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SOURCES 1. U.S. Census Bureau 2. Knox County Health Department data from 5/7/2021.

Penny Pawn rezoned, Norwood withdrawn and budget discussed at city council

Try as he might, Councilman Charles Thomas could not get the five votes he needed Tuesday evening to kill a zoning request for the former Penny Pawn site on Broadway in Fountain City.



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While much of the meeting was interrupted by yells and taunts from a group protesting the killing of an Austin-East student by a city policeman, the Knoxville City Council proceeded with its regular meeting Tuesday evening. The empty lot along Broadway in Fountain City will apparently soon be the home of another oil change business. A split vote by city council approved a zoning

change from CG-2 to CTG-3, which gives the developer more flexible use of the space. Fifth District Councilman Charles Thomas, who represents the area, led the opposition and promoted increased "walkability" along the busy route and said the size of the lot isn't large enough to be used as an auto service station. The zoning change passed 5-4 with council members Gwen McKenzie, Seema Singh and Tommy Smith joining Thomas in a "No" vote.

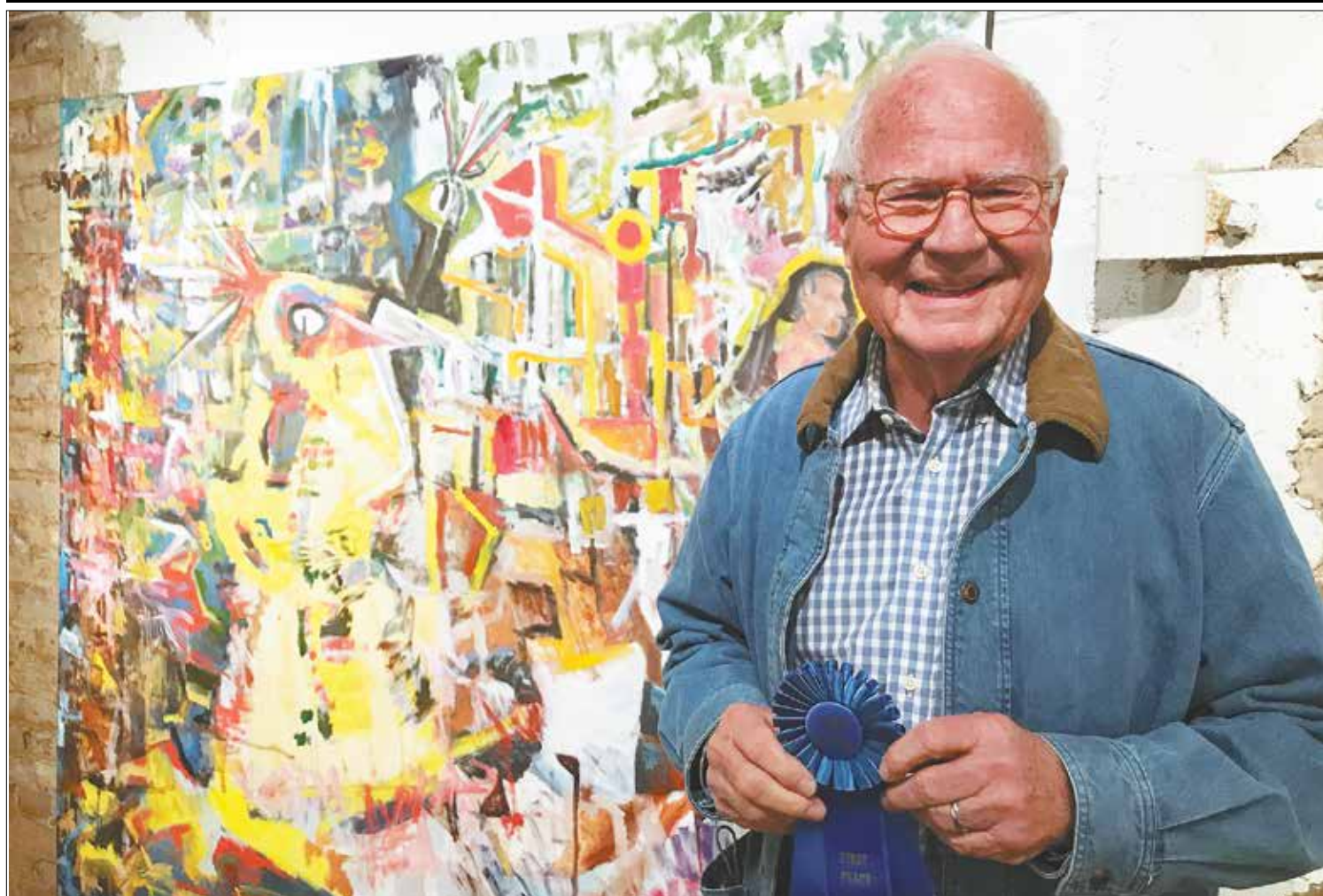
The zoning change passed its second and final vote. Thomas had successfully moved to postpone the matter in the council's last meeting over confusion over whether the old Penny Pawn building had been demolished or not. The lot is now vacant and dragged down. In an unexpected move the final vote on a zoning change in the Norwood neighborhood for an apartment and retail development was withdrawn from **Continue on page 6**

McMillan Blasts Kincannon

By Focus Staff

Mike McMillan, East Knox County's member of the Board of Education, is mad. McMillan has gone well beyond annoyed at the action of City of Knoxville Mayor Indya Kincannon withdrawing from the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Knox County School system. Presently, the Knoxville Police Department has 16 officers who work on school campuses; Kincannon's decision means the KPD officers will no longer be in city schools, or any schools. When angry calls began flooding the mayor's office, staffers referred callers back to the Board of Education. Mike McMillan is currently the longest serving member of the Board and has been outspoken on behalf of the people he represents. One admiring constituent sent an email saying McMillan was the school board's "honey badger." Well, the "honey badger" let loose. "I served with Indya on the board and she knows better," McMillan growled. "These folks in the news media here locally realize Indya has sat down on a hornet's nest and now they are trying to pull her out of the ditch. Indya's apologists are saying what Indya really meant was we need to have a conversation about the MOA. Indya's letter to Bob Thomas, Mayor Jacobs, Charme Allen and the board didn't say a thing about having any kind of conversation. "Look at her letter," McMillan said, his voice rising, "If you can read, you will see what she said. She wrote two paragraphs of woke this and that, curtsied to 'high-quality education and nurturing environments' but her letter ended with, 'Meanwhile, the City of Knoxville and the Knoxville Police Department will withdraw from its participation in the current Memorandum of Agreement effective June 12, 2021, the latest date of this year's graduation ceremonies.' "If a mayor had done this while Indya had been on the board of education, she would have had a fit," McMillan said, his hand slamming down on the arm of his chair. "I hate to say it, but I think Indya has caved in to pressure **Continue on page 3**

SUPER SENIOR!



Joe Tate, 85, shows off his first place blue ribbon and his work "Paradise." For more on Super Seniors, please see this week's The Silver Years, Section C.

Local octogenarian wins Dogwood Arts juried show

Joe Tate, former Knox County principal and Director of New Development of Tate's School, was recognized as the First Place winner of the Tennessee Artists Association juried art show. Tate's large scale (30 sq. foot) oil painting, "Paradise," is an abstract piece inspired by real objects and was the central focus of the Dogwoods Arts Spring Art Show at the Emporium Center for Arts & Culture on Gay Street. "The solitude that COVID-19 created inspired me to really focus on my painting. I work on several paintings at a time and images start to come to me as I paint, like the birds in 'Paradise.' I love color as you can see and I am honored by this recognition," said Joe Tate. Now 85 years old, Tate realized his love for painting after winning a state watercolor contest in 5th grade at West School Elementary in Jonesboro, Arkansas. His

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Joe Tate

career path took him away from the art world with time as a teacher and administrator with Knox County Schools. He eventually learned the art of real estate development with the guidance of local developer, Doug Horne. Tate continues his love for development through building expansions at Tate's School, founded by his wife of 50+ years. A self-taught artist, his favorite subject to paint is folksy subjects from rural America that combine realism with surrealist elements. He

has also been inspired by his travel to Israel, Cuba, Europe and Alaska. Local students from Tate's Middle School were given the opportunity to visit the art show and Tate's artist studio last week. Carol Vinson, Tate's art instructor said, "Touring the art show presented students with the wide variety of artistic expression. Meeting with Mr. Tate in his studio showcased how a single artist could create art in several different styles (surrealism, abstract

expressionism, realism). Hearing Mr. Tate share his personal journey from a farmhouse to a successful businessman, opened their eyes to what the life of a working artist can become." Students were also tasked with writing a critical analysis of the winning artwork. "I encourage everyone to explore art, at any age. There is so much to learn, even at 85. I just starting learning the egg tempura technique this year," said Tate. Tate has won regional awards at fine art shows at the Oak Ridge Art Center and the Fountain City Art Center. Some of his work is currently available at the Art Haven Design Gallery on N. Cedar Bluff Rd. Although he is a prolific painter, he says he has painted more than ever before during this pandemic. One thing is certain, he isn't planning on slowing down anytime soon.

Nixon, a man who never gave up

From a distance



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Tennessee overwhelmingly, 813,000 to 357,000.

And because Nixon's life had so many peaks and valleys, so many great victories and great defeats, his life should be inspirational even to those who hated him or at least to anyone who has been knocked down by life.

Pat Buchanan wrote a book about Nixon entitled "The Greatest Comeback" and Nixon always came back. He was a fighter to the end.

My favorite quote is one attributed to Theodore Roosevelt called "The Man in the Arena." It is about a man "who strives valiantly;

who errs, who comes short again and again."

But he is a man "who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat."

Nixon certainly lived his life in the arena and exemplified everything in Theodore Roosevelt's quote.

He lost such a close election in 1960 that many

people thought he could have successfully contested the results. Even the Kennedys were surprised he did not do so, but Nixon thought it would be bad for the country if he had.

He then suffered a humiliating defeat for Governor of California in 1962. No one would have believed that he would be elected as president just six years later.

I gave up a very good job as a judge to run for Congress mostly because of the inspiration of kind and loving parents who always pushed me to do more, work harder, and try to get better.

But I also have read and re-read and been inspired by words Nixon wrote many years ago:

"when he looks back on life, he has to answer the question: did he live up to his capabilities as fully as he could, or were only part of his abilities ever called into action."

I knew that if I could be elected to Congress, I would have a more challenging job and more opportunities to help people than as a judge.

Nixon wrote; "One man may have opportunities that others do not. But what counts is whether the individual used what chances

he had. Did he risk all when the stakes were such that he might win or lose all...? A man who has never lost himself in a cause bigger than himself has missed one of life's mountaintop experiences."

Even after being forced to resign as president in 1974, Nixon came back. He wrote several highly-acclaimed books, became our most-knowlegeable expert on foreign policy and met with and was respected by leaders all over the world.

And he never gave up.

School security, mask mandate discussed at KCS work session

By Ken Lay

School security quickly came to the forefront at the Knox County Board of Education's work session meeting Wednesday night.

School board members Daniel Watson and Evetty Satterfield co-sponsored a resolution that would involve the community as the district explores changes in security in Knox County Schools.

Watson said that he and KCS Superintendent Bob Thomas have been in ongoing discussions since Watson was sworn in.

But school security has been a hot button topic recently since Austin-East Magnet High School student Anthony Thomas Jr. was shot and killed by law enforcement in a school bathroom on April 12.

Further fueling Wednesday night's discussion was Knoxville Mayor Indya Kincannon's decision to pull Knoxville Police Department officers from Knox County Schools, which came just before the meeting.

Mayor Kincannon and KPD Chief Eve Thomas issued a joint memo that was also discussed by the board.

Watson and Satterfield's resolution was released by Knox County Schools Monday. And the city leaders said the decision to pull Knoxville Police Officers out of the school system isn't an effort to sever ties between KCS and KPD.

The Memorandum of Agreement between the two entities expires in June and Chief Thomas is looking to negotiate a new agreement.

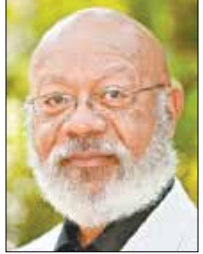
But school board member Betsy Henderson was disappointed with Kincannon's decision.

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Are We Becoming Bosnia?

A Personal Reflection

Note: My 50th year was marked



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by many countries breaking apart along ethnic lines, many violently. One of the worse was Bosnia which was a part of Yugoslavia. Bosnia was divided into three tribes: the Serbs which wanted to remain in Yugoslavia, and the Bosniaks and Croats who wanted to split. The result was a bloody, brutal conflict.

To celebrate my 50th and 60th birthdays (but not my 70th) I did a 4 Corners ride on my Honda ST 1100 – a marvelous sport touring motorcycle. I left Knoxville and rode to the southernmost city in Florida (Key West) to the southernmost city in California (San Ysidro) to the northernmost city in Washington (Blaine) to the northernmost city in Maine (Madawaska) and

back to Knoxville. I kept a daily diary. Throughout the South and Southwest, at virtually every stop, someone asked "Are you really from Tennessee?" "Where are you going?" That ended when I got to California except in Crescent City where a local rider said with a tear in his eye that he was also from Tennessee and missed it. After that, hardly anyone was friendly and only once did someone come up and speak to me until I reached Maine.

At the first Montana rest stop, I stopped to use the bathroom. No one spoke to me. I walked past two guys and said "good morning" without a response from either. A guy had pulled up next to my bike and was leaning against his pickup smoking. I said "Good morning". He didn't say a word, just leaning against his truck smoking, looking me and the bike over.

I got gas in Beulah, SD right on the Wyoming state line. I paid at the pump. Went in to buy some Gatorade and while waiting to pay, one of the girls behind the counter helped the woman behind me first. I didn't say anything although I was tempted. In Sheridan, Wyoming, I was

finally talked to. A couple stopped by. He was a pilot and was thinking about buying a sport touring bike. He was trying to decide between a Concours and a ST 1100. We had a nice long conversation about bikes and my ride. They were from Boone, NC. I went into a restaurant and was seated. No one came to wait on me. I went back to the greeter and was told "We don't like motorcyclists here." I went across the street to McDonalds and had two perfectly awful biscuits. Again no one asked me any questions showing any interest in my presence although I bet they don't see many black people, especially ones riding a laden motorcycle with Tennessee plates.

Motorcyclists wave at each other. Well after Arizona hardly no one returned my wave although I waved at all bikers. I stopped waving in South Dakota. In Minnesota only the few bikers with helmets waved and only if they were not riding a Harley.

After riding through Canada, I turned south into Maine where at long last people were friendly except for a couple riding Harleys. I guess it was a motorcycle thing. But from Maine to Maryland and back to Knoxville it felt that I had re-entered the world that I

was accustomed to.

