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Western Heights, Pier 86, beer catering on city agenda

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When the city council gathers Tuesday evening for its first October meeting it will consider numerous projects, zoning changes, and ordinances. The items range from appointments and park resurfacing to accepting a grant for police training.

Notable on the agenda are some hefty spending requests.

Western Heights Project

In September the city announced that the Knoxville Community Development Corporation's Transforming Western plans to renovate the Western Heights neighborhood had received a \$40 million Choice Neighborhoods grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Tuesday's meeting of the city council includes a resolution from the Housing and Neighborhood Development Department to contract with KCDC for Phase One of improvements there. The request is for \$4.2 million.

Cradle of Country Music Park

Back in 2019, the city had a contest for a monument or structure for the small Cradle of Country Music Park at Summit Hill and South Gay Street. The half-acre park has been

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Four state-wide measures on November ballot

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Several races are on the ballot in November including state and federal House and Senate seats and the governorship. The balloting falls on

November 8, an odd Thursday general election.

Within the ballot are four state-wide ballot measures to amend the state constitution to which voters will vote Yes or No.

The first ballot measure is a "Right to Work"

amendment, prohibiting businesses in Tennessee from requiring labor union membership by employees.

The summary on the ballot reads: This amendment would add a new section to article XI of

the Tennessee Constitution to make it illegal for any person, corporation, association, or the State of Tennessee or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person because of the person's

membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.

The second referendum would add language to the state constitution

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Rick Barnes Emerald Youth Golf Classic sells out again



Tennessee men's basketball coach Rick Barnes (nearest) practices on the putting green before teeing off at his annual golf tournament that benefits the Emerald Youth Foundation. The event was held last week at Holston Hills Country Club. Photo submitted.

Coach Barnes talks community involvement, 2022 Vols basketball season

By Ken Lay

When Rick Barnes came to Knoxville nearly a decade ago as Tennessee's men's basketball coach, he wanted to find a way to become involved in the community.

"When I first came here,

I talked to (Jim) Haslam and he told me that I had to become involved with the Emerald Youth Foundation," Barnes said before the Rick Barnes Emerald Youth Foundation Golf Classic on Monday, Sept. 26 at Holston Hills Country

Club. "He told me that I had to get involved and I haven't regretted a minute of it."

Barnes, who is on the board of directors of Emerald Youth, pledged to match \$75,000 raised by the event.

But he did more, writing a check for \$100,000. The golf tournament is one of three major fundraisers held by the Emerald Youth Foundation, an inner city

youth ministry that works largely through athletics and academics.

The Emerald Youth Foundation is close to Barnes' heart because he grew up as a latch-key kid in Hickory, North Carolina.

"When I grew up in Hickory, I had a place to go hang out, to go play basketball and I had coaches who made a big impact on my life," Barnes said. "You really may not know the

impact they had on your life until later.

"I admire the work of the Emerald Youth Foundation for the work it does for the youth of Knoxville."

The golf tournament took place one day before Barnes and the Volunteers began preseason workouts in preparation for the 2022-23 season. More than 160 golfers participated in the event, which

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Songwriters host 'Worley Max' and library concert in October

October is Country Music Month, and the Knoxville Songwriters Association is celebrating with a Songwriter's Spotlight performance by "Worley Max" McKinney on Oct. 4 and a free public concert by KSA members on Oct. 11.

Both events will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Fountain City Library, 5300 Stanton Road, where the group meets each Tuesday.

"His Songwriter's Spotlight appearance at our Oct. 4 meeting will be a homecoming for Worley," said KSA President Randy Ott. "He was one of our group's earliest members and has had success as a regional artist and a writer of songs recorded by some of country music's best entertainers."

Ott said the Oct. 11 library concert will feature more than country tunes. "Our members also

write rock, gospel, folk and comedy songs, so we'll have a good variety," he said. "We'll also have tribute performances of songs written by members of the group who passed away since our last concert."

"Worley Max" McKinney began writing and recording his songs in the 1980s, when he was a teacher and coach at Bearden Middle School. His first songs, "Don't Break Me Easy" and "How Long This Time" were regional hits on WIVK radio and were picked up by Nashville's Acuff-Rose music publishers.

After moving to Nashville to pursue his music dream in 1988, McKinney and Glenn Warren wrote "Even Now." Country star Conway Twitty liked the song so well that he chose it as the title of his next album.

Other Nashville artists

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"Worley Max" McKinney, an alumnus of the Knoxville Songwriters Association who has enjoyed considerable success in Nashville, will perform at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 4, at the Fountain City Library, 5300 Stanton Drive.

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Ethics Committee looking for three new members

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Three members are being sought for the Knox County Ethics Committee. Anyone interested in serving should contact the Knox County Commission and the Knox County Mayor. The commission will appoint one member and the mayor will appoint two people.

Terms on the ethics committee are for four years with another four-year term possible. Resumes should be submitted by mail, fax, email or hand-delivered no

later than Monday, Oct. 10. The commission will interview applicants in their October meeting.

Leaving the committee with expired terms are mayoral appointees Carletta Rando-Smelcer and Daryl Arnold and Mary Linda Schwartzbart, a commission appointee. Members of the ethics committee must be registered voters and have no family members who are employees or elected officials of Knox County.

Appointments will be made this month.

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Eisenhower Was A Very Courageous President

From a distance



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President Dwight Eisenhower was one of our greatest presidents. The eight years he was in the White House were years of peace and prosperity.

Inflation averaged 1.3% a year, and growth was nearly double that. He ended the Korean War and refused tremendous pressure to get into a war in the Middle East.

All over the world, it has been proven that a powerful federal or central government is good at only one thing – wiping out the middle class.

Big government socialism ends up with a very small percentage at the top, huge numbers at the bottom, and a rapidly declining middle class. It does expand one thing – the gap between the rich and the poor.

Eisenhower made sure that the federal government remained small by issuing 181 vetoes, only two of which were overturned by Congress. The middle class exploded in growth.

The national debt went up by only \$20 billion during the eight years of the Eisenhower administration. From 2021 to 2022 it went up that much in less than four days.

Three things fascinate me about Eisenhower's presidency.

First, in spite of or perhaps because of spending most of his career in the military, he was probably the most anti-war president

we ever had.

In what he may have regarded as his most important speech, his farewell address on Jan. 17, 1961, he spoke of the "grave implications" of our "immense military establishment and a large arms industry" and then added these famous words:

"In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military-industrial complex."

However, in his first major address as president on April 16, 1953, he gave possibly the most anti-war speech ever given by an American president.

Speaking to the American Society of Newspaper Editors, he said: "Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not

fed, those who are cold and are not clothed."

He talked of the cost of bombers, fighter planes, and warships and all the good homes, food, hospitals, etc. that could be bought with this money and said, "The world in arms... is humanity hanging from a cross of iron."

In a summary of a book called "Ikes Bluff" by Evan Thomas, it says though Eisenhower was "viewed by many as a doddering lightweight, behind the bland smile and simple speech was a master tactician."

To end the Korean War, Thomas wrote, Eisenhower would take a "colossal risk by bluffing that he might use nuclear weapons against the Communist Chinese, while at the same time restraining his generals and admirals who favored the strikes."

Second, every president since Eisenhower has allowed Israel and its very

powerful lobby here to control U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East. Eisenhower not only resisted tremendous pressure from Israel to join it, France and Great Britain in a war against Egypt in 1956, he did it on national television one week before the presidential election.

Mitchell Bard wrote in The Times of Israel in 2014: "Eisenhower went on television to criticize Israel's failure to withdraw from Egypt and warned that he would impose sanctions if it failed to comply. Eisenhower was prepared to cut off all economic aid, to lift the tax-exempt status of the United Jewish Appeal, and to apply sanctions on Israel."

Third, there was a worldwide pandemic in 1957-58 called the Asian Flu that killed possibly as many as four million people. It led to a worldwide recession in 1958.

According to Wikipedia,

recovery began in May of 1958, but it is generally accepted you are six months into a recession before most people really feel it, and six months out of it before most realize it.

The Wikipedia article said, "As 1958 ended, the economy was heading toward new high levels of employment and production."

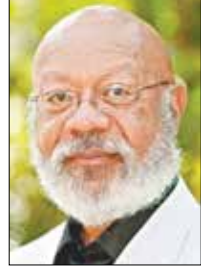
However, during the election in November of 1958 many people felt we were still in a recession and Democrats won victories all over the country, including most of the courthouse jobs in Knox County.

Eisenhower was wise and courageous enough not to overreact to the pandemic and shut down schools and businesses, and the U.S. recovered more quickly than any other country in the world.

The Cult of Victimhood

Those who insist that slavery is the root of all evil in America and that, as a result, blacks are victims, denigrate the strength of black Americans. Contrary to the designation of those who grew up during the Great Depression and fought in World War II as the "Greatest Generation," I believe the greatest generation was that of the freed slaves. These were people who had been demeaned as chattel and had no possessions. Many had no marketable skills and were mostly illiterate. They lacked a last name. They were suddenly liberated from southern plantations and thrust into the world of freedom.

Among them were my great-grandparents.



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Howard University is named for Union Gen. Oliver O. Howard, who commanded a wing of Sherman's army and who my great-grandmother told me "came up Bonner's Hill" in Clinton, Georgia, while she was picking cotton. I find it hard to believe that Howard, Spellman, Morehouse and other HBCUs were founded by whites in order to victimize blacks.

Those who insist on according blacks victim status are guilty of perpetuating a caricature of black

Certainly, some became tenant farmers, but at least they were free. Many were exploited, but many also received an education provided by whites who founded a number of our black colleges.

people. Victimhood is little more than an excuse. Convincing some that they cannot achieve because they are black flies in the face of a paradox. It is high-achieving blacks that are telling other blacks that their lack of achievement is because of their race.

My parents never tolerated excuses nor believed in victimhood. We lived in southwest Atlanta's all-black enclave. As a result, I never had a conversation with a white person until I became the first black male freshman at the University of Georgia in 1962. My parents never knew of what I went through at Georgia until they read Calvin Trillin's An Education in Georgia. I knew that I was charged with bringing home A's and would get no sympathy for anything less.

Nevertheless, growing up in the segregated South prompted me to ask

my parents why they didn't leave. My parents did not leave because of a strong sense of home – and a stronger sense that they would not be better off living in the North. Some did leave to work in the factories during World War II. My Yankee cousins would visit in their big cars and fur coats, mocking their country cousins who tilled the soil on hardscrabble farms. They pitied us because their children matriculated at the University of Michigan and Michigan State while we were relegated to meagerly supported, segregated state colleges. My father went to Savannah State and my mother was the first four-year graduate of Fort Valley State University.

We lived in Atlanta among blacks in a middle-class neighborhood. We were two-adult households and college-educated. The

yards were well-kept. There was no litter. If a piece of trash somehow found its way into our neighborhood, we would stop and pick it up.

Throughout my family's history, we have been guided by choice and responsibility, not by victimhood. Therefore, the notion of reparations for slavery puzzles me. The answer, of course, lies in the cult of victimhood that seeks to trivialize the stunning accomplishments of our people from the day they set foot in America to their proud descendants.

So even though slavery was evil, cruel, and harsh, we prospered despite the odds. We are only hampered if we listen to people who demean us by insisting that racism prevents us from being full participants in society, despite all the evidence to the contrary. It was the War on Poverty's

resultant destruction of the black family that derailed our progress. The War on Poverty made blacks wards of the state and this is the real victimization. Many blacks have not succumbed to it and have continued to send their children to schools, take their families to church, and teach self-responsibility.

Blacks have a proud history of strength and self-reliance. That continues today, despite the caricatures painted by those demanding reparations.

I am reminded of a student of mine who was wearing a tee shirt depicting a black person in chains with the words: "I was not asked to be brought here."

I asked her, "Aren't you glad you were?"

Her answer was, "Oh, my goodness, yes!"



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to officially determine who will serve as acting governor if a current governor is disabled and unable to perform his or her duties.

The speaker of the Senate, who also serves as the lieutenant governor of Tennessee, would serve as acting governor.

The third ballot measure would remove slavery as punishment for a crime.


