEY AT LAW 800 S GAY STREET, SUITE 600 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF HAROLD LAFAYETTE SMITH** DOCKET NUMBER 84050-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of of the Estate of HAROLD LAFAYETTE SMITH who died Dec 24, 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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(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. date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF HAROLD LAFAYETTE SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) RICK SMITH: EXECUTOR 409 BASILFIELD DRIVE

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF REBAZANE TILLIS** DOCKET NUMBER 84022-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of JANUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of REBA ZANE TILLIS who died Nov 13. 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred. (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

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date of death. This the 28 day of JANUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF REBA ZANE TILLIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MARY ZAYN BOWLING: CO-ADMINISTRATRIX 1135 KEOWEE AVENUE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

IU JAN PETROZZELLO: CO-ADMINISTRATRIX 714 GALLAHER VIEW ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

> STEVEN K BOWLING ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 11125 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37939

# NOTICE TO

### **ESTATE OF MARVIN WILLIAM WEAVER**

DOCKET NUMBER 84034-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

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

of the Estate of MARVIN WILLIAM WEAVER who

died Sep 5, 2020, were issued the undersigned

hy the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court

received an actual conv of the notice to creditors 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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 1 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF MARVIN WILLIAM WEAVER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ROY CHILDRESS: EXECUTOR MAYNARDVILLE, TN. 37807

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

### DOCKET NUMBER 83660-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ATHEA NADINE WILSON who died Sep 15, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

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ceived 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 2 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF ATHEA NADINE WILSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) BETTY SUE TALLENT; EXECUTOR 1190 SHELL COMMUNITY ROAD PHILADELPHIA, TN. 37864

> MARK E BROWN ATTORNEY AT LAW 9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 505 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF ROY HENDREN ADAMS DOCKET NUMBER 83438-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ROY HENDREN ADAMS who died Jul 19, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF ROY HENDREN ADAMS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) TRACY BADGETT; ADMINISTRATRIX 123 RAILWAY LANE SE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35803

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF JAY A BAYLESS** DOCKET NUMBER 84039-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAY A BAYLESS who died Nov 14 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County. Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor ceived 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 10 day of FEBRUARY, **ESTATE OF JAY A BAYLESS** 

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) BONNIE BAYLESS: EXECUTRIX

> > KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

113 ESSEX DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922 T SCOTT JONES ATTORNEY AT LAW 2125 MIDDLEBROOK PIKE

## NOTICE TO

**CREDITORS** 

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BEN D BRABSON, JR. who died Jan 6, 2021, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above

ESTATE OF BEN D BRABSON, JR.

**DOCKET NUMBER 84026-1** 

named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

> ESTATE OF BEN D BRABSON, JR. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

ELAINE D BRABSON; EXECUTRIX 310 ALTHROPF WAY KNOXVILLE, TN, 37923 KEITH BURROUGHS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

P.O. BOX 2047

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF JAMES W CONOVER DOCKET NUMBER 84071-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES W CONOVER who died Dec 12, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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

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

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 8 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

SHANNON REMINGTON; EXECUTRIX 8003 RIVER DRIVE OAK RIDGE, TN. 37830

ESTATE OF JAMES W CONOVER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

DUSTIN S CROUSE ATTORNEY AT LAW 9111 CROSS PARK DRIVE, SUITE D200 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF THOMAS MILLER CROSS, III** DOCKET NUMBER 84080-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS MILLER CROSS, III who died Jan 9, 2021, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death.

This the 9 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF THOMAS MILLER CROSS, III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SONYA ANNITA CROSS; EXECUTRIX 1607 MEADOW CHASE LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931

> STEVE MERRITT ATTORNEY AT LAW 609 GENO CIRCLE MARYVILLE, TN. 37803

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

## ESTATE OF NANCY E DAYTON DOCKET NUMBER 84016-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANCY E DAYTON who died Dec 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: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an

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

if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 8 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DEBORAH H MALONE; EXECUTRIX 2017 ISLAND HOME BLVD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920 AMANDA M BUSBY

### KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901 NOTICE TO

ATTORNEY AT LAW

P.O. BOX 2588

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM F FRAKER** 

**CREDITORS** 

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM F FRAKER who died Dec 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

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; (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 8 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM F FRAKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) REBECCA JANE HAMLEY COX; EXECUTRIX 1102 BURNING TREE LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

> ROBERT W GODWIN ATTORNEY AT LAW 4611 OLD BROADWAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF BENJAMIN TAYLOR HANNAH DOCKET NUMBER 83954-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of BENJAMIN TAYLOR HANNAH 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.

