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# Council approves apartment complex for Inskip



*Councilman Thomas tried unsuccessfully to halt or change the rezoning of a 120-unit apartment project on Bruhin Road in Inskip. Photo by Mike Steely.*

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The need for more affordable housing and promises from the developer and the city prompted the Knoxville City Council to approve a 120-unit apartment complex on four acres in the Inskip Community Tuesday.

Despite three neighborhood residents speaking against the proposed project, developer John Huber told the meeting that the complex will have rents starting at about \$700 per month in a “good,

safe environment.”

Residents were concerned about the change from RN-1 to RN-5 residential, the traffic caused by an increase of more than 200 residents along a hillside on Bruhin Road, and the safety of anyone crossing the busy narrow street to the Inskip Pool and Park.

Fifth District Councilman Charles Thomas spoke to oppose the project, citing the lack of infrastructure there to support the future residents. He said the neighborhood has no sidewalks and none are planned for many years. The

city is promising a marked crossing between the new apartments and the city pool there.

“Two narrow lanes with ditches on both sides, no shoulders. You have to walk in the road or in the ditch,” Thomas said. Director of Engineering Harold Cannon said building a sidewalk to link the site to Dutchtown Road would cost the city about \$750,000 and said no money is currently in the budget.

Thomas said that many city improvements are needed before such a complex should be considered. “We’re getting the cart before

the horse,” he said.

Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie, while saying that safety is important, promised a traffic study will be done before final approval. Councilman Andrew Roberto suggested a partnership between the city and the developer in building the apartments.

“The scale is too big,” Thomas said of the 120-unit proposal, adding, “RN-5 undermines the confidences of the neighborhood.”

Only Thomas and Councilman Tommy Smith voted “No” on the rezoning.



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

*Dee-Dee James stands next to the van she bought to start her new business -- TOPS, which stands for “Transportation Onto Prison Sites.”*

# Knoxville woman is starting business to take loved ones on visits to prisons

**By Steve Williams**

Rising rental costs had Dee-Dee James yearning to buy a house of her own and contemplating a way to earn more income.

A memory etched in her mind from long ago surfaced.

James thought of the “most favorite person” in her life, a cousin who had been incarcerated. She wanted to visit him in prison but didn’t have adequate transportation to get there.

This memory led to her plan for starting a new business on the side plus satisfying a desire to reunite loved ones in prison with family members and friends.

That was the beginning of TOPS, which stands for Transportation Onto Prison Sites.

To her knowledge, it is the only such business in the state of Tennessee, which has 16 prisons.

Dee-Dee bought a black, 15-seat passenger van and its first trip will be to the Northeast Correctional Complex in Mountain City on Saturday, Aug. 6. The van is scheduled to leave Knoxville at 9:10 that morning and arrive at the prison site by noon. Visitation hours begin at 12:30. The cost for the round-trip is \$65.

Other prison trips are planned for the first two weekends of August: the Trousdale Turner Correctional Facility in Hartsville, the Bledsoe County Correctional Complex in Pikeville and the Morgan County Correctional Complex in Wartburg.

The last two weekend trips in August will go to the prison sites in Middle and West Tennessee, with the cost per rider being \$85 and \$110, respectively, for the longer distances from Knoxville.

“I’ve been thinking on

this for many years,” said James. “It’s probably been 15 to 20 years since he (her cousin) was in prison. I thought about it then and over the course of years, I’ve revisited it. But now I guess I’m in a better position to start it.”

James was asked what was the most important thing she wanted to accomplish in this business.

“Reuniting loved ones with their incarcerated loved ones,” she answered. “Bringing families back together. Bringing friends back together. I’m not a judge, so it’s not up to me to judge why they are in jail. But if I can bring a sense of peace to the inmates and to the people who are going to go see them and just boost the overall morale; that makes me feel really good.”

The money-making part of the new adventure for Dee-Dee is important and could lead to getting her

own house, but as she said, it’s not the most important thing.

James, who lives in the Norwood community of Knoxville, has a full-time job. She works in the field of Information Technology and is a Business System Analyst 3 at Oak Ridge Associates University.

The Central High and ITT Tech graduate said the most challenging part of starting her own business was “lack of time.”

James created her own website, [www.topstransportation.com](http://www.topstransportation.com).

She designed a TOPS logo that’s on the 14-passenger seat van and flyers that have been posted in strategic places in the area.

James also has utilized Webmaster to reach out to webmasters across the state for their facilities’ visitation times and other general information.

On the website, visitors/

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# Merit council reform passes first reading

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When the Knox County Commission met last week there were two different merit council proposals on the agenda, one calling for adopting the Tennessee “County Sheriff’s Civil Service Law of 1974” and one calling for amending the current code.

While much of the discussion over the past month has centered on adopting the state law to legalize the Knox County Sheriff’s Office’s Merit System Council, that proposal morphed into

simply updating the existing county ordinances. The commissioners voted down adopting the state law and opted to accept, on first reading, a multi-page revision created by Commissioner Larsen Jay and the Knox County Law Department.

The proposed amendments would recreate the merit council, keeping the three voting members but adding four more members for a total of seven members. Those members would be named by the Knox County Mayor and the commission. Deputy Law

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# Use on Review may be removed from BZA authority

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Section 4 6.50.08 Appeal of development plans. In any Zone in which a “development plan” or “plan for development” must be approved by the Planning Commission prior to the construction or alteration of any building or development, any person, firm or corporation aggrieved by the decision of the Planning Commission regarding such development plan may appeal such decision to a court of competent jurisdiction.

With that language the Knox County Commission

approved, on the first of two readings, moving much of the “use on review” decisions from the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Two citizens spoke against the idea of removing public access to development proposals via the BZA. Robert Thompson said it reduces the Board of Zoning Appeals’ jurisdiction and would avoid appeals by citizens who normally can’t afford to take their concerns to a court.

“Are you looking for more lawsuits?” he asked, adding, “This is a really big brick in that wall.”

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# Any Discrimination, For or Against, Is Wrong

From a distance



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In the upside-down world of today, a person can sometimes get in more trouble and controversy for saying something that is true than for saying some politically-correct falsehood.

This happened recently to James Patterson, one of the most successful authors in the world, having sold so many books he is worth about 800 million.

In an interview with the Sunday Times in Great Britain, Patterson said “white

older male writers” were not getting hired for “writing gigs in film, theater, TV or publishing” and that this was “just another form of racism.”

He got in so much trouble for saying this that he felt he had to apologize a couple of days later.

I realize that for many years in this country, there was far too much discrimination against Blacks and women.

But that was a long time ago. Now, there is a great deal of discrimination in favor of women and Blacks. Maybe some of it is justified to try to right past wrongs.

But it is a legitimate question to ask, is it going too far. We should all hope for a day when there is no discrimination for or against anyone and especially not for the color of

their skin, white or Black.

A friend told me yesterday that he had read that with only 13% of the population, Blacks make up 58% of those who are in national TV ads.

I suppose a major company today would be afraid or at least very hesitant to run ads that did not feature Blacks and women.

It was racist for Joe Biden, during his campaign, to say he would consider only “a woman of color” as his running mate. Do you really think Kamala Harris would have been anyone’s first choice for vice president if she was white?

Now, almost every major city has or has had a woman or a Black chief of police.

And while I am at it, why has the City of Knoxville hired a man from New Orleans as the next Chief of

Police when there are many well-qualified, outstanding people on the force right here who could and should have been promoted to the position?

The new chief may be a fine man. But why do we keep falling for the myth that someone from 500 or 1000 miles away is better? We had a fire chief from Maine a few years ago who was a disaster.

My late mother moved from Iowa to Knoxville after college a long time ago, and I have friends and relatives all over the country. But I have sometimes wondered if there is discrimination against people with East Tennessee accents when hiring for some of our top jobs.

I read recently that Blackstone and some of the other big banks and hedge funds are refusing to lend

or invest in companies that are not adding more Blacks and women to their boards.

Any type of racial or sex discrimination, for or against someone, is wrong.

My Dad got 90% of the Black vote in his three races for mayor of Knoxville. In 1956, he started a savings and loan association that was the first Knoxville bank to routinely make home loans to Blacks.

I represented many Blacks when I was a lawyer and many Black families wanted their sons in my court when I was a judge because they knew or had heard I had so many friends in the Black community and I would be fair.

I have no “white guilt” at all because I know down deep inside how I have treated Blacks during my life. White liberals seem to have a lot of “white

guilt” because they send their kids to elitist private schools that are 98% white or because they have had little close contact with Blacks during their lives.

This makes them afraid to criticize young Blacks who riot and burn or steal or commit other crimes.

And when major universities cave in to demands from students for Black-only dorms or graduation ceremonies, they seem to be heading in the wrong direction.

And demands for reparations would create more racism and resentment and would do more harm than good.

There are white racists and Black racists, but very few of both. Probably 95% of the American people treat each other with kindness and decency.

# Happy Birthday America.

Happy Birthday America. It’s your 246th birthday. America is unique. Never before had a country been established with the individual, rather than the government, as its nexus. In America the government was to protect the liberty of the people. America was founded as a religious nation and its citizens’ rights came from God and not from the government. Thus, what God had bestowed no man could rend asunder.

The Founding Fathers realized that over time governments become entrenched and would seek to limit individual liberty. To guarantee the freedom of the individual, the first 10 amendments to the Constitution constitute the Bill of Rights. Although the country was founded as a Christian nation, the Founding Fathers guaranteed freedom of religion and took pains to separate religion from the state. It is remarkable that the Founders did not seek to impose their views if those views would limit the liberty of others.

That the Bill of Rights is now under assault is

an indication that there are those who wish to abrogate the freedoms and liberties of their fellow citizens. There are those who seek to limit freedom of speech – if that speech conflicts with their views. There are those who wish to limit gun ownership and there are those who wish to limit religion – especially if that religion is Christianity. These people wish to terminate the America envisioned and established by the Founding Fathers and replace it with a tyrannical and overbearing government that places the state ahead of its citizens.

In order to keep tyranny at bay, the Founding Fathers established the country as a republic rather than a democracy. Knowing that democracy invariably leads to mob rule, the Founders created a government with checks and balances where the rights of the minority were enshrined. Presidents

were elected not by the masses but by electors in the Electoral College whose numbers were determined by the number of representatives plus senators in each state. The Congress was composed of a House of Representatives determined by the Census and the Senate where each state had two senators regardless of the population of their state. Constitutional controversies were adjudicated ultimately by the Supreme Court which was shielded from political whims by lifetime appointments.

The genius of the Founding Fathers made America unique and with that uniqueness comes American exceptionalism. That exceptionalism is the product of individual freedom and the primacy of the individual over the government. It leads to American ingenuity and innovativeness. It encourages all to pursue the American dream and gives us pride in being American regardless of how we look.

I will never make excuses for America for America does not falter. Some of its citizens and some of its politicians are the ones who stray. Detractors criticize the Founding Fathers as a bunch of privileged old white men, some of whom owned slaves. Those critics are fools. They should read the founding documents. They should read the Federalist Papers. The Constitution does not grant advantages to old white men. It does not say all old white men are created equal. Self-serving old white men would not have written the founding documents.

Yes, there were slaveholders amongst them but also abolitionists like Ben Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, John Adams and Roger Sherman. Many hated slavery but knew that in order to form the country, slavery would have to exist. Even Thomas Jefferson introduced in 1784 a proviso outlawing slavery in the new northwest territories (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan). They knew that one day slavery

would end and that all men who are equal under God would become equal under the law. Those who today attempt to impose their morals on our history are being dishonest at best and are trying to use it as an excuse to tear down the foundations of freedom. Here are the words of Thomas Jefferson written to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

“All eyes are opened, or opening to the rights of man. The general spread of the light of science has already laid open to every view the palpable truth that the mass of mankind has not been born with saddles on their backs, nor a favored few bootied and spurred, ready to ride them.” Do those sound like the words of a privileged old white man?

I bear witness to the greatness of America and its uniqueness. As a grateful American who knew his great grandmother and she was a slave, thank you America. I love you.

**The Declaration of Independence reads:**

**“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”**



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### Correction

Adam Atherton wrote last week to clarify a line in the June 27 edition story “Farragut candidates promise transparency, call for citizen engagement.”

“The article states, ‘Atherton recalled that he was once at a BOMA meeting and was gavelled down while attempting to speak,’” Atherton wrote.

“While BOMA is generally dismissive of citizen input and they were inconsiderate of me, they did not gavel me down. The mayor did gavel down Sean Murphy on 24 Mar when he asked for a point of order.”

We apologize for the error and appreciate Mr. Atherton bringing it to our attention.

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# Publisher's Positions



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## Republicans Gain Momentum

More than 1 million voters in 43 states have changed their voter registration in the last year to Republican. That's according to an analysis done by the Associated Press. "The previously unreported number reflects a phenomenon that is playing out in virtually every region of the country - - - Democratic and Republican states along with cities and small towns - - -," the AP story reported.

The shift is apparently quite pronounced in the suburbs where once GOP voters appear to return to the Republican Party. Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Atlanta and Denver suburbs have seen dramatic changes in voter registration. Republicans have also made significant gains in cities like Augusta, Georgia, Raleigh,

North Carolina, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and Des Moines, Iowa.

Previously Democrats had enjoyed a slight edge nationally. Last year, more than a million people changed their party affiliation to Republican as compared to some 630,000 who became Democrats.

Suburban parents have been particularly motivated by frustrations involving school bureaucracies, especially during the COVID crisis. The baby formula shortage has been a source of concern to parents, as has the escalating inflation during the Biden administration's war on fossil fuels.

## Hey Debbie... 'All Politics Is Local'

The campaign of Debbie Helsey for Knox County Mayor has Tweeted: "Abortion is popular. Gun reform is popular. Clean air is popular. Democracy is popular." The mayoral candidate's social media statement goes on to castigate the Supreme Court of the United States, saying, "They (the Supreme Court) are taking advantage of defects in our institutions to advance the views of a morally deficient minority."