The summary on the ballot reads: This amendment would change the current language in article I, section 33 of the Tennessee Constitution, which says that slavery

and involuntary servitude, except as punishment for a person who has been duly convicted of crime, are forever prohibited in this State. The amendment would delete this current language and replace it with the following language: "Slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime."

The fourth ballot measure changes the constitution to officially permit religious ministers to seek and hold a seat in the state legislature.

It would delete the following article from the state constitution: "Whereas ministers of the Gospel are by their profession, dedicated to God and the care of souls, and ought not to be diverted from the great duties of their functions; therefore, no minister of the Gospel, or priest of any denomination whatever, shall be eligible to a seat in either House of the Legislature."

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Publisher's Positions



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A Scary Night at the Zoo

A story of two Kyles begins with the annual fundraiser for the Knoxville Zoo. Judge Kyle Hixson of the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals and Knox County Commissioner Kyle Ward were in attendance with their wives, Rachel and Katie. The festivities were interrupted by the announcement of a zoo employee that a highly agitated and bleeding man was on the premises and the attendees were asked to remain in the Reptile House. The police had been notified and were on the way. It was quite an unsettling and ominous announcement.

Kyle Ward spotted a hulking man approaching who was bleeding and coming toward the Reptile House. Several women, including

Rachel Hixson and Katie Ward, who is expecting a baby in November, along with a few older women, went into a restroom where they locked the door at the insistence of their menfolk. Ward positioned himself by a small gate, placing his foot against it as the belligerent and bleeding man made a beeline straight for it. Ward and Hixson both realized at once the man was quite large. Ward, a former member of the military, stands at least 6'2, and the county commissioner recalled the disturbed man appeared to be even bigger. The man threw all his weight against the gate, which opened, colliding into the commissioner, who got blood all over his shirt. Ward was prepared for the worst when the man went around him and Judge Hixson and began pounding on the glass of the Reptile House before leaving.

As quickly as he had arrived, the agitated homeless guy disappeared into the dark but just about everybody present had random thoughts about being in a building full of venomous snakes behind glass barriers.

Later that night the man was located and arrested by police. It was quite an evening for all concerned.

Help You, Rhonda, Help, Help You Rhonda

County Commissioner Rhonda Lee, who won her election by promising to do something about the rates charged by the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District, placed an item on the county commission's agenda for discussion. The topic? The Hallsdale-Powell Utility District, naturally. Lee is a lawyer by trade, and she began by citing the county's charter when her colleague Larsen Jay pulled up a copy of the charter on his computer screen. Jay wondered where exactly was the section Lee was citing from the Knox County Charter. Lee only reluctantly acknowledged the subject wasn't addressed in the charter. It was like an episode of "Matlock" with Jay's persistent questioning peeling back Lee's statements layer by layer, before leaving only a worn-out nub. Well, Lee finally blurted out she just didn't like the fact Mayor Glenn Jacobs reappointed Kevin Julian to another term as a member of the Board of Directors for the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District.

While Rhonda Lee picked the right issue to run on, county commissioners have almost nothing to do with utilities, which are regulated by the state. Over the years,

Hallsdale-Powell has accumulated a hefty amount of debt, which of course must be paid off. Unfortunately, it is the ratepayers who must pay off that debt.

Nor was that the only embarrassment Commissioner Rhonda Lee suffered during last week's meeting of the Knox County Commission. Lee demanded a consent item pertaining to the funding of the Young-Williams Animal Shelter be pulled off the Consent Calendar of the Commission. Lee huffed and puffed about salaries paid to administrators, which was likely intended to embarrass Janet Testerman, the able city councilwoman who lost the August GOP primary for the state House seat presently occupied by Eddie Mannis. Testerman opposed perennial candidate Elaine Davis, whose campaign was run by Erik Wiatr. Wiatr coincidentally also ran the campaigns of Rhonda Lee and Gina Oster.

Lee tried hard to defer the funding item for the Young-Williams Animal Shelter, making a motion to delay consideration for 30 days. For once, in the cavern of the winds that comprise the Knox County Commission, there was dead silence. Not a word was spoken and Lee's motion died an ignominious death for lack of a second.

As the Merit Board Turns

The county commission also tussled with the sheriff's merit board yet again and one could just about hear Helen Reddy singing the "I Am Woman" anthem as the ladies of the legislative body banded together yet again. It was four Republican women - - - Kim Frazier, Terry Hill, Gina Oster and Rhonda Lee - - - who last month nominated and elected one of the two Democrats on the 11-member commission to serve as chair. This time it was the girls against the boys over the appointment of a member of the merit board, which hears grievances from employees in the Knox County Sheriff's Office.

The commissioners had no trouble appointing Chris Manning, a former law enforcement officer and current alternate on the council, to a three-year term unanimously. The fight erupted over the second slot between Denny Ford, a pastor, and Steve Weiner. Yep, the ubiquitous Steve Weiner who had been recruited by Erik Wiatr to run against Commissioner Larsen Jay inside the Republican primary last May. Written into the ordinance of the merit board is a provision requiring

its members not to be actively involved in politics. Once again questioning by Larsen Jay revealed Weiner wrapped himself in the robes of the Lord God Almighty as tightly as he possibly could. It's a wonder he didn't smother. Weiner, a lawyer, said he disagreed and was not really subject to the mere laws of man, but rather only obliged to follow those of the Lord God. In other words, Saint Weiner had no intention of abiding by the no-political involvement rule. The women on the commission, minus Commissioner Dasha Lundy who was absent due to illness, joined together to back Steve Weiner. Wiatr's commissioners, Gina Oster and Rhonda Lee, pushed for Saint Weiner, along with Commission Chair Courtney Durrett and Kim Frazier. Durrett is a Democrat and her vote for a former far-right candidate likely won't sit well with the members of her own party. Frazier had plenty of Democrat backers in the last election and they can't be tickled to death either.

The vote was tied 5 to 5, which means the motion failed and the appointment will be carried over to next month's meeting of the Knox County Commission. Look for yet another edition of As the Merit Board Turns.

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neglected for several years and a monument to local music artists was removed with a pledge to restore it.

The winning design was a huge sculpture known as "Pier 865" and the cost was \$500,000. Last month, local citizens raised concerns about plans to remove the park's mature trees to permit the huge sculpture to be built there. The city rethought the project and announced that all but one of the trees would be saved.

Tuesday the city council will consider an agreement with Blount Contractors Inc. for \$824,400 to begin the project in the little park. Another complaint voiced by citizens is that the huge sculpture has nothing to do with country music.

Beer Catering

Beer Board Chair Janet Testerman is asking her fellow council members to pass, on emergency ordinance, a change in the city codes to create a "catering with beer" permit. Per agenda listing: The proposed ordinance creates a permit for a caterer to provide beer for certain events under the terms of the ordinance. Presently caterers can obtain a permit from the (Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission), which allows the caterer to serve alcoholic beverages that are governed by the TABC. The proposed ordinance creates a permit that allows the caterer to serve alcoholic beverages that are governed by the City of Knoxville.

Other Agenda Items

The council may agree to have Mayor Indya Kincannon extend a lease agreement with the University of Tennessee for the small one-acre James Agee Park in Fort Sanders. The council will also hear a request for a change in zoning for an industrial area on Candora Avenue. An appeal by Dr. Amanda Pittman on a permit decision for special use of a neighboring property at 6217 Kingston Pike by Andy's Frozen Custard will also be considered.

The Knoxville Chamber's Path to Prosperity may get \$631,3000 and three properties on Maloney Road may be voluntarily annexed into the city.

The mayor plans to appoint Paige Travis to the CTV Board. Karen McKeehan may be named to the Public Property Naming Committee on a request from the Department of Engineering.

Rick Barnes Emerald Youth Golf Classic sells out again

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Tennessee, which won the Southeastern Conference Tournament last year for the first time since 1979, opened practice Tuesday.

The Vols will have new faces in the backcourt this season as they look to replace point guard Kennedy Chandler, who now plays for the Memphis Grizzlies.

Returning starter Santiago is back. Although he flourishes as a shooting guard, he played the point

before Chandler arrived last season.

Freshman and Knoxville Catholic High School product BJ Edwards and graduate transfer Tyreke Hill, joins the Vols after spending four seasons at Indiana State. Zakai Zeigler also returns. His play off the bench made him a fan favorite last season.

Zeigler, however, has no desire to start.

"To be quite frank, Zakai doesn't want to start," Barnes said. "He feels like

he can impact the game coming off (the bench), which I think has been good for our team.

"Every coach should have a player like Zakai Zeigler. He would start if we asked him to. If you're around him with what he does and how he competes, watching him and BJ, Tyreke and Santi has been a lot of fun."

The Vols open the season on Nov. 7 when they host Tennessee Tech at Thompson-Boling Arena.

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who have recorded McKinney's songs include Moe Bandy, Linda Davis, Daryl Singletary, and Genevieve Allen.

Hillary Scott (of the group "Lady A") and the Scott Family recorded McKinney's song "Your Unfailing Love" for their Grammy-winning

"Love Remains" album. The album topped the Gospel Charts and was Top 5 in both Billboard's Country and Pop Charts

McKinney is currently working on his fifth album as a recording artist. A member of the Southern Crossroads Band, he also appears as a solo artist at

venues in Southern Tennessee and North Alabama.

"I'm forever grateful to members of the Knoxville Songwriters Association for their support and encouragement," McKinney said. "I look forward to seeing old friends and sharing Music Row stories and original songs."

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Part of Old Tazewell Pike to be closed

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The second and final approval to close a portion of Old Tazewell Pike near the 1st Comforter Church in north Knox County passed the Knox County Commission last week, ending a long-running discussion of the effect the closure will have on traffic there.

Commissioner Richie Beeler, who told the commission he grew up and lived near that area, said he supported the findings of the engineering study. He cited the input from Kevin Murphy of the Knox County Planning Alliance and Director of Engineering Jim Snowden. Beeler said the narrow road has traditionally been an “inappropriate cut through” and suggested funds be used to study and improve the road’s intersection on the north end with Ridgeview, Carter and Tazewell Pike.

Those improvements, Beeler said, are now in discussion with the Tennessee Department of

Transportation and state Senator Becky Duncan Massey.

“Leaving it open,” Beeler said of the lower intersection, “is not an option.” He added that somebody is not going to be happy and asked the other commissioners to “vote your conscience.”

Murphy asked the commission to consider the options, do more traffic studies, and said the closing makes sense. He said the multi-road intersection on the lower end of Old Tazewell Pike is “a really funky intersection.”

The decision to close that portion of the route ended a discussion that began in June.

IN OTHER ACTION the commission, with some hesitation, approved the funding of the Karns Fire Department, the Seymour Volunteer Fire Department and Knox County Rescue. Commissioner Larsen Jay asked if the rescue squad’s responders were Rural Metro members.

Julie Green, the

community coordinator for Knox County Rescue, said Rural Metro has been supplying nine rescue technicians but are pulling those from the squad to man Rural Metro trucks. She said those Rural Metro employees have been using county rescue squad equipment. Green added that the squad has “specialty teams” for some calls.

The amount going to Knox County Rescue has apparently been adjusted down because of the removal of the Rural Metro employees from the squad.

The commission honored former members Randy Smith, Charles Busler and Justin Biggs and will honor former Trustee Ed Shouse in October.

The commission also renewed the county’s financial support of the Young-Williams Animal Center. Commissioner John Schoonmaker noted the annual agreement should have been done in June and Finance Director Chris Caldwell said he was unaware the contract had

expired.

Young-Williams Director Janet Testerman recounted the center’s pledge and its “lifesaving track record.” Commissioner Rhonda Lee moved to postpone the funding for 30 days but received no second to her motion and it was dropped.

Commissioner Schoonmaker suggested the city, county and the center sit down and look at next year’s agreement in advance. Commissioner Larsen Jay said all the parties need to “think through all the parts and pieces.” The center has been criticized for emergency shutdowns because of overcrowding.

Each year the city and county each give the center \$1,075,000. The retro funding of the current allotment was approved with Lee the lone “No” vote.