I was often asked what did I learn from these trips. My answer was "why are we not Bosnia?" Why haven't we splintered as a nation? I could find little commonality in the people who lived in the south, the southwest, the west, the northern tier and New England. We liked different foods, had different tastes, and spoke different dialects. My only answer was that at our core we were bound by the Constitution and the rule of law. My most cited example was that the first blacks at the University of Georgia were expelled "for their own safety" when there were riots on campus. The very next day, the judge ordered them re-admitted and the governor called out the national guard. It was reported that some of the rioters of the previous night were national guardsmen who the next day prevented their buddies from entering campus.

Now we have a climate in which the Democratic leadership in Congress wanted the National Guard, who were ordered to Washington in response to the incident at the Capitol, vetted to make sure there were no white supremacists amongst them. I felt insulted but sadly was not surprised. It also seems that many of our politicians, teachers, universities, public school systems and the media are doing their best to turn us into Bosnia and in so doing are threatening the very core of our democracy. As the great Thomas Sowell has said "Ours may become the first civilization destroyed, not by the power of our enemies, but by the ignorance of our teachers and the dangerous nonsense they are teaching our children. In an age of artificial intelligence, they are creating artificial stupidity." Hopefully they will fail but I do find it worrisome that the left seems to be trying re-segregate ourselves by categories. I pray they won't succeed.



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Publisher's Position

Kincannon caves in to her far left base



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City Mayor Indya Kincannon has caved in to the ultimatum of the radical leftists who have demanded school security officers be withdrawn from our school campuses. Kincannon sent a letter to Superintendent Bob Thomas, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, Sheriff Tom Spangler, Board of Education Chair Susan Horn and District Attorney General Charme Allen. East Knox County school board member Mike McMillan described Kincannon's letter as "full of leftist virtue signaling" but acknowledged the end result was 16 Knoxville Police Department officers would be withdrawn from school campuses. The problem is Sheriff Tom Spangler doesn't have 16 new recruits at the present time to make up the difference. Being the passionate lawman he is, I know Sheriff Spangler will work things out to protect the school children inside the city limits, but it will stretch things thin in the Knox County Sheriff's Office. You see, words and actions really do have consequences and there is

one thing NO public official can conjure up at will and that would be men and women wanting to become law enforcement officers. Those folks cannot be pulled out of thin air. It's not that Indya doesn't have the money - - - her new budget is larded with \$50 million in new spending on welfare state goodies to appease the left. The city council incumbents are running around swooning over what a wonderful budget it is for Knoxville. Those candidates opposing the incumbent council-people would be wise to decry the actions of Kincannon and pledge they will vote to keep the City of Knoxville in the Memorandum of Agreement between the school system and the KPD.

Is it any coincidence Indya folded the day after a handful of little groups demanded school security officers be withdrawn from our schools until they could redesign the agreement to their own satisfaction? A letter was delivered to the board of education members from Lance McCold, who is a professional busybody who feels some compulsion to comment upon every policy before the Knox County Board of Education. According to Mike McMillan, McCold seems to think board members are eagerly awaiting his latest lengthy missive on the topic of the day. McCold purports to be representing SPEAK (Students, Parents & Educators Across Knox County), Stop School Push Out, the Latino Student Success Coalition, the Knox County

Education Association, and Kindred Futures. Several members of both KCEA and SPEAK are already moving to disassociate themselves from McCold.

McCold's letter was delivered after board member Daniel Watson brought up a resolution to reexamine the MOA, appoint a special committee, call in experts and so forth. Watson wasn't around when the taxpayers of Knox County literally spent tens of millions of dollars hiring school security officers following the tragedy at Sandy Hook. At the time, the board convened meetings all over the county.

Since his election to the board of education, Watson has been quite the little social justice warrior busybody and doesn't seem to realize Board members are elected by district. Evidently Little Dan believes he is the Board Member-At-Large and represents everyone. That being the case, folks have Little Dan to thank for this mess.

Last week's city council meeting was disrupted by Constance Every and her merry band, which once again included Calvin Skinner. Kincannon and the council members sat there like knots on a log and allowed the protesters to scream and rant before enjoying a short recess. After the recess, Constance and Calvin finally were arrested by the KPD. That was long overdue. Constance, Calvin and company were less well behaved than they were when they revisited the

county commission meeting after Sheriff Spangler had them arrested for disrupting the commission meeting. Imagine that.

Folks in Nashville are pushing back. The Tennessee General Assembly has passed a bill that will outlaw the teaching of Critical Race Theory in Tennessee schools. The Knox County Democratic Party has accused state Representative Jason Lafferty of rewriting history. If the 1619 Project isn't rewriting history wholesale, nothing is or ever will be. I DARE any Knox County Democrat to denounce the 1619 Project for not being historically accurate and revisionist. That will happen around the same time Indya Kincannon and the city council members grow a spine. They'll never do it. Of course we've entered a strange period where leftists simply change the meaning of words to suit their social justice agenda. Free child care, free college, free everything is now "infrastructure." There is no "free" anything; somebody had to work for it.

Do you agree with Kincannon's decision to withdraw the KPD officers from the schools? If not, you can let the members of the City Council know about it here: https://knoxvilletn.gov/government/city_council

There is no truth in agenda; there is only the truth and deception. Words and actions have consequences and we had all better keep in mind our failure to support those fine law enforcement

professionals (and getting rid of those who are not professional) will cost us as a society more dearly than we can imagine. Think of the consequences when there aren't people wanting to go through the harassment and plain crap some folks are heaping on law enforcement officers currently. Departments are going to be bare bones through attrition. With cuts to budgets, we are going to discourage even more young people from a career in law enforcement as veteran officers, tired of the abuse, take early retirement and quit the profession. Society will suffer from it; the most vulnerable classes, seniors and children, will be especially at risk. Keep in mind, as Indya Kincannon spins her woke decision to withdraw the KPD from the MOA with the school system, there have been a record number of murders in the City of Knoxville the last year. The truth has no agenda and that is absolutely, indisputably true. Crime is rising everywhere in the country, especially violent crimes, where the police are being denigrated and defunded. Can any reasonable human being be surprised by that? Do you suppose that is a mere coincidence? When that crime reaches you and your family, your back door, God help you because there'll be fewer police officers to help you. In what world is it right for Indya Kincannon and the city council members to leave the children living inside the City of Knoxville unprotected?

It's not because of money; remember Indya and the Council are spending \$50 million more dollars on an ambitious program of social welfare, as well as to pay for the defined benefits of city workers. Can you really trust these people to stand up for YOU and YOUR FAMILY when they won't even stand up to a handful of loudmouth bullies?

School children inside the City of Knoxville are being left at the mercy of God knows what because city officials want to think about sustainable housing and their own version of the Green New Deal. They will spend millions of your tax dollars on social workers who can't and won't stop any violent crime. All they can do is comfort the living and those who have lost someone to violent crime that might well have been prevented had who done what was right.

Kincannon and the council members are too worried about hurting someone's feelings than protecting families and their children. It is a complete betrayal of the majority of the people inside the City of Knoxville.

The truth is a call for the KPD to come to a school in a life-threatening emergency might well be too late; it's a poor substitute for having a security officer on site. The tragedy is the next call might be to the coroner's office.

Mayor Jacobs reveals his 2022 budget

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Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs introduced his 2022 \$893.6 million Tuesday afternoon highlighting no new tax increase. Jacobs delivered the message in the main auditorium of the City-County Building after cancelling the event outdoors because of the rain.

The Knox County Commission takes up the budget today at 5 p.m. in a public hearing that

includes a public forum and comments from the various county departments.

Mayor Jacobs said the budget includes a 4% pay increase for teachers, \$2 million for school security, and a 3% pay increase for county employees. He's also pushing for free parking for county employees at the City-County Building and in the Dwight Kessel Garage.

Jacobs also spoke about a registry for neighborhood associations, expanding wifi service

at senior centers, expanding county greenways and supporting the proposed Veterans Park overlooking the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery on Governor John Sevier Pike.

He applauded the Knox County Health Department's efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic and that department's continual efforts during the crisis toward women, infant and child programs along with the Parents As Teachers program.

About \$1.5 million in new

funding is being proposed for roads and paving and a major project along Schaad Road which Jacobs said will unite east and west Knox County.

"Jobs, Education and Recreation" was Jacobs three main theme. He applauded the Water Trail on Beaver Creek and pointed to the efforts of the Beaver Creek Kayak Club there. He also said that the five dog parks in both the city and county makes the area "the most Dog Friendly County."

Jacobs also spoke of his

support for the downtown baseball stadium project calling it "a development that pays for itself." He said the county is "poised for an extraordinary destiny."

The budget increases 4.97% over last year. This includes a funding increase for schools, a five-year capital improvement plan, district-wide security upgrades, infrastructure projects including safety improvements at dangerous roads and intersections, and improvements to parks and other facilities.

McMillan Blasts Kincannon

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from little special interest groups who don't care a thing about the students, the children, inside the city schools."

Mike McMillan served on the county commission well before being elected to the Knox County Board of Education. McMillan emphasized the City of Knoxville doesn't operate a school system, opting to go out of business years ago, leaving it to Knox County to educate the children in the city and county. The county spent millions of tax dollars bringing the old city school buildings up to standard, providing central heat and air and removing asbestos under the administration of the late Earl Hoffmeister.

"I can tell you this much," McMillan said raising a finger and jabbing the air, "there isn't a good parent in Knoxville or Knox County who agrees with

Indya Kincannon about this. Every public official has a duty, a responsibility to do all we can to protect the safety of our citizenry and that's especially true of children. Parents are putting enormous faith in the school system every day when they send their youngsters off to their neighborhood school. All of us need to be worthy of that trust and in my opinion, Indya Kincannon has just violated it. The folks living in the city deserve to know their kids are protected just like the children in my district, which is outside the city limits."

Asked if he would vote to remove security officers from the schools, McMillan roared, "Hell, no!" Mike McMillan looked a bit embarrassed then nodded. "Go ahead and print that. It's how I feel. I'll never vote to take the security officers out of the schools."

Dissolving a committee, free parking and stadium study on commission agenda

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While the Knox County Commission must approve a new county budget before July 1, the budget doesn't appear on their agenda for their work session next Monday. Apparently the budget will be discussed during their June meetings.

There are some interesting items on the next agenda, however.

Dissolving the "alternate" health committee

Commissioner Kyle Ward, who took the lead in taking powers away from the Knox County Board of Health and created the alternate "Committee on Health and Economic Well Being," has a motion to dissolve that group. While the committee was never called an "alternative" to the Board of Health, Ward and some other commissioners voted to create it and then voted to dissolve

the Board of Health, taking that group to an "advisory" capacity.

Free garage parking for employees

Mayor Glenn Jacobs, in his budget address Tuesday, promised free parking for county employees. He and Commissioner John Schoonmaker have an item on the agenda to "subsidize the monthly parking for Knox County Employees in the City-County building and Dwight Kessel Garages" starting July 1.

Stadium impact study

The mayor is asking the commission to approve a \$57,500 contract plus reimbursable expenses with Conventions, Sports and Leisure International for an economic impact study of the proposed downtown sports stadium project and adjacent developments.

Farragut Kroger tax break

The mayor, Schoonmaker

and Commissioner Justin Biggs have a resolution directing the Industrial Development Board to waive provisions of the Tax Increment Financing Policies and Procedures and prepare an economic impact plan for the old Kroger in Farragut.

Collier Preserve Park donation

The mayor and Commissioner Charles Busler are asking for acceptance of property in the Powell Community at 316 Emory Road known as the Collier Preserve from the Legacy Parks Foundation.

Sub-Easement at Summer Place Tower

The commission may also consider approving a sub-easement agreement with CGI Federal Inc. for space in the Summer Place Tower at 500 West Summit Hill Drive, part of the TVA Towers complex.

Other notable agenda items:

The mayor and Commissioner Ward are asking the commission to add a new section to the Knox County Code called "Public Notices" that would provide posting of notices on the county's website and published in "non-subscription-based newspapers of general circulation."

Local historians Bob Booker and Jack Neely will be recognized for their journalism and a room at the East Tennessee History Center will be named in their honor to celebrate Statehood Day on a resolution presented by Chairman Larsen Jay.

Parks and Recreation is asking for a contract to be approved with United Rentals for portable toilets for the department. The department is also asking for acceptance of a memorial bench at Plumb Creek Park from Janet Wambach.

Health and Well-Being chairman responds to committee's demise

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The proposed ending of the Committee on Health and Economic Well-Being caught some people by surprise. The Knoxville Focus asked Dr. Joshua Williams, chairman of that committee, for comments. "I regret that the Committee will no longer be

in a position to assist our County Government. There is so much more to be done. We are not completely out of the woods with COVID-19. The effects of the pandemic will be felt by our community for years to come. There are many among us who are suffering long-term physical and life-changing symptoms caused by the illness,"

he replied Thursday. "Many small businesses are reeling and will continue to struggle going forward. It is also important to note that we face other long standing problems. We have the pressing issue of gun violence. This is a public health issue. We continue to struggle with the ravages of opiate abuse and addiction," he continued.

"All too often our elected leaders work in a reactionary fashion, rushing to address symptoms without considering causality. Inspired leadership would use committees such as this for guidance, ideas and forward planning. We can do so much more to foster wellness in our community," Dr. Williams concluded.

That's what the DVR is for

As stated on many occasions, I like to watch television. That doesn't mean that I'll sit down and watch any show that comes on. In fact, my list of favorite shows is limited. For instance, I'm amazed at



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the writing of episodes of "This Is Us," but I can find not one endearing quality in "The Bachelor." For all those shows, however, the bills are paid by commercials. Some of those spots drive me up the wall.

One group of commercials deals with children and their eating habits. One little girl refuses to eat broccoli and informs her parents that they'll sit at the table all night before she eats the stuff. Mom solves the problem by serving up a pile of macaroni and cheese. Another commercial shows a young girl being rewarded for taking a bite of a vegetable with

four French fries. In the first place, my brothers and I talked back to our parents once; the consequences of doing so convinced us that ever doing it again would not be a way to survive. Neither Mother nor Daddy believed in bribery.

My parents did learn a valuable lesson about demanding that children eat certain foods. They were hell-bent that my brother Jim was going to eat greens. He finally relented and loaded a fork with the things. He chewed a couple of times and swallowed. Yep, you are way ahead of me. Those greens barely made it to his stomach before they made an exit. Jim spewed those greens across the supper table. Our parents never insisted on our eating a food again.

In another irritating

commercial, a dad is on a conference zoom meeting when his two darling children enter the living room, tear open a container of flour, and throw handfuls of the stuff all over. The dad sits motionless and lets the two cretins have their fun.