Helsley got several hot replies, including one that stated: "You have it backward. Condoning

the murder of an unborn child is morally deficient." Another posted: "They're not morally deficient. You are. Don't murder babies, Debbie."

Mayor Glenn Jacobs released a statement. "Democrats used to say that abortion should be safe, legal, and rare. My opponent says that abortion is popular and if you don't see it that way, you are apparently among a morally deficient minority. You'd expect this kind of unhinged rhetoric from someone running for mayor of San Francisco or Chicago, but not Knox County, Tennessee," Mayor Jacobs said.

Helsley's statement is eerily reminiscent of Hillary's comment in 2016 about the "basket of deplorables."

Aborting (killing) babies up to the moment of labor is not popular. Record high gas prices are not popular. 10% and continually moving upward inflation on goods and services is not popular. Joe Biden is not popular. Politicians who damn democracy and loathe free speech, yet claim to support it are not popular.

It is telling that the Democrats and the Helsey campaign are trying to nationalize the county mayor's race. They can find nothing to batter Mayor Glenn

Jacobs about locally and in an effort to turn out their base inside the City of Knoxville, they prattle about national issues. The truth is even the Democrats realize Debbie Helsley has as much chance of winning the August election as Joe Biden has in remaining atop his bicycle.

## Potty-Mouth Kate

Speaking of bikes, Katherine Bike, Democrat candidate for the board of education from the 4th District (West Knox and Sequoyah Hills) posted an expletive-laden diatribe on her Facebook account unbecoming a candidate for the education of children. Is that really what voters want in someone to represent them on the board of education? Someone needs to wash out mommy's potty-mouth.

The voters of the Fourth District have a clear choice in Will Edwards, a father of two and a lawyer, or "Potty-Mouth Kate."

## Unbelievable But True

Benito Madrigal, 19, and Jose Zendejas, 25, have been arrested in California for drug trafficking. The two were carrying more than 150,000 fentanyl pills, which is enough to kill literally millions of people.

The two were released by the Tulare County (California) Sheriff's Department a few days after their arrest. The Tulare Sheriff's Department received an order to release both men on their own recognizance. Sheriff Mike Boudreaux loudly expressed his dismay and disagreement with the decision made by the Risk Assessment higher-ups to let the duo go.

## More Unbelievable But True

The West Hollywood City Council just voted to defund the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office in spite of the fact crime has risen 137% earlier this year. The vote was 3-2. Five fewer sheriff's deputies will be patrolling the community as a result. The council funded a cultural festival instead.

Now some council members are saying their decision to defund the sheriff's department and have fewer deputies patrolling the neighborhoods will actually increase public safety. Yes, citizens will be safer because funding and staffing will be implemented for "block by block patrols" or unarmed "security ambassadors."

Council member John D'Amico explained they had not cut anything having to do with public safety. "It's

a rebalance of a lopsided system focused on arrests instead of safety. Giving the sheriffs more time during their days to fight and work on crime while our security ambassadors help our homeless population, provide assistance and security at a more personal level."

The safety and security of the people who pay the taxes come last, as per usual with those folks.

## Thankful for July the Fourth

Everyone at The Knoxville Focus wants to wish you, our readers, a happy Fourth of July week. It is a time to celebrate our country, its past and the hope for its future. I think the words of the brilliant Edward Everett who spoke on the 4th of July as Americans began fighting its Civil War:

"We contend for the great inheritance of constitutional freedom transmitted from our revolutionary fathers. We engage in the struggle forced upon us, with sorrow, as by our misguided brethren, but with high heart and faith...."

Let us all agree on love of our country and pray for God's continued blessings upon us and our nation. I also pray for God's blessings upon our readers. Thank you for reading.

# When the other side says they have talked to an attorney

Here's a situation that comes up often in the legal world. An individual will be contemplating legal action, whether it is divorce or something else, and the other side will tell them, "Well, I already talked to an attorney and they told me that XYZ would happen."

The person on the receiving end of this statement may contact me and relay this story and I will always ask, "Who is the attorney who told them that?" The answer is almost always, "They wouldn't tell me."

I don't know how this became such a commonplace thing. For people to just outright lie about whether they have spoken to an attorney, but it seems to happen all the time. To my knowledge, no one is going around making up stories about what a plumber told them!

So when I get told a story like the one above, my response is always the same, "if they won't tell you who the attorney is, then they didn't actually talk to an attorney."

Why do I say this? Unless the attorney knows both of the parties to the potential legal action, there is no reason for the attorney to hide their identity. Attorneys usually want their identity known by people.

If I tried to dive into why this exchange occurs, I suppose it would be because individuals believe that if they have the opinion of an attorney stating what might occur on a case then that



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opinion carries a certain amount of weight and will force the other individual to relent and give in.

Thinking about that makes me feel personally good. "Hey, I'm an attorney, my opinion matters to people!"

Despite that, it does seem like an unusual thing that so many people have decided to lie about talking to an attorney, completely independently of each other.

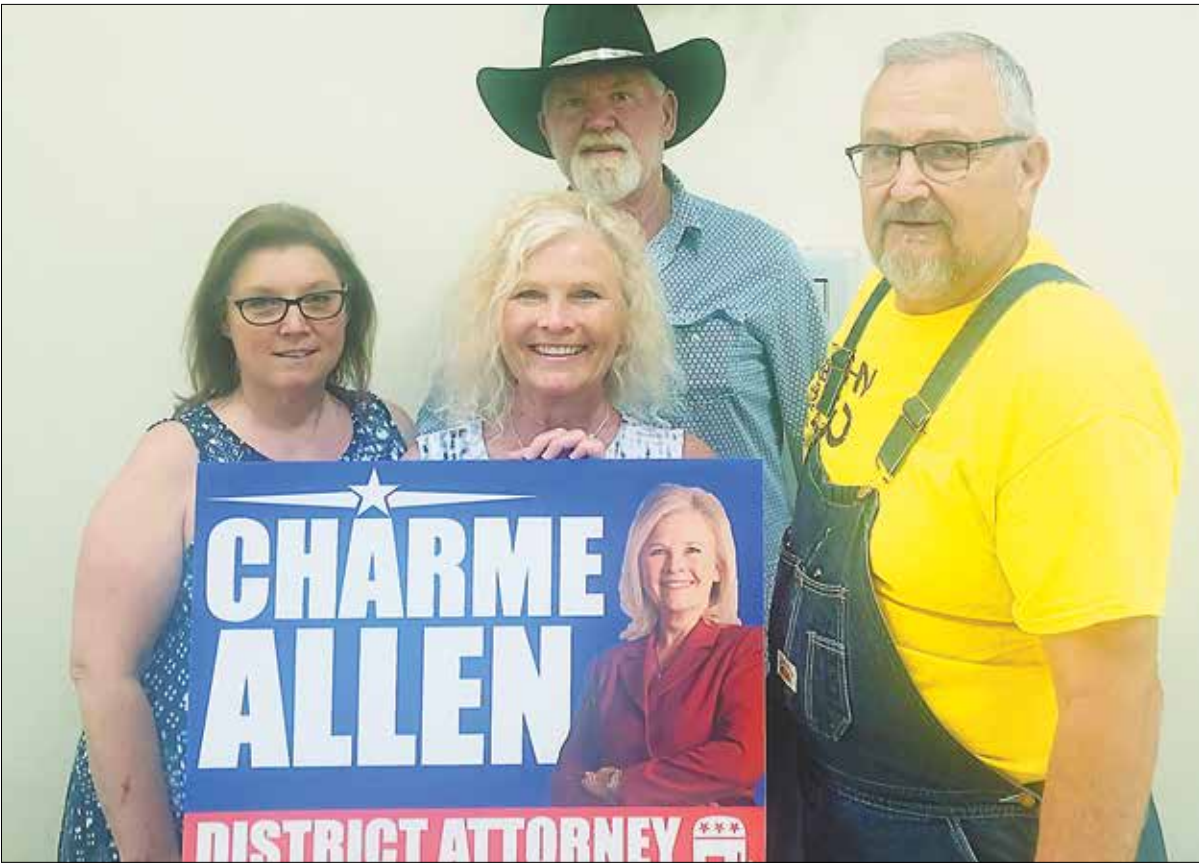
Another reason I am able to conclude that this other individual didn't talk to an attorney is that they will state that something is going to happen that simply is not going to happen.

If you find yourself in the position of speaking to someone who claims that they have spoken to an attorney and the attorney told them what was going to happen, DO NOT BELIEVE THEM!

Go and seek your own legal advice. There are so many attorneys who offer free initial consultations, it simply makes no sense to make a significant life decision based on things told to you by the other person.

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## DA Charme Allen visits 8th District Republicans



District Attorney General Charme Allen (center) shows off her yard sign at last week's 8th District Republican Club meeting. With Allen are (left) Lisa and Chuck Frazier, Republican leaders from the Ramsey community, and 8th District Republican Club President Alan Branch. Charme Allen is running for re-election in the upcoming August Knox County General Election.

# Merit council reform passes first reading

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Director Mike Moyers told the meeting that the 1974 law could be adopted in the future if needed.

The vote to adopt the 1974 state law failed in a split vote. Voting "Yes" were Commissioners Courtney Durrett and Charles Busler. Voting "No" were Jay, Kyle Ward, John Schoonmaker and Carson Dailey. Justin Biggs, Dasha Lundy, Richie Beeler and Randy Smith passed on the vote. Jay and Ward then motioned to adopt the amendments to the current ordinance. Jay said the changes will make the merit council

function better, and be more transparent and fair. He said the new reorganization will make the council "an apolitical body."

Under the amendments, the council must hear KCSO employee grievances within 90 days of filing. It places merit system employees under the Knox County Human Resources Department. Jay said that every Knox County employee, including the merit staff, needs some oversight. Exempted from the revised system would be the department staff selected by the sheriff.

Jay said a new merit council should have

staggered terms, with members selected in a process and a new board in place in September. He predicted a "little bit of housekeeping" will be needed in September and October.

He repeated that the idea is to take politics out of the merit council and

employees will still have the means to object to changes in salary, denial of leaves, and unjustified transfers within the KCSO. The amendment changes passed the first reading with nine members approving and only one, Durrett, voting to abstain.

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# Atlantic Avenue sidewalk construction to begin by late summer

North Knoxville soon will have a safe new east-west pedestrian route that connects dozens of Atlantic Avenue area families with the Broadway business corridor. At its regular Tuesday (June 28) meeting, City Council unanimously approved a request by Mayor Indya Kincannon's administration to invest \$2.9 million in state and City funding to build 3,000

linear feet of sidewalk on the north side of Atlantic Avenue between Pershing Street and Broadway. Once a contract is finalized, crews with McKinnon Construction Co. will begin the construction. Anticipate the sidewalk being completed in early 2023. McKinnon Construction was the most responsive of four companies that submitted proposals for the

competitively-bid project. Knoxville Utilities Board also is a partner; KUB will reimburse the City for \$1.3 million in necessary utility work. "Safe connectivity in neighborhoods is important," Mayor Kincannon said. "This new sidewalk will create safer options for North Knoxville families who walk or bike to get to the stores, jobs, and bus stops on

Broadway and beyond." Fifth District Councilman Charles Thomas believes the pedestrian option will be much appreciated. "This project connects the various blocks of the neighborhood in a safe manner on a relatively busy street," Thomas said. "It provides a safe pathway to the businesses on Broadway."

# Charter amendments turned away by Knoxville Council

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Eight different amendments to the Knoxville Charter, suggested by Councilwoman Amelia Parker, were voted down Tuesday by her fellow council members.

Parker's proposals ranged from dealing with the number of candidates on the general election ballot to moving approval of a budget and tax rate to June 30th of each year. Some of the suggestions received a second but then failed and others failed for the lack of a second.

Parker said her proposed changes would give the public more input to the city government and called her suggestions "a quick fix" until the next charter review.

In other business, the council also approved two different fundings for the Atlantic Avenue Sidewalk Construction Project, allotting about \$1.9 million in state and local funding in one motion, and \$2.9 million to McKinnon Construction LLC to do the

sidewalk construction. A state and federal grant of \$5.1 million, with a \$1 million city match, was approved for Knoxville Area Transit. The approval is for 10 more electric buses and additional bus charging infrastructure. Fireworks from Pyro Shows Inc. for upcoming holidays were approved for a \$69,050 contract. An Emergency and Minor Home Repairs program with the Community Action Committee received \$500,000 from a Community Development Block Grant; Neighborhood Housing Inc. received \$300,000 for minor home repairs in "Operation Backyard;" and \$216,105 went to Knoxville Works Workforce Development. The small purchase threshold for non-bid items was increased from \$5,000 to \$12,000. The Police Advisory and Review Committee saw the reappointment of Leticia Flores and the new appointment of Jonathan Haskell and Reico Hopewell.

# Use on Review may be removed from BZA authority

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Kevin Murphy, speaking for the Knox County Planning Alliance, asked the commission, "What's the problem you are trying to solve?" He said in recent years the BZA had only overruled the planning commission twice. He said the proposed "process is rigged." Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers said the change was proposed by Mayor Glenn Jacobs and that the BZA has no authority to hear use-on-review involving planned residential. He said the idea is to "streamline the subdivision process."

Commissioner John Schoonmaker commented about poor attendance at BZA hearings. The first reading passed in a 7-1-2 vote with Yes votes coming from Commissioners Randy Smith, Kyle Ward, Charles Busler, Richie Beeler, Carson Dailey, Larsen Jay and Justin Biggs. Commissioner Schoonmaker voted "No" and Commissioners Dasha Lundy and Courtney Durrett passed. Commissioner Terry Hill was not at the meeting. The second and final vote will apparently come back to the commission next month.



Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers said the BZA does not have the authority to rule on Use On Review for planned residential zoning decisions and said the amendment to the code is meant to "streamline the subdivision process."

# Explore History in 'Blood and Treasure: Daniel Boone and the Fight for America's First Frontier'

By Christy Martin

"Blood and Treasure" is a biography of the pioneer, American hero, and trailblazer Daniel Boone. The authors, Bob Drury and Tom Clavin, tell a fascinating story of the man from his early childhood in Pennsylvania to his later years. It is interspersed with history and people of the times. Our country was on the edge of greatness and Daniel Boone was a part of that. Over the span of his lifetime, Daniel Boone explored, trapped, fought Indians, built forts and cabins, fathered nine or so children, and blazed trails through the Appalachians that were previously inaccessible to settlers and pioneer families. The book sets out to dispel myths about Daniel Boone but the reader will still be amazed at the man. An expert shot from the time he used his first rifle, Boone was also a trapper, hunter, surveyor, land speculator and tradesman. Boone was a keen observer of Indian ways and knew survival medicine and how to repair the basic long and short rifles of his day. Of special interest to us is that

Boone traversed through our area on his way to Kentucky and through the Cumberland Gap opening a trail for later settlers to follow the Wilderness Road. Our area was a pristine land at the time of Boone's journeys. Buffalo roamed in Kentucky during Boone's first visit there. At that time, it served as an Indian hunting ground; its land would later be impacted by a young nation and its people as they found their way across a beautiful and little-explored country. Boone is not portrayed in this book as the cult television hero, but as a strong man, a survivor, and a true pathfinder and trailblazer. Boone himself did not like that he was remembered as an Indian fighter, instead preferring that he be remembered historically as doing what he had to do to survive in the wilderness of his era. His respect for the indigenous nations, their ways and their peoples was evident in his friendship with many of the tribal leaders. For lovers of the history of the age of Boone and the region around the Cumberland Gap and Kentucky where he

spent many years of his prime, this is a must-read. In the coming months, we will hear more about Boone, through the eyes of his wife Rebecca and their daughters Jemima and Suzanne. Knoxville author and historian Patricia Hudson's new book "Traces" will give us another glimpse of the life and times of Boone. It is to be published in November. In the meantime, "Blood and Treasure: Daniel Boone and the Fight for America's First Frontier" is a book you will enjoy and it is a great prelude read to "Traces." Drury and Clavin's book is readily available in print and digital at all the usual outlets. Christy Martin is a retired educator of K-12 thru post-secondary and former coordinator of programs for youth in foster care. She is currently a freelance writer and book reviewer with special interests in local history and books written by local writers.

# Knoxville woman is starting business

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riders can reserve a seat on the van and pay online. "I'm trying to keep everything as professional as I can for the efficiency of the business," Dee-Dee said. She's even giving each rider a "goody bag" that will include a complimentary bottle of water, a small snack and marketing information from other local businesses. Dee-Dee hopes her new business will be successful enough financially for her to "give back." She grew up in the Boys & Girls Club in Christenberry and later worked 10 years full-time for the Boys & Girl Club, the latter years

as Youth Service Coordinator on the pre-school side. "The Boys & Girls Club did a lot to help me and my family, and I would like to be able to award a scholarship to a couple of their kids," said James. "There are so many ways this (business) could go to help people." Dee-Dee even envisioned a mother visiting an incarcerated young son on a regular basis and eventually driving the van and earning extra money. The only thing James said she still hopes to do with her new business is to physically introduce herself to the warden at each of the prisons to establish a relationship.

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## The Doctor is in

a weekly column by  
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### Summertime

The left views conservative free-speech as violence. They look at their violence as free-speech.

Michael Anton

Summertime is the season of Gordian Knots. No, I'm not using the metaphor of an intractable problem. Nor am I delving into the Ancient Greek legend of Alexander the Great who metaphorically "cut to the chase" and solved the Gordian Knot by slashing it in half with his sword. My thoughts surround garden hoses and iPhone earbuds.

My daughter Emily has a lovely and interesting voice. I'm told that she also possesses perfect pitch. I appreciate the former, but the latter is beyond my understanding. Perhaps it is because music is mathematical and not my forte. And even though Emily's

voice is not operatic, her rendition of "Summertime" is magical. However, if you have a big garden, an orchard, a vineyard or are trying to save flowers around your house from episodic heat waves and drought, you are forced to contend with knotted garden hoses.

My wife insists that garden hoses be coiled neatly after usage. And no matter how carefully I loop the hose on the stand when I next use the hose it kinks and twists itself into a Gordian Knot challenging the notion that "Summertime is Easy." Now I understand the physics of the problem. Gathering a hose imparts torque and causes the "water-filled snake" to twist and torment my efforts to save growing things. I am a logical and science-based guy,

but I reserve the right to exercise my feelings and, like Eve, curse the snake! And since I'm ranting like some liberal, explain to me how you can neatly place string or iPhone earbuds in a drawer and then return to find that they have tied themselves in a knot overnight. Perhaps Trump did it.

Summertime is also the season of SCOTUS pronouncements and this year the liberals are tied in knots. For decades progressives have championed judicial activism to promote destructive policies. Now, with the Supreme rulings overturning Roe v. Wade, affirming a citizen's right to bear arms for personal defense and pray in public, they are ranting for the court to be expanded and judges impeached. The court also ruled against unelected Federal agencies like the EPA issuing national mandates. The Supremes also upheld that schools run by religious organizations be treated the same as other private schools. We may not see as many fireworks this 4th of July due to shortages in Biden's America, but we may see liberal heads exploding. (Attention - fact checkers and pseudo comedians of Late Night shows, that's a joke.)

Unfortunately, due to our country's problems, we overlook the beauty of God's kingdom. Take for example the sounds of summer in the South. Some years ago, my West Coast son-in-law was visiting and asked me one night about "that sound." I replied, "What sound?" and then I realized he was unfamiliar with the background noise of cicadas on a summer night in the South. Some years ago I wrote a Focus essay entitled The Sound of Rain. You realize that falling rain is silent unless billions of raindrops strike tree leaves or your roof. Recently, when rain brought an end to 100° temperatures I sat on my porch luxuriating in the sounds of rain.

And there is more. Perhaps relieved of the heat and drought, I saw the twinkling lights of summer - a carpet of lightning bugs - rise in mass from the forest floor seeking communion with each other in the air. I am not a Biblical fundamentalist, but 1Thessalonians 4:17 came to mind.

Some years ago we went to the Elkmont area of the Smoky Mountains to experience the synchronized flashing of lightning bugs. Interestingly, this synchronization of some species of lightning bugs exists in

other parts of the world. I have to admit, my foray to watch the choreography of lightning bugs was not impressive. Perhaps they had an off night; I don't know. What I do remember is walking in the dark and stepping on a couple trysting in the bushes. I didn't want to know if they were synchronized.

It is obvious that our Chief Executive's brain is no longer synchronized, and his executive functions are impaired. Dementia is associated with a loss of so-called executive functions and decision making. These include the "ability to organize, plan and perform a range of complex tasks in an efficient manner." Joe Biden has a history of brain aneurysms, bleeding and brain surgery. Interestingly, in vascular dementia, executive function may be more impaired than memory loss which is prominent in Alzheimer's Disease.

I feel sorry for Joe Biden who is old and impaired. I am angry with his wife who put him out there, subjecting him to manipulation and ridicule. But I feel most sorry for our country as a result of his disastrous Presidency being run by unelected shadow persons, using Biden as a sock puppet.

As I write, POTUS is on

his summer European jaunt, escaping the messes he and his handlers have caused in America. I'm not a poll watcher, but a recent survey showed that "85% of US adults say that things in the country are headed in the wrong direction." Even "78% of Democrats are dissatisfied with the direction of the country."

I have had many impaired patients deny they were having cognitive problems which their families recognized. In his recent press conference, Biden says he didn't know anyone who is dissatisfied with the direction of the country. This is not mere isolation. Our Chief Executive's impairments are blatant.

So what do we do? We must deal in reality, not emotions. We are stuck with Biden and his vacuous Vice President. And now Patrick Leahy, who is 82 years old and has been in the Senate since 1974 and is third in line for the presidency, is in the hospital with a broken hip. We must stand up and say "No!" to delusional thinking (June 27 essay) and The People of the Lie (June 13 essay). We must vote and change the course of our nation. We must fix the mess we have allowed to happen.

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## Where's Waldo? Scavenger Hunt returns to Downtown Knoxville

Knoxvillians might have wondered, "Where's Waldo?" over the past couple of summers. For the first time since 2019, the sneaky literary character will be hiding inside downtown merchants in his signature stripes, the Downtown Knoxville Alliance has announced.

The fifth annual scavenger hunt is happening July 1-31 with a record number of merchants participating. More than three dozen downtown shops, restaurants, museums and other organizations will display a cutout of Waldo. All players need to do is pick up a passport at a participating business, which can be identified by a window cling at the entrance, and ask for a passport stamp once they find the fellow in black-rimmed spectacles. The free Knoxville Trolley will help participants explore the city

and collect stamps.

"We are excited to welcome Waldo and thousands of players back to Downtown Knoxville this summer," said Michele Hummel, executive director of the Downtown Knoxville Alliance. "In 2019, more than 5,000 people participated, and we are anticipating even larger crowds this summer as families explore the area and enjoy all the fun along the hunt."

Steadfast seekers who collect 20 or more stamps can enter to win Waldo books from Union Ave Books. Players are encouraged to pose in front of the Where's Waldo? photo op in Market Square and those who share their scavenger hunt memories using the hashtag #foundwaldoknox on social media will have weekly chances to win gift cards from the winner's choice of participating businesses.

Candlewick Press, the publisher of Where's Waldo?, partnered with the American Booksellers Association to establish scavenger hunts across the country. The event encourages residents and visitors to view cities with fresh eyes, which are needed to spot Waldo! Union Ave Books is the host location of Knoxville's search and started collaborating with neighboring businesses in 2016. The event took a pause due to pandemic protocols.

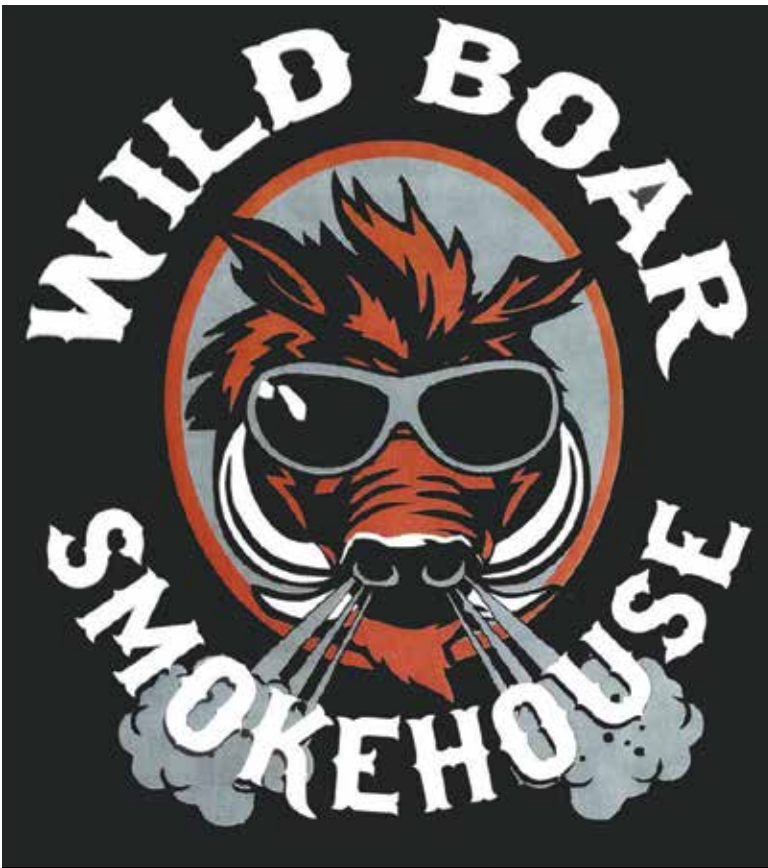
For more information about Where's Waldo? and other happenings in Downtown Knoxville, visit [downtownknoxville.org/waldo](http://downtownknoxville.org/waldo).

"Waldo isn't the only thing you'll find on the hunt," Hummel said. "Visit vendors at the Market Square Farmers' Market, check out a book at Lawson McGhee

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The Where's Waldo? Scavenger Hunt returns to Downtown Knoxville through July 31 with a record number of merchants participating.



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# Gibbs Gathering of 2022



By Ralphine Major  
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Sounds like fun! On July 30, 2022, a multi-class reunion is scheduled for all the Gibbs High School classes that have been graduated 50 years or more!

The event will take place from 4:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at Corryton Church, 7615 Foster Road, Corryton, Tennessee 37721. Four food trucks will be available onsite for attendees to purchase food and beverages, and



Picture of Gibbs High School, by Ralphine Major

trucks will start serving at 5:00 pm. Tables and chairs will be set up inside the church, and those who wish to sit outside will need to bring their own lawn chairs. The dress code will be very casual summer, and stick-on name tags will be given to all attendees. The event is free, but a donation jar will be available for contributions. All donations

will be given to Corryton Church for their generosity in allowing this special reunion to be held on the grounds of their beautiful facility at no charge. The event starts with the Class of 1972 and goes back through the years.

The GHS Class of 1971 is coordinating the event. For questions, Gibbs graduates may contact Lana Baker Hutchison at

865-455-7505.

A great thought for this time of reunion is one that many learned in Brownies and Girl Scouts over the years, which originated from Joseph Parry: "Make new friends, but keep the old; one is silver and the other gold."