Knoxville Community Media, formerly CTV, was approved for annual funding of \$335,000. Schoonmaker said the public television network should have a list of what coverage is planned for Knox County



Eighth District Commissioner Richie Beeler supported the closing of a portion of Old Tazewell Pike, calling the narrow road an “inappropriate cut through.”

meetings. The vote was 6-4 to approve with Commissioners Schoonmaker, Lee, Gina Oster and Kyle Ward voting “No.”

Also approved was Chairwoman Courtney Durrett’s suggestion of establishing a “Personnel Committee” to oversee various county

departments and agencies, including the Knox County Sheriff’s Office Employees’ Merit System Office, the internal auditor, the commission office and the Board of Zoning Appeals. The committee will include the chair and five commissioners.

Merit Board nominee blocked

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A power struggle erupted again in the Knox County Commission meeting Monday and ended in a 5-5 vote rejecting the nomination of Steve Weiner to serve a two-year term on the Knox County Sheriff’s Office Employees’ Merit System Board of Directors. Weiner, an attorney, told the work session and regular meeting of the commission that he would follow a recent remodeling of the merit board only if the ordinance doesn’t violate state or federal law.

With Commissioner Dasha Lundy absent, the five women present voted for Weiner and the five men on the commission voted “No,” effectively blocking Weiner’s selection. Chairwoman Courtney Durrett then said the second position on the ethics group will come back for a decision in October.

The vote for Christopher Manning to fill the commission’s three-year merit board position passed 10-0 with two previous applications being withdrawn. That’s when the vote for the two-year slot came up.

Commissioner Kyle Ward nominated Carl Ford and Commissioner Rhonda Lee nominated Weiner for the two-year position. Two other nominees were named but fell out with Weiner and Ford getting nods for the seat. The vote initially went for Weiner with Commissioner John Schoonmaker voting for him. When it came to accepting Weiner as a board member, Schoonmaker changed his vote and it failed in the 5-5 vote with six votes needed to confirm.



Commissioner Rhonda Lee unsuccessfully nominated Steve Weiner to the Knox County Sheriff’s Merit Board and cited an email he sent prior to the Monday commission meeting stating he would abide by the new merit board rules. Weiner told the meeting he would as long as the rules didn’t violate state or federal law.

Several times Weiner said he would follow the merit board rules when they complied with state and local regulations. Commissioner Larsen Jay said the new merit rules were created “strip out the politics” from the board. The new rules forbid members from taking part in politics while serving, such as campaigning or showing support for a candidate including posting a campaign sign in their home yards.

Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers said someone can be sworn in pledging to follow the county charter and, if

they do not, can be the subject of an ouster. Jay referred to Law Director David Buuck’s authority but Weiner replied, “The law director is not the law.”

Commissioner Lee said Weiner had been asked the question several times and called for a vote. She then cited instances when she said the law director’s opinion was wrong.

Ward asked Weiner if he would follow the merit board rules and Weiner replied he has not seen the rules. Those voting for Weiner were Commissioners Lee, Durrett, Kim Frazier, Gina Oster and Terry Hill. Voting “No” were Commissioners Jay, Ward, Schoonmaker, Carson Dailey and Richie Beeler.

The commission is responsible for filling two seats on the new seven-member merit board. Two current members will apparently continue to serve, and Mayor Glenn Jacobs has named three members: Kenny Boatman, Lindsay Willis and Clarence Vaughn.

The previous merit board, under now-Commissioner Oster, clashed with the sheriff’s department over the past two years. The conflicts resulted in the previous commission adopting new rules for the group from suggestions from Commissioner Jay. Among those rules for membership, aside from prohibiting political activity, were setting regular meetings, defining what grievances can be heard, and expanding the board from three to seven members.

LWVKKC to host forum for state Senate, District 7 candidates

To enable voters to hear the candidates respond to questions about important issues in the Tuesday, November 8, 2022, General Election, the League of Women Voters of Knoxville/Knox Co. is sponsoring a candidate forum with its partners on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 6:30 p.m. Both candidates have agreed to participate. Who: Richard M. Briggs (R) and Bryan Langan (D) What: Candidate forum When: Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Where: City of Knoxville Public Works Complex, 3131 Morris Ave., Knoxville, 37909

Parking is available at the Public Works Complex. Early voting runs from Wednesday, Oct. 19, to Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022, and Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022.

McNabb Center Raises Awareness for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Throughout the month of October, the McNabb Center is raising awareness about the impact of domestic violence in the community for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Domestic violence can affect anyone, regardless of age, sex, race, nationality or ability. In 2021, the McNabb Center answered approximately 1,500 domestic violence crisis hotline calls.

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Friday, October 21 – Flowers on the Water. Flowers on the Water, hosted in partnership with the Junior League of Knoxville, is an event to remember and honor individuals who have been impacted by domestic violence and share stories of triumph and hope of survivors. Charmé Allen, District Attorney General will serve as the keynote speaker. The event will be held at the Cove at Concord Park from 5:30-7 p.m.

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Dr. Jim Ferguson

Observations

No society ever thrived because it had a large and growing class of parasites living off those who produce.

Thomas Sowell

Becky is a more optimistic person than I am. And that's good. We balance each other in many areas of our marriage. She is more practical, and I am more contemplative. She is an extrovert and I am more introverted. The apostle Paul wrote that we all have different gifts (Romans 12:6), and that is true. However, in a song Becky wrote, "on Matters of the Heart, we're two of a kind."

We are beginning to notice more colorful cars lately. Perhaps people are sick and tired of the black, white and gray colors of their cars, mirroring the drab Democrat/Biden era. I hope so.

I loved my red Dodge truck, but it was fourteen

years old and made such a racket, creaking and groaning on cold winter mornings, that I decided it was time to trade. So, in the spirit of "reaching across the aisle," I bought a royal blue Chevy truck four years ago. I've been pleased, especially in parking lots where colorless vehicles try to hide. My truck stands out.

Readers know that I love movies and I often use films to demonstrate a point. Most are familiar with the 1939 movie "The Wizard of Oz." The movie begins in black-and-white Kansas, and then Dorothy magically awakens in the colorful land of Oz. But with Biden behind the proverbial curtain, we have the opposite.

Fast forward to a couple of years ago. Becky's Avalon was approaching 100,000 miles because she drives more than I do and we used her sedan for road trips. As we searched

for a new car, we were challenged to find something without the standard drab color. Apparently, car manufacturers find it less expensive to paint vehicles black, white and gray rather than offering colorful alternatives. We even explored having her new gray Highlander painted, but found that this would be fabulously expensive. So, Becky's car now sports patriotic magnetic decals which make a statement and help us to easily find her car in the parking lot!

Perhaps we should not have bought two vehicles, but with 1.6% inflation under President Trump, a booming economy and a healthy IRA, we splurged and made the necessary purchases. Now, with a plummeting stock market and the worst inflation in 40 years (Biden-flation), maybe we should have been more cautious. Biden says he doesn't worry about the stock market. I guess that's because he pays himself from my pocket.

But then, perhaps our vehicle purchases were the correct thing to do. People are now recommending that you put your money in things that are necessary like food, rather than see your dollar devalue with Biden's inflation. I even bought fertilizer for next year's garden because of

scarcity.

Recently we went to a party hosted by our financial advisor. We were struck by the number of young people present. I told the CEO they must be doing something right because so many youthful clientele were apparently investing with their firm. There were also a lot of children present, but we noticed that many young people brought their dogs to the outdoor gathering. I've read that many millennials are choosing pets rather than children.

I love a turn of phrase (an expression with artful wording). One of the many radio hosts I follow is Chris Plante who broadcasts from Washington, D.C. I wonder how he survives in such a liberal/progressive enclave. Recently, he quipped, "The Democratic party isn't." I've been saying this less artfully for years. Although this party blathers on about "threats to our democracy," as an organization, they are anything but democratic.

Knoxvillians are blessed to live in an area of relative sanity as compared to Chicago or San Francisco. And we are blessed with four distinct seasons. I love each season. And about the time you get sick of one, a new one comes along. The only exception

is late winter's February, whose one redeeming quality is its brevity.

It is a luxurious fall afternoon as I write this essay, but it is also the biennial election season with midterms only a few weeks away. If you are not registered to vote, you must do so immediately, because not voting is an egregious offense to those who gave their lives to grant us this privilege. We will not vote for a president this November, but the "fifth column" media and the information oligarchs of Twitter, Yahoo and "Fake-book" are already at work in support of Progressive-Socialist-Democrat candidates.

To say that these subversives or their "fact-checkers" have any credibility is ridiculous. I read recently that the New York Times has not endorsed a Republican presidential candidate since Dwight Eisenhower, and the Washington Post has never endorsed one. Yet these rags promote themselves as reliable. Caveat Emptor.

Perhaps we should ignore all polls, but a recent survey caught my eye, revealing that almost two-thirds of Democrats want Biden to run again in 2024! Who are these people? Our divider-in-chief and human gaffe machine gets lost on stage, is led by aides in

Easter Bunny outfits and calls out a dead congresswoman in the audience (Jackie Walorski). Perhaps Democrats are afraid of the cackling Kamala Harris who recently told the MSNBC lackey Chuck Todd that our border is secure and we have an alliance with North Korea rather than South Korea!

And the latest kerfuffle is the election of a conservative Italian prime minister, Giorgia Meloni. The media, European Union and leftist elites everywhere are apoplectic, screaming fascist, neo-fascist and the world is going to end.

Perhaps my observations are a tell. Maybe sane people are waking up and a "fall" is coming for the radical Democrats. Perhaps even Joe Manchin, who sold his soul voting for Biden's Inflation [Production] Act to get a gas line in West Virginia, has awakened after being screwed by Schumer and his Senate buds. Perhaps colorful cars are returning. Perhaps Democrat voters will stop being patsies like Manchin. Perhaps another Great Awakening is rising from our current valley of despair. We can only vote and hope.

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School Safety Patrol brings back memories

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I was attending the opening of the West View Park's Storybook Trail recently when I noticed the hundreds of students coming into the park from the nearby elementary school for the ceremony. Among those young kids were several who wore neon safety patrol harnesses. The color of the harness was striking and stood out among the numbers of kids, as it should.

It took me back to my childhood and my 4th and 5th grade when I was on my school's safety patrol. Being a member and, the last year, captain of about half-a-dozen other students taught me several things. Among those, is how to raise, lower and fold the American Flag properly.

Our student patrol was basically a crossing guard, holding back students from the busy streets before and after classes. We had one crossing several blocks away and always had one or two safety patrol members at each crossing. Occasionally we would stop traffic for students to cross.

In the final year, we were given orange plastic helmets that helped with our visibility.

Dealing with traffic and especially with students was a learning experience. The duties of today's school safety patrol members are a bit different depending on each school's program.

At West View I chatted with three of the safety patrol members and their supervisor, Susan Martin, the Community Schools Site Coordinator for West

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PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Three of West View Elementary Safety Patrol members, Magali Tovar Correion, Hunter Haun and Kahleya Brown, were among other patrol members and students at the opening of the Storybook Trail recently.

FC Lions offering safety program

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The Fountain City Lions Club will hold a personal safety program on Monday, October 17 at the clubhouse at Fountain City Park. The program is presented by the Community Outreach Program and given by the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator John Morgan.

Morgan will share information on how to stay safe at work or when you are out and about with a PowerPoint presentation and informative pamphlets.

The club hopes police officers will be present as well as someone who works with the homeless. Chief Paul Noel has also been invited.

The program begins at 6 p.m. and the public is invited.

This Friday the club will be sitting as a group to cheer Central High School Bobcats in their home football game against South-Doyle.

Thursday, October 20, is the club's Annual Spaghetti Dinner at the clubhouse from 4:30 until 7:30 with "all you can eat" for \$5. Homemade desserts are only \$2 and there will be entertainment.



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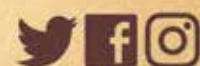
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C-N's Appalachian Cultural Center hosts two October events

Carson-Newman University's Appalachian Cultural Center features two events this October. Both are free and open to the public.

On Monday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m., Dr. Susan O'Dell Underwood will read from her book "Genesis Road." The book is her first novel. The East Tennessee native has two poetry chapbooks as well as a full-length collection, "The Book of Awe" and another "Splinter."

Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m., the University hosts Andy Peck, editor of "The Pecks of Mossy Creek" series. The series includes "Ada's Journal and Emma's Letters" and "Charley's Novel." Peck will speak on the series that features the history of the Peck family and their connection to the local area.

"These events will help illuminate both the history and culture of our region in different but compelling

ways, as well as showcase the rich talent and creativity from Carson-Newman and our larger community," said Dr. Wesley McMasters, director of the Appalachian Cultural Center.

The events will be held in Tarr Music Center's Thomas Recital Hall located on Russell Ave. on campus.

C-N's Appalachian Cultural Center hosts Dr. Susan O'Dell Underwood (left) and Andy Peck in October.



Howl-O-Ween at the UT Gardens

The University of Tennessee Gardens, Knoxville, is going to the dogs for a Howl-O-Ween Pooch Parade and Pet Expo. The event, co-sponsored by the UT Gardens and the UT College of Veterinary Medicine, caters to dogs and dog lovers and will be held Sunday, October 23, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the UT Gardens.

Enjoy a costumed pet parade emceed by Erin Donovan. Judged categories include bad to the bone (scariest), funny bone (funniest), do(g) it yourself (homemade), pup culture (pop culture/character) and Judges' Choice awards, including Bone-a-Fido (best in show). The event also features an expo of educational booths, pet businesses and rescue groups. Various food trucks will be on hand for people wanting to purchase food. People are encouraged to participate in a food drive to benefit the Companion Animal Initiative of Tennessee program.

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Recalling UT Memories

Spending hours at home during the onset of the Covid pandemic prompted me to tackle a huge task—purging and sorting boxes full of pictures. Browsing through them reminded me just how special all the people in the pictures are to me.



By Ralphine Major
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Most of the images I had long forgotten, such as this one of my brother on his graduation day from The University of Tennessee (UT). Wayne and I were commuters and carpooled to class. Gasoline was around thirty-five cents a gallon in those days. In the last couple of years, he has been able to reconnect with two of his favorite marketing professors.

Graduation was held at Stokely Athletic Center, a place where he and I both worked between school sessions collecting student fees. Stokely was also the place where we watched Tennessee basketball greats Ernie Grunfeld, Bernard King, and Rodney Woods at point guard create magic on the hardwood. We could never have imagined a time when Stokely was not a part of the UT campus.

As we celebrated Wayne's birthday



Picture of Wayne Major at UT graduation, by Ralphine Major.

this week, it seemed a perfect time to reflect on this special day in his young life. While the leaves are turning, the weather is cooling, and football games are being played, I can see on the horizon another school session coming to an end. Smartphones and cameras will be poised to create lasting memories of more graduations. In the seasons of our lives, years from now someone else may be sorting through digital photos and remembering their special moment at a graduation somewhere on the UT campus.

Words of Faith: "I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High." Psalm 9:2 (KJV).

I won't rest in peace

I'm in that time of life when putting up with a long list of aches and pains and swallowing fistfuls of pills become part of the daily routine. Saying goodbye to classmates and family and friends becomes an almost monthly occurrence.



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With each loss of an individual, all of us struggle to find the right words to speak to those left behind. Such things as "I'm sorry for your loss," "I know how you feel," and "Let me know how I can help" are kind but empty phrases. As Robert Frost says, "And (we), since (we) were not the one dead, turned to (our) affairs." Yes, life goes on without us. I care only that when my time comes to leave that people don't say "rest in peace."

Growing old takes energy. It also steals our strength and endurance. The last thing I want to do is take it easy when I die and, hopefully, find myself on God's land. My first wish is to find those of my family who have gone before me. We'll share hugs and kisses, and if they've not been privy to my life, I'll fill them in on all the happenings. Nothing could please me more than sitting at the kitchen table of my youth with the family I have loved and lost over the years.

Next, I'll look for those pets that meant so much in my life. That old Dalmatian that we grew up with will be one I'll hunt down. Snoop, a Jack Russell Terrier, was my best friend for 13 years and helped me rehab after back surgery. I'm going to search heaven for him. If Sadie goes before me, I'll never sit for a minute until she is by my side or lying on the end of the recliner.

A special request to God will be that I be allowed to sit on a lawnmower and

mow the yard. For years, that activity has been therapeutic. I've done my best thinking on all sorts of subjects on the seat of a mower, and the sweet smell of grass in late spring is a gift to all mankind. I hope the mower I use is a zero-

turn and has a striping kit to make the grass look nice.

One pure joy will be singing with family and friends. I'd prefer to sing some hymns, but I'd also like to belt out a few favorites from my teen years. My brother Dal can play the guitar, and we'll allow guest singers to join in. Of course, the good lord will have to restore my singing voice that for some reason has weakened over the years. Harmonizing in songs is fun as the fullness of tunes fills the air.

The last thing I'd like to do is ask God some questions. We're told that some things are beyond human comprehension, but maybe we can understand when we're face-to-face with the One who created us. Remembering my time on this earth will help me to develop the questions. Perhaps all things are made clear when we reach that place. If that's true, I'll use the time to "have a little talk with Jesus."

As of right now, I can't do what I used to do. I'm tucked out after completing a small fraction of what I could once accomplish. Years of abuse on this body have me limping and hobbling and straightening up. Too much time these last few years have been spent sitting, and even my keester hurts. I've rested long enough. When I leave here, I'm leaving all these hurts in this world. I plan to fill eternity doing the things I love with the people and God that I love.

School Safety Patrol brings back memories

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View and Norwood elementary schools. She identified the 5th-grade students as Magali Tovar Correon, Hunter Haun and Kahleya Brown. She said each of the students had their parents' permission to use their photo.

The Knox County School Superintendent's office told The Focus that safety patrols are set up and administered by each school. The American Automobile Association is involved with supplying harnesses and

instructions for the schools if requested.

Powell Elementary School, for example, notes that students selected for its safety patrol represent the most dependable and most caring and those who would do well in a leadership position.

Every nine weeks, 5th-grade teachers look at the grades of their students and based on guidelines nominate safety patrol members. Those with a 4.2 grade average or higher are viewed and the top 25 are nominated, selecting

15 for morning duties and 10 for the afternoon according to the Powell Elementary website.

Megan Cooper is the Tennessee AAA Public and Government Relations Consultant and said the association's safety patrol participation began in 1920. "We could not be prouder of the students who dedicate their time before and after school each day to ensure the safety of their classmates," Cooper said.

In addition to harnesses, the AAA provides schools

with access to training materials and videos, a program operations manual and a tool kit of information and guidance. All schools new to the program are offered a free first order that includes belts, badges, handbooks, recording forms and a training DVD and additional help in setting up a program.

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William Henry Harrison of Wyoming

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill

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Perhaps the American president most likely remembered as little more than a footnote in history is William Henry Harrison. Outside of historians, Harrison is little remembered save for being, at the time, the oldest man to be elected president of the United States and for being the first chief executive to die in office. His presidency was also the shortest in our country's history. Yet he in fact spawned a political dynasty. His grandson, Benjamin, was also elected president of the United States. Less well remembered is William Henry Harrison III. The younger Harrison was a grandson of Benjamin Harrison and the great-great-grandson of the president of the same name. A man with a neat little mustache, for two decades, William Henry Harrison was a political power in Wyoming.

A Republican, Harrison made a name for himself as an opponent of what he termed excessive federal power. "This is, in my opinion, a serious detriment and threat to local and state initiative and control which are at the very foundation of our freedom and liberty and our free enterprise system," Harrison said. The Wyoming State Tribune once pointed out in an editorial that "Bill" Harrison "still owns the all-time record vote total of any candidate for public office in Wyoming." The newspaper admitted, "He may be an unspectacular campaigner, but he's certainly an effective one." That was especially important in a sparsely populated state like Wyoming where it was (and still is) crucial for successful candidates to know and meet as many people personally as possible.

William Henry Harrison

III, like his grandfather,

was from Indiana where

he was born to Russell

Benjamin Harrison and

Mary Saunders Harrison.

Harrison's parentage was

politically prominent on

both sides of his family as

his mother's father was

Alvin Saunders, a territorial

governor of Nebraska

and a United States senator

from the Cornhusker

State. His great-great-

great grandfather, yet

another Benjamin Harrison,

signed the Declaration of

Independence. Despite

his distinguished heritage,

Harrison once told an inter-

viewer, "You can't live on

somebody else's reputa-

tion . . . I tried to do what I

could by myself."

Young Harrison's early

career was varied after a

childhood divided between

Omaha, Nebraska, and

Washington, D.C., where

he had attended the pres-

tigious Sidwell Friends

School. Harrison was a private

during the First World

War and later worked as

a park ranger at both

Yellowstone and Glacier

National Parks. The future

congressman also ran his

own farm before attending law school.

In 1926, William Henry Harrison followed in the footsteps of his forbearers, going into the family occupation of politics by getting himself elected to the Indiana State House of Representatives from Marion County, which included Indianapolis. Harrison only served one term as he sought to be elected Marion County Attorney in 1928 and lost. Harrison's father served in the Indiana State Senate during the time he served in the House.

William Henry Harrison moved his family to Wyoming in 1937 and by 1944 he was once again running for the House of Representatives, this time in the Cowboy State. There Harrison purchased a forty-acre ranch on Little Goose Creek in the Big Horn Mountains of Wyoming.

In 1954 Harrison, like many a congressman, had his eye on a seat in the United States Senate. The idea of running a statewide campaign every two years versus once every six years, not to mention the greater prestige of serving in the U.S. Senate caused Harrison to ponder running. Yet the congressman didn't much savor the idea of challenging popular Lester Hunt, a former two-term governor who had unseated GOP incumbent Edward V. Robertson in the 1948 election. Hunt abruptly announced he would not be a candidate for reelection and later shot himself in his Senate office. The reason why would make a column in its own right.

William Henry Harrison filed for the Senate seat, intent upon breaking the jinx of a sitting congressman never having been elected to the U.S. Senate from Wyoming. TIME magazine noted the congressman was "unusually good at keeping his fences mended and running errands for folks back home," which is almost always a potent formula for a politician to maintain his popularity in his state or district. While the governor appointed a caretaker to the Senate seat following Lester Hunt's suicide, Wyoming Democrats recruited the best vote-getter available to them, Joseph C. O'Mahoney. O'Mahoney served in the United States Senate from 1933 until 1953, after losing reelection in 1952. The old warhorse answered the bell and the race for the United States Senate in Wyoming became one of the most closely watched in the country during the 1954 election. The prediction proved accurate as O'Mahoney edged out William Henry Harrison 57,845 votes to 54,407, a difference of 3,438 ballots. After his loss in the Senate race in 1954, Harrison was appointed to a post in the Federal



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Tennessee Senator Howard Baker campaigning with Wyoming Congressman William H. Harrison in 1968.

Housing Administration by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The former congressman worked both in Washington, D.C., and Atlanta while employed by the FHA.

Harrison was out of elective office when Congressman Keith Thomson announced he was running for the U.S. Senate to succeed O'Mahoney, who was retiring after having suffered a stroke. William Henry Harrison quickly announced he was running to reclaim Wyoming's lone seat in the House of Representatives. Harrison narrowly won a crowded GOP primary and went on to win the general election. William Henry Harrison's toughest opponent for the GOP nomination for congressman-at-large was Kenny Sailors, a former professional basketball player who had served in the Wyoming House of Representatives. Comebacks are frequently difficult in any profession, but especially so in politics. In the same election, former Wyoming U.S. Senator Frank A. Barrett was seeking to avenge his 1958 defeat by Gale McGee. Barrett, who had served as congressman, governor and United States senator from the Cowboy State, was decisively defeated by Congressman-at-large Keith Thomson. Thomson would go on to easily win the general election but died of a heart attack before he could take office. Keith Thomson was only forty-one years old. His widow, Thyra, would prove to be hugely popular, being elected Wyoming's Secretary of State six times, serving twenty-four years. Thyra Thomson outlived her husband by more than a half-century.

In Bill Harrison's own political comeback campaign, the former congressman touted himself as a lawyer, veteran, rancher and legislator. Harrison utilized a slogan reminding voters, "Experience is Important."

