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## Local Republicans celebrate victory, high voter turnout

By Ken Lay

Knox County Republicans celebrated victories Tuesday night at a watch party at the Crowne Plaza.

Returns were late due to technical issues and several area precincts ran out of ballots throughout the day but that didn't dampen the celebrations as Tim Burchett, Dave Wright and Richard Briggs all won reelection on Election Day.

Wright, who was re-elected in a landslide, claiming 75% of the vote, said he was ecstatic with the high voter turnout throughout

town, particularly in the Gibbs Community, which he represents.

"I'm extremely proud of Knox County," Wright said in his acceptance speech. "I'm glad that people came out to vote. It doesn't matter which way you vote, just that you voted."

Wright, who has been on the political scene in Northeast Knox County for years, said he never remembered the Gibbs precinct being as busy as it was Tuesday.

"It was busy all day long in Gibbs," he said. "And that was great to see."

While Burchett celebrated his re-election to the United States House of Representatives (Tennessee, District 2), he said that he and the party have plenty of work to do in Washington, D.C.

"Fiscal responsibility has to be right at the top," said Burchett, who defeated Democrat Mark Harmon to win a second term in the House. "People are tired of crazy spending and we better keep our word and do what we said we were going to do."

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Re-elected Congressman Tim Burchett turns to thank his family and staff while celebrating his win Tuesday night at the Crowne Plaza.

## VETERANS DAY 2022



PHOTO BY RONNIE COLLINS.

*Umbrellas and flags lined Gay Street Friday during the 97th Annual Veterans Day Parade. Above, the UT Color Guard present the colors. See inside for additional photos.*

## Rain doesn't put damper on 97th Annual Veterans Day Parade

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The remnants of Hurricane Nicole brought showers to Friday's Knoxville Veterans Day Parade but didn't water down the enthusiasm of the crowd or those taking part.

World War II veteran Eileen Neiler was the Grand Marshal and other women veterans were featured in the annual American Legion Post 2 salute

to active and veteran military men and women. Prior to the Gay Street parade, several young people were sworn into military service.

Although the weather saw some units cancel, most of the participants showed up and that included everything from senior living facilities, classic car clubs, motorcycle groups, high school bands and cheerleaders, and local clubs.

## School board approves rezoning, discusses controversial literacy law

By Ken Lay

The Knox County Board of Education approved the zoning for the Northwest Sector Elementary School Wednesday at its regular session meeting.

The original proposal had been sent back in October

for reconsideration.

After the boundary lines were redrawn, the new zone passed with a 7-1 vote with one abstention. Board member and co-chair Betsy Henderson, who represents the Hardin Valley Area, was the lone

dissenting vote and Rev. John Butler passed on the vote.

The new elementary school will open in August and was built to relieve overcrowding at three existing schools, Karns Elementary, Ball Camp and Hardin

Valley Elementary.

The original proposed zone was tabled after pushback from parents who didn't want their children moved from Hardin Valley due to transportation and other concerns.

The district can now

move forward to name the school and select a mascot and school colors. A parent/teacher association or organization may now be formed.

Dr. Sunny Schaeffnocker, a former principal at Hardin Valley, has been appointed principal of the new school.

The new school will feature 56 classrooms, a gymnasium with a stage, three teacher work areas, a storm shelter, two special education classrooms and support spaces, two art rooms, a library and two music rooms.

Under the new zoning plan, rising fifth graders may remain at their current

schools.

Also at Wednesday's meeting, the board voted to seek more research on the new state third-grade retention law before voting on a possible resolution asking the state legislature to amend the law, which is set to become law next summer.

The board also discussed the issue at its work session at the Summer Place on Monday, Nov. 7.

The resolution was drafted by newly elected board member Katherine Bike (District 4).

The resolution is an attempt to give the district,

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# Red States Are Growing, Blue States Are In Decline

From a distance



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After the mid-term elections, Republicans were disappointed. Democrats were relieved. Neither should have been.

When everything was said and done, with very few exceptions, the red states became redder, and the blue states bluer. Both parties have problems, but I would rather have ours than theirs.

The morning after a political unknown with very little money lost to the Democrat governor of New Jersey by less than two percent, one of the liberals on Morning Joe said the Democrats were going to “have to find

a way to become less elitist.”

They have not done so. Another liberal, Ruy Teixeira, wrote in the Atlantic Magazine (certainly not a conservative publication) an article entitled “Democrats’ Long Goodbye To The Working Class”: “As we move into the endgame of the 2022 election, the Democrats face a familiar problem. America’s historical party of the working class keeps losing working-class support. And not just among white voters. Not only has the emerging Democratic majority I (Teixeira) once predicted failed to materialize, but many of the non-white voters who were supposed to deliver it are instead voting for Republicans.”