Come and join the fellowship with old and new friends on July 30, 2022, at Corryton Church!

# A Deer in the Yard

The Karns community is up in arms over the proposed construction of Belltown. This development is supposed to be a community within itself. I've never known what that is, but the developer, Smithbilt

Homes, declares it offers the best of living. It also will bring as many as 4000 people to the community. That will lead to many headaches for residents already located in Karns. At the same time, similar problems exist in communities next to Karns.

Within one mile of my home, I've counted six signs for use on review on plots of land. In every case, new bunches of houses or apartments or condos are to be built. That's in addition to the new developments that are already under construction at the corner of Karns Valley and Beaver Ridge Roads and at the intersection of Emory and Henderson Roads.

All of these new places dump more traffic onto roads that are narrow and haven't changed much in size since I was a boy. One proposed plan would be built on the back of a subdivision, but residents fear that the traffic will be dumped onto a road that is narrow and was never intended to support that many cars. When citizens voice their concerns about the overflow traffic that backs up during morning and evening rush hours, the head of roads and engineering always says, "There a lots of narrow roads in the county."

Some parcels of land have been denied rezoning requests, only to be submitted again by another company or the same one, and for some reason, the requests are granted. Residents speak out against the continuous building. They tell of horrible traffic backups and wrecks, and in some cases, they present water problems caused by the runoff of water.

Their complaints fall on deaf ears. Why is that true? The people appointed to the zoning board are charged with the task of looking at properties and using common sense to decide what is best for the existing subdivisions or homes. County



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commissioners sometimes listen to appeals on land zoning, and too often, they seem to automatically fall in line with developers.

The most recent answer to concerns in our areas

about traffic is, "The new Schaad Road project will take care of the problem." Well, that project isn't finished yet and might be a year or more off. These new subdivisions are slapped together in much less time than that. Too, all these extra cars are going to be traveling on streets already in existence, the same ones we've been told are typical of many county roads. If 4000 people move into the Belltown project, how many more cars will that add to the steady stream of vehicles that already travel Emory Road and Karns Valley? Has a traffic study been completed? How many children will live in all these new places? Has Knox County Schools taken that into account in its 5 and 10-year growth studies?

I have nothing against new developments...to a point. However, when they begin to crowd existing neighborhoods and cause major inconveniences for folks, the time has come to put a moratorium on building. When the infrastructure can accommodate all, then those projects can continue.

The overdevelopment of land is also causing problems with wildlife. Skunks, "possums," and raccoons travel through neighborhoods where those critters once lived and thrived. I've lived in Ball Camp all but a couple of years of my life. This past Tuesday our dog Sadie began barking and ran to the fence enclosing the pool. Amy and I turned to see what the problem was, and for the first time in my life, I saw a deer run across our backyard, jump a fence, and scamper into the field behind us.

It's time for the zoning commission and county commission to support those of us who already live here and listen to our objections. We elected one group of commissioners, so why on earth would they back businesses over constituents?

# July 5 is the Registration Deadline to Vote in the August 4 Election

Tennesseans who want to cast a ballot in the Aug. 4 election must register or update their voter registration before the voter registration deadline on Tuesday, July 5.

"Going into this 4th of July holiday, I can't think of a more patriotic thing to do than to register to vote," said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "With our convenient online voter registration system, it's never been easier or safer for Tennesseans to register to vote or update their registration."

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secure with the Secretary of State's online voter registration system. Any U.S. citizen with a driver's license or a photo ID issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security can register online in minutes from any computer or mobile device at GoVoteTN.gov.

Voters can also download a paper voter registration application at GoVoteTN.gov. Completed paper voter registration applications must be mailed to your local county election commission office or submitted in person. Mailed voter registrations must be postmarked by July 5.

Election Day registration is not available in Tennessee.

Early voting for the Aug. 4 election starts Friday, July 15, and runs Monday to Saturday until Saturday, July 30. The deadline to request an absentee by-mail ballot is Thursday, July 28. However, eligible voters who will be voting absentee by mail should request the ballot now.

For more information about registering to vote, voter eligibility and other Tennessee election details, visit GoVoteTN.gov or call the Division of Elections toll-free at 1-877-850-4959.

# What is an At-Large Commission Seat?

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Voting can be confusing and the very long ballot Knox County people face on August 4th may seem complicated. There are almost 60 races on the ballot, everything from the primary for governor and congress to Knox School Board and the Farragut city election. That day voters will choose national and state primary candidates and elect local Knox County office seekers.

Now that the sheriff's race is settled, the other races are drawing a lot of attention.

Confusing for some voters are the

different district races in the Knox County Commission general election. Four seats on the commission are on the ballot for Districts 3, 7, 10 and 11. Not everyone will vote in all four but everyone may vote for the District 10 and 11 seats which are "at-large" positions.

The term "at large" means those two commissioners represent ALL of Knox County, not just a single district. That means Knoxville, Farragut and Knox County voters may choose those seats. Only voters who live in the districts with candidates, Districts 3 and 7, may vote for those candidates, plus may vote in both of the county's District 10 and 11 at-large races.

The District 10 at-large position has Republican incumbent Larsen Jay facing Democrat Dylan Early.

The District 11 at-large seat is currently occupied by Justin Biggs, who decided not to seek re-election and instead is running for Knox County Trustee. In the District 11 at-large race are two candidates, Republican Kim Frazier and Democrat Vivian Underwood Shipe.

At-large members of the Knoxville City Council include Janet Testerman, Lynne Fugate and Amelia Parker. Testerman is currently running for the state legislature and, if elected to replace Rep. Eddie Mannis, the council will pick a replacement.

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# Where's Waldo?

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successful but also a magical memory for families."

About the Downtown Knoxville Alliance

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# The 1948 Election in Tennessee VII

## Pages from the Past



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Republicans across the nation confidently expected to win back the White House after sixteen long years out of power. The GOP had won both houses of Congress in the 1946 midterm elections. The Republican National Chairman at the time was a Tennessean: Carroll Reece. Then a sitting congressman who had been in Congress since 1920 with one two-year hiatus, had given up his seat in the House of Representatives to devote all his time and energies to being chairman of the Republican National Committee. Carroll Reece presided over the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia. Reece took pains to remain aloof from the contest for the GOP presidential nomination between New York Governor Thomas E. Dewey and Ohio Senator Robert A. Taft and former Minnesota chief executive Harold Stassen. Dewey won the nomination once again (he had been the Republican presidential candidate in 1944 against Franklin D. Roosevelt) and the New Yorker eased Reece out of the RNC. Carroll Reece was a warm personal friend of Senator Bob Taft as well as quite conservative. Dewey installed his own chairman of the Republican National Committee, Congressman Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania. Ironically, Scott kept his seat in the House of Representatives without much complaint while Reece voluntarily retired.

At the time, it seemed a certainty Tom Dewey would beat Harry Truman for the presidency; likewise, it seemed a sure thing the Republicans would have opportunities to win states that had been traditionally in the Democratic column, like Tennessee. The national Democratic Party was hopelessly divided on the left and the right. Former Vice President Henry A. Wallace was running to Truman's left as the candidate of the Progressive Party while South Carolina Governor Strom Thurmond was running as the candidate of the States' Rights or "Dixiecrat" Party. The Democratic Party in Tennessee was badly fractured from a bitter primary fight for both the nominations for governor and U.S. Senate. Reece saw an opening to win a seat in the United States Senate and came home to Tennessee.

Tennessee Republicans, like most national Republicans, were enthused and fielded perhaps the most potent statewide ticket in decades. Roy Acuff, even then a legendary entertainer and star of motion pictures, the radio (then the primary medium), and the Grand Ol' Opry, was the GOP candidate for governor on the ticket with Carroll Reece. Acuff's star power had stunned

Tennessee Democrats as the Republican ticket traveled as part of a road-show caravan moving methodically across the Volunteer State. The crowds numbered well into the thousands. Roy Acuff usually said a few words, then Carroll Reece would do the speech-making and afterward, Acuff and his Smoky Mountain Boys would entertain the crowd. Democrats insisted the big audiences came for the country music, but they were nervous.

The Democratic nominee for the governorship and the United States Senate had won surprising victories inside the Democrat primary. Gordon Browning had been governor from 1937 - 1939 when he had been badly defeated in his reelection campaign. Browning had initially been elected with the support of E. H. Crump, leader of the Shelby County political machine. Browning made a remarkable political comeback a decade later by beating incumbent Jim Nance McCord. It was Jim McCord who finally persuaded both the legislature and a very reluctant Ed Crump to support the imposition of a sales tax in Tennessee to aid education and provide free textbooks for children. While Tennesseans may have liked some of the benefits brought about by the sales tax, they did not like actually paying it. McCord was roundly beaten by Browning.

Congressman Estes Kefauver of Chattanooga had begun the race for the United States Senate as an underdog. Virtually unknown across Tennessee, Kefauver owed his election to Ed Crump, not because the Memphis Boss backed him, but rather because Crump refused to support the incumbent, Senator Tom Stewart. For whatever reason, Crump had thrown his support to an obscure judge of the Circuit Court from Cookeville, John A. Mitchell. Crump's personal friend and political partner, Tennessee's senior United States senator, Kenneth D. McKellar, worried the Memphis Boss was creating an opening for Kefauver and was highly skeptical Mitchell could win the primary. McKellar was right and it turned out to be perhaps the greatest mistake of Crump's long political career. Stewart insisted upon running and ran far better than Crump's candidate, Judge Mitchell, but Kefauver won a plurality of the vote and the Democratic nomination.

Crump's unhappiness with the state ticket was no secret nor was his distaste for Harry Truman. Rumors circulated throughout the Volunteer State the Memphis Boss would bolt the ticket or secretly help the Republicans win the



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

*Congressman Estes Kefauver of Tennessee in the coonskin cap that became a symbol of his campaign for the U.S. Senate.*

fall election. Then came the announcement Crump was throwing his support to Dixiecrat presidential candidate Strom Thurmond. Republican hopes in Tennessee began to rise even higher.

Local Republicans reported from their localities GOP prospects were excellent for victory in the general election. David Hanover of Memphis thought the GOP would carry Crump's Shelby County. "We expect to poll 50,000 votes down here," he reported. Maynard Tipps of Tullahoma quoted senatorial nominee Carroll Reece as saying Tennessee's Fifth District was "in the best shape of any in the state", which seemed highly questionable as it ignored the two solidly GOP districts in East Tennessee and how strongly Democratic the district was.

Senator Bob Taft, "Mr. Republican," came to Nashville to campaign for Reece and Acuff. Taft spoke at a GOP rally, which was broadcast nationally over the radio. Taft was very critical of President Truman's foreign policy and endorsed his friend Carroll Reece. "Here in Tennessee," Taft told his audience, you have an opportunity to vote for Carroll Reece, who will carry weight in the councils of the Republican party. He is a Tennessean who has always had the interests of Tennessee at heart." Taft joined Reece and Acuff at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Smith, Jr. on Kingston Pike for lunch in Knoxville. That same night Carroll Reece and Roy Acuff held a rally at Chilhowee Park which Sherlock Hope, a reporter for the Knoxville Journal wrote drew a crowd "impossible to estimate." Yet such crowds are always estimated and the rally in Knoxville drew wild guesses from 8,000 to as many as 30,000 people. An equipment truck in the Reece - Acuff caravan broke down, which delayed the entertainment portion of the program, but the mammoth rally drew local Republicans, including

Second District congressman John Jennings, Jr., who called for the election of the entire GOP ticket. Reece refuted Estes Kefauver's assertion the Republican was no friend of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

"When TVA was created, my opponent was in his swaddling clothes," Carroll Reece joked. "The record shows that I have voted consistently for every TVA project since it came into being."

Roy Acuff told the vast audience if elected governor, he would continue as a member of the Grand Ol' Opry, noting "there's nothing in the state constitution that says a governor can't fiddle a little on Saturday night."

The Nashville Tennessean was the primary newspaper organ in the state supporting Estes Kefauver and publisher Silliman Evans continued to pound Carroll Reece at every opportunity. An editorial in the Tennessean claimed Reece was needed in Washington, D. C. not by the people of Tennessee, but rather by Robert E. Smith, who was "well known in Washington as a lobbyist for the private power utility interests." Smith had signed his name to a letter warning insurance policyholders Carroll Reece was needed in Washington lest their policy premiums skyrocket. The Tennessean derided the "Policyholders Protective Association" as "a phony organization with an extensive mailing list and plenty of money with which to buy stamps and stationery."

Estes Kefauver campaigned in Dayton, Tennessee where he pledged to continue to support the "Democratic Administration's" farm program policies. Kefauver also lit into Carroll Reece's record as a congressman once again. Kefauver charged Reece with having voted against "incensive payment for soil conservation, against the continuation of parity payments, against additional

appropriations for rural electrification" and much of the rest of the Democratic program. Kefauver, a prodigious personal campaigner, moved through Copperhill, Cleveland, Ducktown, Benton, Etowah and Athens in his own Third Congressional district in a single day. At the same time, Carroll Reece and Roy Acuff campaigned in Decatur, Dunlap and Pikeville.

Congressman Kefauver continued to hammer home Reece's opposition to many New Deal programs, many of which had been quite popular with Tennesseans. As Kefauver toured through his own congressional district, he was accompanied by James B. Frazier Jr. son and namesake of a former governor and United States senator. Frazier was the Democratic nominee for Congress to succeed Kefauver in the Third District. Kefauver detailed the "no" votes cast by Carroll Reece as a member of Congress, scoring his GOP opponent for having voted against amending the Neutrality Act in 1939 as "war clouds gathered" and despite the fact the legislation was needed "to prevent the Nazis and the Fascists from over-running the world."