As the congressman-at-large, Harrison revived his constituent service operation and was easily reelected in 1962, winning better than 60% of the vote.

Democrats were still competitive in Wyoming as evidenced by Gale McGee, who was a member of the thirteen freshmen Democrats elected to the U. S. Senate in 1958. McGee was reelected in 1964 and 1970.

Congressman Harrison faced a tough challenge from attorney Teno Roncalio in 1964 when the GOP ticket outside the South was dragged down by the nomination of Barry Goldwater. Lyndon Johnson carried Wyoming and that was enough to tip the balance to Democrat Roncalio who edged out the congressman by 2,211 votes.

Seventy years old in 1966, William Henry Harrison proved, if anything, he was resilient. The old campaigner announced he was running once again for congressman-at-large as Teno Roncalio was seeking to win a seat in the U.S. Senate that year. The aging former congressman faced a serious opponent in the primary, but Harrison won, albeit narrowly. 1966 was a good year for most Republicans and William Henry Harrison won his comeback bid by more than 5,500 votes over Democratic candidate Al Christian, who was a young labor leader.

1968 saw the end of William Henry Harrison's electoral career. The seventy-two-year-old congressman faced several opponents but stubbornly insisted upon running again. Harrison's most formidable opponent was John Wold, a wealthy oil man from Casper. A former chairman of the Wyoming Republican Party, Wold had been the GOP nominee for the United States Senate against Senator Gale McGee in 1964, so he had name recognition. Wold was also considerably younger than Congressman

Harrison. Like many a challenger, John Wold criticized the incumbent for coming home to campaign, pointing to Harrison's missed votes in the House. Of course, when incumbents stay in Washington to vote on bills, their opponents usually charge them with ignoring the home folks. Harrison ticked off discrepancies in Wold's campaign statements about his service to Wyoming and noted the challenger accused him of being old and not providing "vigorous" service to the people because he had been in Wyoming campaigning. The congressman wryly noted "the latter two of which seem inconsistent."

Still, William Henry Harrison made a race of it, polling 22,522 votes to 23,590 votes for Wold. John Wold won the Republican nomination for Wyoming's lone seat in the House of Representatives by 1,068 votes. One of John Wold's chief arguments for displacing Harrison from the House would come back to haunt him in the next election. Wold argued he was young enough to build seniority in Congress, while the seventy-two-year-old Harrison was clearly limited in that respect. As it turned out, William Henry Harrison would live for another twenty-two years and John Wold abandoned his seat in the House after a single term to once again run against Senator Gale McGee. McGee was not at all reluctant to remind voters of John Wold's argument on why he wished to go to Congress in the first place. Wold lost to McGee in 1970. There was some irony in that Teno Roncalio was running for Congress again in 1970 after having only served one term in the House before running for the Senate.

When defeat came,

Congressman William

Henry Harrison was gracious. He wished John Wold success in the general election and took pains to express his warm thanks to the thousands of loyal friends who had supported him throughout his career.

Richard Nixon was elected president in 1968 and after taking office, he appointed former congressman William Henry Harrison to the U. S. Renegotiation Board, one of those myriad boards and commissions where a grateful president of the United States can reward his friends and supporters. The purpose of the board was to study federal contracts concerning national defense and aerospace programs to ensure contractors were not making "excess profits." With William Henry Harrison's longtime preoccupation with federal excess, it was an assignment made for the former congressman. Of course, Harrison certainly had considerable knowledge of the federal government and a wealth of experience and he resigned from the board when he turned seventy-five, likely as he had qualified for a pension for his time in Congress at that point. Still, the parsimonious Harrison could boast during his time on the Renegotiation Board, that entity had returned to the federal government in 1971 more than double the excess profits found by the board in the previous fiscal year. It was the largest amount returned to the government since 1958 and the presidency of Dwight D. Eisenhower. Since the board's initial creation, by 1971 it had returned \$1 billion to the American taxpayers.

When Harrison announced his resignation from the Renegotiation Board, he told reporters he was merely keeping a promise made to his wife that he would retire once he reached age seventy-five. The former congressman said his health was good. Harrison told newsmen he and his wife would spend summers at their home in Sheridan, Wyoming, and then spend the winter in Florida.

For the remainder of his life, Harrison maintained a home in North Redington Beach, Florida, where he sheltered in the sunshine during Wyoming's harsh and bone-chilling winters. When the weather warmed up in Wyoming, he returned to his place by the Little Goose Creek.

Bill Harrison died in a hospital in Florida on October 8, 1990, at age ninety-four from heart failure. Perhaps the former congressman was less a westerner than a middle westerner, but he was a dedicated public servant who loved his adopted state and its people.

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Jedidiah McKeehan is an attorney practicing in Knoxville and surrounding counties.

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Webb overcomes adversity to shut out Grace Christian

By Ken Lay

Webb School of Knoxville's football team had to overcome plenty of adversity Thursday night.

The Spartans were missing key players Shavar Young and Jalen Hill due to injury when they entered their Division II-AA showdown at Grace Christian Academy.

Once the game began, Webb committed numerous penalties and two turnovers but it persevered and notched a 21-0 victory over the Rams to keep its perfect record intact.

"We had so many penalties and mistakes," Spartans' coach David Meske said. "When you make those mistakes, it will cause you to lose a ball game."

Webb certainly had its share of miscues but Meske said his squad defeated a tough team despite having two touchdowns nullified by penalties.

"They're a good football team," Meske said of Grace. "They had won their last three games."

"We played good football. We played good offense and we played good defense. But we couldn't score points. We couldn't score points because we had all those penalties."

The Spartans scored on their first possession as they took the opening kickoff and marched 80 yards. They took a 6-0 lead when quarterback Charlie Robinson threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Greg Tate. Kicker Clay Fultz added the extra point to make it 7-0 with 8 minutes, 18 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

While the offense struggled due to its own mistakes, the defense stood tall and allowed just 91 yards of total offense to the Rams (3-3 overall, 1-1 in Division II-AA East Region play).

"Our defense is outstanding," Meske said. "They've been great all year."

With two of Webb's star players out, Robinson was a double threat for the Spartans (6-0, 3-0) as he was 22-for-35 for 209 yards through the air. He was also the team's leading rusher as he had 20 carries and amassed 150 yards and scored a rushing touchdown, a 6-yard run with 2:14 remaining in the game that provided the winning margin.

"He's a playmaker and he always has been," Meske said of Robinson.

Webb's other touchdown came on a 3-yard run by Baxter Johnson in the second quarter. Johnson had 81 yards in the contest.



PHOTO BY TRACY HEARD

Powell's J.J. Foust sticks his foot in the ground and makes a cut to avoid Oak Ridge linebacker Brian Kelley in Friday night's Region 2-5A showdown at Powell. Panther lineman Jesse Messengill (67) makes a block behind Foust. Powell pulled away for a 30-14 win.

Powell defense shuts down Oak Ridge, 30-14

Panthers take lead in Region 2-3A

By Steve Williams

Powell's defense has been getting better and better since the start of the season.

Oak Ridge was the latest to find that out Friday night.

The Panthers, who began the season with six new starters, pounded the Wildcats 30-14 at Scarbro Stadium to take sole possession of first place in Region 2-5A.

"Honestly, it's kind of been that way the last few games," said Jeff Lusby, Powell's defensive coordinator. "And then I really think we peaked last night with how physical we played."

"Oak Ridge matches up with us skill kid wise, but I think what we did in the box up front set the tone for us with how physical we were at the line of scrimmage."

The win lifts Powell, the defending Class 5A state champion, to 3-0 in the region and 5-2 overall. Oak Ridge slips to 2-1 and 3-3.

It wasn't just the defense

that looked impressive on Homecoming night for the Orange and Black, as the offensive unit and kicking game also performed well.

Powell jumped out to a 7-0 lead but saw Oak Ridge come back to even the score with a minute left in the first quarter. The game remained tied until Dylan Stooksbury kicked a 32-yard field goal on the last play of the first half to put the Panthers ahead 10-7.

Powell halted a potential go-ahead drive by Oak Ridge in the second quarter and again at the start of the third period before pulling away.

While the new starters have made tons of progress, Lusby said senior J.J. Foust and junior Steven Soles remain the defensive leaders.

"Those two guys, game in and game out, are the best I've seen in high school football at what they can do. They are special players."

"In our 4-2-5 defense, Foust is our nickel/sam guy. He can play in the box or out in coverage and he does both of them so well. He's so smart as a

football player. A lot of times you make a call and just tell J.J. to play football. He's started every game both ways all four years."

Lusby said Soles' motor doesn't stop on Friday nights.

"He's so quick and nasty. He likes to create havoc. Opposing offenses have to scheme for No. 6. He can play all four positions up front. He's that athletic."

Sophomore standout Connor Wheeler again was a big-play guy for Powell. He scored the game's first touchdown on a 53-yard run and had a 41-yard run to set up the field goal before halftime.

On Oak Ridge's first possession of the second half, Wheeler stopped the Wildcats' drive by intercepting Ethan Garza's pass at the 12 and returning it 33 yards to the 45. That led to Jordyn Potts' 31-yard pass to Adarius Redmond that upped the Panthers' lead to 17-7.

Later in the quarter, Potts connected with Gianni "The Flash" Magdos on a 42-yard TD play. It was a perfect throw and catch.

Potts completed a 33-yard pass to Foust at the OR 17 and then ran it in from there to up the score to 30-7 midway through the final period.

The Wildcats scored on a fluke play with three seconds to go. Powell's Adam Weaver deflected a pass up into the air and the ball fell into the hands of Oak Ridge's VaShawn Nalls in the end zone.

In addition to his field goal, Stooksbury's punting provided Powell with excellent field position in the first half. He had a 55-yarder that rolled to the OR 9-yard line and later a 65-yarder that was downed at the Wildcats' 3-yard line.

GET WELL WISHES: Powell sophomore Charvon Thomas suffered a leg injury in the third period. After being attended by medical personnel and placed on a cart, fans applauded him and the entire team came over to give him get well wishes as he was rolled off the field.

Catholic enjoys a 'last-play' victory

By Steve Williams

Catholic's first region win of the football season came just in time.

On the last play of the game, as a matter of fact.

The Fighting Irish slipped past Father Ryan 43-42 in the Division II Class AAA East/Middle Region contest Friday night.

"(Quarterback) Jayden Neal gave (wide receiver) Braylon Harmon a chance to make a play with a back shoulder fade and Harmon took full advantage," recalled Catholic Head Coach

A GLANCE BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD

Korey Mobbs Saturday. "Credit to Jayden and Braylon and our OL for hanging in on that last play!"

Kicker Brock Taylor added the very important PAT.

The win gave Catholic a 1-2 record in the region and 3-2

overall mark. It also kept the Irish unbeaten in its all-time series versus Father Ryan.

"Very proud of our kids, they simply did not quit!" said Mobbs. "Proud of their resolve to find a way to get a win!"

Catholic will play at Lipscomb Academy Friday.

COMPUTER RATINGS: The Top 10 teams in Sonny Moore's Computer Power Ratings through Week 6 games. (This includes all classifications in Division I and II): 1-MBA 155.17, 2-Oakland

152.91, 3-Knoxville West 147.96, 4-Lipscomb Academy 144.86, 5-Maryville 144.82, 6-Greeneville 143.80, 7-Alcoa 143.5, 8-Anderson County 143.22, 9-McCallie 142.66, 10-Ravenwood 142.03.

Other Knox-area teams in Top 25: 12-Farragut 141.43, 20-Knoxville Webb 138.63.

MARYVILLE FALLS: The surprise score of Week 7 had to be Maryville's 28-24 loss at Cleveland in Region 2-6A. As a result, Maryville, Farragut, Bearden and

Bradley Central are currently in a four-way tie for first place with 2-1 region records. Cleveland is 1-2.

POINTS GALORE: Coach Antonio Mays' Austin-East Roadrunners scored 71 points in its home win over Union County in Week 7.

LIGHT SCHEDULE: Only 12 games are scheduled this week involving local teams. Off this week are: Bearden, Farragut, Fulton and West.