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication: or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the credito

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

This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

date of death.

**ESTATE OF BENJAMIN TAYLOR HANNAH** 

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MELISSA W HANNAH; ADMINISTRATRIX 6529 BURNETT CREEK ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** ESTATE OF BETTY REEDER HOUSTON

**DOCKET NUMBER 84075-2** 

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY REEDER HOUSTON who died Nov 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: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or

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 9 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

ESTATE OF BETTY REEDER HOUSTON PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) LAURA LEE HOUSTON STURGILL: CO-EXECUTOR 11307 TURKEY CREEK ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

> ELIZABETH REEDER HOUSTON; CO-EXECUTOR 725 HARBOR WAY KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

FLETCHER SCOTT HOUSTON; CO-EXECUTOR 6020 MCNEELY ROAD CORRYTON, TN 37721

> DALLIS H HOWARD ATTORNEY AT LAW 4820 OLD KINGSTON PIKE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF JOHNNIE V KAUKER**

#### **DOCKET NUMBER 84015-2** Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respec of the Estate of JOHNNIE V KAUKER who died Nov 13, 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: ESTATE OF NANCY E DAYTON (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an

> actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four

(4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF JOHNNIE V KAUKER

> CHRISTOPHER W KAUKER; EXECUTOR 12439 EARLY ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922 MARK TILLERY ATTORNEY AT LAW

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

P.O. BOX 12257

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF PETER GEORGE KLUKIS**

#### DOCKET NUMBER 84066-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PETER GEORGE KLUKIS who died Nov 13, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, again t 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 wil be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty from the date of this first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

eived 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 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF PETER GEORGE KLUKIS

STEPHEN CARPENTER ATTORNEY AT LAW 10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SANDRA

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

LEE KLUKIS; EXECUTRIX 817 TANNER LANE

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF WILLIAM JOHN KOOYMAN **DOCKET NUMBER 84081-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM JOHN KOOYMAN who died Dec 13, 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

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

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is foun (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 9 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF WILLIAM JOHN KOOYMAN

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DAVID W. KOOYMAN; EXECUTOR 220 SUBURBAN RD

KNOXVILLE, TN 37923 KELLY GUYTON FRERE ATTORNEY 1001 E. BROADWAY Lenoir City, TN 37771

# **NOTICE TO**

#### CREDITORS ESTATE OF IRVING LEEDS

DOCKET NUMBER 83981-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of IRVING LEEDS who died Nov 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: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty

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

## NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROGER LEWELLING who died Dec 10, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee, All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate

the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an

(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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

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JERRY MARTIN ATTORNEY AT LAW 112 GLENLEIGH CT, SUITE 1 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

(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 described in (1)(A): or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF IRVING LEEDS

#### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ALLISON SEXTON; EXECUTRIX 5333 BEVERLY OAKS DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

#### **ESTATE OF ROGER LEWELLING** DOCKET NUMBER 84056-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before

actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty

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

ESTATE OF ROGER LEWELLING PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ROBERT ALAN SEEGRAVES; EXECUTOR

320 RUSSFIELD DRIVE

# **LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF ELSA A LOGAN DOCKET NUMBER 84047-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELSA A LOGAN who died Dec 15, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County. Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(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 9 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF ELSA A LOGAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CHRIS DOUGLAS LOGAN; EXECUTOR 212 OKEMA TRACE

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF WANDA RUTH LOVEDAY** DOCKET NUMBER 84084-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA RUTH LOVEDAY 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: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(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 10 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF WANDA RUTH LOVEDAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) KELLY DEANN GIBSON; EXECUTRIX 736 SEAGLE LANE SEYMOUR, TN. 37865

> EVAN M NEWMAN ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 6 RUTLEDGE, TN. 37861

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF JEWELL CURTIS MARTIN** DOCKET NUMBER 83904-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JEWELL CURTIS MARTIN who died Sep 16, 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

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

will be forever barred.