I know during this time of COVID-19 that many parents are working from home. Children are involved in virtual learning, and being cooped up for months has everyone out of sorts. Nevertheless, children of our generation wouldn't have been brave enough to pull such a dumb move. Oh, we accidentally broke things in the house, but we never intentionally destroyed the house.

The worst commercials tout new medicines. They lessen depression, cure psoriasis, and help with leaky bladders; you name a problem, there's a medicine commercial for it. That we have so many cures for illness and conditions is something for which to

be thankful, at least until the narrator begins listing possible side effects from these drugs. I'm not so sure that those possibilities are worth taking the stuff. At the same time, pharmaceutical companies spend big bucks to promote their products, which most of us can't afford to take anyway. Yes, some companies will offer help with costs for a while, but in the long run, patients either stop taking the medicine or shell out hundreds of dollars. The company grows richer, while the consumer grows poorer or sicker.

As I said, I like to watch television. What would be even better is to watch a television show that isn't evenly divided between the story and commercials. I'd also like to finish a show without being in a rage over some actions of brats or some high-priced medicine. That's what the DVR is for. It might be the best feature of any television provider.

American flag retirement event to be held this weekend

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Have you ever seen the proper retirement of a United States flag? Did you know there is an official way to do it?

On Saturday, May 15 the American Legion Post and the cadets of the Army JROTC Cherokee Battalion of South-Doyle High School will host a retirement ceremony for worn and damaged flags. The opening ceremonies begin at 9 a.m. and will continue until all the old flags are burned or until 2 p.m. the following afternoon.

The flag retirement event takes place at 5700 Old Rutledge Pike in Knoxville. You can get more information at www.Legionknox.com or contact Adjutant

Norita Cruz at (865) 585-3280 or norita.irene@gmail.com.

What's the official way to retire flags?

The flag should be folded in its customary manner.

It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag.

Place the flag on the fire. The individual(s) can come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection.

After the flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried.

Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances.

How Many Copies of a Document Do I File With the Court?

On one of my very first days working in the legal world I remember seeing a paralegal prepare a new lawsuit to be filed at the Court. Out of curiosity I picked it up and started flipping through it and I asked her,

"why do you have three copies?" That paralegal, in the nicest way possible, kindly explained to me what all lawyer should know on Day 1: You prepare 3 copies because one copy stays with the Court, one copy gets stamped and returned to you for your records, and the third copy goes out to be served upon the Defendant. $1+1+1 = 3$.

Obviously if there is more than one Defendant than you will need to take additional copies so each Defendant receives a copy of the lawsuit.

Not only does this apply for the initial filing of the lawsuit, but also for every subsequent document that is filed with the Court.

You may wonder why you need to file a copy of the lawsuit for yourself. When



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you file a document with the Court, the Court has an official stamp that they put on the top right corner of the first page of each document filed.

When you have a "file stamped" copy in your possession, you can quickly reference when a document was filed, and if, in fact, a document was filed simply by checking to see whether the document was stamped and the date on which it was stamped.

So how many copies of a document do you need to file with the Court? The minimum number is always going to be three, and is often many more depending on the number of parties involved in a case.

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School security, mask mandate discussed at KCS work session

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"I am saddened at the decision that she has made," Henderson said. "I am not willing to put our children's life at risk for a theory that says that we don't need officers in our schools."

Henderson's comments drew outbursts from a group of protestors and board chairperson Susan Horn and vice chair Virginia Babb had to restore order several times.

While some community residents want law enforcement removed entirely from schools,

the board isn't seriously considering that option at this time.

"This resolution is not about whether or not we have law enforcement in schools," Watson said. "I can say with 100 percent certainty that 100 percent of the people in this room want our children to be safe."

"I can also say that safety looks different for different people. This is just a way for us to get community input."

Board member Patti Bounds agreed, saying "this is not a one size fits all for a district our size."

Superintendent Thomas lauded law enforcement for its work in the school system.

"I know law enforcement provides a very vital role in our schools," he said. "Our school security officers do a great job. Our school security officers are able to do things maybe law enforcement isn't able to do and law enforcement can do what our security officers aren't able to do."

"The primary goal for me, and I've said it and will continue to say it, is the safety of our staff and students. Anything

and everything we can do to provide the safest environment in which to go to school and for our staff to teach is what I want to do."

Also, the board discussed the mask mandate and will vote at this week's regular session whether to let the current mask mandate sunset on May 26.

Also, Superintendent Thomas announced that the enrollment window for virtual school is open and the deadline to submit applications is May 14 at 4 p.m.

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Carroll Reece Tennessee's 'Mr. Republican' Pt9

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Brazilla Carroll Reece had served Tennessee's First Congressional District in Congress for ten years before losing the 1930 general election to Independent candidate Oscar Byrd Lovette. It was the first time in 52 years any candidate aside from a Republican had won a seat in Congress from the First Congressional District. Carroll Reece's defeat was all the more astonishing considering O. B. Lovette's campaign was organized and run in the last two weeks of the general election. Reece had lost reelection largely on one issue: government operation of Muscle Shoals (the forerunner of the Tennessee Valley Authority). President Herbert Hoover had vetoed the Muscle Shoals Bill and Congressman Reece caught hell from many of his constituents and he also received a pummeling due to the failure of the Cove Creek Dam to be built.

Following his defeat, Carroll Reece issued a statement conceding the election and congratulating his opponent, yet the congressman all but announced his intent to wage a comeback. Before his term of office expired, Reece appointed French Wampler, Jr., who had been born in Fountain City, to the U. S. Naval Academy. The Johnson City Chronicle carried a story about the 17-year-old having passed the mental examination required for entrance into the Naval Academy. The lad was the son of the Reverend and Mrs. French Wampler. The Chronicle noted, French Wampler, Jr. was "a nephew, on his mother's side, ten generations removed, of Admiral John Paul Jones, of Revolutionary fame."

The former congressman was also responsible for the appointment of Mark Hattan of Erwin, Tennessee to the Naval Academy. Reece was given the credit for having nominated young Hattan, a student at the Marion Military Institute, when the young man was notified he had passed the entrance exam. The Johnson City Chronicle noted, "Usually only thirty per cent of boys taking these rigid tests pass successfully."

In August of 1931, Paul Havelly wrote a column speculating on the 1932 elections for the Knoxville Journal. Havelly wrote the Reece organization was already forming in anticipation of the election. Incumbent O. B. Lovette was expected to run inside the Republican primary rather than as an Independent in the general election. Paul Havelly thought U. S. Attorney William J. Carter might also enter the GOP primary. Certainly Carroll Reece's decade of service

as a Republican member of Congress gave the former congressman a significant advantage, especially with the Hoover administration. Even though he had always been a Republican, O. B. Lovette had to be at least somewhat alienated from the Hoover administration as he was ignored in patronage matters and the numerous small courtesies normally rendered to an incumbent congressman. When William N. Doak, Secretary of Labor, came to Johnson City to speak at a Labor Day celebration, it was in response to an invitation from Carroll Reece, not Congressman Lovette. It was also Carroll Reece who introduced Secretary Doak to the crowd on Labor Day. The Secretary and Mrs. Doak joined the Reeces and their friends at a private luncheon at Bois d'Ormont, the Reece estate in Johnson City.

Former congressman Carroll Reece also got the credit for the expansion of the National Soldiers' Home in Johnson City by the Chronicle when the Veteran's Administration announced it was accepting bids to add 100 beds to the hospital portion of the facility, while adding 165 beds to the barracks.

Reece was also responsible for helping Bert Lowe, nephew of John Lowe of Erwin, Tennessee, the head of the local Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, get a position with the U. S. Department of Labor. The position paid \$3,000 and according Elizabethton Star, young Bert Lowe had "many friends in Elizabethton and Carter county."

After leaving office March 3, 1931, Carroll Reece kept his hand in political affairs and the Knoxville Journal reported the former congressman was one of those who had passed the Bar exam that summer. Reece was also the keynote speaker at the Watauga Academy Alumni Association meeting in the former congressman's hometown of Butler in May. The banquet was held in the dining room of the girls' dormitory and was decorated in the colors of the senior class: pink and white. Around sixty guests attended and were served "a delicious four-course dinner" by the junior class. Former congressman Carroll Reece spoke on the topic of "Success" and told his listeners, "Practically every successful man could look back in his life to having attended either a Christian high school or college and point out the influence on his life." In the May 7 edition of the Knoxville Journal, the newspapers reported Carroll Reece was in Dandridge calling on citizens and stated, "It is understood that Mr. Reece will make the race for the



COURTESY OF THE ARCHIVES OF APPALACHIA, EAST TN STATE UNIV. CARROLL REECE COLLECTION

Congressman Carroll Reece with his wife Louise Goff Reece circa 1920s.

Republican nomination for the office of Congressman next year."

Members of the Elks Club in Johnson City heard Carroll Reece give a tribute to mothers that spring. Even though he was out of office, Reece's doings as well as his comings-and-goings were still news. When the former congressman went to Elizabethton to visit his brother, it was duly reported by the local newspaper.

While credit and political capital accrued to former congressman Carroll Reece inside the First Congressional District, incumbent Congressman O. B. Lovette and his friends were not idle. The friends of Congressman Lovette hosted a dinner for him in his home city of Greeneville and urged that he announce his candidacy for reelection to Congress. Lovette told his friends he felt ready to enter the GOP primary the following year.

Hubert Brooks, who was the mayor of Johnson City as well as a Republican member of the Tennessee House of Representatives, was an ardent supporter of former congressman Carroll Reece. Brooks opined Reece's defeat in 1930 was less the voters expressing dissatisfaction with the congressman than President Hoover. Mayor Brooks also believed Reece would run for Congress again in 1932 and oust Congressman O. B. Lovette. It was hardly a secret Carroll Reece was running to reclaim his seat in Congress, but merely a reminder to keep the former congressman's name before the public. Still, no officeholder is universally loved and Carroll Reece was no exception. A local Johnson City druggist, Bernice C. Hall, disagreed with the assessment of Mayor Brooks. Hall had fired off an angry letter bitterly denouncing the mayor and emphatically stated it was his opinion Congressman O. B. Lovette would beat Carroll Reece for the GOP nomination if they tangled once again in 1932. In spite of the obvious favoritism of the Hoover administration toward Carroll Reece, Hall pointed out Congressman Lovette had pledged his full support for the President.

Nor did Bernice C. Hall believe Carroll Reece had done a good job while in Congress. Hall believed Mayor Brooks and other supporters of Reece "are trying to drag the President into the coming congressional campaign by having this statement printed with a view to mailing same to the President for the purpose of prejudicing him against the present congressman." Hall must have been quite the optimist; there was every reason to believe and plenty of evidence to indicate the Hoover administration was already prejudiced against O. B. Lovette. The Bristol Herald Courier acknowledged as much in an editorial comparing Reece and Congressman Lovette. The Herald Courier pointed out appointments made by the Hoover administration always seem to reflect a preference for those individuals recommended by Carroll Reece, not Congressman O. B. Lovette. "General Lovette stated shortly after his election that he was a Republican and that he would stand with the Republicans in the House, but he does not seem to be the kind of Republican the White House admires," the Bristol Herald Courier said in an editorial. The Knoxville News Sentinel published an editorial that was also reprinted by the Bristol News Bulletin. The News Sentinel editorial was entitled, "Mr. Lovette Gets a Raw Deal." The News Sentinel was chagrined President Hoover had nominated four postmasters inside the First Congressional District, all of whom were recommended by Carroll Reece. None of the persons recommended to the White House to serve as postmaster by Congressman Oscar Byrd Lovette had evidently received the slightest consideration. The News Sentinel defended O. B. Lovette, saying while he had run as an Independent in the 1930 general election, everybody knew he had been a life-long Republican. The News Sentinel fumed the GOP leadership had needed Lovette's vote to barely retain the speakership of the House, yet ignored him completely in patronage matters.

O. B. Lovette's crime, the News Sentinel thundered, was he had beaten "one of the President's pet congressmen and in doing so pledged himself to seek governmental construction of Cove Creek dam and Government operation of East Tennessee water-power projects." The News Sentinel reminded its readers of the letter penned by President Herbert Hoover during the 1930 GOP primary when Carroll Reece had defeated attorney Sam W. Price. The News Sentinel warned the President's "new interference into First District political affairs doubtless will not set well with a lot of the voters who indicated their displeasure by unseating Reece from Congress." The News Sentinel noted Hoover was "already none too popular in these parts" and believed there was still lingering resentment on the part of many voters or the presidential veto of the Cove Creek dam bill.

It was a fair point and a rather accurate assessment of the attitude of the Hoover White House toward O. B. Lovette. For the remainder of 1931, Carroll Reece continued moving around the First District as if he had never left office.

Later that fall, William Isaac Giles, who had run for Congress as an Independent in the 1930 general election, was murdered. The sixty-eight year-old Giles, something of an eccentric, had been pulled off his horse, robbed, and beaten to death. William Isaac Giles was a perennial candidate for Congress and had stumbled to the home he shared with Sam Wilson and asked for a drink of water before falling over dead. "They jerked me off my horse," Giles managed to gasp before dying. An autopsy was performed on Giles, which revealed his skull had been fractured. The dead man's horse was found a quarter of a mile from his home and groceries, which Giles had purchased in Johnson City, were littered on the road. Giles was believed to have had \$80 on his person when he left to pick up groceries; it was a large sum for the time, roughly the

equivalent to \$800 today and a princely sum in the midst of the Great Depression. William Isaac Giles had polled 7,636 votes to 28,142 for Carroll Reece in the 1928 election. A twenty-five year-old man, found with blood on his clothes, was arrested for the brutal murder of Giles.

The Sunday, January 10, 1932, edition of the Knoxville Journal carried the headline "Carroll Reece To Make Race", noting the former congressman "Accepts Call of His Party In First District." According to the Journal at least 1,200 Republicans from Tennessee's First Congressional District gathered in Morristown to urge Reece to run once again for Congress. The group passed a resolution, which was signed by GOP leaders in every county comprising the First District, demanding "Reece again become our standard bearer, to take up the fight and battle with the foe." The resolution promised the support of all signing the document, as well as those approving it. The delegates pledged to work hard in "reasserting the supremacy of the Republican party in our First district of Tennessee."

Carroll Reece spoke briefly, telling his supporters, "In yielding to your request I pledge myself again to represent the people of the First district at all times. I am satisfied that I have served my friends when the opportunity presented itself and I have always had the thoughts and wishes of my people at heart."

Carroll Reece had begun his march to return to the halls of Congress.

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City council meeting disrupted

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Disruptions of city and county meetings are becoming expected in Knoxville and Knox County and the city council meeting Tuesday was no exception. Two protesters, Constance Every and Rev. Calvin Taylor Skinner, were removed from the meeting and arrested. That makes the second arrest of the two in the past month for disrupting meetings.