Admirals use huge first half to defeat Hawks, 35-0

Continuous clock, better play by HVA lead to scoreless second half

By Bill Howard

Heading into last Friday night's home game against Hardin Valley Academy, Farragut High School's football team had been on a roll, easily winning its previous three games.

Friday night against the Hawks was no exception, as the Admirals were efficient and opportunistic on both sides of the ball in the first half. The result was a 35-0, Region 2-6A win that improved FHS's regional record to 2-1, 5-2 overall.

HVA fell to 0-6 overall, 0-3 in the region.

Neither team scored in the continuous-clock second half. Hawks' coach

Jeff Miner was proud of his boys' effort, despite the halftime deficit.

"I'm proud of our kids," said the first-year coach. "They never quit; they keep fighting. They've had a lot of adversity in the last couple years, but they keep playing hard."

Admirals' coach Eddie Courtney took nothing for granted against HVA.

"We started off fast, that's how we challenged our kids," Courtney said. "In the last two weeks, we saw how much improvement Hardin Valley made. They've been getting better. So we knew we had to start strong."

In the first half, Farragut started - and stayed - very strong. All five possessions resulted in touchdowns, leading to a halftime - and final - score of 35-0.

The Admirals took the opening kick and drove 56 yards in six plays to take a 7-0 lead. The score came when senior running back Elijah Gibbs ran it in from the nine.

After forcing a Hawks' punt, FHS took over on their own 47. On the second play of the drive - second and one from HVA's 44 - quarterback Luke Johnson hit receiver Landis Davila in the end zone for the touchdown and a 14-0 lead.

For the game, Gibbs gained 116 yards and a touchdown on 16 carries. Johnson was a perfect 13

for 13, for 180 yards and three scores. Johnson's day was done at halftime.

Down 14-0, things wouldn't improve for the Hawks. They struggled mightily to move the ball because of a stout Farragut D.

Three more scores by Farragut in the half - touchdown passes from Johnson to Davila and Ashton Auker, and a scoring run by backup running back Wyatt Drummy - put the game long out of reach.

According to Miner, the Hawks seem to have a hard time on the road about falling into an early gap.

"Farragut's got a great football team," Miner said. "We've gotta figure out what to do to start better when we're on the road.

They're a very good football team but this is three road games where we've really dug ourselves a hole."

"When we play at home we start a whole lot better than when we do when we're on the road," Miner went on. "I need to do a better job of getting them ready to play when we get on the bus to go somewhere to play."

The Hawks definitely played better in the second half. Farragut was forced to punt with about three minutes left in the third. In the fourth quarter, the Hawks' defense forced an incomplete pass on fourth down.

Miner was asked whether he worried about his boys' morale, given that the team was still seeking its first win.

"Absolutely," he said. "From the first loss, I've worried about that. It's definitely concerning. If they ever had reason to pack it in, they've got it. But they came out in the second half and played hard. I believe in our guys."

Admirals' linebacker Jay Smiley had 10 tackles, nine of them solo. Auker had five catches for 63 yards and a score. Davila caught four balls for 67 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

Friday night HVA hosts Jefferson Co. in a non-regional game.

The Admirals, who have outscored their last four opponents 159-27, are off Friday. On Oct. 14 they travel to Cleveland for a crucial regional game against Bradley Central.

Reaching for the stars

There are celebrations, and then there are celebrations. When Tennessee defeated Florida 34-32 on Dec. 1, 2001, in Gainesville, Fla., there was a tumultuous celebration, albeit hastily arranged, at Tom Black Track after the team charter had touched down at McGhee-Tyson Airport.

Vol fans packed the track seating area and beyond to welcome their heroes home. It was a magic moment, to be sure, maybe a bit premature, but magic nonetheless.

However, there was precedent for such a welcome home.

Those of us who had been around a while were convinced, we had seen it all before, 34 years earlier, on the night of Nov. 18, 1967.

In that 1967 season, the Tennessee football program was reaching for the stars. There had been an 8-1-2 record and that classic win over UCLA in 1965. There was an 8-3 mark in 1966 that was exciting and oh-so-close to being something really special. On taking the job Dec. 2, 1963, Doug Dickey had said it would take four years to get Tennessee back as a major player in the college football world. A major step would be winning the SEC title and garnering a big bowl bid. Tennessee played Ole Miss at Memphis Memorial Stadium that November afternoon, having lost to the Rebels every year since the Vols last won in 1958, 18-16



While Tennessee and Ole Miss squared off on Nov. 18, 1967, in Memphis, Ellis & Ernest Drug Store on Cumberland Ave. at 15th Street in Knoxville closed its doors for the final time late that afternoon. Thompson Photo Products.

in Knoxville. It was another of the “key games” in that SEC and Litkenhous national championship season, coincidentally Dickey’s fourth year at the Vol helm.

The Vols were riding a six-game winning streak after a season-opening loss at UCLA. The always-formidable Rebels took their best shot at derailing the Vol express before a packed house in Memphis that was equally divided in its loyalties.

The Big Orange won 20-7 over Johnny Vaught’s talent-laden crew, a squad that was bigger than Tennessee’s, but couldn’t

effectively handle the Vols’ speed and quickness.

The Vols won with an attack led by tailback Walter Chadwick, who threw his second touchdown pass of the season to tight end Terry Dalton. Chadwick, who always had a nose for the end zone, also scored on a 9-yard run. Karl Kremser added two field goals to establish the final margin.

Vol fans not in attendance in Memphis huddled around their radios nervously listening to George Mooney’s and Bob Foxx’s call of the game. They had to wait

until the next day to see the game film on the “Doug Dickey Show.”

By game’s end, jubilation reigned in Knoxville and elsewhere across Big Orange Country. The powers-that-be decided to have a welcome home ceremony on the site of today’s HPER building near Tom Black Track.

Fans were encouraged not to go to the airport, but to come to campus instead, as Gus Manning told Mooney near the end of the Vol Network broadcast. Fans did show up, with flags flying. There was even a bonfire. Bonfires were popular in those long-ago days.

There had been a large crowd at the airport after the Alabama game a month earlier, but nothing like this one.

The welcome home rally was front-page news in the next day’s Knoxville News-Sentinel, with the crowd being estimated at more than 1,000, crammed into a small area. No one sang “Rocky Top,” but that didn’t matter. That song had been recorded two days earlier by the Osborne Brothers and was released on Christmas Day. Five years would elapse before it would be the song of choice wherever the Vols might play.

Dickey said he had “never been prouder” of his team and reminded fans there were two more games to play. Vol fans reveled in the moment. Two weeks later, the SEC crown came home, where the fans believed it belonged, after a 41-14 victory over Vanderbilt, the first title in 11 years. Even a narrow loss to Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl couldn’t take the luster off the Vols’ season.

The Vols won nine in a row after a season-opening loss at UCLA, defeating Auburn (27-13), Alabama (24-13), LSU (17-14), and Ole Miss along the way.

They were tough, physical games. The Vols overcame an exorbitant number of injuries, with any number of young players contributing to the Vol effort. Dickey called it a “team” that refused to back down in the face of adversity.

When the Vols did win that year, Tennessee fans knew how to party.

And party they did.

Lady Rebels win regular-season title with sweep at Clinton

By Ken Lay

CLINTON --- Last week was a roller coaster ride for the West High School volleyball team. The Rebels, however, closed out the week by claiming the ultimate regular-season prize.

They had to have some help but they received it. West, however, took care of its own business Wednesday night when it swept Clinton, 25-20, 25-22, 25-10 at the Don W. Lockard Gymnasium.

The Lady Rebels (25-7 overall, 13-1 in District) will be the No. 1 seed in the upcoming postseason tournament, which opens at Karns High School Wednesday.

They closed out the regular season last week by playing four matches in three days. West opened the week with a victory over Campbell County on Monday, Sept. 26.

Tuesday, however, was a night of land mines when the Lady

Rebels lost a pair of three-set matches to Jefferson County and the host Lady Mavericks at Anderson County High School.

“I know these girls are tired. This is our fourth game this week and a lot of my girls are in the (International Baccalaureate Program) and they have to do their homework,” West coach Jessica Lee said. “We beat Campbell County Monday and then we had a tough night Tuesday. We won the first set against Anderson County and then we won the first set against Jefferson County and lost that one.

“Then, we had to come back out here and we knew this match was going to be tough. Nothing is easy in our district. Oak Ridge is good. Clinton’s good, we’re good and Karns is good.”

The Lady Rebels had their hands full with the Lady Dragons

(22-10, 10-4). West fell behind in the first two sets but rallied to erase deficits. Clinton tied the first set 20-20 before the Lady Rebels took a 21-20 lead on a side-out before winning the match on four consecutive points, including an ace by Ryn Gaertner.

Clinton jumped out to a 10-6 lead only to see the Lady Rebels storm back.

“I thought it was going to be more of the same tonight,” Lee said. “We came out flat. I told them that we were going to have to take care of business.”

The Lady Rebels responded by cruising in the third set.

West was in position to lock up the tournament’s top seed because Karns upset Oak Ridge on Monday, Sept. 26.

“I told them that we had to take care of business because we got a gift from Karns,” Lee said. “I’m really proud of them.”

Bearden rides running game to beat Bradley Central

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went right down the field. Ironside was stuffed on 2nd and goal from the 1 and pitched the ball back to quarterback Drew Parrott, who suffered an 11-yard loss. However, on the next play, Parrott found Sam Tummins in the corner of the end zone for a 12-yard touchdown pass. Tummins barely got his feet in bounds for the score as the Bulldogs led 14-7 with 5:08 left in the third quarter.

Bradley Central went backward on its next drive. A late false start penalty after a first down combined with an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on Coach Damon Floyd moved the ball all the way back to the Bears’ 10-yard line. The Bears punted the football back to the Bulldogs.

On the ensuing drive, Bearden

sealed the victory with Brown’s 4-yard touchdown run with 9:59 left in the fourth quarter to give the Bulldogs the 21-7 victory.

“No other team in Knox County got it,” Brown said, talking about the Bulldogs’ three running backs. “You got a bruiser back, you got an exclusive back, you got a speedy back, that’s some good combinations. We all make plays when it’s needed. I’m glad we got the backs. Best backs in the nation, you know.”

Brown talked about the significance of Bearden getting the win and being in the hunt for playoff seeding. “We had to prove a point. We don’t get a lot of respect this year. I’m pretty sure after this game, we got a lot of respect. We got a lot of respect now. Teams don’t want to play us you know. Bearden football about to take off,”

Brown exclaimed.

Bearden head coach Josh Jones talked about the adjustments Bearden made from the first half to the second half. “We felt it was more us in the first half. I told the kids at halftime, if we just fix us, we’ll win this ballgame. I feel like in the second half, we fixed a lot of stuff and we were able to come out and get a win. We had nine penalties in the first half. You’re not going to beat anybody with nine penalties in the first half. Cut down on those foolish mistakes and just do your job. If all 11 will do that individually, then collectively we’re going to be fine.”

Bearden has an off week this Friday before traveling to Cleveland next week while Bradley Central plays a home game Friday against Ooltewah.

Tennessee’s Athletics Comeback

By Mark Nagi

Wow... has this been fun or what!

Tennessee’s football program is currently ranked in the top 10 in the country, something that hasn’t happened since 2016. The Vols also sit at 4-0 with 2 wins over ranked opponents, something that hasn’t happened since 2006.

After four games the Vols sit atop the nation in total offense, racking up 559.2 yards per game. They sit fourth in the country in scoring with 48.5 points per game.

Quarterback Hendon Hooker is a legitimate Heisman Trophy candidate. He’s completed nearly 72% of his passes with 8 touchdown passes and no interceptions. He’s also rushed for 175 yards and 3 scores.

Cedric Tillman, Jalin Hyatt and Bru McCoy have emerged as a three-headed monster for opposing secondaries. Jaylen Wright and Jabari Small are a powerhouse 1-2 punch in the backfield.

Tennessee’s defense is getting better too, coming up with big plays at key times. Linebacker Aaron Beasley leads the Vols in tackles with 26. Byron Young already has 10 quarterback hits this season.

That’s the stats. The intangibles stay with the same theme. Tennessee football is back on the scene.