(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 8 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF JEWELL CURTIS MARTIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) EDWIN MARTIN; ADMINISTRATOR 100 FALLEN LEAF TRAIL GEORGETOWN, KY 40324

> M SUE WHITE ATTORNEY AT LAW 216 PHOENIX COURT, SUITE D SEYMOUR, TN. 37865

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF OPAL ROBERTS "PAT" MCBEE DOCKET NUMBER 84083-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of OPAL ROBERTS "PAT" MCBEE who died Sep 28, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All nersons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or

(2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication;

(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 described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 9 day of FEBRUARY,

ESTATE OF OPAL ROBERTS "PAT" MCBEE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ROGER DALE MCBEE; EXECUTOR 1322 BERKLEY

HILLS LANE POWELL, TN. 37849

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF MARY L MONTGOMERY** DOCKET NUMBER 84053-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY L MONTGOMERY who died Nov 17, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication:

(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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

**ESTATE OF MARY L MONTGOMERY** 

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ALAN LOY; CO-EXECUTOR 3440 WILEY NOLAND ROAD SEVIERVILLE, TN. 37876

> DAVID LOY; CO-EXECUTOR 4942 CURTIS DRIVE COOKEVILLE, TN. 38506

CHARLES W KITE ATTORNEY AT LAW 9925 TIERRA VERDE DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF CAROL F MOODY DOCKET NUMBER 84054-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CAROL F MOODY who died Dec 30, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(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 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF CAROL F MOODY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) RHONDA L MOODY: EXECUTRIX 6813 CARDINDALE DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

> ROGER D HYMAN ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 26072 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF WILMA R NEWCOMB DOCKET NUMBER 84055-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILMA R NEWCOMB who died Dec 2, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee, All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

(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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF WILMA R NEWCOMB

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CARLA E NEWCOMB CURTIS; EXECUTRIX 8603 BRAVEHEART WAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

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#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF ELIZABETH ANN SCARBROUGH DOCKET NUMBER 84062-1** 

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in resp of the Estate of ELIZABETH ANN SCARBROUGH who died Dec 10, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. A11 persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, natured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH ANN SCARBROUGH

ROBERT STEVEN SCARBROUGH:

TERESA DIANE JONES: CO-EXECUTOR 2138 WILSON ROAD, APT B2 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

## **CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM Y SHIELDS** DOCKET NUMBER 84057-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

be forever barred:

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

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

date of death. This the 4 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM Y SHIELDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

JERRY M MARTIN ATTORNEY AT LAW 112 GLENLEIGH COURT, SUITE 1 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

# **CREDITORS**

NORRIS SUMMERS SWEAT DOCKET NUMBER 84064-3

the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

date of death. This the 5 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF BARBARA LOU NORRIS SUMMERS SWEAT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JAY WILLIAM SUMMERS: EXECUTOR 2707 NICKLE ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

## NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### **ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD THOMPSON** DOCKET NUMBER 84011-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CHARLES EDWARD THOMPSON who died Dec 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. (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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

This the 10 day of FEBRUARY, 2021. ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD THOMPSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) KATHI FEN THOMPSON: ADMNINISTRATRIX 3421 RIVERVIEW DRIVE

#### NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

#### ESTATE OF ROBERT LESTER WATKINS DOCKET NUMBER 84074-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT LESTER WATKINS 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:

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

(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

date of death. This the 8 day of FEBRUARY, 2021.