The protest was aimed at the officer-involved shooting death of Anthony Thompson Jr. at Austin-East High School. After investigating the incident Attorney General Charme Allen ruled the officers involved would not be charged and released the video of the incident. In recent weeks the protests have extended to the Knox County Commission and school board meetings, and West Knox and Island Home neighborhood marches.

At one point during the council's first in-person

meeting in a year Mayor Indya Kincannon recessed the gathering amid loud shouting and insults hurled from the protesters.

"Please let us conduct our business," Kincannon said, gaveling at the shouting several times.

Various speakers spoke during the agenda items and in public forum with one speaker personally attacking Kincannon and publically giving out the mayor's home address.

Tyler Givens spoke many times to various items on agenda, calling to the audience to "Say His Name" each time he took the podium.

At one time Every was repeatedly shouting, "You are murderers."

Among the demands of the protesters were calls to charge the four officers with the shooting death, fund of violence prevention, cut police funds, end "racial" zonings, pull out of the baseball stadium funding and defund Crime Stop-

Penny Pawn rezoned, Norwood withdrawn and budget discussed at city council

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consideration. Local residents have opposed the change from Neighborhood Commercial to General Residential. The hilly site, along 2400 and 2600 Merchant Drive and 5291 Oakhill Drive, was planned for development by Hilton Capital Group.

The city council voted 7-2 to approve the first reading of the Mayor Indya Kincannon's budget proposal for next year with Councilwomen Singh and Amelia Parker voting "No." Two budget hearings are scheduled for Thursday and Friday this week. The mayor noted that the proposed budget does not include any federal COVID-19 relief funding.

Councilwoman Singh asked the law director if the council voted "No" on the mayor's proposed budget would it still go into effect July 1st. Attorney Charles Swanson said "Yes" and read from the city charter. Singh commented on the city's "Strong Mayor" system and said adjustments are needed in the proposal. Parker said she plans to introduce an amendment to the charter during the next fiscal year

to put the budget issue on the ballot.

"We're having a vote that doesn't matter," Singh said.

The council approved amending the charter portion of the city codes to establish the "Knoxville Affordable Housing Fund." Kincannon thanked all those involved with that effort and specifically Justice Knox and Councilwoman Lynne Fugate. Fugate said creating the fund was a six-month effort and a "wonderful example of people who cared, dug in, and did the hard work."

Elizabeth Johnson, co-president of Justice Knox, reported that 1,500 people came to the World's Fair Park Monday evening to support the funding, calling the effort "a victory for families struggling to make ends meet."

The council also voted to allocate \$575,000 to purchase right of ways and easements on twelve tracts of property as part of the Lancaster Drive Sidewalks Improvement Project and authorized funding of the Boyds Bridge Pike Bridge and the Woodlawn Avenue Bridge Repair Projects.

What is Crime Stoppers ?

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The City of Knoxville and the Knoxville Police Department have introduced a way for citizens to report crime and remain anonymous. The Crime Stoppers Program allows citizens to share information with local law enforcement about criminal activity or the location of fugitives anytime, 24 hours a day, with no caller ID being recorded, no recorded lines and no telephone tracking.

Police Chief Eve Thomas said the East Tennessee



Valley Crime Stoppers Program will be a great asset to the department. She said the department had looked at instituting the program last year and said the "recent uptick in gun violence, particularly the violence that resulted in the deaths of multiple

high school students, has accelerated the process. People reporting crimes could receive a cash award up to \$1,000 if the information leads to a felony arrest of criminals or fugitives. Rewards may also be given to tippers whose information leads

to the recovery of property or narcotics. Information is received through a secure telephone line or a secure web connection manned by a program coordinator.

One speaker at public forum during a recent city council meeting called Crime Stoppers a way to "bribe" citizens into turning in their fellow citizens.

Crime Stoppers' number is 800-222-TIPS (8477) or tips can be given at www.easttnvalleycrimestoppers.org. Tippers would remain anonymous during the entire reporting process including the transfer of a cash award.

Various party members, activists pick up council petitions

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Potential candidates for five seats on the Knoxville City Council have ten days left to pick up and return petitions. May 20 is the deadline and May 27 is the withdrawal date.

The people who have picked up petitions so far are affiliated with various political parties or local activist groups. While the city elections are officially non-partisan, local party politics always place in the background. It is possible that other candidates may pick up petitions and file them before the deadline or some who picked up a petition may choose not to file.

Unlike the Knox County Commission where currently only two of the eleven members are Democrats, the city council has, unofficially, seven Democrats and two Republicans.

Five seats will be on the ballot for the nine-member body. Four City Council Movement candidates are on the ballot. CCM currently has two members on council, Amelia Parker and Seema Singh.

Singh, who represents District 3, is up for re-election and, thus far, Nicholas Ciparro has picked up a petition to run against her. Ciparro, a Republican, is a former office seeker.

City Council Movement's David Hayes has a petition to oppose incumbent District 1's Tommy Smith. Councilman Smith was appointed by the sitting council to replace Stephanie Welch, who took a position with Mayor Indya Kincannon's administration. Hayes unsuccessfully opposed Councilwoman Janet Testerman two years ago for At Large Seat B.

Two other people have a petition for District 1: Elizabeth Murphy and Martin Pleasant. Murphy is a member of the Knoxville Social Dissidents which opposed the Board of Health and Pleasant is a Green Party supporter.

District 4's incumbent, Councilwoman Lauren Rider, has a CCM opponent, Jen McMahan, with a petition to run in that race. Also with petitions for Rider's position

are Dan Davis and Jim Klonaris. Davis is a 911 operator with contributions from Republican state Senator Richard Briggs and Knox Republican Party Chairman Daniel Herrera. Klonaris is a Democrat.

Vice Mayor and District 6 incumbent Gwen McKenzie has two opponents so far: Deidra C. Harper and Garrett Holt. Harper is a City Council Movement candidate. Holt is a Republican with donations from former state Rep. Martin Daniel, Briggs and Herrera.

Incumbent Andrew Roberto of District 2 may face Edward or Jeremy Cook, two names with the same address that picked up petitions.

The new Knox County Republican Party chairman has pledged to overturn the "radical" Knoxville City Council.

Early voting begins on August 11 and the primary election is set for August 31. The general election is set for November 2.

The top two candidates in each race would face each other in the general election.

Mabry-Hazen House open after-hours for Night at the Museum

Mabry-Hazen House is hosting Night at the Museum on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Attend for a chance to visit the house museum after-hours on a weekday and drink up a little history. Explore the 1858 historic house in an entirely different light as twilight falls upon Mabry's Hill, watch the sun set behind Sharp's Ridge and North Knoxville flicker alight, all while enjoying drinks provided by a local brewery.

The historic home will be open for self-guided tours (at limited capacity) and there will be

behind-the-scenes access to the walkout basement at 7:30 p.m. Mabry-Hazen House also will continue its history series where we share an artifact or objects that normally are not on display.

Socially distanced outdoor seating areas will be set-up on the front porch and lawn for groups to safely enjoy the site in a casual atmosphere. We'll have a fire pit and corn hole available and guests are encouraged to bundle up and bring their games, stories, blankets, and camp chairs.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and visitors under 16

are free. Each purchased ticket includes two adult beverages and additional drinks are \$5. A small processing fee is applied to tickets purchased online. Some tickets may be available at the door.

Sister South Fine Foods will have food available for purchase. All proceeds benefit Mabry-Hazen House.

Tickets are capped to ensure the safety and health of visitors. Visitors are requested to follow Knox County Health Department guidelines and physically distance from other families/groups. We ask visitors

please follow the Five Core Actions recommended by the CDC. Face masks and coverings are required within the historic house.

RAIN POLICY: In the event of rain, Night at the Museum will be rescheduled for Wednesday, May 26, 2021 and all tickets will transfer to the new date. Refunds will be offered by request. If cancelled due to COVID-19, refunds will be given.

Tickets are limited and some may be available at the door. Purchase tickets at www.mabryhazen.com/natm. More information is available at www.mabryhazen.com

You're Invited to Attend A Record Setting American Flag Retirement Ceremony

The American Legion Family at Post 2 Knoxville is honored to host the cadets from Army JROTC Cherokee Battalion at South Doyle High School

as they honorably retire a record setting number of worn and damaged American flags.

The opening ceremony will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 15th

and will continue, through the night, while the flags are still there.

The closing ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 16th.

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2021 KIL TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wins put Rome and Ebbert in state title picture

By Steve Williams

Austin Rome of Hardin Valley Academy and Farragut's Tyler Ebbert, a couple of juniors on the Knoxville Interscholastic League track scene, showed they had state title potential in last week's KIL meet.

In Wednesday's one-lap sprint on the HVA track, Rome posted a time of 49.2 seconds in the 400-meter race that came down to a three-way battle between him, Knoxville Catholic freshman Braylon Harmon and Farragut senior Connor Evans.

Harmon, the runner-up, was clocked at 49.59 and Evans, who took third place, at 49.71.

Evans came into the race with the top time of the season on the local prep scene, a 49.81.

Through the May 6 rankings on Tennessee Milesplit, Terrick Johnson of Whitehaven, a junior, owned the state's top time in the 400, a 49.14.

Ebbert, meanwhile, won the 800 in 1:56.0, shattering his previous best time of 1:57.89 on the local scene. Daniel Blackston of Hardin Valley came in second (1:57.23).

The state's top time in the 800 is 1:55.21, held by senior Miles Ally of Martin Luther King High School.

In other KIL boys action, Bearden senior Christian Langlois took first place in the 100 dash with a time 10.9 but wasn't pleased with the outcome.

"It definitely wasn't a good race for me," he said. "It was probably of my worse starts of the whole season. I came off the blocks and just didn't feel right. He (the starter) held us up at the line about

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Karns freshman Hannah Little wins a close race over CAK senior Olivia Rodgers and posts one of the top times in the state in the 400-meter event.

A big day for Karns freshman Hannah Little

By Steve Williams

Hannah Little carved more than six seconds off her previous best time in the 400-meter event in the KIL Track and Field Championships last week.

The petite Karns freshman sped to the victory in 58.68 seconds, after owning a previous best time of 1:05.

If it's any consolation, runner-up Olivia Rodgers deserves some credit for Little's breakout performance. The CAK senior provided the competition that sparked her.

Rodgers was clocked in 59.48.

The top high school time in the state in the 400 is 56.94, held by Jefferson County senior Jewel Jennings.

"I started out fast, and then I went faster," said Little, recalling her race strategy. "I slowed down a little bit over there to get a good pace.

"I speed up at the 200



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Webb School freshman Anna Graves (left) moves to the front of the pack in the 1600-meter run in the KIL meet. Graves would pull away to win the event in 5:14.94.

and go really fast just to finish out strong."

Hannah said she was aware of the CAK sprinter being in the race.

"I knew I needed to kick in and I knew I had competition to go get," she said.

"That's my PR. It feels good to win and get a better time because I like the 400. Even if it is a lot, I like to do it."

She says she runs

the 200 and 100 some mostly for fun.

As for Hannah's goals, she said: "I just want to keep doing better in the 400 because I feel like I can actually go somewhere with it and maybe one day get a scholarship where I can go really far in track."

Senior Dominique Romain led Hardin Valley to its ninth straight KIL girls championship by

winning the 100 (12.19), 200 (25.84) and long jump (18-0). She also ran the leadoff leg for the Lady Hawks' win in the 4x100.

Lexi Foley of Farragut had an impressive win in the 800 (2:19.69), bettering her previous best time by three seconds.

Webb School's Anna Graves posted a time of 5:14.94 in the 1600 to

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Big inning lifts Bulldogs past West High 9-2

By Ken Lay

If Bearden High School baseball coach John Rice knows anything about the District 4-AAA tournament, it's that any team and every team is going to be a tough foe.

For five innings, Rice saw his fourth-seeded Bulldogs embroiled in a competitive contest against the No. 5 West High Rebels.

But Bearden used a five-run sixth inning to down the Rebels 9-2 Friday night in an opening-round game of the postseason tournament at John Heatherly Field at the Ballpark in Farragut.

"This is the District 4-AAA Tournament, so you know what you're going to get when you sign up for it," Rice said.

The Bulldogs (19-11) may have ultimately come out on top of the Rebels, but Bearden had to come from behind twice in the contest.

West (16-15) took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning as Bo Millikan led off the game with a double. He would later score when Kolton Glick reached on an error.

The Bulldogs would answer and pull even in the bottom of the frame on an RBI double by Ty Seritt that plated Will Nelms with the tying run to make the score 1-1.

Seritt and Nelms, both seniors for Bearden, came up big for the Bulldogs on this night.

Seritt, the Bearden catcher, went 2-for-3 with a double, a home run. He knocked in three runs and scored another.

Nelms, meanwhile, went 3-for-4 with three runs, a stolen base and grand slam homer that would prove to be the big blow of the game for the Bulldogs.

The Rebels, regained the lead in the second, pulling ahead 2-1 when Millikan singled and Royal Philo

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In the net: Soccer notes, postseason preview

By Ken Lay

The 2021 high school boys soccer season is now in the rear view mirror as local teams brought an end to their respective campaigns Thursday night. Here's a look at some regular-season finales and the week ahead as district tournaments open around the area.

In District 2-AAA, the Bearden Bulldogs will be the tournament's top seed and they'll open postseason play Wednesday at home against the winner of today's match between Jefferson County and Morristown West.

Bearden (13-3-1) will host a semifinal match against either the Patriots or the Trojans at Turner-Allender Field. The district tournament will mark the Bulldogs' Swan Song from the district.

In Wednesday's other semifinal, West High will host Morristown East at Bill Wilson Field at 7 p.m.

The Bulldogs honored their seniors as they closed out the season with a 2-0 victory over Oak Ridge

(7-5-2) as the Wildcats surrendered an own goal in the 28th minute of the match when Oak Ridge goalkeeper Bryson Brown deflected the ball into his own net.

Bearden scored again in the 66th minute when freshman Dillon Sims tallied. Bearden outshot Oak Ridge 10-3 in the first half but had trouble scoring again.

"We've had trouble finishing all year," Bulldogs coach Ryan Radcliffe said. "Our finishing wasn't great tonight and Oak Ridge was one of the toughest teams that we've played all year. They were very physical. They matched our physicality tonight."

Meanwhile on Sutherland Avenue, the Rebels closed the regular season Thursday night with a 1-1 draw against Austin-East.

The Roadrunners (7-2-1) will be the No. 2 seed in the upcoming District 2-AA Tournament.

In District 3-AAA: The district tournament opened Friday night with Powell as the No.1 seed. The

Panthers dropped their regular-season finale to Hardin Valley Academy 3-1 on Thursday.