ESPN College GameDay was in Knoxville for the Tennessee/Florida game. The Vols 38-33 win over the Gators had 5.571 million viewers, the most of any college football game in Week 4. Neyland Stadium looked gorgeous for “Checker Neyland,” and a national television audience saw over 100,000 fans pack the old barn.

That experience surely did wonders for recruits in attendance, as well as prospects that have yet to give Tennessee a serious look.

20 months ago, the dismissal of head coach Jeremy Pruitt and “cough cough” retirement of athletics director Phillip Fulmer was supposed to set Tennessee football back another five years at least.

Instead, head coach Josh Heupel and athletics director Danny White have turned the Vols into a program to be reckoned with once again.

As fans, you shouldn’t expect a team to win a conference title every season. That’s unrealistic. Even Alabama doesn’t do that. But what you should want is for your team to at least be in the conversation.

Think about Tennessee’s glory days of the 1990s and 2000s. Yes, they went a ridiculous 45-5 from 1995-1999, with two conference championships and a national title. But to me, the most impressive thing was how for most of those two decades they had a reasonable expectation to be in the mix for a division title. They won five of those and finished second even more times.

That was the type of consistency that a football program strives for, and that only happens with stability in an athletics program across the board. Tennessee didn’t have that stability for most of the late 2000s and 2010s, and the results showed in most of the sports on campus.

But today, not only is football on the rise, but men’s basketball just won the SEC tournament for the first time since 1979, the Lady Vols basketball program is a Final Four contender, and the baseball team swept SEC championships. The non-revenue sports are holding their own too.

People long for the good old days. That’s natural.

Tennessee fans need to realize that the good old days... are happening right now.

Red-hot Whitaker leads Halls' sweep in region golf

By Steve Williams

Of all the Region 2-AA tournament scores posted on the scoreboard at the Green Meadow Country Club last week, only one was in red.

And, fittingly, the lone below-par number belonged to a Red Devil.

Halls junior Ethan Whitaker blistered the field with a 5-under 67 on the Blount County course to capture the boys' individual championship last Monday at Alcoa and lead the Red Devils to this week's TSSAA state tournament at Sevierville.

Halls totaled 308 – two shots better than Bearden and Maryville, which tied for second at 310.

Only the champion team advances to state in Division I Class AA.

Senior Bowen Brantley contributed a 78 to Halls' total. Others on the team were junior Nathan Jeansonne (81), senior and first-year player Weston Wright (82) and sophomore Evan Caldwell (82). The top four scores make up the official team total.

Besides the players on the Halls team, the top three individual scorers in the field also advance to the state. Those three are Bearden's Bryce Harmon (74), Oak Ridge's Jackson Bentz (74) and Maryville's Nick Talley (75).

"Ethan Whitaker was like a machine out there Monday," said Tom Poisal, a tournament scorer. "He was in an outstanding group but still managed to stand out above

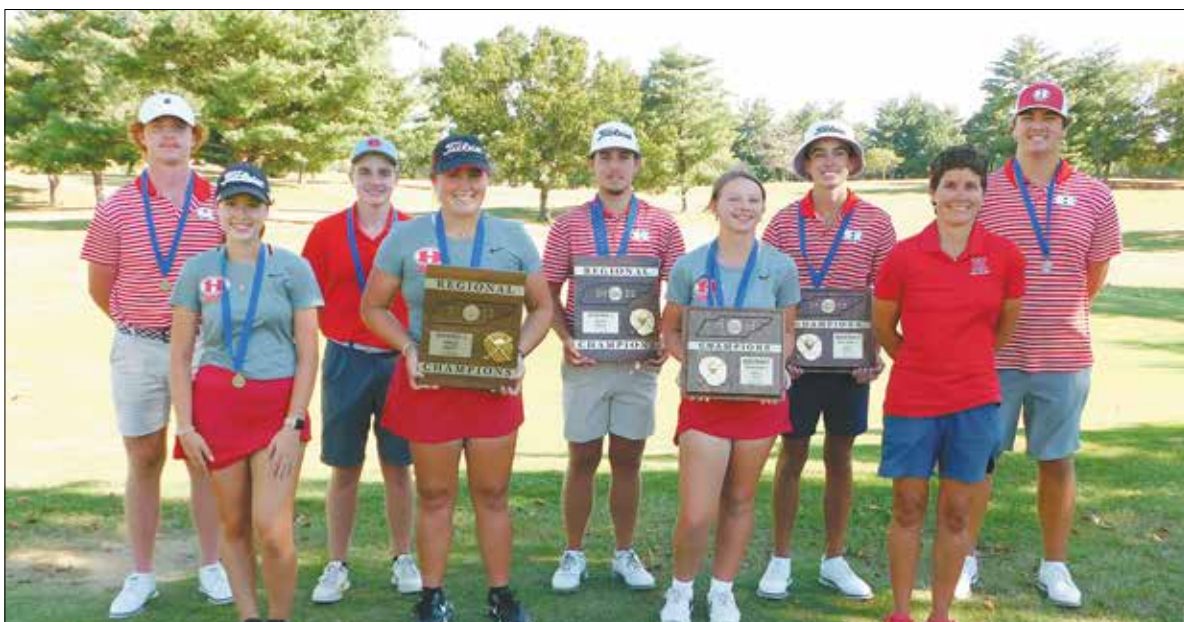


PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Halls High's boys and girls golf teams swept the Region 2-AA championships last week and will be competing for state honors this week. Front row (left to right): Madison Miller, Bailey McGaha, Lauren Davis and Coach Ashley McGaha. Back row (left to right): Weston Wright, Nathan Jeansonne, Evan Whitaker, Bowen Brantley and Evan Caldwell.

everyone. I think I was most impressed with his focus and high expectations he has set for himself. He shot an incredible 67 and it looked like he still wasn't satisfied."

Whitaker, who has committed to UT-Chattanooga, said 14 to 15 of his approach shots were within 20 feet of the hole.

"I played really smart and played my own game and kept the golf course in front of me," added Ethan. "I just didn't do anything crazy or out of my hands. I didn't make it harder than it needed to be. I just kept it simple and in front of me."

"The putter caught fire on the front nine and I shot 31. I just went on from there."

Halls also took first place in the girls' tourney, with sophomore Lauren Davis the low medalist in

the field with a two-over-par 74.

Senior Bailey McGaha added a 79 for a 153 team total. Sophomore Madison Miller shot a 94. Only the top two scores count toward the team total in the girls' division. West (167) was runner-up.

Qualifying for state as individuals were Bearden's Tessa Larmee, West's Calley Holbert and Maryville's Parker Miller. Each carded an 83.

As for the team sweep, Halls Coach Ashley McGaha said, "It feels good. I am really proud of them – the boys and girls team both."

"I knew we were capable of it, but we play in a really tough region and so to come out here and beat Bearden, Farragut and Maryville – especially Maryville on their

home course – it's extra special.

Coach McGaha said this was the first time that both the (Halls) boys and girls had swept the region titles since 2016.

"We lost three seniors (on the boys team) from last year, so I don't think we were really on anybody's radar, but we put together a good team this year and they've been a lot of fun to coach," added McGaha. "They've just got a good vibe among them and they play well together. It's been fun."

It was a beautiful day on the course, but conditions made for some challenges.

"The greens were firm and fast and the wind picked up on the back nine," said McGaha.

The Division I and II Class AA state boys and girls tournaments will

be played Thursday and Friday at the Sevierville Golf Club.

DISTRICT HONORS: In District 3-AA at Three Ridges, Halls' Lauren Davis shot a 73 for the championship and the Lady Red Devils were team champions.

In District 3-AA boys play, Bowen Brantley prevailed with a 73 and Halls took top team honors.

Bearden's Maya Hira and Jaden Morrell swept individual honors in District 4-AA. Bearden also captured the girls' team title.

In boys' team play, Bearden and Maryville ended up tying. They played two extra holes and were still tied. Because of darkness, the two teams were declared co-champions.

Smokies fall short of ending 44-year title drought



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

A young fan receives a baseball from Tennessee Smokies catcher Harrison Wenson in the bullpen area prior to Wednesday's deciding game in the Southern League championship series.

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Finally, with two outs in the third, the Smokies came alive as the No. 9 batter in their lineup, Luis Vazquez, singled. Tennessee would go on to score three runs in the inning on a bases-loaded walk and two-run single by Nelson Maldonado to take a 3-2 lead.

The Blue Wahoos, however, regained the upper hand on a grand slam home run by Cobie Fletcher-Vance in the top of the fifth inning and added four more runs in the seventh, coasting to an 11-4 victory.

When Maldonado hit a ground ball back to the pitcher for the final out in the bottom of the ninth, the Wahoos in the dugout raced onto the field to join their teammates in celebrating the championship.

Most of the home crowd

had long been gone on the cool, late September night.

"You know, it was a great season," said Tennessee Smokies President Chris Allen after the game. "I've got to tip my cap to that group of coaches over there (in the Smokies dugout) because we've had 70 or 80 players come through here this year. A lot of our players have moved up to Triple A two or three weeks ago, so the fact that we were in the (championship game), it's like we were playing with house money tonight."

"It's unfortunate that we didn't pull out the win, but at the end of the day, I'm proud of the guys. We had a great season."

Both the Smokies and the Wahoos defeated the regular season division champion in a best-of-three playoff series to advance to

the championship series, with the Smokies winning two of three against the North Division champion Rocket City Trash Pandas and the Wahoos taking two from the South Division champion Montgomery Biscuits.

PAST TITLE BIDS: The Smokies lost in the SL Championship Series three seasons in a row (2009-2011), falling to the Jacksonville Suns twice and to the Mobile BayBears in 2011.

Tennessee and Mobile were named co-champions in 2004 when Hurricane Ivan forced the title series to be canceled. The 1978 season was the last championship the Smokies have won on the field.

BATTING CHAMPION: Tennessee Smokies infielder

Jake Slaughter won the 2022 Southern League batting title with a .293 average. He played third base and batted in the No. 2 hole in the finals.

The Smokies slugged a franchise record 189 home runs in the regular season this year.

SMOKIES' FUTURE: "We are going to be here (in Kodak) for two more seasons and then we will start at the new ballpark (in Knoxville) in 2025, at least that's the plan right now," said Allen.

As far as the team's name, Allen said: "Part of our agreement with Knoxville is to go back to the Knoxville Smokies. So we will re-brand that and we'll come up with some creative looks and just do a whole new brand around the Knoxville Smokies."

Gibbs, Bearden notch titles, Murphy ties record

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3-3A) and Bearden (District 4-3A) in their respective postseason tournaments.

Gibbs won its regular-season crown with back-to-back wins on Wednesday and Thursday.

On Wednesday, the Lady Eagles notched a 3-2 overtime victory over Halls in a game that was recently suspended at the end of regulation at Halls because its soccer facility has no lights. The game was tied

2-2 when it was halted.

Gibbs wrapped up the top seed when it blanked Fulton 9-0 on Thursday.

The Lady Devils, who defeated South-Doyle 9-0 Thursday will be the No. 2 seed.

West is top seed in District 3-3A: The Lady Rebels (11-0-1) have a district tilt with Campbell County this week. West, however, clinched the top spot on Thursday, Sept. 22 with a win over Powell.

The Lady Cougars are

among the bottom teams in the league.

West was in action Tuesday night in a non-district match against Bearden in a battle for West Knoxville bragging rights. Both the Lady Bulldogs and Lady Rebels were undefeated entering Tuesday's game at Turner-Allender Field.

Bearden prevailed, 3-0, on the strength of a hat trick by senior forward Brinley Murphy.

Murphy is a South Carolina commitment.

Murphy, a four-year starter for the Lady Bulldogs, helped Bearden claim the regular-season district title Thursday night.

She scored her 25th goal of the season and 94th marker of her stellar high school career as Bearden notched a 6-0 victory over Maryville.

Murphy is tied for the career record for career markers with Samantha Turner.

Bearden, which got a pair of goals from Olivia Stott

and two more from Jayla Blue and another from Becca Roth, has two more regular-season matches remaining as it hosts Greeneville Tuesday and Science Hill Thursday.