ESTATE OF ROBERT LESTER WATKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SYDNEY ANNE WATKINS; EXECUTRIX 3231 MISTY HILL WAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF CATHARINE WOLFENBARGER DOCKET NUMBER 84085-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CATHARINE WOLFENBARGER who died Sep 18, 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:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the credito received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; (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 10 day of FEBRUARY,

ESTATE OF CATHARINE WOLFENBARGER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

4145 MEREDITH ROAD

KENNETH WOLFENBARGER: EXECUTOR

**MISC. NOTICES** PUBLIC NOTICE

#### **Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization** Executive Board Meeting, February 24, 2021

Knoxville Regional Transportation

Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, February 24th at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Due to the circumstances of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be conducted by electronic means. Please visit the Knoxville Regional TPO website frequently for updates on this public meeting. The full Agenda will be available on the TPO website 5-7 days prior to the meeting and can be found here: https://knoxtpo.org/boards-and-committees/ executive-board/. If you would like a copy of the final Agenda please contact the TPO. If you need assistance or accommodation for a disability please notify the TPO three business days in advance of the meeting and we will be glad to work with you in obliging any reasonable request. 865-215-2506 or laura.edmonds@knoxplanning.org.

## **HEARING**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC** 

Due to social-distancing safeguards to protect from the COVID-19 threat, the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. will be held electronically. This includes the Public Hearing on the proposed Program of Projects (POP) funded by FY2021 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula and Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities grants. The meeting will use the Zoom video-conferencing platform. Further information will be on the TPO website, so check frequently for updates.

The City of Knoxville is the Designated

Recipient of the FTA funds. The times established for public review and for allowing comment on the POP follow the TPO's Transportation Improvement Program public involvement process. Written and, if possible, oral comments will be allowed on the proposed POP. If there are no changes, the POP will be considered final The proposed POP can be viewed at www.

knoxtpo.org. Interested persons, agencies, and private transportation providers are encouraged to participate. To be mailed or faxed a copy of the POP, or to provide comments contact Doug Burton at 400 Main Street, Suite 403, Knoxville, TN 37902 or at (865) 215-3824 or at doug.burton@ knoxtpo.org. Comments must be submitted by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 to be read during the meeting.

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

On March 6, 2021, 9:00 am at Crown College, 2307 W Beaver Creek Dr, Powell, TN 37849, the Knox County Republican Party will hold its biennial Re-organization Convention. Knox County Republicans wishing to cast

ballots for County Party Officers must meet the

Bona-fide Republican voter Requirements set forth in the Tennessee Republican Party By-laws. Knox County Republicans seeking to serve in leadership roles and running for Vice Chair, Treasurer, Vice Treasurer and Secretary must also meet specific Bona-fide Republican requirements

set forth in the by-laws. Knox County Republicans seeking the position of Chairman must meet the Specific Bona-fide Republican requirements for Chairman set forth in the Tennessee Republican Party By-laws and must

also notify the Contest & Credentials committee 7 calendar days prior to the reorganization of their intent to seek the chairmanship (NLT 9:00am, February 27, 2021). Nominations will not be made from the floor of the convention for Chairman.

Knox County Contest and Credentials **Committee Chair** Christine Cruz

931-252-4592 James Corcoran James@jecorcoran.com

865-406-0375

Queenbee@reagan.com

James Crain Jamesmcrain@iuno.com 865-291-8954 Roger Kane

kane262@gmail.com 865-405-5103 Wayne Sellars

waynesavol@hotmail.com 865-803-6647

Additional Convention information is available on the KCRP website, knoxrepublicans.org and on Facebook, Knox County GOP or by contacting Chairman Randy Pace, 609-760-5394.

## **LEGAL SECTION 94**

Knox County will receive bids for the following

Bid 3026, Cylinder Collection Services, due Bid 3027, Construction of the New Farragut High Softball Facility, due 3/23/21

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 MARCH 1, 2021 ASHEVILLE HWY KNOX TN 37924 2008 LEXUS 460 VIN #JTHBI 46F885071527

1J4FF68S2XL595678 VIN# 2012 FORD 3FAHPOGA8CR117946 **ECONOLINE** 2011 VIN#1FTNE2EL7BDB40452

1986 WELLS CARGO TRAILER VIN

1992 MAZDA VIN# JM2UF1131N0285230

#1WC200G20G3011781 1996 FORD F150 VIN#1FTEF15Y3TLA51682 2009 FORD VIN#1FMCU02789KB22355

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

The TDEC Division of Water Resources

(DWR) proposes to issue a water quality National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Applicant: General NPDES Permit for Discharges of Hydrostatic Test Water

Permit Number: TNG670000

Permit Writer: Vojin Janjic Rating: Major County Statewide EFO Name: Statewide City: Nashville, TN 37243 Activity Description: Permit for the discharge

hydrostatic test water from new and used

facilities, including pipelines, flowlines, and

storage tanks. Effluent Description: Hydrostatic test water Receiving Stream: Waters of the state

The proposed permit contains limitations on the amounts of pollutants to be discharged, in accordance with Federal and State standards and regulations. Permit conditions are tentative and subject to public comment.