In District 4-AAA: The Farragut Admirals will be the top seed in the upcoming district tournament.

Farragut (10-2-3) will host a tournament semifinal Wednesday night.

The Admirals closed out the regular season with a 4-1 victory over East Hamilton Thursday night at home.

Timi Omitaomu had a hat trick and Jake Lowe added a marker for Farragut, which won the regular-season title under first-year head coach Bradley Culbreth.

In District 3-AA: The Gibbs Eagles (10-6-1) will be the top seed in the upcoming tournament.

In District 4-AA: South-Doyle (8-3-3) will be the tournament's top seed and the Cherokees will host Carter in a match Tuesday.

South-Doyle shut out Gibbs Thursday 6-0.

Manayah Linton scored two goals and dished out one assist in the victory. Parker Williams, C.J. Kilgore, Kenyon Lawrence and Ader Velasquez also tallied for the Cherokees while Ewan Johnson and Thomas Riley were also credited with assists.

In Fountain City, Central will be the No. 2 seed and the Bobcats will host North Knoxville rival Fulton at Dan Y. Boring Stadium Tuesday night. Kickoff is slated for 6 p.m.

The Bobcats (10-3-2) outlasted Oneida 4-1 on the road as they got goals from four different scorers including Taylor Aaron, Connor Ambler, Gabe Katz and Chase Aiuto.

Central closed out district play on April 29 with a 2-0 win over the Falcons.

The Bobcats have wins over Christian Academy of Knoxville and Oak Ridge this season.

In Division II-A: Webb School of Knoxville enters the week with 13-0 record. The Spartans were set to host Notre Dame Saturday.



PHOTO BY TAMMY KREGEL

Bearden's Lucas Nordin (20) battles for position with Oak Ridge's Alex Matamoros in the regular-season finale for both schools Thursday night at Turner-Allender Field. The Bulldogs downed the Wildcats 2-0.

Hames, Karns manager, earns one more inning



By Steve Williams

Karns High's baseball team honored its manager on Senior Night by letting him pitch the first inning of a 5-4 win over Webb School on April 29.

Steever Hames had played on the Karns junior varsity as a freshman and had one appearance in a varsity uniform, pitching in a game at Sevier County his sophomore season in 2019.

"The results weren't very good," recalled Karns Head Coach Matt Hurley last week, "but when Steever announced what his best moment was at Senior Night, he said it was being able to pitch in that varsity game two years ago."

"And little did he know, he was going to be able to start in our Senior Night baseball game and pitch that one inning."

It was Karns' way of telling Steever 'thank you' for all he did as the team's lone manager since that sophomore season.

"Steever epitomizes



PHOTO BY DANNY DUNLAP

Karns senior Steever Hames delivers a pitch versus Webb on Senior Night. Hames became Karns' baseball manager after his sophomore season and was rewarded for his hard work in that role by being given the opportunity to pitch the first inning against Webb.

what it's like to be a part of the Karns baseball program," said Coach Hurley. "He's relentless. He's a hard worker."

His duties included getting the equipment, getting the baseballs ready and having the individual water

bottles for the players to use during the pandemic.

"He did it all," added Hurley. "Sometimes he gave a pep talk."

The Karns coach told Steever before the season to have his required medical forms completed in

case he was needed.

"We kind of looked at this all year for him to get a chance to go out there on Senior Night," said Hurley.

"He threw one inning and got three outs. He went out there to do his warm-up pitches for the second inning and we took him out for a standing ovation. I am proud of him."

Hurley also coached Steever's older brother, Alex, at Karns for four years, and said Alex is now an assistant coach at South-Doyle.

"I give Stuart and Wendy, their parents, a whole lot of credit for raising two extremely great young men."

Sixteen local wrestlers named All-State by TSWA

The Tennessee Sports Writers Association recently announced the 2020-21 All-State boys and girls wrestling teams. All-state accolades are based solely from results of the TSSAA state individual championships.

Five girls and 11 boys from Knox County were among the honorees. Weight classes are listed in parenthesis.

GIRLS: Haley Redmond (132), Gibbs, So; Jailyann

Tindall (140), Carter, Jr; Kierra Blevins (150), Bearden, So; Hailey Webb (160), Farragut, So; Ella Murphey (190), Hardin Valley, Fr.

BOYS: Class A-AA: Porter Finstad (106), Gibbs, Jr; Spencer Reep (120), Gibbs, Fr; John Pittman (145), Gibbs, Sr; Carson Reep (160), Gibbs, Jr; Kirk Parsons (182), Gibbs, Sr. Class AAA: Matheson Meade (170), Bearden, Sr. Division II: Andrew Justice (106), CAK, Fr; Parker Sapp (132), CAK, Sr; Nick Krauss (145), GCA, Jr; Ethan Fogle (195), CAK, Sr; Brik Boruff (220), Webb School, Sr.

High school football Media Day set

July 16th will mark the 15th Annual High School Football Media Day. The Knoxville Football Officials Association will be hosting the event at Three Ridges Golf Course Pavilion. For more information, please contact Harold Denton of the KFOA at TNRef4e@icloud.com or by calling 865-256-1948.

Jack be nimble, Jack be quick ...

Former Knoxville Catholic quarterback Jack Jancek had his day in the sun at

this year's UT Orange and White spring football game.

After Jancek, a wide receiver in the game, caught a 73-yard touchdown pass from Harrison Bailey in the opening quarter, Jeff Francis on the Vol Network said:

"I coached Jack when he was the quarterback on my team in the seventh grade, but I never dreamed I would ever see him catch a touchdown pass at Tennessee."

After another 64-yard catch by Jancek to the 4-yard line, Pat Ryan, also on the Vol Network crew, said: "It's all your coaching Jeff."

By the way, Jack has a brother on the UT basketball team and his dad is a former UT assistant football coach.

Seymour baseball nearing record for most wins

Seymour finished the regular season with a 28-2 record and entered postseason play Friday three wins away from tying the school record.

SHS Athletic Director Gary Householder told The Focus the most wins in a season for the Eagles was 31 in 2007. That Seymour team lost to Goodpasture 6-5 in the state semifinals.

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'Just an electric situation'

Before the 1972 season, night games were not part of the Tennessee football experience. There were no lights at Shields-Watkins Field/Neyland Stadium, and the Vols played sparingly under the lights on the road or in bowl games.

There were night games at Florida and against Arkansas in the Liberty Bowl in 1971, at Memphis State in 1969, at Rice and at Auburn in 1968, Oklahoma in the 1968 Orange Bowl, UCLA in 1967, Mississippi State in 1964 in Memphis, and the debut game under the lights at LSU in 1944.

That all changed when Tennessee and Penn State kicked it off under the lights September 16, 1972, in a rematch of the 1971 contest, won by Tennessee, 31-11. Tennessee was ranked No. 7, Penn State No. 6. Kickoff was 7:30 p.m. The game was the first in an expanded Neyland Stadium.

The game was not on television and there was no ESPN, so precious few others than the 71,647 present for the history-making encounter remember exactly what it was like.

The Vols got the capacity crowd into the game in a big way with interceptions by Eddie Brown and Art Reynolds, fumble recoveries by David Allen and Carl Johnson, and touchdowns by Haskel Stanback and Steve Chancey to build a 21-0 halftime lead. Holloway dazzled the crowd by gracefully



A record Neyland Stadium of 71,647 saw the Vols and Penn State compete under the lights in the 1972 home season opener. Photo courtesy University of Tennessee Sports Information Office.

cluding Penn State defenders, and Vol defenders were keeping the Penn State offense on its side of the 50.

Penn State was nobody's pushover, however, and the Nittany Lions roared back in the second half. Quarterback John Hufnagel tossed a 69-yard pass to Jimmy Scott for State's first score. After a Vol fumble led to another score, it was 21-14, and the battle was on.

On their first drive of the fourth quarter, Tennessee, headed to the south end, moved 80 yards in 13 plays to another score that

widened the margin to 28-14. Holloway showed senior-like poise leading the drive, extricating himself from a number of tight situations.

With the ball on the State 33, Holloway got loose up the middle on one of his trademark "now-you-see-him, now-you-don't-runs" that had the crowd on its feet wondering what he could do for an encore. It was first down at the 19. Two plays later, he found wide receiver Stan Trott for a first down that barely moved the chains.

On second-and-goal from the nine and under enormous

duress, Holloway rolled to his right and made a late pitch to Stanback, who grabbed the ball with his left hand and somehow made it to the two. He scored on the next play, and the Vols had some breathing room at 28-14.

The Nittany Lions had an immediate reply. Hufnagel moved the Nittany Lions 79 yards in nine plays, cutting the margin to 28-21.

When Penn State grabbed a fumble at the Vol 34 moments later, it appeared the Nittany Lions might be poised to win or tie the game. After Hufnagel was

sacked for a loss of six yards, the Vols stopped three passes and took over on downs.

Penn State had one last chance, as Hufnagel made the requisite plays even with Vol defenders clawing at his jersey. The drive was stopped at the Vol 26, and that was the game.

"This was a big game for us, but losing it doesn't mean the end of our season," Paterno told Glenn Sheely, sports editor of the Daily Collegian, after the game. "Our kids came back from what could have been a disaster game. They showed their poise." The Nittany Lions did reel off 10 consecutive victories on their way to a Sugar Bowl matchup with Oklahoma.

For his part, Bill Battle praised his colleague across the field.

"I was never a great Joe Paterno fan," Battle said, "but I became one after the two games we played. After the game, he asked me if he could speak to our team.

"After taking care of his team and the media, he came over and shook hands with our players. His classiest line was, 'I told the people in State College I was not leaving Knoxville without being in the winning dressing room, but I didn't envision it being this way.'"

"It was just an electric situation," Battle said of the first encounter under the lights in Knoxville. "That's the only way I can describe it. The players just looked faster and quicker." It was an impressive debut for football under the lights at Neyland Stadium.

Big inning lifts Bulldogs past West High 9-2

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came home on a Bulldogs' error. Bearden re-knotted the contest in the second when an RBI double by Griffen Oros plated Brooks Wright, who walked to lead off the inning.

Seritt's solo home run gave Bearden a 3-2 lead in the third. From there, the Bulldogs never trailed again. Seritt would make it 4-2 with a sacrifice fly in the fifth.

The Bulldogs exploded for five runs in the fifth as they sent 10 batters to the plate.

While Rice was pleased with his team's offensive production, he said that Bearden had some offensive woes early.

"We've been swinging the bats a little better lately, but we really

struggled early tonight," he said. "Their pitchers did a good job keeping us off balanced, but we lucked into some runs.

Top-seeded Farragut also wins: The Admirals claimed a 13-1 victory over eighth-seeded William Blount Friday afternoon.

Senior shortstop and University of Tennessee signee Angus Pence went 4-for-4 with a homer, a double, two runs and three RBIs for the Admirals (29-4).

Bryce Burkey and Eli Evans also went deep for Farragut.

Hawks shut out Heritage: Hardin Valley Academy, the tournament's No. 2 seed, notched a first-round win at home Friday afternoon when it blanked Heritage 5-0.

Two Vols Picked in 2021 NFL Draft

By Mark Nagi

The NFL Draft is a dream come true for hundreds of football players. All the hard work and years of sacrifice pay off when they hear their names called.

This year two former Tennessee Volunteers were selected in the 2021 NFL Draft. Wide receiver Josh Palmer was taken in the third round by the Los Angeles Chargers, while offensive lineman Trey Smith was selected in the sixth round by the Kansas City Chiefs.

"Man, words can't describe really how I feel right now," Palmer told reporters shortly after he heard his name called. "I'm just... when they called me. I'm just really excited to come in and get to work. The past four months, training so hard, now that all this is over, I'm just excited to get with a team and get to work, get in the offense and win some games."

Palmer will get the opportunity to play with one of the best young quarterbacks in the league, rookie of the year Justin Herbert. He also gets to learn from veteran receivers Keenan Allen and Mike Williams.

Palmer got 99 passes for 1514 yards and seven touchdowns during his four years at Tennessee. He worked through adversity, playing for two different head coaches, three different offensive coordinators and playing with multiple different quarterbacks. Palmer doesn't look at that reality as a negative.

"It'll definitely help me," he said. "If I didn't go to Tennessee, I wouldn't be drafted by the Chargers right now, is how I

see it. I was fortunate to learn from so many coaches and so many different ways of coaching, and that's what I love about coming from Tennessee and knowing how to deal with different coaches and what they see and what they look for. So, it's a blessing."

As far as Trey Smith is concerned, for most of his Tennessee career he was projected to be a first round draft pick. Smith started 41 games at Tennessee, earning First Team All-SEC honors twice, as well as an All-American selection this past season.

But Smith also fought through debilitating blood clots twice. The medical condition was serious enough that his football career was by no means guaranteed. This appears to have scared a lot of teams away, dropping his stock mightily.

Draft picks are like platinum for NFL teams. The last thing they want

to do is give them away. Kansas City was willing to take the risk.

"We feel completely comfortable where he's at medically to play for us," said Mike Borowski, Chiefs director of football operations.

"They (KC medical staff) did all the due diligence in searching out everything from his medical history standpoint," said Chiefs director of pro personnel Tim Terry. "We feel really comfortable and confident that we're getting a good young man, but a good young football player that's going to come into our building and help us to elevate the level of competition."

"I've been in absolute perfect health," said Smith. "Having a great time. No issues recently at all. Obviously, things are uncontrollable, but once again, thankful to the Hunt family (team owners) and the Chiefs organization for believing in me. I'm ready to roll."

Kansas City won the Super Bowl two years ago and lost in the title game back in February. The Chiefs' offensive line was a factor in that defeat.

"Joining this organization is ultimately a dream come true," said Smith.

"I watched the Super Bowl when y'all played the 49ers. I sat in those stands and watched. I was amazed by the offense, amazed by the organization... Having an opportunity to join them is humbling. I'm extremely blessed to have that opportunity. I am excited to get to work, really, with (quarterback) Patrick Mahomes."

There was a time when Tennessee was well represented at the NFL Draft. This year the number of draftees only got up to two. It'll be interesting to see if new head coach Josh Heupel can get more Vols in the pros in the years to come.

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Central softball honors Hurd in a special way

By Steve Williams

A Sunday afternoon makeup game on May 2 couldn't have worked out any better.

"The game time today was 2:02," said Central High softball coach James Swaney after his Lady Bobcats' 8-1 win over Clinton at Fountain City Ball Park. "I did that for Savana Hurd. Her number is 22 and I wanted to put it out there for playing at two minutes after 2 just to make it special."

"She signed with Union College and we are real proud of her at Central High School."

Swaney's team missed 11 playing dates between April 18 and April 27 due to COVID this season. Central managed to make up four of the games, including the rare Sunday contest.