Lady Panthers split two matches: Powell will likely have the No. 2 overall seed in the district tournament. The Lady Panthers defeated Central 3-0 Tuesday night as Sifa Morgan scored twice and Chloe Ashley scored and dished out an assist.

Powell dropped a 3-0 non-district decision to Greeneville Thursday night.

Lady Bobcats bounce back to defeat Cumberland Gap: Central, which lost to Powell Tuesday, rebounded to defeat Cumberland Gap 4-2 Thursday on Senior Night at Dan Y. Boring Stadium in Fountain City.

Edie Wilds, Cadence Horner and Lily Wilds tallied in the first half and Paige Branum scored an insurance goal after half-time for the Lady Bobcats.

FROM THE MOUNTAINS BY JADON GIBSON

Pearl Bryan didn't deserve it! Part 4

William Wood was a second cousin to Pearl Bryan and the son of a Methodist minister. His family lived near the Bryan farm. He and Pearl were near the same age and were in school together, even remaining close after graduating.

Scott Jackson was the son of a noted sea captain who took him on many voyages throughout the world. The Jackson's oldest daughter, Scott's sister, married a Greencastle doctor. The Jacksons lived in New Jersey but after Scott's father died the mother moved to Greencastle to be close to her daughter and her family.

Her son Scott Jackson remained in New Jersey where he had found work as an assistant clerk in accounts receivable for the Pennsylvania Railroad. One of his jobs was to open the daily mail, tally the checks and prepare them for deposit. On weekends he accompanied his boss to the nightlife of Jersey City. After his boss noticed the young ladies were attracted to Scott Jackson the

carousing became more frequent. It was an expensive habit. Not long thereafter they concocted a plan to steal funds for their nighttime carousing, weekend visits and wagering at the horse tracks. Eventually, the thefts totaled well over \$30,000 and this was at a time when a normal wage in America was about \$5 a week. The books were audited when their active lifestyle came under scrutiny and their embezzlement was quickly discovered and prosecuted.

The trial ended in a hung jury but more evidence came forward against Jackson and he leaped at a plea deal. He would turn state's evidence against his older accomplice rather than move into "the big house" in an apartment of concrete and steel. He high-tailed it out of town and soon arrived in Greencastle, Indiana to live with his mother and start anew. The folks in Indiana wouldn't have heard of any of his activities in the east. It would have been looked at as small crime when looked at from a national

perspective.

Jackson's sister was the wife of a prominent doctor and professor at DePauw University. With connections such as this Scott was welcomed into the best homes of Greencastle. He decided to become a dentist and enrolled in the Indiana College of Dentistry in Indianapolis. He invited a newfound friend from Greencastle to come to visit him in Indianapolis. William Wood, a close cousin of Pearl Bryan was that friend.

Once in Indianapolis Scott resumed his former activity, carousing in bars... this time in the Indiana state capitol. Will Wood visited him regularly joining his nighttime adventures. When Scott returned to Greencastle for a visit Will introduced him to his cousin, Pearl Bryan. She was smitten by him. He was different from everyone she had ever met. He had an eastern charm and oft-used lines, lines that she fell for "hook, line and sinker." Her parents, the Bryans, felt that Jackson had a good future, a good

match for their youngest daughter. They approved of him visiting whenever he came home and even allowed them to visit in their "sitting room," often to the early morning hours. This was generally unacceptable to Indiana residents in their social standing in that era. Everyday life was much different then. Most of the conveniences of today were only dreams at that time.

It was late summer of 1895 when Scott Jackson made some sudden changes in his life. First, he dropped out of the Indiana College of Dentistry and transferred to the Dental College of Ohio, located in Cincinnati. He dropped off the face of the earth as far as Pearl Bryan was concerned. She had difficulty in finding where he was and when she did he wouldn't see her or answer her messages.

Several weeks later she wrote Scott saying in the parlance of the day, she "made a discovery." News that she was pregnant didn't beckon a red letter day for him. Scott wasn't

ready to change his lifestyle or to have a regulated life. Meanwhile, Pearl was in a tizzy. A scandal of this nature would be more than her family could stand. The Bryans were one of the most respected families in Greencastle and Pearl was the most eligible. Dark clouds were looming over the lovely Pearl. She wondered what she could do.

She turned to her cousin Will Wood who exchanged a series of letters with Scott but he was adamant about breaking ties with Pearl. He would deny paternity all the way to the opposite end of the earth if necessary. He suggested different drugs that would likely induce a miscarriage. If Pearl did try the drugs they weren't successful.

"Tell the girl to come to Cincinnati," he wrote to Will Wood eventually. "I have made all arrangements. It will be performed by a doctor and very experienced woman, both old hands at this. She will be attended by an old woman."

Though the circumstances left Pearl feeling empty inside she felt it was a

solution to her problem and agreed to the plan. She told her parents she was going to visit friends in Indianapolis and not to Cincinnati. Nor did she tell them the actual purpose for the visit "Heaven forbid."

Will Wood, her cousin, planned to accompany her on the trip but Will's father asked that he remain in Greencastle. He relented to his father's request but did escort Pearl to the train station. He would never see her alive again.

Pearl was surprised when Scott Jackson met her at the train station in Cincinnati though he did keep all conversation to a minimum. He took her to the Indiana House, a lodge for women near the station. He then left for campus and a class saying he would return later and they would have dinner where he normally took his meals.

The following day Scott introduced Pearl to Alonzo Walling, an acquaintance with whom he had some courses together while in Indianapolis. The three

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Pearl Bryan

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were seen together several times over the next few days and on January 30 they were seen on Elm Street in an intense argument.

“I’ve been here five days and you still haven’t arranged for me to see the doctor,” Pearl spoke up, noticeably upset. “If you don’t do something soon I’m going home and consulting an attorney.” Scott assured her everything would be taken care of the following day.

That night Alonzo Walling made arrangements for George H. Jackson, no relation to Scott Jackson, to take them across into Kentucky the following night in his (horse-drawn) taxi. They would meet him at the corner of Elm and George Streets at 7 p.m. Pearl, Scott and Alonzo

ate dinner in a small sitting room in Wallingford’s Tavern at the corner of Elm and Plum Streets in Cincinnati the following evening. Afterward Scott walked to the bar and ordered a whiskey for himself and a sarsaparilla for Pearl, the latter being a non-alcoholic drink that was popular at the time. Jackson had a small bottle of dissolved cocaine in water which he added, unknowingly, to Pearl’s sarsaparilla before returning to the table. Walling left a few minutes earlier and returned with George Jackson and his taxi near 7 p.m.

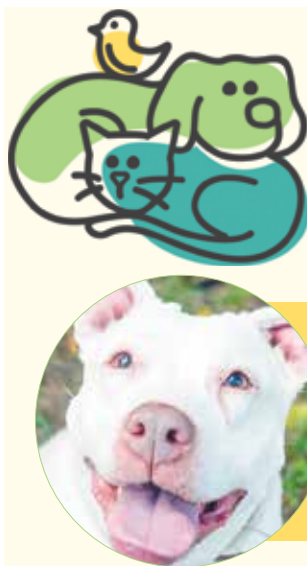
It was raining and cold when they exited Wallingford’s Tavern. Though Pearl was feeling ill by this time, the three entered the horse-drawn taxi and soon they were

riding across Central Bridge to Newport, KY. Once they were in Kentucky the taxi took a circuitous route that took them away from two toll stops to lessen the likelihood that Pearl, Scott or Alonzo might be seen and later recognized.

Pearl felt sickly causing her to moan periodically throughout the trip. She felt deep misgivings with the turn her life had taken. “Oh, if I could just be back home, back before I even met Scott,” she thought.

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ESTATE OF DONALD CHARLES TAYLOR
DOCKET NUMBER 85747-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of SEPTEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DONALD CHARLES TAYLOR who died Nov 15, 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 SEPTEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF DONALD CHARLES TAYLOR
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BENJAMIN TAYLOR; ADMINISTRATOR
2827 MEADOW GLEN
MOUNT JULIET, TN. 37122

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KARMEN LATRICE WATERS
DOCKET NUMBER 86271-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of SEPTEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of KARMEN LATRICE WATERS who died Jan 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 26 day of SEPTEMBER, 2022.

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 SEPTEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF KARMEN LATRICE WATERS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROBERT L WATERS, III; ADMINISTRATOR
147 RUM RUMMER WAY
ST JOHNS, FL 32259
MICHAEL C INMAN ATTORNEY AT LAW
9111 CROSS PARK DRIVE, SUITE E-290
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY CHARLOTTE TIDWELL WILDSMITH
DOCKET NUMBER 86748-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of SEPTEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY CHARLOTTE TIDWELL WILDSMITH who died Jul 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 23 day of SEPTEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARY CHARLOTTE TIDWELL WILDSMITH
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
STEVEN MARK WILDSMITH; EXECUTOR
319 HIGH TOWER ROAD
MARYVILLE, TN. 37804
P ANDREW SNEED ATTORNEY AT LAW
217 E BROADWAY AVENUE
MARYVILLE, TN. 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOANNE WITHERSPOON
DOCKET NUMBER 86563-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of SEPTEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOANNE WITHERSPOON who died Nov 9, 2021, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent’s date of death.
This the 26 day of SEPTEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JOANNE WITHERSPOON
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DAVID WITHERSPOON, JR.; EXECUTOR
6503 S NORTHSORE DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919
ARNOLD COHEN ATTORNEY AT LAW
606 W MAIN STREET, SUITE 225
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY FIRE AND TECHNICAL RESCUE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022, AT 5:30 PM IN THE E-911 MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 605 BERNARD AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, 37921. ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO VOTE.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Reading and Approval of minutes
4. Old Business
5. New Business
 - a. Discussion of Ambulance Contract and RFP
 - b. Update on Public Safety Director
 - c. Discussion of Meeting Schedule
6. Adjournment

LEGAL NOTICE 94

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

RFP 3319, Mobile Medical Unit Design, Manufacture and Lease, due 11/3/22

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

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

PUBLIC SALE TO BE HELD ON, October 12, 2022 11:00 AM AT YOUR EXTRA STORAGE (starts at Cedar Bluff location): CONTENTS OF THE FOLLOWING UNITS WILL BE SOLD TO SATISFY OWNERS LIEN FOR RENT DUE
254 Harry Lane Blvd. Knoxville TN 37923:
D1 John Rector, M47 Robert Adams, F27 Louise Walker. 7144 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville TN 37849: H12 William Hoskins, DC31 Nicholas Breeden, G07 Deborah Waddell, G10 Haley McGhee, A03 Rena Carrington, G69 Rena Carrington, E18 Michael Johnson. 4303 E. Emory Rd. Knoxville TN. 37938: C21 Joel Burkhardt, F55 Tiffany Cremeans, G23 Donna Currie, G44 Emily Kerr, D19 Andrew Palmer, H05 April Pollock.
CASH ONLY

LEGAL NOTICE

The TDEC Division of Water Resources (DWR) proposes to issue a water quality National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit:

Applicant:	Olin Corporation
Permit Number:	TN0002461
Permit Writer:	Sarah Terpstra
Rating:	Major
County:	Bradley
EFO Name:	Chattanooga
Location:	1186 Old Lower River Road
City:	Charleston, TN 37310
Activity Description:	Olin discharges treated wastewater from manufacture of chlorine, sodium hydroxide, and potassium hydroxide using the membrane electrolytic process.
Effluent	sanitary wastewater (IMP 01A), process and misc. non-process wastewater, storm water (Outfall 001), non-contact cooling water, misc. non-process wastewater, and stormwater (Outfall 003), and industrial stormwater from Outfalls SW2-SW4, and SW6-SW8; and to operate a Cooling Water Intake Structure.
Receiving Stream:	Hiwassee River at mile 15.8 (Outfall 001) and mile 16.7 (Outfall 003)

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

For more information, or to review and/or copy documents from the permit file (there is a nominal charge for photocopies), contact Sarah Terpstra at (615) 532-3634 or the Chattanooga Environmental Field Office at (423) 634-5745. To comment on this permit issuance or proposed conditions submit written comments to TDEC-DWR, William R. Snodgrass - Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor, Nashville, Tennessee 37243. Comments should be received within 30 days from the Legal Notice and should include the applicant name and NPDES Number.

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