For more information, or to review and/or copy documents from the permit file (there is a nominal charge for photocopies), contact Vojin Janjic at (615) 532-0670 or the Nashville Central Office at (615) 532-0625. To comment on this permit issuance or proposed conditions submit written comments to TDEC-DWR, William R. Snodgrass - Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor, Nashville, Tennessee 37243. Comments should be received within 30 days from the Legal Notice and should include the applicant name and NPDES Number.

Interested persons may request a public hearing on any application. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the filing party and reasons for the request. If there is significant interest, a hearing will be held pursuant to Rule 0400-40-5-.06(9) (a), and the Director will make determinations regarding permit issuance.

#### TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION (TDEC) DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR) William R. Snodgrass - Tennessee Tower

312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor Nashville Tennessee 37243-1102

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT ACTION AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOPH21-001 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN; the Division of Water Resources proposes to issue a water quality National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Date:

(NPDES) permit and will hold a public hearing pursuant to Rule 0400-40-05-.06 (8). April 13, 2021

WebEx: https://tngov.webex.com/tngov/j.php?MTID=me7e3cb212f3db45fe3d10a123e3e660c To access the meeting beginning at 4:45 PM CST and then during the times below one may: 1) type the above URL in a web browser or

2) join by telephone. Directions and links for access are on this webpage https://www.tn.gov/environment/ppo-public-participation.html +1-415-655-0003 US TOLL Meeting number (access code): 185 529 7353 Meeting password: DWRPHHydro1

5:00-7:00 PM CST, Formal Public Hearing (423) 240-0675 for assistance with WebEx login TDEC will receive public comments concerning the proposed permit action described below

Permit Number Permit: TNG670000 Permit Writer: Vojin Janjic County: Statewide EFO Name: Statewide Description of Activity: Permit for the discharge of hydrostatic test water from new and used facilities, including pipelines, flowlines, and storage

tanks. Effluent Description: Hydrostatic test water

General NPDES Permit for Discharges of Hydrostatic Test Water

be relevant to the proposed permit action and the DWR issues. TDEC staff considers written comments accepted at the hearing and through April 23,

The meeting moderator may limit the length of oral comments in order to allow all parties an opportunity to speak and will require that all comments

aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Contact may be in person, by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no later than Thursday, April 1st, 2021, to allow time to provide such aid or services. Contact the ADA Coordinator (1-866-253-5827) for further information. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service (1-800-848-0298).

Interested persons may obtain additional information, including a copy of the draft permit, and may inspect and copy related documents at the division's offices, Attn: Liz Campbell (615) 532-1172. Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (or review the file record) should contact TDEC to discuss any auxiliary

You may reach Vojin Janjic, the permit writer for further information at 615-532-0670 or by email at vojin.janjic@tn.gov.

# Location for Lease Geaner. 3000 Tazewell Pike, Ste A

## ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 900 (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) 3225 SHADY OAK LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931

**BRADLEY LEWIS** ATTORNEY AT LAW

# NOTICE TO

FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM Y SHIELDS who died Nov 29, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

CHARLES Y SHIELDS; EXECUTOR 10219 KINGSTON PIKE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

# **NOTICE TO**

ESTATE OF BARBARA LOU

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of FEBRUARY 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA LOU NORRIS SUMMERS SWEAT who died Oct 21, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of

than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as

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9:30 AM- TRADITIONAL SERVICE 6:00 PM- MODERN SERVICE 4110 Central Avenue Pike

Knoxville, TN 37912

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865-679-5256 Great Location – Lots of Traffic