"When our merchant ships were attacked, they recommended larger appropriations for the Navy," Kefauver cried. "My opponent voted no." "They recommended lend-lease. Again, my opponent voted no."

"And the three months before we were attacked at Pearl Harbor, they asked that selective service be continued. And how do you think my opponent voted?" Kefauver asked his audience. "Once more he voted no -- he was willing to disband our army and navy at a time when every thinking man must have known that in view of the threats that had been made against us, it was absolutely necessary that we maintain our defenses."

"I predict that on Nov. 2 the people of Tennessee

will vote a final and overwhelming 'no' to Mr. Reece's request that he be sent to the United States Senate."

The Knoxville News-Sentinel supported Congressman Estes Kefauver for the U. S. Senate and published an editorial in mid-October entitled "The Dismal Record of Carroll Reece." "We shudder to think what would have happened to the United States if the entire Congress had shared Reece's views during the years he allegedly represented the First District," the editorial stated. The newspaper speculated it was entirely "possible" the United States would have lost the Second World War had a majority of the Congress shared Carroll Reece's political views. "Certainly, if all the Congress had shared Reece's views, we would be farther along toward losing the peace than we are today," the Sentinel intoned. The editorial endorsed Congressman Estes Kefauver for the Senate. "In the long run, what is best for the country is best for both political parties. Even in the short view, the Republican Party would gain more than it will lose through the defeat of Reece and the election of Kefauver," the Sentinel claimed. "For should the Republican Presidential candidate carry the nation, as all the polls indicate he will, he will find Kefauver more closely akin to his views and policies than the reactionary and discredited Reece."

In Winchester, Tennessee gubernatorial candidate Gordon Browning told an audience, "If I had nothing but TVA to make up my mind on, I would have ample reason for supporting the party that had the vision to create TVA and to fight its later battles against all comers." Browning praised Kefauver as "a young and vigorous but also a tried and veteran friend of TVA" which brought loud cheers from the crowd.

Campaigning in McMinnville, Carroll Reece shot back, "The left-wing crowd with which my opponents runs has made an intensive drive for the younger men and women and, unfortunately, they have in the past achieved a measure of success."

"I don't know of any group in our society that should be more opposed to this collectionist movement than the younger people," Reece concluded.

As the general election in Tennessee headed into its final weeks before voters trooped to the polls, both parties and all the candidates worked feverishly as they approached the finish line.

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# Lakeway CASA Needs Volunteers to Advocate for Abused and Neglected Children

## New volunteer flex training beginning this week

Lakeway CASA needs volunteers who will speak on behalf of abused and neglected children in Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson and Sevier Counties. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) are community members who volunteer to work with children in the child welfare system who have experienced abuse or neglect. They meet with children in person at least monthly and provide information to judges that help them make the most well-informed decisions about each child.

Lakeway CASA is currently advocating for over 140 children who are often experiencing the most difficult time of their young lives due to abuse and neglect. These children are suddenly removed from their home, from all they know and love. CASA Volunteers provide much-needed support through this scary time. They take the time to get to know the child and are the one constant in the middle of all the shuffle, uncertainty, and chaos. Someone who is there for the tough days, the great days, and the in-between days. Someone whose one goal is for the child to have a

safe, loving, and permanent home.

Volunteers receive 30 hours of pre-service training. Once training is completed, volunteers devote an average of 10 hours a month to representing the best interests of the children they serve. Every Volunteer has the support of a CASA staff member and child advocate team through every step of the case. Training and educational opportunities are available each month. No special experience is needed, just an interest in helping children.

Lakeway CASA is offering flex training that offers people with busier schedules the ability to complete the required training to become a CASA. Flex participants meet once a week via Zoom for five weeks. Once training is complete, volunteers visit with children, attend meetings on their behalf, and make recommendations to the juvenile court judge based on what is in the child's best interest. The training begins July 6, 2022. Flex training is offered only once a year and only 15 spots are available. Call 423-307-5762 or email Marie Nicely, recruitment and training coordinator, at lakewaycasamnicely@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

# Continued workforce shortage causes KAT to propose additional service reductions

It is with great reluctance that Knoxville Area Transit is proposing additional service reductions due to continuing and worsening workforce shortages. The Knoxville Transportation Authority will hold a public hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2022 to review and vote on the proposed changes. If approved, the additional service reductions will take effect on Monday, August 29, 2022.

"This is a completely unprecedented situation," says Isaac Thorne, Director of Transit for the City of Knoxville. "We currently have 156 operators out of the 200 needed to operate our pre-COVID service levels. Our bus operators are working hard to try to provide this current level of service to the community, but we must step back for a while with our service

levels while we continue to redouble our hiring, training, and retention efforts."

Recognizing the spiraling effect this could have on those using KAT for work-related transportation, KAT and Knox County CAC Transit are partnering to provide work-related transportation to fill in the gaps left by these reduced service levels. KAT passengers who need transportation in the evenings and on Sundays when KAT service is reduced can call CAC to check availability. Knox County CAC will do its best to work with passenger schedules to provide work-related trips. More information on this program will soon be available on KAT's website, katbus.com or by calling (865)637-3000.

KAT has had to reduce service levels during COVID twice – once in early 2020, returning to regular levels

in July. But those same reductions had to occur again in November 2020. The increasing workforce allowed a return to some previous levels of service, but not all, in March of 2021. However, since that time, workforce levels have continued to fall and are now lower than at any time during the pandemic.

The proposed service reductions are as follows:

- Elimination of Routes 10 – Sequoyah and 19 – Lakeshore/Lonas
- Reduction of all Sunday service schedules, with the last downtown departures at 5:15 p.m.
- All weekday and Saturday evening service ends earlier, with the exception of core routes 11, 12, 22, 31 and 41 continuing through an 11:15 p.m. line-up.
- Reduced hours on

- Route 13 – Beaumont
- Reduced weekday frequency on Route 42 – UT/Ft. Sanders Hospitals
- Reduced frequency on Orange and Green Line trolleys

In addition to these service reductions two route changes are proposed:

- A new proposal to serve West Town Mall (out-bound only) via Gleason Drive
- A proposal for a route change on Route 12 – Western to use 5th Avenue to University (rather than Arthur and Boyd) through the Mechanicsville area

The full details of these proposed changes can be found on KAT's website, www.katbus.com or at the Knoxville Station Customer Service Counter and at the downtown library reference desk.

## Rotary Club of Knoxville swears in 2022-23 Board of Directors

At its June 28 meeting, the Rotary Club of Knoxville swore in its 2022-23 board of directors, to be led by William T. MacGrath, senior vice president at UBank. The board began its term on July 1.

Outgoing president Virginia (Ginny) Morrow, retired from Covenant Health, will serve as the representative of past presidents.

Jim Alexander, director at Acosta Sales and Marketing, is president-elect.

Annette Winston, a distinguished lecturer at the UT School of Communication Studies, is vice president and communications director.

F. Whitfield Addicks,

partner at Addicks CPA Firm LLP, is treasurer and chair of the financial and audit committee.

Shannon Holland, an attorney with Holland Law, is the club secretary.

Kim K. Denton, director of the TCED Program at the UT Center for Industrial Services, is the education director.

Demetrice Hall, president and CEO of VETSmart, is the local service director.

Christopher Lambert, relationship manager at the Trust Company of Tennessee, is recruiting

director.

Joanne Latimer, a loan advisor with American Eagle Mortgage, is the club service director.

Mark Linville, a retired banker, is the member retention director.

Andrew Murr, vice president at Barge Design Solutions, is an international service director.

Founded in 1915, the Rotary Club of Knoxville is among the oldest and largest Rotary Clubs in Tennessee. Club members were instrumental in the formation of the Great

Smoky Mountains National Park and currently sponsor several park projects. The club is also the steward of the Rotary Foundation of Knoxville, which funds college scholarships and special projects.

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## Change Your Perspective by Praising God

Paul wrote the letter of Philippians while sitting in a jail cell in Ephesus or Rome. While there, he penned these amazing words: "But what does it matter? The

important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:18-21).

While I am sure Paul could find negative things to complain about, Paul did not. Paul decided to look for the good. Paul chose not to look at his problems, but through his problems. Later Paul would write, "The Lord is near" (Philippians 4:5). And the next verse, "Do not be anxious about

anything" (4:6). And the next, "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (4:7). This is why Paul could tell those who would listen to rejoice in the Lord always (4:4).

The reason Paul could praise God in jail was "perspective." Perspective allows us to see circumstances differently. For example, your washer goes out, and then the refrigerator. Have you priced a washer or refrigerator lately? This would ruin just about anyone's day or week. But, then perspective kicks in. Your mind recalls all the things you own that still work. The car is at least running. The dryer works. The dishwasher is cleaning dishes. You have not had to go to the doctor in a while. You know life is really not that bad. I mean what a blessing to even have a home with all of these luxury items in it. You could be living in the bush in Africa washing your clothes each day by hand on rocks in the river and never experiencing what an ice cube tastes like because not only do they not have refrigerators, they don't have freezers either. Perspective.

We need to look around and see all the things that are right, not just the things that are wrong. The reason

we panic and get upset is because we are just looking at what is wrong. We need to remember to look at what is right. We need to stop staring "at" our problems and start looking "through" all the ways God has blessed us. Once you do that, you can't help but start praising God.

So, perspective helps us to praise God. Also, praising God helps us to change our perspectives. We can see this in the Psalms, particularly the lament psalms. The Psalm writer begins by expressing his frustrations: enemies are after him, feeling rejected by God, dealing with loneliness or struggle with sin, or being falsely accused. Even though there are frustrations, he praises God anyway. A great example of this is Psalm 13.

If you are having a rough day, turn on some Christian music. You can quickly go from looking at all of your or the world's problems and seeing our powerful God who is with you every step of the way. When you have had enough, God is enough and He is near. We stay mindful of his presence and draw near to Him in prayer and praise. It will change you. It will change your perspective. As we praise God, God will give us peace of mind. Let God renew your mind.

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# Garrett Brewer signs with Walters State

By Ken Lay

When it came time for Garrett Brewer to decide the next step in his life, he took a little time. And after much consideration, Brewer, a baseball player and recent Farragut High School graduate, finalized his college plans Wednesday afternoon as teammates, coaches, family and friends were in attendance. Brewer, the starting catcher for the Admirals on their 2022 Class 4A State Championship team, signed his National Letter of Intent to play at Walters State Community College. Farragut coach Matt Buckner commended

his former player for not making a hasty decision. "It took him a while to decide what he wanted," Buckner said. "I don't usually say much at these signings, but I'm really proud of him. He was the backbone of our state championship team, and he caught four games in the state tournament with a torn hamstring, and I don't know if anybody understands how much that hurts. Most people would tear a hamstring and say 'I'm done.' "He's a character guy and he waited until he got what he wanted. He was a leader for our young team." Brewer said that he chose to attend Walters

State due to its proud baseball tradition and due to the class sizes at the school. "They have a good program," Brewer said. "They've had success. Farragut and Walters State have a lot in common. "I like the small size of the classes because that gives you the chance to have more interaction with your teachers." In Morristown, Brewer will be relatively close to home and that's a factor he also considered. "I wanted to be a little far away but I also wanted to be able to come home if I needed to," Brewer said. "This is only about an hour away."



Farragut High School baseball player Garrett Brewer recently signed with Walters State Community College. Pictured with Brewer are his mother, Angie, his brother, Gavin, and his father, Kenneth. Garrett and Gavin both played for the Admirals in 2022 and won the Class 4A State Championship.

# Bishop's 'Big 3' includes UT, Coastal and Appy



Farragut High softball coach Nick Green, who guided the Lady Admirals to a second straight state championship this past spring, is accompanied by (left to right) mother-in-law Diane Ritter, daughter Kylann Green, daughter Wesley Green and wife Lisa Green as they visited Hershey, PA along with hanging out at Hershey's Chocolate World. "Needless to say, we ate a lot of chocolate that week," said Nick.

By Steve Williams

Karns High running back standout De'Sean Bishop said Friday that Tennessee, Coastal Carolina and Appalachian State "probably are the Big 3 I'll be choosing from" the week after "Dead Period" ends or the week after that. Bishop added that his announcement will take place at the school and "it's not pen to paper. It's like a verbal commitment. Recruitments are always open. "You can put Middle Tennessee in there. I started liking them a little bit." Bishop "postponed" his commitment a week or so ago.

**THE TSSAA** "Dead Period" started June 27 and runs through July 10. Most states across the country have a specified dead period in the summer when student-athletes are not allowed any contact with their coaches, nor are they to utilize school facilities. The intention is to give athletes a much-needed break during their actual summer break.

**JORDYN POTTS**, Powell quarterback, committed last week to sign with Tennessee Tech. Potts helped lead the Panthers to the Class 5A state championship last season.

**FIVE NEW** head football coaches will be on the sideline in Knox County this coming season: Josh Jones at Bearden, Jeff McMillan at Fulton, Brent Hughes at Halls, Jeff Miner at Hardin Valley and Paul Shelton at South-Doyle.

**THE KFOA** High School Football Media Day sponsored by the Knoxville Football Officials Association will be Friday, July 15 at the Three Ridges Golf Course Pavilion. "Currently, we have 33 teams who have registered," said TSSAA Supervisor Harold Denton. Interviews start at 8:10 a.m. and end at noon. After a lunch break, the KFOA's annual Scholarship Golf Tourney will start at 1.

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# Area players honored by TBCA

By Ken Lay

Eight area high school baseball players were recently honored for their stellar 2022 season recently by the state's high school coaches as they were named to the Tennessee Baseball Coaches Association's all-state's teams.

Four local players were named to the Class 4A team.

Farragut, which won the 2022 Class 4A state championship, had two selections as sophomore shortstop Lukas Buckner and senior pitcher Jaxson Pease were named to the team.