Swaney said Savana had been the most enjoyable player he's coached in his time at Central.

"I once went and got her from basketball practice and told her I wanted her to play softball. I saw how she acted when she was on the court and off the court and I loved her attitude."

"Savana has come out here and worked hard," added Coach Swaney. "She has not played a lot of softball in her life, but she has worked hard enough to get her a college scholarship."

The scholarship wasn't a sure thing at first, and after a while, Hurd pretty much figured she wasn't going to get one. But when she did and signed in April, it really made her proud and happy. "It means a lot to me and my family," she said. "I thought, I can actually succeed at something, and it brings a whole new meaning to playing a sport that I finally found and truly love."

Hurd ended up making the game against Clinton even more special as she played a big part in the victory.

With her team trailing the Lady Dragons 1-0 going into the bottom of the fifth inning, Savana drilled a two-out double off the centerfield fence to ignite a two-run rally.

Hurd also picked up a RBI in the sixth when she was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to make it 4-1. That preceded senior standout Megan Merritt's



Left, Central seniors (from left) Sarah Hinton, Savana Hurd and Megan Merritt after playing their last regular season game together on May 2. Right, Central second baseman Savana Hurd is a Union College signee and plans to study to become an athletic trainer.

grand slam that blew the game wide open.

Defensively, Savana had the honor of ending the game too when she scooped up a ground ball at her second base position and threw to first for the final out.

Hurd was tickled she could contribute to the victory like she did. You could see that in her big smile after the game. You could also hear the modesty in her voice.

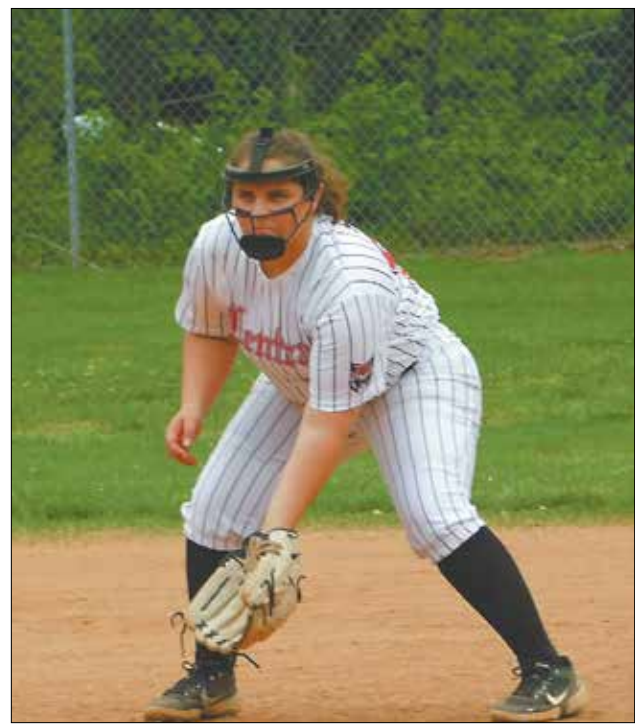
"It's not just on me, it's all of the team," she said, "and luckily I was able to get our hitting going and

was lucky to get the last out, but without these girls, nothing would have happened today."

Knowing it could be her last game on that field in a Lady Bobcat uniform wasn't easy to accept either.

"It's all very upsetting," said Savana, who played softball all through high school. "I hate to see it go. But at the end of the game, I'm glad we won and was able to bring it home."

In addition to Union College, which is located in Barbourville, Ky., Hurd took a visit to Montreat College, N.C.



PHOTOS BY STEVE WILLIAMS

"Union was where I wanted to go because their athletic training program was really good and Montreat didn't have one," she said.

Hurd wants to be an athletic trainer and will major in sports medicine.

"The team at Union also was really nice and they kind of welcomed me in with open arms as well as the coach," she said.

Hurd finished the regular season with the team's second highest batting average (.444), seven doubles and three home runs. Coach Swaney believes

Merritt, who hit .409 and was Central's starting pitcher for four years, could also play on the next level and would like to see her "reach out" to some colleges.

Sarah Hinton, a senior first baseman and pitcher for the Lady Bobcats, had a leadoff double down the left field line in the big sixth inning.

Swaney said Hinton had received a "full ride" academic scholarship to UT.

Emily Langley, a junior, had a two-run single in the win and sophomore Gwen Hood chipped in a RBI double.

A big day for Karns freshman Hannah Little

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outdueled fellow freshman Maddie Archdale of HVA. Archdale came back to later claim the 3200 victory in 11:21.74.

Grace Christian sophomore Brianna Baker won the 100 hurdles in 15.91, while HVA junior Madison Romain bettered her top local time in the 300 hurdles to 46.57.

Hardin Valley's 4x200 relay team lowered its top local time to 1:45.86 as

Madison Romain, Abigale Scheibelein, Sidnee Stanton and Brooke Taylor carried the baton.

In addition to Dominique Romain, the Lady Hawks' winning 4x100 relay (49.24) included Stanton, Lilly Swenson and Jillian O'Dell.

Farragut bettered its top local time in the 4x400 to 4:07.43. That foursome included Jessie Rennich, Mara Spadafora, Foley and Katerina Kavolosky.

The Lady Admirals'

4x800 combo also prevailed as Annabelle Ekern, Carolina Carr, Cathy Hu and Bridgett Ebbert combined for a time of 10:14.43.

Halls' Kendall Morris was a double winner in the shot put (35 feet, 3½ inches) and discus (105-8).

Farragut sophomore Samantha Harvey equaled her season's best mark (10-0) in the pole vault.

Powell's Cassidy Hill won the high jump event at 5-0.

Stanton notched the win in the triple jump (36-7½).

In the team scoring, Hardin Valley totaled 194 points. Farragut scored 142½. The Top 5 also included Knoxville Catholic 46, Bearden 43 and West 40.

Other team scores: Karns 33, CAK 31, Powell 28½, Austin-East 26, Halls 24, Webb School 21, Carter 19, GCA 18, Central 14, South-Doyle 6, Gibbs 4, Fulton 2 and L&N STEM Academy 2.



Halls' Kendall Moles prepares to heave the shot in the KIL meet at Hardin Valley. The Lady Red Devils' junior swept the shot put and discus events.

Hardin Valley Academy's Ian Salyer cranks up to throw the discus. The HVA senior won that event and the shot put event in the KIL meet. Photos by Steve Williams.



Wins put Rome and Ebbert in state title picture

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six or seven seconds and I came out struggling to get better.

"I picked it up on the mid and started accelerating and then came back to win. Everybody wants to win, but I definitely wanted to PR. We didn't get the PR, so I'll just save it for sectionals."

Langlois had similar results in the 200, winning that event in 22.84 but not reaching his PR.

Unseasonably cool weather could have been a factor, particularly in the later events that evening.

Hardin Valley's Kaden Keller reinforced his reputation as the KIL's top distance runner as he had impressive wins in the 1600 (4:20.11) and 3200 (9:33.94).

Michael Spurgeon, HVA senior, won the 110 hurdles as expected with a 15.2, while CAK junior Ethan

Fulford took top honors in the 300 hurdles with a season best local time of 41.13. Bearden's Justin Orlor was second in both races.

Hardin Valley won three of the four relays, starting with the 4x800 (8:17.04). That foursome included Isaac LeGault, Rhett Mashburn, Ivan Bell and Carson Long.

The Hawks' 4x200 of Aiden Shaw, Luke Anastasio, Ethan Blaylock and Jeremiah Jones posted a 1:31.73 to nip Farragut by a second.

HVA wrapped up the meet with its 3:25.94 in the 4x400. Rome anchored that combo that also included Shaw, Blackston and Jones.

Bearden's talented 4x100 relay won with a time of 43.64. Makai Williams led off, followed by Mykal Smith, Cayden Douglas and anchorman Langlois.

In the field events, the



Farragut's Tyler Ebbert (left) trails Daniel Blackston of Hardin Valley in the 800-meter run, but came back to win and post one of the top times in the state this season.

high jump went as expected with Farragut's Mason Collins winning at 6 feet, 2 inches. The Admirals' junior also took first place in the triple jump (43-3).

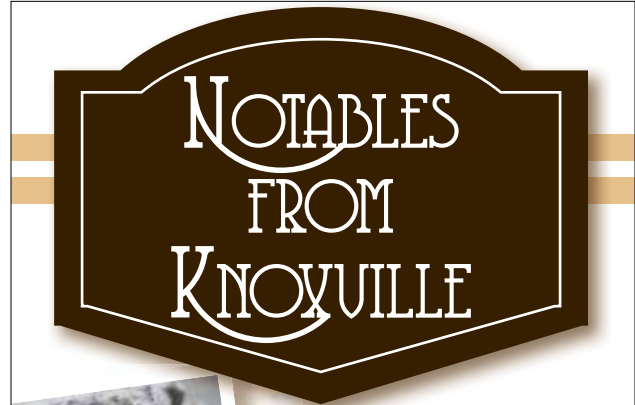
HVA senior Ian Salyer finished short of his top local marks in the discus and shot put but still prevailed with throws of 138-9 and 46-7¼, respectively.

Matthew Bretscher of L&N STEM Academy equaled his season best to win the pole vault event at 13-6.

Ben Smith of HVA won the long jump in 21-5½.

Hardin Valley took the boys' team title with 219 points. Farragut finished a distant second with 103 points. Rounding out the Top 5 were Bearden 86, Knoxville Catholic 51 and Austin-East 49.

Other boys' team scores: CAK 37, West 35, Carter 25, Karns 22, L&N STEM Academy 11, Fulton 10, Gibbs 6, Halls 6 and Powell 5.



CU BETH SHARRETTS

Cu Beth Gresham Sharretts, passed away April 5, 2021 at 94 years in Severn, Maryland. Cu lived in Anne Arundel County for the past 50 years, but was born and raised in Fountain City, Tennessee. Cu attended Central High School, Class of 1945, and graduated from UT with a Bachelors of Music Education and Science and performed the lead role in UTK's first performance of "Carmen" at the Bijou Theater. She was also a member of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra.

After graduating college, she worked in the laboratories of Y-12 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee and quickly won multiple awards for voice competitions. In 1955 she sang the lead with the Wagner Opera Company of New York in multiple operas including "Carmen," "Madame Butterfly" and "Marriage of Figaro." In 1956 she was in the Atlanta Georgia Opera Company singing lead in Tosca and Cavalleria Rusticana. She went onto long-term contracts in New York City with the Metropolitan Opera and the Neapolitan singing groups touring all over America through the late 1960s. She married and settled with her husband in 1970 in Arnold, Maryland where they began a Music as Therapy program, taking music into nursing homes, senior centers, and retirement homes throughout Anne Arundel and Baltimore Counties until 2016. Always with a smile and a laugh, Cu Beth directed church choirs, taught voice and piano lessons, and mentored anyone interested in music for over 80 years.

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The Doctor is in
a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Will the Circle Be Unbroken?

Nothing connects the country like country.
Ken Burns

A reader thanked me for last week's essay about the Tennessee River and travel. In the essay I used Forrest Gump's metaphor regarding life as a "box of chocolates." Well, this week's essay from Ferguson's topical "sampler" may surprise the occasional reader, but probably not those who are regulars to my weekly column.

The ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus is famous for saying, "everything changes." And so it does. The youthful picture posted with my first column of March 10, 2008 is not the same as the mug above. Have you ever looked in the mirror and asked, "What happened?"

The Knoxville Focus has changed and evolved, just like this column. My essays, which once

focused almost entirely on medical issues, have now followed my other interests and changed. As a result this "sampler" now offers observations on science, history, politics, philosophy, religion, cinema, literature, art, travel and, in this week's Focus, music.

In college I was a liberal arts student with a science emphasis. I believe this educational focus prepared me to think critically and appreciate diverse perspectives. One of my favorite courses in college was music appreciation which, understandably, emphasized classical music. I grew up with classical music which accompanied Merrie Melodies and Looney Tunes cartoons of Elmer Fudd and Bugs Bunny. In my teenage years I became a devotee of rock 'n' roll. As a pubescent boy I "vividly" remember the song about an "itsy-bitsy teeny-weeny

yellow polka dot bikini." Then came Motown, the British invasion and later the folk-rock music of Simon & Garfunkel. But like the evolution of my column, my appreciation of jazz, pop and opera has also evolved. Along the way I discovered my love of country music.

I used to feel guilty about watching an old movie or rereading a book because our days are numbered (Psalm 90:10) and there is so much to consider in a lifetime. However, given the scarcity of network and Netflix quality, I delight in old movies and again savor treasures on my bookshelf. If it is OK to listen over and over again to favorite songs or the "Ode to Joy" of Beethoven's 9th symphony, feel free to listen, watch and reconsider things of beauty that repeatedly bring you joy.

Several notable art forms have originated in America. Some examples are nonrepresentational abstract art, jazz and country music. I began to listen to and appreciate country music forty years ago. And along the way I discovered I liked bluegrass and gospel music as well. While being exposed to something may lead to a measure of appreciation, it does not make you like

a style of writing, a movie, a painting or a musical genre. I'm no musical expert, but I know what I like, and I do not have to be told what is good. The famous jazz pianist Count Basie said it best, "If it sounds good, it is."

This year I'm exploring biographies of historical and noteworthy people. Biographies have never been my favorite genre, but the Founders considered biographies important, so my education continues. However, I'm supplementing biographical books with cinema.

I'm no fan of Ken Burns' progressive politics, but I appreciate his artistic biographies and documentaries. I first discovered Burns' work in his 1990 documentary "The Civil War," and I am still moved by the hauntingly beautiful musical theme, "Ashokan Farewell." I also recommend the Burns' biography of the Roosevelts.

But in my opinion, Ken Burns' best documentary is "Country Music," released in 2019. I was drawn to the music, but the brief biographies of the recording artists are also wonderful. And because I now allow myself to enjoy things I love over and over, I just finished watching the sixteen hour series again and enjoyed it even more this

time. Yes, the music and stories of Jimmy Rogers and Hank Williams are wonderful, as is the show casing of Dolly Parton and Garth Brooks. But there is more. The quote I chose for the header of this week's column describes Country Music as Americana. Burns' documentary is as much a history of 20th century America as it is a retrospective of country music.

Each week I write about what is on my mind or heart at the moment. Obviously, Ken Burns' documentary has impacted me. But I might have written about something else were it not for an email from a friend. He sent me a link with an adaptation of the song "The Older I Get" by one of my favorite country music stars, Alan Jackson.