Powell, which won the

District 3-4A championship and also reached the state tournament, had pitcher Charlie Smith selected to the team.

Bearden sophomore pitcher, catcher and infielder Brooks Wright was named to the team after the Bulldogs, who finished sixth in the District 4-4A standings, reached the district tournament championship game and qualified for the Region 2-4A tournament.

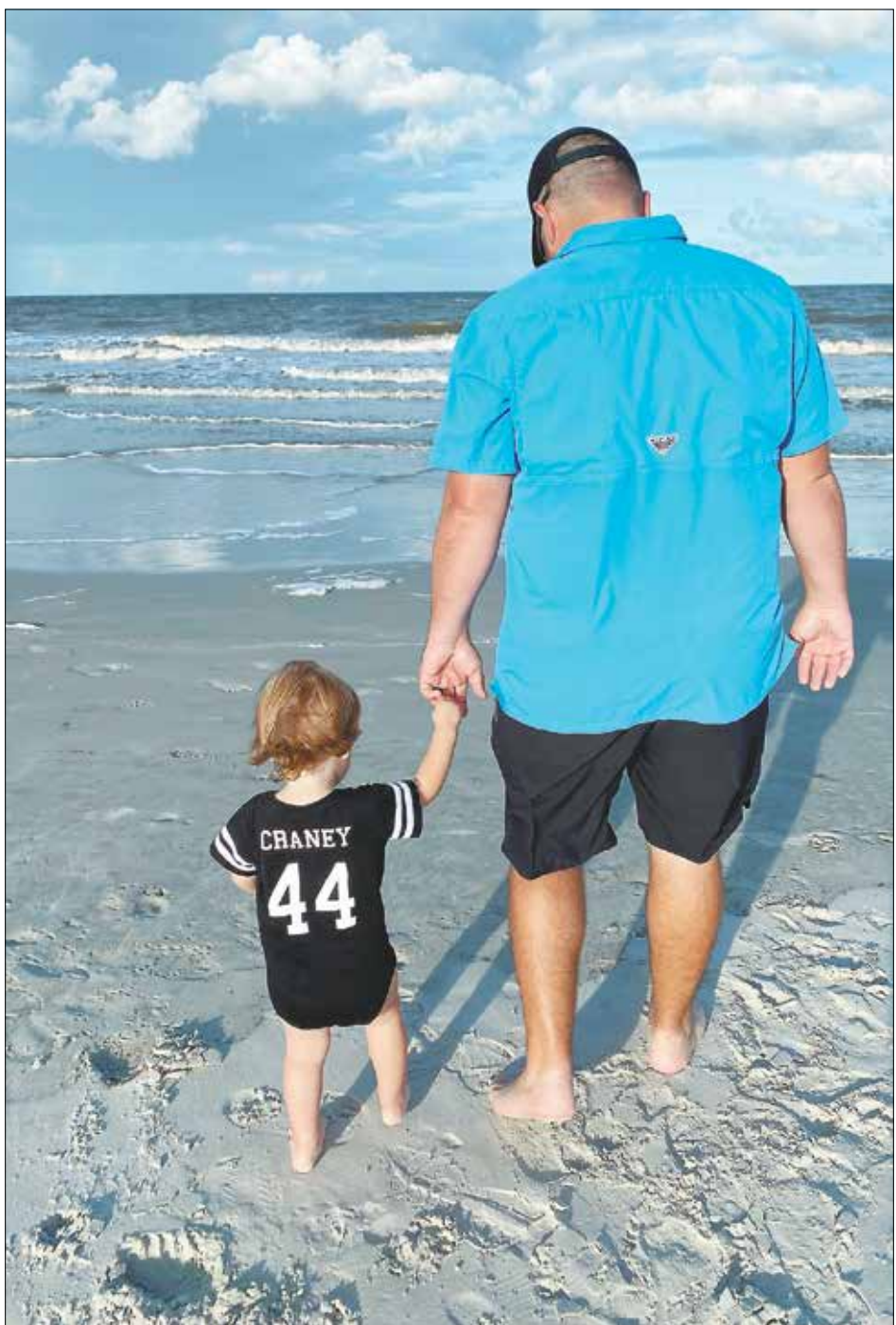
**In Class 3A:** Carter High, which went 26-8 and won the District 3-3A regular-season title and tournament championship, had George Davis named to the team.

**In Division II-AA:** Catholic

High School reached the state tournament in Lebanon recently and the Irish had two players receive all-state honors as Ian Hubbard and Daniel Parris were named to the team. Both Parris and Hubbard are two-way players for Catholic and both excelled on the mound and at the plate for the Irish.

**In Division II-A:** Christian Academy of Knoxville's Wes Alig was named all-state.

Alig, a sophomore outfielder for the Warriors and CAK's leadoff hitter hit .462 and clubbed 11 home runs. He drove in 33 runs and stole 20 bases and scored 55 runs for the Warriors.



Central High football coach Nick Craney enjoys a walk on the beach with his youngest daughter Carolina. "My family and I are vacationing on Jekyll Island in south Georgia," said Nick last Wednesday. His family on the trip also included wife Brooke and daughter Lilly plus extended family Jeff, Elanna, Tom, Nancy, Savannah, Carlan, Sean and Justin.

## Bishop's 'Big 3' includes UT, Coastal and Appy

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**SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:** The KFOA awarded

scholarships this year to Elizabeth Hickman of Claiborne County High, Natalie Rhodes of Karns High and Keenan Vaughn of Fulton High. The awards are for \$2500 per year for two years. In the history of the KFOA's philanthropy, 88 scholarships have been awarded

to recipients at 27 high schools the KFOA services, totaling \$177,000. Gatlinburg-Pittman (11 honorees) and South-Doyle (10) currently lead in having the most honorees. **OFFICIALS NEEDED:** The first training session of the preseason will be held on July 25 in the West High Mini Auditorium beginning at 6 p.m.



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In 2007, Sports Illustrated named Tennessee the “Team of the Decade” for the 1950s. The Vols compiled a 72-31-4 record



overall, 38-20-4 in the SEC, and boasted a consensus national title in 1951. There were also two SEC titles (1951 and 1956) and two Heisman runners-up, Hank Lauricella (1951) and John Majors (1956).

The Vols were 7-1-2 against Alabama during that time frame, shutting out the Tide five times in 10 years. On the other hand, Kentucky defeated the Vols six times in 10 tries.

Gen. Neyland’s final three years (1950-52) had brought a 29-4-1 record, with bowl games each year. The 1955 season brought the return of a Tennessee folk hero —1938 Vol captain Bowden Wyatt — as head coach. Wyatt brought home an SEC title and No. 2 national ranking in 1956 and a Gator Bowl berth in 1957.

This was balanced against not-so-hot seasons in 1953 and 1954 and losses to Auburn (the Vols failed to make a first down), Chattanooga, and Florida State in 1958.

What lay ahead in 1959 was a season marked by two “highs” — victories over the previous national champions (Auburn and LSU)



A capacity crowd watches at Shields-Watkins Field as Tennessee and LSU square off on Homecoming Day 1959. John Hollingsworth Photo.

— and three “lows,” consecutive losses to Ole Miss, Kentucky, and Vanderbilt to conclude the season and the decade.

In late September, the Vols, still smarting from the 13-0 loss to Auburn a year earlier, won 3-0 on Shields-Watkins Field on Cotton Letner’s 20-yard field goal at the north end. On a hot and muggy afternoon, Vol defenders held the Tigers to two forays across the 50.

Bill Majors, a marvel in the secondary, picked off two passes, while Neyle Sollee added a third that thwarted the final Auburn scoring drive.

When LSU came to town for Homecoming on Nov. 7, Vol fans in the know were convinced that the Vols would win. There were signs around campus that read, “LSU, who are you? You won’t be first when the Vols get through.”

LSU led 7-0 at intermission, with the Tigers boasting a streak of 40 quarters since their goal line had been crossed.

That lead looked rock-solid until Tiger quarterback Warren Rabb tossed a pass in the flat toward running back Johnny Robinson. Vol linebacker Jim Cartwright intercepted and

returned 59 yards for a touchdown.

Newspaper reports indicated that Cartwright’s theft and scoring run woke up the “tomb-like stadium.” When the Vols recovered a fumble and Sollee ran 14 yards for a score to make the count 14-7, Vol fans were back in the game in a big way.

After a punt took a big bounce and hit Majors on the shoulder, LSU recovered and scored to close the gap to 14-13 early in the fourth quarter. Head coach Paul Dietzel decided to go for two and the lead, probably the win, even

though there was an eternity of time remaining.

“We’d have been run out of the state of Louisiana had we not given the ball to Cannon,” Tiger assistant coach, later head coach, Charley McClendon said. “Can you imagine what would’ve happened had we given the ball to someone else and not made it?”

Cannon, the 1959 Heisman Trophy winner, got the pigskin on a sweep to the east side of the field. The play had been diagrammed earlier in the week in a Knoxville newspaper, and it appeared Cannon would walk into the north end

zone. Nothing comes easily against the Vols on Shields-Watkins Field. Cannon got the ball, and Athens’ Wayne Grubb, Sewanee’s Majors, and Knoxville’s Charley Severance were there for the stop. The play is known historically as “The Stop,” maybe the most famous defensive play in Tennessee history.

Over the years, Cannon thought he had scored. Severance was equally adamant that Cannon was short of the end zone. Legend has it that this play decided the game. Not so. LSU actually had three legitimate shots to win afterwards, but the Tigers were stymied each time.

The end of the season and the decade was not what the doctor ordered for the Vol program. After a close first half at Crump Stadium in Memphis, Ole Miss knocked off Tennessee 37-7. Kentucky won 20-0 at Stoll Field, and Vanderbilt won its first game in Knoxville in 22 years with a 14-0 triumph.

A 5-1-1 season thus turned into a 5-4-1 campaign in a matter of weeks.

There was a 6-2-2 record in 1960, 6-4 in 1961, and 4-6 in 1962. The winds of change were swirling around the program. That change would occur in December 1963 with the hiring of Arkansas assistant coach Doug Dickey.

The single-wing would be out, and the “T” formation in.

# Meet the Knoxville Focus All-County Softball Team

By Ken Lay

The recently completed 2022 high school softball season packed plenty of excitement as Farragut High School won a second consecutive state championship and Gibbs was a state runner-up.

Halls won a district title and Bearden finished second in the District 4-4A regular-season standings. The Lady Bulldogs swept Hardin Valley Academy and nabbed a win over Kingston Pike rival Farragut for the first time in quite a while.

The Knoxville Focus recognizes some of the area’s top players on its All-County softball team.

**Co-Coach of the Year: Nick Green, Farragut High School:** Green guided the Lady Admirals to a second consecutive state championship in 2022. Farragut claimed the Class 4A State Championship after claiming the Class 3A crown in 2021.

**Co-Coach of the Year: Kenneth Boles, Bearden High School:** Boles guided the Lady Bulldogs to a second-place finish in the District 4-4A regular-season standings. Bearden had had its struggles on the softball diamond in recent years.

**Player of the Year: Lauren Brakovec, Senior, Farragut High School:** Brakovec was the District 4-4A Player of the Year and helped the Lady Admirals win a second consecutive state crown. She batted .492 and drove in 64 runs. She clubbed 12 home runs in 2022 and left the Farragut program as its all-time

home run leader with 28 round-trippers.

**Pitcher of the Year: Avery Flatford, Senior, Farragut High School:** The left-hander and Tennessee Tech signee was the district Pitcher of the Year as she had a 1.16 ERA and recorded 267 strikeouts as the Admirals won a second consecutive state title.

Other team members: **Bradyann Belcher, Senior, Bearden High School:** A versatile player, Belcher helped Bearden have its most successful season in several years. The Berry College signee was an All-District 4-4A standout for the Lady Bulldogs.

**Jayla Young, Freshman, Central High School:** An infielder for the Lady Bobcats, Young wasted little time making an impact on the county softball scene as she batted .578 and had a .636 on-base percentage. She had 15 stolen bases, scored 53 times and drove in 29 runs.

**Anna Kate Reichter, Senior, Karns High School:** The Lady Beavers’ outfielder and Lincoln Memorial University signee was a top player on one of the top teams in District 3-4A.

She finished the 2022 campaign with a .555 batting average and a .589 on-base percentage. She didn’t commit an error all season. She scored 48 runs and stole 29 bases for Karns.

**Maliyah Smith, Freshman, Gibbs High School:** The Lady Eagles had another trip to the state

tournament in 2022 and were the runners-up in Murfreesboro. Smith, an outfielder, made quite an impact in Corryton as she batted .468 and posted a .938 fielding percentage.

She drove in 23 runs and swiped 24 bases. She also scored 56 runs.

**Gracie Gray, Junior, Hardin Valley Academy:** The Lady Hawks had a tough year in 2022 but Gray, an All-District 4-4A standout was a bright spot for HVA as she batted .500 against one of the area’s toughest schedules.

**Aspen Calloway, Senior, Halls High School:** Calloway, a two-way player for the Lady Devils. She was dominant both at the plate and in the circle. She hit five home runs and had 27 RBIs. As a pitcher, she posted an 11-3 record and had 121 strikeouts, leading Halls to a District 4-3A Championship.

**Lauren Spainhower, Sophomore, Bearden High School:** Spainhower was a two-way player for the Lady Bulldogs, who had their best season in recent memory as they finished send in the District 4-4A regular-season standings. She was an all-district performer.

**Ava Guzowski, Junior, Farragut High School:** The Lady Admirals’ shortstop and Kennesaw State commitment had 10 home runs and drove in 48 runs while batting .424.

# College Athletics Changing for the Worse

By Mark Nagi

I’m not good with change. Never have been. Never will be.

I was sad when Rita’s Bakery closed its doors. I went to the Tazewell Pike store a few times a year for over a decade, picking up fancy sugar cookies for my daughter’s birthdays. It was a special little family tradition that we will have no more. (Side note, hit me up on Twitter if you have a good sugar cookie alternative in Knoxville.)

I didn’t like it when I left Geneseo, NY. It was my little college town, the place I felt safe and loved and, man, it was fun. Graduation is part of life... but that didn’t mean I liked it.

And I certainly don’t like the current state of collegiate athletics.

Last week, USC and UCLA left the Pac-12 for the Big 10. It wasn’t a move that many saw coming, but in 2024 the Trojans and Bruins will be playing schools on the opposite side of the country.

This is just the latest move that is shaking the foundation of collegiate athletics. The Big 12 lost their two biggest draws (Texas and Oklahoma) to the SEC. The Longhorns and Sooners could join their new conference as early as 2023. The Big 12 then pulled Houston, Cincinnati, Central Florida, and BYU because yes, we all have been clamoring for that Iowa State/Central Florida rivalry to become a regular thing.

The closest Big 10 school to Los Angeles? Nebraska. Over 1500 miles away. USC and UCLA will now play conference games against Rutgers. Google tells me that driving the necessary 2753 miles would take 41 hours. Or 250 hours if you traveled on a bicycle. Or 903 hours if you walked. What I’m trying to say is that it is far away.

How exactly does the “student-athlete” benefit to have to travel that distance for a game?

Every few years conferences look for ways to make more money. Not that they are standing in a soup line. These conferences and their member universities make a fortune through TV dollars alone.

But it’s not enough.

Have we not learned that money is the root of all evil? How it makes us do things that we don’t necessarily want to do?

The old Big East conference was an absolute delight. The 1980s in college basketball were a golden era for those schools. But then they expanded to allow the development of football and all the riches that sport brings the member universities. Eventually, the conference destroyed itself. Today it exists again, with the same name, and as a basketball-only conference again.

Last summer, the top soccer clubs in Europe tried to start what was called the “Super League.” That would have destroyed the fabric of the sport and destroyed its unique structure. But fans stood up and the team owners caved. It was their “Schiano Sunday.”

Unfortunately, nothing can stop this train. Conferences have been poaching other conferences for years and that’s not going to stop.

I’m 49 years old. Maybe now I’m the old man yelling at the cloud. Maybe you are 69 years old and remember having these same feelings when the SEC expanded to allow South Carolina and Arkansas to join them. Maybe you are 44 and will have these same feelings in a few years when the SEC grabs Clemson and Florida State, Miami, and Virginia Tech while the Big 10 picks up Utah and Oregon.

The Super League failed in Europe, but the age of the Super Conference in collegiate athletics is almost here. Will there eventually be only two major conferences? We are heading in that direction.

And it’ll be a shame that Tennessee/Florida will be replaced with something not nearly as fun or intense. What level of good old-fashioned sports hate will there be when Tennessee plays North Carolina State in SEC play? That’ll take time to develop.

I know I’ll still be watching the games, and I’ll still enjoy those moments.

It’ll just be... different.

I’m not good with change. Never have been. Never will be.

# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## COURT NOTICES

### ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

**DEBRA TALLEY, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**JOHN TALLEY, Defendant.**  
**No. 204692-1**  
IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
Upon Motion of the Plaintiff and for good cause shown, Plaintiff's Motion for Service by Publication is GRANTED as to the Divorce action pending in this Court. Plaintiff shall cause the appropriate notice to the Defendant to be published within the Knoxville Focus newspaper in Knoxville, Tennessee for four (4) consecutive weeks, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 21-1-204. After such time, service will be deemed to have been accomplished and these causes shall proceed in accordance with the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure.  
All other issues are RESERVED.  
It is so ORDERED. ENTERED this 6th day of June, 2022.

John F. Weaver  
Chancellor

Approved for entry:  
**HELD LAW FIRM**  
BY: Brittany Gilder, BPR #039465  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
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### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
**Docket No. 3984**

**TERRY SANDS AND PAMELA SANDS, Petitioners,**  
**v.**  
**ROBERT BAKER and UNKNOWN FATHER, Respondents.**

**IN THE MATTER OF: LANDON BAKER**  
**DOB: 10/26/2015**  
In this cause, it appearing from the Petition filed, which is verified, that the Respondents, Robert Baker and Unknown Father, is unknown or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him.  
IT IS ORDERED that said Respondents, Robert Baker and Unknown Father, file an answer with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Union County, Tennessee and with Travis D. Patterson, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 70586 Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice or the same will be taken for confessed as to Respondents and judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before the Circuit Court for Union County, Tennessee 901 Main Street, Maynardville, Tennessee 37807. This notice will be published in the Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 15 day of June, 2022.

ENTERED 15 day of June, 2022.  
Barbara Williams  
CLERK

Travis Patterson  
TRAVIS D. PATTERSON, Esq.  
Attorney for Petitioners  
BPR NO. 030640  
P.O. Box 70586  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37938  
Ph.: (865) 306-0333

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
**Case No. 3997**

**STEPHEN JOE REYNOLDS, Petitioner,**  
**v.**  
**ASHLEY MOORE, ANTHONY DEMARCUS WILLIAMS, AND UNKNOWN FATHER. Respondent.**

**IN THE MATTER OF: TONY MARCUS MOORE**  
**DOB: 2/13/2007**  
**A CHILD UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE**

In this cause, it appearing from the Petition filed, which is verified, that the Respondent, unknown father and Anthony DeMarcus Williams, is unknown or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him.  
IT IS ORDERED that said Respondent, unknown father and Anthony DeMarcus Williams, file an answer with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Maynardville, Tennessee and with Travis D. Patterson, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 70586 Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice or the same will be taken for confessed as to Respondents and judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before the Circuit Court for Union County, Tennessee 901 Main Street, Maynardville, Tennessee 37807. This notice will be published in the Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 8 day of June, 2022.

ENTERED 8 day of June, 2022.  
Barbara Williams  
CLERK

Travis Patterson  
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### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: MICHAEL SILVERS;**  
**IN RE: JESSICA SAMUDIO AND JONATHAN SAMUDIO v. MICHAEL SILVERS**  
**NO. 204432-2**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant MICHAEL SILVERS, 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 as to Respondent, MICHAEL SILVERS, file an answer

with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Danny C. Garland, II, an Attorney whose address is 103 Suburban Road, Suite 202 Knoxville, TN 37923 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pridemore at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 16th day of July, 2022.

Howard G. Hogan  
Clerk and Master

### ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
**JUNE AMBER LOPER**  
**RONALD LEE LOPER II**  
**Petitioners,**  
**v.**  
**JOHN CARL FITCH, JR., Respondent/Father.**  
**No. 202097-1**  
**IN THE MATTER OF: Ellen Unique Miracle Fitch**  
**d.o.b. (10/0712016)**  
**John Carl Fitch III d.o.b. (08/25/2017)**

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION  
This matter came to be heard by this Honorable Court on this the 6th day of June, 2022. Upon Counsel's MOTION FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION this Honorable Court finds as follows:

- That the current whereabouts of the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr., is unknown.
- That the Petitioners, June Loper and Ronald Loper II, have made diligent efforts to locate the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr.
- That pursuant to T.C.A. § 21-1-203 and 21-1-204 that proper service on the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr., will be satisfied through Service by Publication.
- That The Knoxville Focus is a regularly published and distributed newspaper in Knox County, Tennessee, which is the most proximate location of the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr.'s, last known location.
- That Service by Publication through The Knoxville Focus, for four (4) consecutive weeks satisfies the Service requirements set forth by T.C.A. § 21-1-203 and 21-1-204.
- IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:
  - That the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr., shall be served with proper notice by Publication through The Knoxville Focus.
  - That notice shall run one (1) time per week for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Knoxville Focus, thereby satisfying the Service requirements set forth by T.C.A. § 21-1-203 and 21-1-204.
  - That if Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr., does not file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee and with Petitioner's Counsel, Mikaela M. Smith, whose address is 8 Emory Place, Knoxville, Tennessee 37917, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice a hearing will be set for this cause before the Honorable Chancellor John F. Weaver, at the Knox County Chancery Court, located at 400 Main St. SW #125, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, that action shall be taken by this Honorable Court to default the Respondent, John Carl Fitch, Jr., and enter Judgment in favor of the Petitioners, June Loper and Ronald Loper II.
  - That Judgment in favor of the Petitioners will result in the adoption of the above mentioned minor children, ELLEN UNIQUE MIRACLE FITCH and JOHN CARL FITCH, JR., in accordance with a separately filed Petition to Terminate Parental Rights and for Adoption.

ENTER THIS THE 6th DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

John F. Weaver  
CHANCELLOR JOHN F. WEAVER  
CHANCERY COURT JUDGE

Prepared for Entry:  
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### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: ALAN WAYNE SELLERS;**  
**IN RE: TERESA LYNN SELLERS**  
**vs. ALAN WAYNE SELLERS**  
**NO. 204916-3**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ALAN WAYNE SELLERS, 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 ALAN WAYNE SELLERS, it is ordered that said defendant, ALAN WAYNE SELLERS, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Jerry R. Givens, an Attorney whose address is 9724 Kingston Pike, Suite 504 Knoxville, TN 37922 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 Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 23rd day of June, 2022.

Howard G. Hogan  
Clerk and Master

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: JANICE LILLEY;**  
**IN RE: ELEANOR SUE PETREE, RAYMOND WILLIAMS, JERRY WILLIAMS, RICKY WILLIAMS vs. JANICE LILLEY**  
**NO. 204574-3**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant JANICE LILLEY, 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 JANICE LILLEY, it is ordered that said defendant, JANICE LILLEY, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Abigail E. Ruiz, an Attorney whose address is Landry & Azevedo, 859 Ebenezer Road, Knoxville, TN 37923 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 Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III,

400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 27th day of June, 2022.

Howard G. Hogan  
Clerk and Master

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JEANNETTE R DAVIS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86190-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters of administration c.t.a in respect of the Estate of JEANNETTE R DAVIS who died Mar 24, 2022, 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 date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(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 (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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF JEANNETTE R DAVIS**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**JASON PATRICK DAVIS;**  
**ADMINISTRATOR CTA**  
**820 LIGHTFOOT WAY**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923**  
**H STEPHEN GILLMAN ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 870**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARY ELIZABETH WILLIAMS DREW**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86263-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY ELIZABETH WILLIAMS DREW who died Mar 16, 2022, 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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF MARY ELIZABETH WILLIAMS DREW**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**KAREN DALE DREW; EXECUTRIX**  
**8125 CHESTERFIELD DRIVE**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922**  
**N CRAIG STRAND ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**7610 GLEASON DRIVE, SUITE 200**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DONALD LEE HALL**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86222-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DONALD LEE HALL who died Mar 2, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF DONALD LEE HALL**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**MICHELLE GARNER BRADEN; CO-EXECUTOR**  
**1805 CASCADE FALLS LANE**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931**  
**WILLIAM BRADLEY HALL; CO-EXECUTOR**  
**106 CORDOBA COURT**  
**GOOSE CREEK, SC 29445**

**STEVEN K BOWLING ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 11125**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37939-1125**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WANDA LOU ISAKSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86224-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 16 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA LOU ISAKSON who died Mar 18, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

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 16 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF WANDA LOU ISAKSON**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**FIRST HORIZON BANK; EXECUTOR**  
**C/O M ALAN MOORE, JR., 800**  
**S GAY STREET, FIFTH FLOOR**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF STEPHANIE C JOHNSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86352-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of STEPHANIE C JOHNSON who died Feb 22, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF STEPHANIE C JOHNSON**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**ELIJAH JOHNSON; EXECUTOR**  
**1504 CRESCENT OAKS LANE**  
**LENOIR CITY, TN. 37772**  
**SARAH E C MALIA ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 12395**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BETTY FAYE MALONEY**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86186-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY FAYE MALONEY who died Feb 21, 2022, 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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF BETTY FAYE MALONEY**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**LARRY D MALONEY; EXECUTOR**  
**4200 CATHEDRAL AVENUE NW #1111**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 20016-4933**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SHAWN CHARLES MANSDOERFER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86139-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SHAWN CHARLES MANSDOERFER who died Nov 30, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF SHAWN CHARLES MANSDOERFER**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**STUART MANSDOERFER; ADMINISTRATOR**  
**201 N WOODROW STREET**  
**GLADEWATER, TX 75647**  
**JERROLD L BECKER ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**1614 WHEATON PLACE**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ALONZO THOMAS MONTGOMERY**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 85985-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ALONZO THOMAS MONTGOMERY who died Jun 17, 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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF ALONZO THOMAS MONTGOMERY**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**RUTH D LYONS; ADMINISTRATRIX**  
**2517 SABLE POINT LANE**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924**  
**F CLINTON LITTLE ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**109 S NORTHSIDE DRIVE, SUITE 401**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DONALD WALTER ORR**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86289-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DONALD WALTER ORR who died Feb 7, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF DONALD WALTER ORR**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**GISHELLE DIVA GISH; EXECUTRIX**  
**1212 FOXCROFT DRIVE**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF VIVIAN PRISCILLA PATTERSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86161-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIVIAN PRISCILLA PATTERSON who died Feb 3, 2022, 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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF VIVIAN PRISCILLA PATTERSON**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**ROBERT EUGENE HART; EXECUTOR**  
**4467 HACKBERRY COURT**  
**BURLINGTON, KY 41005**

**CARIN C BRIO ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**3217 GARDEN DRIVE, SUITE 1**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BOBBY ALLEN SEXTON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86274-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BOBBY ALLEN SEXTON who died Mar 23, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF BOBBY ALLEN SEXTON**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**MARK ALLEN SEXTON; CO-EXECUTOR**  
**239 DOROTHY DRIVE**  
**MAYNARDVILLE, TN. 37807**  
**BOBBY AARON SEXTON; CO-EXECUTOR**  
**413 RIDGE ROAD**  
**MAYNARDVILLE, TN. 37807**