It has been quite a journey, but I will, as the Psalmist sang, turn "three score and ten" this week. It's been a good run, and the lyrics of Alan Jackson's song are especially meaningful to me. I can't duplicate the music in this column, but I urge you to go to YouTube and listen to the troubadour in the cowboy hat's ode about getting older. The simple yet lovely melody and the accompanying understandable and

wisdom-filled lyrics are, in my opinion, the essence of country music.

I still listen to classical music and I love opera, especially selected arias. I still love Paul Simon's poetry set to music, vintage rock 'n' roll and Motown. But these days I listen more to country music and far less to the news and talk radio.

I identify with Jackson's song which says it is "the people you love, not the money and stuff that makes you rich." The troubadour in a cowboy hat sings he's "just getting to my best years yet" and "the older I get the longer I pray, I don't know why, I guess that I got more to say." And he finishes with a note of thankfulness "for the life I've had, and all the life I'm living still."

To have produced this wonderful documentary Ken Burns must love country music, and we share that in common. A recurring theme of country music is "Will the Circle be unbroken?" Like Ken Burns I can hope that the Americana of country music resonates with us to re-discover who we are as a people and reconnect the country.

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

Seniors invited to get active, creative at Caswell Park

The City's Office of Special Events is offering senior adults a new way to get active and creative in the City's parks during the month of May.

Senior'iffic Fun in the Park will be held Wednesdays, May 12, 19 and 26, at Caswell Park (570 Winona St.) near the John T. O'Connor Senior Center.

Senior adults can participate in a variety of activities, including line dancing, Tai Chi, aerobics classes, crafts, painting and playing music. All activities will be conducted in a safe, physically distanced setting that adheres to public health protocols for reducing the risks of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

Activity sessions are available in two time slots: 9:30 to 11:20 a.m. and 11:40 a.m.

- 1:30 p.m.
All events are free, but registration is required for each week to allow for proper physical distancing at the event.

Online registration for the May 12 Senior'iffic Fun in the Park event is open now; online registration will open for May 19 and 26 nine days prior to the event date. Register for any of the dates by calling the senior centers at the numbers listed below:

- John T. O'Connor Senior Center - (865) 523-1135
- Larry Cox Senior Center - (865) 546-1700
- South Knoxville Community Center - (865) 573-3575
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Why Wait? Take Advantage of Direct Access to Physical Therapy

Although direct access to healthcare has existed for decades and been available in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands since 2015, many patients do not understand what that means.

Direct access gives the patient the right to see a physical therapist without first receiving a referral from a physician. This access offers a safe, fast and effective means to connect directly with highly trained therapists in a physical therapy office. A physical therapist can help resolve pains from injury or surgery and can make recommendations for additional support as determined by the needs of the patient. Despite this, direct access continues to be under-utilized by the senior population. This is primarily due

to the lack of knowledge that these services are readily available without consulting with their physician first as they have been used to doing.

CORA Physical Therapy knows how important physical therapy is, especially for those patients whose daily function has been interrupted due to pain, dizziness, weakness or those recovering from a surgical procedure. CORA provides direct access to patients with a fast, effective way to see a qualified clinician and start on the road to recovery.

Tim Butcher, PT in CORA's Halls clinic, says, "Direct access has been a game changer for me in my 24 years of practice. It has allowed me to quickly serve those in my community and get them back to their previous lifestyle or

make an appropriate referral to a medical specialist." Ronnie Williams, a current patient of Butcher's via direct access, reports, "I was amazed at how easy the process was and how quickly I was able to get out of pain after months of severe neck and shoulder pain! I am also learning how to prevent this from happening again."

Here are the top three ways that direct access removes barriers and benefits the senior patient:

It Saves Time: Time spent waiting is time that could be spent healing. Instead of scheduling visits with multiple doctors to confirm what the patient already knows, direct access enables patients to expedite the process

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How to Combat Social Isolation

FAMILY FEATURES

Even before COVID-19 limited social contact with friends, family and colleagues, many adults experienced loneliness and depression due to limited contact with others. Now, a year after the pandemic forced many people into even greater levels of isolation, the issue of social isolation is especially prevalent in Americans over the age of 50.

Despite the physical implications of a global pandemic, research shows the mental health stakes are high, too. A nationwide survey, commissioned by Barclays, found that half of Americans over the age of 50 said the isolation from their friends and family has been more challenging than concerns over health risks they may face.

Social isolation has provided plenty of time for Americans to reflect on their priorities. The majority of Americans surveyed (90%) have re-evaluated their post age-50 goals and put spending more time with family at the top of their lists. In fact, the most common first thing 50-plus Americans will do once COVID-19 is over is to see and spend time with their families (41%).

"While restrictions are beginning to ease, many older adults are still isolated from friends and family, and that takes a toll on their mental well-being" said Lisa Marsh Ryerson, president of the AARP Foundation. "We must do all we can to help older adults, who have suffered greatly during COVID-19, strengthen the social connections that are so essential to their ability to lead longer, healthier lives."

For example, AARP Foundation's Connect2Affect platform equips older adults with the tools they need to stay physically and mentally healthy and connected to their communities. The AARP Essential Rewards Mastercard from Barclays is helping fund the foundation's work to increase social connection with donations based on new accounts and eligible purchases, up to \$1 million annually.

A little creativity and a commitment to filling time productively can help reduce the strain of being alone until it's safer to resume social activities.



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Use technology to connect with loved ones. Video chats and traditional phone calls can help you feel connected even when you can't be together in person. While a drop-in call can be fun, consider arranging regular visits with kids and grandkids. If you schedule calls throughout the week, you'll have something regular to look forward to and can benefit from a check-in that affirms everyone is healthy and safe.

Make time for physical activity. Staying closer to home may mean you're not getting the exercise you once did, but it's important for your health to stay active. Regularly using your muscles helps keep your body strong, and even light physical activity a few times each week can help keep your cardiovascular system fit for better heart health. Regular exercise can also provide a range of positive mental health outcomes, including reduced stress, anxiety and depression, and improved memory.

Volunteer in your community or consider virtual volunteering. Helping others is a way to release feel-good endorphins for yourself. While your limited social calendar may afford you some extra time, inquire with local nonprofits about how you can contribute to their causes. Especially as funding for charitable organizations has dropped, volunteers are still essential to most nonprofit organizations, whether the help comes in person or virtually. Even from a distance, you may be able to help with tasks like making calls to donors, assisting with mailings or planning fundraising campaigns.

Learn a new hobby or skill. Another way to fill your free time, and reap some positive energy, is to explore a new hobby or skill. The personal satisfaction of learning and focusing your mental energy on something that interests you can help offset the disappointment of being away from those you love.

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Picture of Mandy Smith Torbett, our mother's mother, courtesy of Juanita Major.

Hope All Mothers Had a Blessed Day!



By Ralphine Major ralphine3@yahoo.com

I never knew her except through pictures and stories from our mother. Mandy Smith Torbett was our maternal grandmother. Originally from Anderson County, Tennessee, she moved to Knoxville when she and our grandfather, Tecil C. Torbett from Chattanooga, married. In 1941, at the age of 41, Mandy died as a result of a heart condition. Our mother was only eight years old.

to honor our living mothers while remembering those who have passed on. Sadly, many mothers have been lost to the COVID-19 pandemic this past year. While some of the mothers were in a later stage of life, many of them were young mothers who left their young children behind.

However, your church and family celebrated Mother's Day 2021--with bouquets of flowers going to the oldest and youngest

or special dinners on the well-deserved day, I hope your Mother's Day was joyful and full of memories. To all mothers--may you have a blessed year ahead full of good health and happiness, for you are the fabric that weaves together not only our families but our communities and our nation. Especially in these days, godly mothers are needed more than ever. Mothers--God bless you!

Words of faith from Luke 2:51 (KJV) in reference to the mother of Jesus: "But his mother kept all these sayings in her heart."

Mother's Day is that special holiday set aside

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Cont. from page 1 and start getting the care they need quicker. Getting started is as easy as booking an appointment online, requesting an appointment at the patient's convenience.


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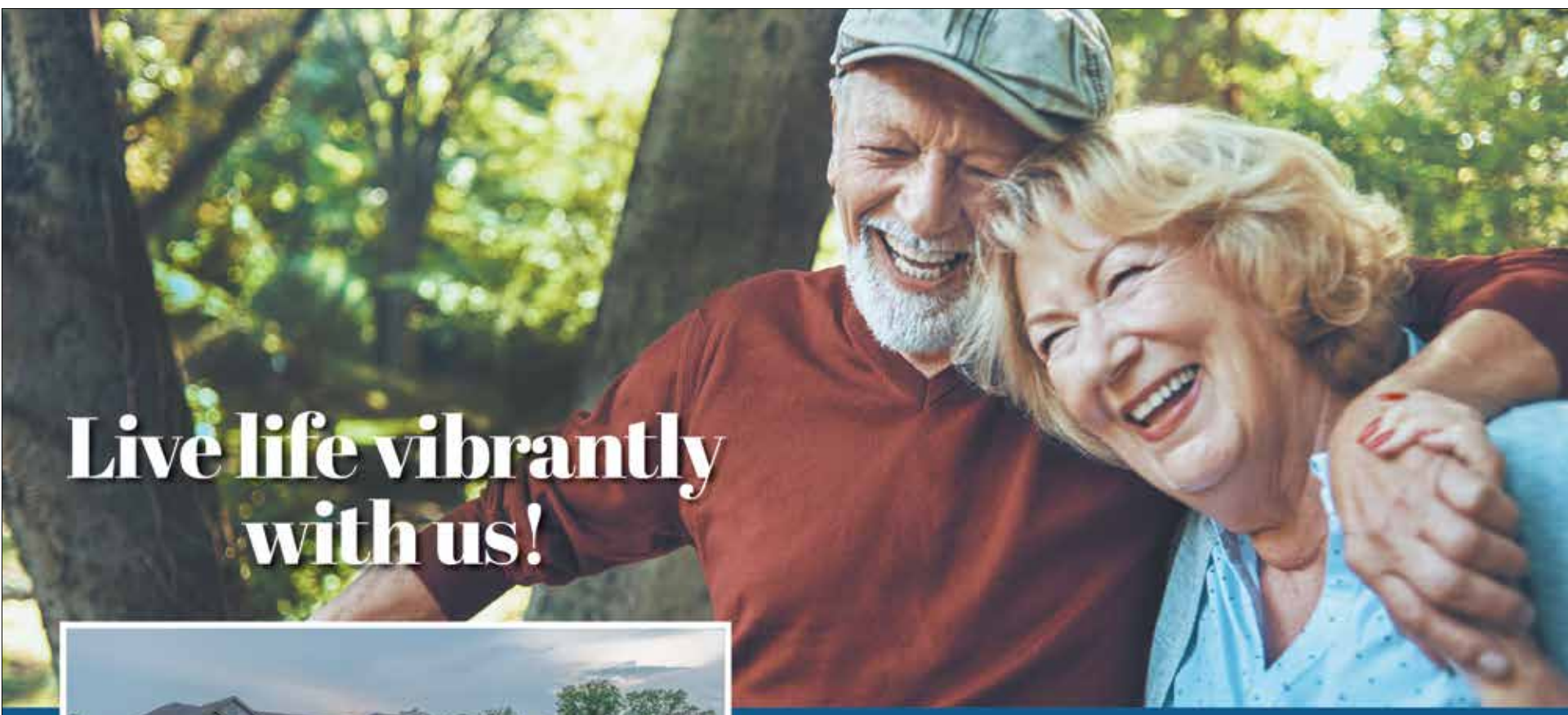
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TO: SARAH ELIZABETH MARSHALL
IN RE: MARK LELAND MARSHALL v. SARAH ELIZABETH MARSHALL
NO. 201156-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the verified complaint filed the Defendant, SARAH ELIZABETH MARSHALL, 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 SARAH ELIZABETH MARSHALL.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with J. Christian Stadler, III an Attorney whose address is, 9111 Cross Park Dr. Building E, Suite 290 Knoxville, TN 37923 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. Pridermore, Jr. in 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 14th day of April 2021.

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: CHRISTOPHER WARREN COPNEY.
IN RE: AMINA NADINE COPNEY
D.O.B. 3/26/2016
NO. 201612-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant CHRISTOPHER WARREN COPNEY 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 CHRISTOPHER WARREN COPNEY it is ordered that said defendant CHRISTOPHER WARREN COPNEY file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Abigail E. Ruiz, an Attorneys whose address is, 5301 Kingston Pike Knoxville, TN 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pridermore, 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 16th day of April 2021.

Clerk and Master

NOTICE AND SUMMONS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF RICHLAND, IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT; 21-DR-40-0460

Kelsi Lauren Guinn vs.
Dakota Jack Hugh Guinn

TO: THE DEFENDANT, DAKOTA JACK HUGH GUINN, ABOVE NAMED:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this action of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer to the said Complaint on the subscriber at his office, 1331 Laurel Street, Post Office Box 7335, Columbia, South Carolina 29202, within thirty (30) days after the service thereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Plaintiff within the time period aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

KENNETH M. MATHEWS
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
NOTICE

TO: THE DEFENDANT, DAKOTA JACK HUGH GUINN, ABOVE NAMED:
YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: That the Summons in the above-entitled action in which the foregoing is a copy, together with the Complaint, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Richland County on the 23rd day of February, 2021.

KENNETH M. MATHEWS
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: JOEMITCHELL CLARK LUMPKINS
IN RE: TRISTAN BELLE LUMPKINS
NO. 202124-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant JOEMITCHELL CLARK LUMPKINS 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 JOEMITCHELL CLARK LUMPKINS it is ordered that said defendant JOEMITCHELL CLARK LUMPKINS file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with THEODORE KERN, an Attorneys whose address is, 800 S. Gay Street, Suite 1600 Knoxville, TN 37929 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part I 400 W. Main Street Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 16th day of April 2021.

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ASHLEY CHRISTINE HOWARD
IN RE: JUSTIN WAYNE MONROE
v. ASHLEY CHRISTINE HOWARD
NO. 201953-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant ASHLEY CHRISTINE HOWARD 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 ASHLEY CHRISTINE

HOWARD it is ordered that said defendant, ASHLEY CHRISTINE HOWARD file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Chelsea Price, 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 John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Part I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 27th day of April 2021.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

MOTION FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN RE: THE ADOPTION OF A MALE CHILD WHOSE NAME IS ACE ORION OGLE, DOB: July 19, 2020
By: JESSICA TERRY AND SETH DAVIS, PETITIONERS,
vs.
TAYANNA COFFMAN AND TIMOTHY OGLE, RESPONDENTS.

Pursuant to Rule 4.08 of the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure and Sections 21-1-203 through 21-1-205 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, I move this Court for an order allowing service on the Respondents by publication in lieu of personal service. In support of this motion, I state that:

- The Respondents' residences are unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry even after the Petitioners have made a diligent search.
- The Plaintiff has diligently tried to discover the Respondents' current address by seeking out mutual acquaintances and searching social media and completing Google searches.
- That the Respondents' last known addresses were located in Knox County, TN.

Respectfully Submitted:

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ORDER FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

The following has been ORDERED by the Court and is to be published by the Knoxville Focus.

In the Juvenile Court of Knox County, Tennessee.

styled as JESSICA TERRY AND SETH DAVIS v. TAYANNA COFFMAN AND TIMOTHY OGLE
TO: TAYANNA COFFMAN AND TIMOTHY OGLE, the biological parents of ACE ORION OGLE
RE: THE ADOPTION OF A MALE CHILD WHOSE NAME IS ACE ORION OGLE, DOB: July 19, 2020

In this Cause, it appearing from the Petition filed, which is verified, that the Respondents, TAYANNA COFFMAN and TIMOTHY OGLE, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon TAYANNA COFFMAN and TIMOTHY OGLE. IT IS ORDERED that said Respondents, TAYANNA COFFMAN and TIMOTHY OGLE, file an Answer with the Knox County Juvenile Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with JOSHUA REED, an Attorney whose address is 112 Glenleigh Court, Suite 2, Knoxville, TN 37934 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 the Honorable Timothy Irwin in the Knox County Juvenile Court at 3233 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus, located at 4109 Central Avenue Pike | Knoxville, Tennessee 37912 | PO BOX 18377 | Knoxville, Tennessee 37928 for four (4) consecutive weeks.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN CHANCERY COURT FOR CLAIBORNE COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT TAZEWELL

IN THE MATTER OF: C.B. DOB XX-XX-XXXX,
a minor child under the age of 18
Case No. 19722

CANDICE LEANNE BROGAN (Mother), 165 CAROL LANE, TAZEWELL, TN 37879

And
BRANDON ALLEN MCKNIGHT (Soon to be Step-Father), 144 KELLI LANE APT 5, TAZEWELL, TN 37879

Petitioner

Vs.

MATTHEW BECERRA, (Father) 180 WATERVIEW DRIVE, OAK RIDGE, TN 37830

Respondent

To: **MATTHEW BECERRA:**
In this cause, it appearing from the Petition, which is sworn to, that the Defendant's current address is unknown but he is believed to be a resident of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and that ordinary process cannot be served upon Matthew Becerra. Matthew Becerra is hereby commanded to serve on Misty Kennedy, Petitioner's Attorney, whose address is 1745 Main Street. P.O. Box 428, Tazewell, Tennessee 37879 a true copy of the Answer to the Petition which is herewith served upon you, within 30 days of the fourth publication of this notice as required by law.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

Rita Jones
Clerk
Patricia Simmons
Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: LUCIO FLORES GARCIA
IN RE: MORGAN NICOLE NOE v. LUCIO FLORES GARCIA
NO. 202197-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, LUCIO FLORES GARCIA, 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 LUCIO FLORES GARCIA.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with L. Clay White, an Attorney whose address is, 900 S. Gay Street, Suite 1704, Knoxville, TN 37902, 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. Pridermore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part II, 400 W. Main Street, Suite 125, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 3rd day of May 2021.

Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY PICKERING ACRE
DOCKET NUMBER 84447-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANCY PICKERING ACRE who died Mar 13, 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 26 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF NANCY PICKERING ACRE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SUSAN E FERGUSON; EXECUTRIX
8750 HOLLINGSFIELD DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

MICHAEL CROWDER ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 442 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MILDRED LARUE BOWMAN ACUFF
DOCKET NUMBER 84435-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MILDRED LARUE BOWMAN ACUFF who died Feb 2, 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:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 22 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF MILDRED LARUE BOWMAN ACUFF

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DEBRA ALANE ACUFF NEAL; EXECUTRIX
231 N CHURCH STREET
FLORENCE, MS 39073

THOMAS RAMSEY, III
ATTORNEY AT LAW
550 W MAIN STREET, SUITE 310
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KENNETH R AKINS
DOCKET NUMBER 84341-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of APRIL 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of KENNETH R AKINS who died Mar 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:

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

This the 26 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF KENNETH R AKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHRISTOPHER A AKINS; CO-ADMINISTRATOR
6821 FAIRVIEW ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37721

BRYAN RAY AKINS; CO-ADMINISTRATOR
507 ROBINSON DRIVE LOUDON, TN. 37774

W ALLEN MCDONALD ATTORNEY AT LAW
249 N PETERS ROAD, SUITE
101 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ARLENE T BOBROWSKI
DOCKET NUMBER 84444-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ARLENE T BOBROWSKI who died Nov 25, 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:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 23 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF ARLENE T BOBROWSKI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SOPHIE J BOBROWSKI; EXECUTRIX
1925 STONEBROOK DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BRENDA SUE CRUTCHFIELD
DOCKET NUMBER 84240-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of APRIL 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of BRENDA SUE CRUTCHFIELD who died May 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:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 22 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF BRENDA SUE CRUTCHFIELD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CRYSTAL DALTON; ADMINISTRATRIX
4828 MACMONT CIRCLE
POWELL, TN. 37849

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANN D GALLAGHER
DOCKET NUMBER 84450-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ANN D GALLAGHER who died Feb 22, 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:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 26 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF ANN D GALLAGHER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL F GALLAGHER, JR.; EXECUTOR
1615 E HARDCRABBLE DRIVE HILLSBOROUGH, NC 27278

MATTHEW FRERE ATTORNEY
AT LAW 1001 E BROADWAY
LENOIR CITY, TN. 37771

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JESSE J GUIN
DOCKET NUMBER 84414-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JESSE J GUIN who died Mar 27, 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:

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- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 27 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF JESSE J GUIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARGUERITE SNOW; EXECUTRIX
1101 CHIEF DAYBREAK DRIVE
CROSSVILLE, TN. 38572

STEVEN C DOUGLAS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
49 MORGAN ROAD
CROSSVILLE, TN. 38555

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY FRANCES HALL
DOCKET NUMBER 84434-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY FRANCES HALL who died Feb 4, 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:

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

This the 22 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF MARY FRANCES HALL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SUZANNE BROYLES; EXECUTRIX
100 IRWIN ROAD
POWELL, TN. 37849

REBECCA BELL JENKINS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 202
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JACK LEON HENSON
DOCKET NUMBER 84441-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of APRIL 2021, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JACK LEON HENSON who died Jan 24, 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:

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

This the 27 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF JACK LEON HENSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRECKENRIDGE MORGAN; ADMINISTRATOR
938 HARRIS HOLLOW ROAD
SEYMOUR, TN. 37865

GLEN A KYLE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
4931 HOMBERG DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ALICE KATHERINE HERRELL
DOCKET NUMBER 84451-3

Want to play senior softball?

By Mike Steely
Senior Writer
steelym@knoxfocus.com

If you interested in playing senior non-competitive softball you may want to contact John Schmidt at (865)250-3065. Knox Senior Co-Ed Softball is a league of teams based on experience. Any woman 55 or older or man, 60 or older, can play. There's only a \$10 fee for the year and that covers field maintenance. The games are at Caswell Park fields each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. through October 29.

Whether you've played softball recently or never played you'll enjoy a game where everyone bats and fields. Knox Senior Co-Ed Softball invites everyone to come out and play, even if it's not every Tuesday or Thursday. Caswell Park is located at 54 Winona Street near the O'Connor Senior Center.

You can get more information on Facebook or online at <http://knoxseniorco-edsoftball.biz.ly>. Call John today and sign up. Then grab your glove and join the fun.

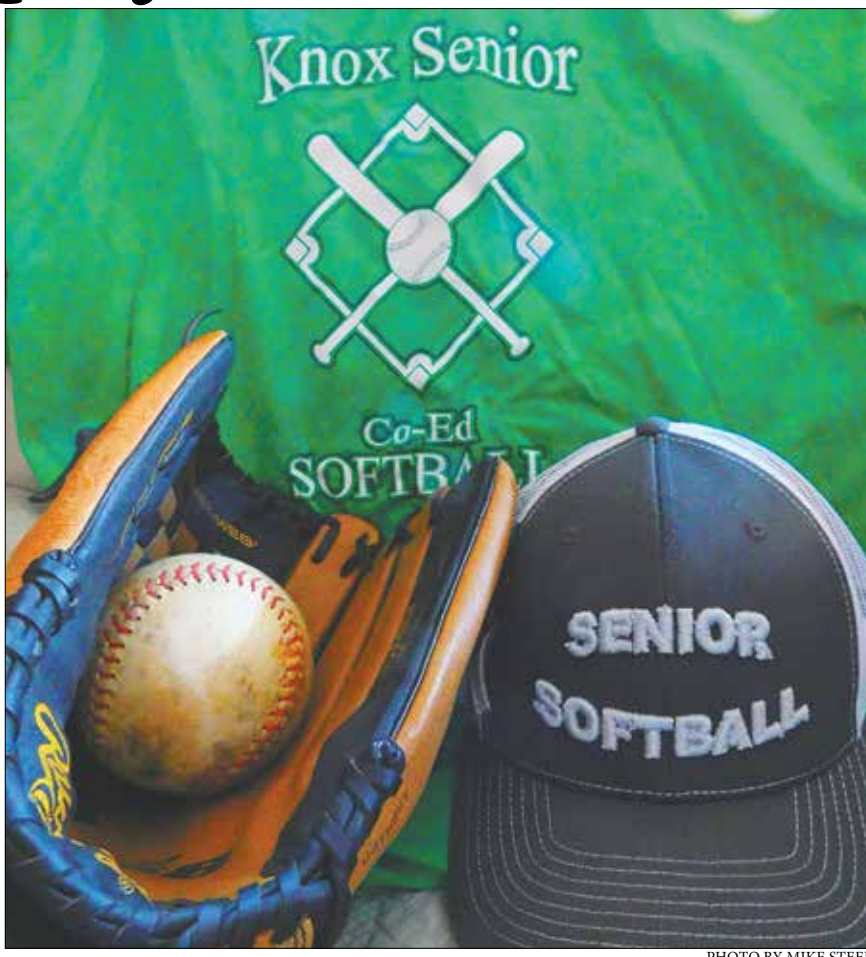


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Non-competitive softball is lots of fun to play and good exercise and, if you're a senior citizen, there's a league in Knoxville just for you.

Dream On

Dreams. We have all had them. Some dreams leave you ecstatic, while others leave you in a cold or hot sweat. Dreams, for the most part, are only significant to the dreamer or the psychoanalyst. Sigmund Freud was one of the first



By Mark Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

to start doing comprehensive studies of dreams. This gave rise to the whole field of psychoanalysis. Dreams are nothing new. God often spoke through dreams and visions. When you sleep, they are called dreams. When you are awake, they are called visions: "When a prophet of the LORD is among you, I reveal myself to him in dreams" (Numbers 12:6).

You likely recall the dream Solomon had when God told him he could ask for anything he wanted. Solomon asked for wisdom. In the book of Genesis, we learn that Joseph was a dreamer and God gave him the ability to interpret the dreams of others. Jacob dreamed about a stairway between heaven and earth. Stairway to heaven - that would be a cool title for a song.

There is an incredible dream given to us in Daniel 2. Amazingly, this dream was not given to a prophet of God. It was given to one of the cruelest men on earth - King Nebuchadnezzar: "In the second year of his reign, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his mind was troubled and he could not sleep" (Daniel 2:1).

Here we find this ruler of the world with all his enemies subdued, but he had a problem. It was not a physical enemy. It was insomnia. His brain would not be still. He tossed and turned in bed and when he did finally go to sleep, he had a crazy dream. When Nebuchadnezzar got up, he yelled out orders to bring to him the magicians - who were also the scholars, the astrologers - also called stargazers, the sorcerers - who were called mediums, and the Chaldeans - who were the wise men of Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar wanted them to tell him the meaning of his dream. But the king had a problem. He just like most of us do when we awaken from a dream. He could not remember his

dream. He did not forget how terrible it was, but he could not remember the details. The king wanted them to tell him what he dreamed about and what it meant. The gathered men admitted that no one on earth could do such a thing by himself, without the help of the gods. So, you have all of the smartest people in the kingdom of Babylon who were not capable of unlocking a revelation (Daniel 2:10). Here is where Daniel steps up to the plate with the help of God. There was a man on earth who could tell the dream and interpret the dream, and he did.

Daniel goes on to interpret the dream in detail giving all the glory to God, for he alone can reveal mysteries (2:27-28). The dream reveals that Nebuchadnezzar's empire is going to collapse, like all human governments. When an empire is at the height of its power, it is hard to believe it could ever fall. The vision declares that it can and it will. The rule of empires only happens by God's control. The king should be reminded that he is not in power due to his own greatness. We should all be reminded that God is in control of world events and our destiny. At

the end of the interpretation of the dream, Daniel declares that God is going to set up an eternal kingdom that will never be destroyed. It is a rock cut out of the mountain that will conquer human kingdoms (2:44-45). That is the kingdom we want to be a part of. It is Christ's kingdom.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID PAUL WILLIAMS DOCKET NUMBER 84478-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of APRIL 2021, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DAVID PAUL WILLIAMS who died Jan 29, 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:
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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 30 day of APRIL, 2021.

ESTATE OF DAVID PAUL WILLIAMS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LEONARD PAUL WILLIAMS; CO-EXECUTOR
7104 ADAMS ROAD
POWELL, TN. 37849

EMMA-JANE WILLIAMS; CO-EXECUTOR
7104 ADAMS ROAD
POWELL, TN. 37849

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION FINANCE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE MAIN ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, 400 W. MAIN STREET, KNOXVILLE. ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO VOTE.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting: February 16, 2021
4. Report by Knox County Finance Director - Chris Caldwell
5. Report by Knox County Schools Chief Finance Officer - Ron McPherson
6. Report by Knox County Trustee - Ed Shouse
7. Review of Tennessee Revenue Collections - Commissioner Schoonmaker
8. Update on the American Recovery Plan Act - Chris Caldwell
9. Other Business
10. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION'S RULES COMMITTEE SHALL MEET ON MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 640, OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, 400 WEST MAIN STREET, KNOXVILLE. ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO VOTE.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Amendments to the Agenda
3. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting: February 16, 2021
4. Discussion regarding the look of propriety in Adhoc and Regular Committees - Commissioner Buster
5. Discussion and consideration regarding limiting of discussion time for zonings and the ability to defer the applicant to speak second - Commissioner Buster
6. Discussion and consideration of Roles & Responsibilities of the Chair and Vice-Chair - Commissioner Jay (DEFERRED FROM FEBRUARY)
7. Additions to the agenda
8. Scheduling of next meeting
9. Other Business
10. Adjournment

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:
RFP 3052, Auctioneer Services, due 6/8/21
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.

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