**K DAVID MYERS ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 13**  
**MAYNARDVILLE, TN. 37807**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ANDREW JAY SUMMERS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86157-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of JUNE 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ANDREW JAY SUMMERS who died Jan 11, 2022, 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 17 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF ANDREW JAY SUMMERS**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**JUDITH A EDGERTON; ADMINISTRATRIX**  
**P.O. BOX 15**  
**PINE LEVEL, NC 27568**

**ALEXANDER TAYLOR ATTORNEY AT LAW**  
**P.O. BOX 442**  
**KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARTHA JENKINS WILLIAMSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86262-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARTHA JENKINS WILLIAMSON who died Feb 8, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF MARTHA JENKINS WILLIAMSON**  
**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
**MARTHA WILLIAMSON**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SUZANNE V DALTON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86369-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SUZANNE V DALTON who died Apr 1, 2022, 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 24 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF SUZANNE V DALTON**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
WILLIAM VICARI; EXECUTOR  
9876 NOTTING HILL DRIVE  
FREDERICK, MD 21704

DAVID H LUHN ATTORNEY AT LAW  
310 N FOREST PARK BLVD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MAE ARMSTRONG DAVIS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 85998-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MAE ARMSTRONG DAVIS who died Jan 12, 2022, 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 22 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF MAE ARMSTRONG DAVIS**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
RICHARD C DAVIS; CO-EXECUTOR  
5808 PENSURST CT  
POWELL, TN. 37849

MARK DAVIS; CO-EXECUTOR  
124 N SENELA  
OAK RIDGE, TN. 37830

STEPHEN M BOYETTE, JR.  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
800 S GAY STREET, SUITE 1200  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37929

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RUBY MARIE DICKENS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86354-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RUBY MARIE DICKENS who died Mar 10, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF RUBY MARIE DICKENS**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
GARY DICKENS; CO-EXECUTOR  
6428 NORWOOD DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

DAVID DICKENS; CO-EXECUTOR  
6715 FLINT GAP ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JACK DOTSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86315-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JACK DOTSON who died Sep 16, 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 27 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF JACK DOTSON**

PERSON REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KAREN DOTSON; EXECUTRIX  
3317 BELLEVUE STREET

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

DAVID HAMILTON ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1810 MERCHANT DRIVE, SUITE 1  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES REGINALD GIERTH**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86356-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES REGINALD GIERTH who died Apr 13, 2022, 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 22 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF CHARLES REGINALD GIERTH**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CHARLOTTE TERESA MIRAGLIA; EXECUTRIX  
P.O. BOX 9462  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37940

S DAVID LIPSEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1430 ISLAND HOME AVENUE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF HELEN ELIZABETH HARMON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86366-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HELEN ELIZABETH HARMON who died Apr 4, 2022, 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 23 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF HELEN ELIZABETH HARMON**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ALVIN RICHARD HARMON, JR.; EXECUTOR  
1108 DRINNION DRIVE  
MORRISTOWN, TN. 37814

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BARBARA B JETT**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86270-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA B JETT who died Apr 10, 2022, 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 27 day of JUNE, 2022.

**DONNA L BARTKIEWICZ; EXECUTRIX**  
45 FISHBACK COURT  
WARRENTON, VA 20186

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

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF OMA LEE JOHNSON**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86357-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of OMA LEE JOHNSON who died Jan 20, 2022, 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 22 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF OMA LEE JOHNSON**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
PATSY ANN GRINSTEAD; EXECUTRIX  
P.O. BOX 5952  
SEVIERVILLE, TN. 37864

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARIE C KERLEY**  
**AKA EDNA MARIE KERLEY**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86378-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARIE C KERLEY AKA EDNA MARIE KERLEY who died Apr 7, 2022, 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 27 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF MARIE C KERLEY**  
**AKA EDNA MARIE KERLEY**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CAROLYN WELLS; EXECUTRIX  
6811 HUNTERS TRAIL  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

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

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROYDEN LAMONT KRUSE, JR.**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86355-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROYDEN LAMONT KRUSE, JR. who died May 20, 2022, 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 21 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF ROYDEN LAMONT KRUSE, JR**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
HEATHER WHEELER; EXECUTRIX  
7701 WATER TOWER ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF TRULA N LAMPKIN**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86364-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of TRULA N LAMPKIN who died Apr 5, 2022, 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 23 day of JUNE, 2022.

**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
PAMELA J RAY; EXECUTRIX  
8125 ANDERSONVILLE PIKE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF TAMMIE LYNN LOWE**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86363-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of JUNE 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of TAMMIE LYNN LOWE who died Apr 25, 2022, 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 23 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF TAMMIE LYNN LOWE**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DENNIS ANDREW MCLEAN; ADMINISTRATOR  
1000 DRIVE D  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF HILDA MAXINE SANDS**  
**AKA MAXINE H SANDS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 85888-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HILDA MAXINE SANDS AKA MAXINE H SANDS who died Jul 14, 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 23 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF HILDA MAXINE SANDS**  
**AKA MAXINE H SANDS**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SHIRLEY CRUZE AKA KATY CRUZE; EXECUTRIX  
1520 ROOSEVELT ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

MELISSA WORTLEY LAWING  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
3715 POWERS STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CATHY ANN SPROUSE**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86325-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JUNE 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CATHY ANN SPROUSE who died Apr 20, 2022, 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 27 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF CATHY ANN SPROUSE**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JERRY W SPROUSE; CO-ADMINISTROR  
109 REDHAWK LANE  
POWELL, TN. 37849

JESSICA R REYNOLDS; CO-ADMINISTROR  
109 REDHAWK LANE  
POWELL, TN. 37849

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JIMMY C TUMBLIN**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86373-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JIMMY C TUMBLIN who died Jun 3, 2022, 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 27 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF JIMMY C TUMBLIN**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
RICHARD E TUMBLIN; EXECUTOR  
4202 BARBARA DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARILYN WEAVER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86370-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARILYN WEAVER who died Mar 18, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 24 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF MARILYN WEAVER**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
BARTON K WEAVER; EXECUTOR  
7400 WESTRIDGE DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

CATHERINE SHANKS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
406 UNION AVENUE, SUITE 600  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF H LEON WHEDBEE, JR.**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86368-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of H LEON WHEDBEE, JR. who died Apr 10, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 24 day of JUNE, 2022.

**ESTATE OF H LEON WHEDBEE JR**

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JOHN M SPRINKLE; EXECUTOR  
7908 TRESSA CIRCLE  
POWELL, TN. 37849

EDWARD A COX, JR. ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1111 N NORHTSHORE DRIVE, SUITE N-290  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JIMMY RAY WILLIAMS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 86365-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of JUNE 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JIMMY RAY WILLIAMS who died Mar 25, 2022, 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 23 day of JUNE, 2022.

**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)**  
RICHARD W WILLIAMS; EXECUTOR  
4600 GREENDALE ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

## MISC. NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY RECORDS COMMISSION SHALL MEET ON THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022, FROM 12-1 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**
- Call To Order.
  - Approval of Minutes from January 20th, 2022, Meeting.
  - Record Disposition Request – Records Management.
  - Discussion on Forensic Center Digitization Project.
  - Discussion on Electronic Records Committee Formation.
  - Other Business.
  - Adjournment

### PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION SHALL MEET FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, JULY 25, 2022, AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE MAIN ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, 400 MAIN STREET.

- AGENDA**
1. Call to Order.
  2. Public Forum.
  3. Discussion of Ordinance 0-22-6-104 of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, amending the Knox County Code, Appendix A - Zoning, Article 6 entitled “Administration, Enforcement and Interpretation”, by amending Subsections 6.40.01 and 6.50.07 and adding a new Subsection 6.50.08 to provide for Development Plan Appeals to a Court of competent jurisdiction. (Ord. No. 0-90-9-130, adopted 9-10-90, as amended). A complete copy of the proposed amendment is available and may be obtained at the Knox County Commission Office, Suite 603, in the City-County Building.
  4. Adjournment.

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owner and/or lien holders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at Clinton Hwy Service Center, 5929 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37912. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights, title and consent to dispose of said vehicle at Public Auction 2011 CHEV EQU 4W 2CNFLCEC5B6466471 on July 9,2022 8.00a.m.

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or line holders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of A1 Express Tires & Wrecker Service. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at public auction held on JULY 25TH 2022 AT 10:00 AM at 11941 Chapman Hwy Seymour TN 37865

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## Froggy Went A-Changin' Gray Treefrog Metamorphosis UT Arboretum Society virtual program Thursday, July 7

In East Tennessee, we are surrounded by trees and that means we live in the middle of gray treefrog land. Join local naturalist, Stephen Lyn Bales, as we learn about a clutch of gelatinous frogspawn watching them change from egg to hop-away adult gray treefrogs (*Hyla versicolor*) at the UT Arboretum Society's First Thursday Nature Supper Club via Zoom on Thursday, July 7 at 7 p.m. EDT. You provide your own stay-at-home supper, and we provide the nature as Stephen Lyn will entertain and teach us via Zoom as we learn together about the lifecycle of the gray treefrog carefully photographed at each stage by Stephen Lyn.

The program is free, but registration is required to receive your link. Register at [www.utarboretumsociety.org](http://www.utarboretumsociety.org). This program will

be recorded, and closed captioning is available. Please note this program is scheduled on Eastern time. Please contact UT Arboretum Education Coordinator, Michelle Campanis, at [mcampani@utk.edu](mailto:mcampani@utk.edu) with any questions or registration issues.

To contact Stephen Lyn Bales or buy one of his UT Press books, email him at [hellostephenlyn@gmail.com](mailto:hellostephenlyn@gmail.com)

Due to continued concerns regarding Covid-19, the UT Arboretum Society's educational programs are currently not on-site activities. The UT Arboretum Society is pleased to bring the public some great online options.

To learn more about the Arboretum Society or for questions on this program, go to [www.utarboretumsociety.org](http://www.utarboretumsociety.org)

## Partners across east Tennessee promote credit score awareness

Knoxville leaders, including Mayor Indya Kincannon, are supporting a regional awareness campaign and efforts by a broad coalition to assist individuals in achieving credit scores that will lead to financial sustainability. Financial professionals and organizations that provide credit counseling services say that achieving a credit score of 720 will set a course for financial wellness.

That's why the Financial Literacy 720 campaign is kicking off on July 20 – or 7/20.

"A healthy credit score can be a game-changer," says Mayor Kincannon. "It can open doors and create opportunities for wealth-building. The good news is that there are many local organizations that can help with credit counseling – and their expertise is free."

These free resources are available to individuals and families who speak English and Spanish.

Here in the Knoxville area, organizations helping with Financial Literacy 720 include the United Way of Greater Knoxville, the Knoxville Area Urban League, Operation HOPE, First Horizon Bank, Truist,

Regions Bank, Y-12 Federal Credit Union, BrightBridge CDFI, Pathway Lending CDFI, HomeSource east tennessee, and the University of Tennessee Extension.

For more information and a schedule of programs offered on July 20, visit [www.uwgk.org/financial-literacy-hwy/](http://www.uwgk.org/financial-literacy-hwy/).

Or contact Joshalynd Hundley, First Horizon's Vice President of Community Development, at [JWHundley@firsthorizon.com](mailto:JWHundley@firsthorizon.com) or 865-971-2005.

The average credit score in Tennessee is 682, while it's about 692 in Knoxville. Both trail the average national consumer score of 695.

A score of 700 or higher, however, can help someone get a loan with a better interest rate. That can determine whether buying a home is possible or not – or whether a new business has access to the necessary start-up capital.

Individuals interested in bettering their credit score are encouraged to contact any of the organizations participating in Financial Literacy 720 to inquire about free programs and technical assistance.

**JULY 2022  
WIC FARMERS' MARKET VOUCHER  
DISTRIBUTION CALENDAR**

**BEGINNING JULY 2:**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Eastside Market 1 - 4 p.m.	KCHD WIC Office Lobby Walk-In 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Ebenezer Market 3 - 6 p.m.	Market Square 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	New Harvest Market 3 - 6 p.m.	KCHD WIC Office Lobby Walk-In 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Market Square 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**wic WOMEN, INFANTS, & CHILDREN**  
**KNOX COUNTY TENNESSEE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

## Farmers' Market Nutrition Program returns to Knox County for Summer 2022

The Knox County Health Department's Women Infant and Children program welcomes the return of the popular Farmers' Market Nutrition Program for Summer 2022. This program offers an additional \$30 for each woman and child already participating in WIC to buy fresh fruits and vegetables at local WIC-approved Farmers' Markets throughout July and August.

"By partnering with the Farmers' Markets, it allows us to offer a fun opportunity for these families to meet their local farmers and learn about local veggies and fruits,"

said Sarah Griswold, WIC Nutrition Program Manager. "It also helps to support our local economy and introduce more people to the healthy farm-to-table movement."

For those who are interested in participating in the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, the vouchers will be available for pick-up at the WIC table at the participating Farmers' Markets throughout July. A full calendar can be found at [knoxcounty.org/health/wic.php](http://knoxcounty.org/health/wic.php).

The WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program is currently in its 6th season and is partnering with more farmers than ever

before, including 20 East Tennessee farms. For more information on the Farmers' Markets and participating farmers, visit the KCHD WIC webpage [knoxcounty.org/health/wic.php](http://knoxcounty.org/health/wic.php).

WIC is a nutrition program that helps the whole family learn about eating well and staying healthy. WIC serves pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children under the age of five who qualify. WIC helps thousands of families in Knox County with healthy food, helpful advice, and referrals to community resources.

## service directory

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