Teixeira added that the issues the Democrats ran on like abortion, gun control, and threats to democracy (a non-existent, imaginary threat) had “much less appeal to working-class voters. They are instead

focused on the economy, inflation and crime, and they are skeptical of the Democratic Party’s performance in all three realms.”

Second, the Democrats have become a racist party. It was clearly racist for Joe Biden to say he would consider only “a woman of color” as his running mate, immediately excluding all white women. It was racist for President Biden to consider only black women for the Supreme Court, immediately excluding all white women.

The Democrats have become far too dependent on black voters. Very few blacks are elitists. I believe they are already starting to peel off from the Democrats as they find wealthy liberal elitists less and less appealing.

And racism, whether by or for whites or blacks, is not a good base or foundation on which any political party can grow and expand on in the future.

Third, the blue states,

where Democrats are strongest, are rapidly losing population. This does not bode well for their party. Middle-income people are fleeing the high tax, high crime Democrat cities and states, and they are voting Republican.

This will make it tougher for a while for Republicans in the blue states, but it will eventually lead to more congressional seats in the red states and fewer in the blue states. In the 1950s, New York had 43 seats in the U.S. House, now it has 26. Most other blue states have lost House seats, too.

For a glimpse of the political future, look at Florida, where the Republican governor won a landslide reelection. In the 1950s, Florida had eight seats in the U.S. House, now they will have 28, and 20 are Republican.

Fourth, the Democratic Party leadership is too old. President Biden will turn 80 on Nov. 20. The Democrats’ top three leaders

in the House are Nancy Pelosi, 82, Steny Hoyer, 83, and Jim Clyburn, 82. Their leaders in the U.S. Senate are Chuck Schumer, who will be 72 on Nov. 23, and Dick Durbin, who will turn 78 on Nov. 21.

Republicans have problems with blacks, big business, and major universities, and much work is needed on all three. But, we are making progress.

Democrats can go to black churches only on the Sunday before the election and still get their votes. Republicans need to go into the black communities the Sunday after the election and go back often. Every black vote for a Republican counts double in a way – one less against, one more in favor.

Republicans lost the money race this year in a big way. One report said Sen. Marco Rubio had \$25 million less than his opponent, and this was true all over the nation.

It is not anti-Semitic to

say that a big majority of Democrat contributions came from very wealthy Jewish businessmen like Mark Zuckerberg, George Soros, and many others. Republicans need to work more with the Jewish community.

Our universities have been filled with leftist professors who are turning out leftist graduates. Conservative speakers and students are being treated very rudely or even very harshly on college campuses, and conservative professors are not being hired or promoted in most universities.

Conservatives should stop making contributions to colleges and universities that are so biased, even hostile, toward conservative beliefs and that have become leftist brainwashing factories.

This mid-term was close overall, but if the Democrats continue to be so elitist and racist, the future is bright for Republicans.

## County Ethics Committee re-elects Chairman Covington

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The Knox County Ethics Committee met for its quarterly session Wednesday morning and re-elected Michael Covington as chair. Vice Chair Perry Beal was re-elected to that position. There was a moment of silence as Covington waited for nominations until non-voting member and Knox County Commission Chair Courtney Durrett suggested that Covington and Beal be re-elected. The vote was unanimous.

Covington opened the meeting by calling on Knox County Law Director David Buuck who reminded the group and the new members that they are a “quasi-judicial” body and described briefly their duties. While the ethics committee has not heard a complaint in a few years, Covington briefly described prior cases before the group.

Re-appointed member Carletta

Rando-Smelcer and new members Deborah Stafford and Steven Goodpaster introduced themselves. Goodpaster asked where he might gain more information on former cases that came before the committee. Covington suggested the commission’s office library, Director Buuck, the county clerk’s office, or any other member of the ethics group.

Buuck reminded the members that all complaints concerning Knox County elected officials or employees come first to the law director’s office for review and, if found possibly sound, would then be sent to the committee. He said that even without cases before it, the ethics committee “helps keep things in line.” Covington added, “This is where the rubber meets the road.”

“We don’t investigate suspicions,” Covington said.

With no complaints before the group, Covington set the next quarterly meeting for February 8, 2023.

## The End of “People of Color”

When the progressives sought to try to make the rest of us think that all minorities are just alike, they invented the term “people of color.” It didn’t matter that the term never made any sense,



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they foisted it on us anyway pretending that all minorities were oppressed and hence united in the cause. Yet minorities differ more than they are alike. The discrimination faced by Asian-Americans is different from blacks and Hispanics. Asians are being discriminated against in education but not in the classic sense. While blacks were once denied admission to schools on the lie that they were unqualified, Asians are being denied admission because they are too qualified. Entrance into elite secondary schools and universities is being limited because the schools would have – in their eyes – too many Asians and too few blacks and Hispanics. Thus, the schools want more people of color, so long as those colors are black and brown.

Instead of taking steps to address the root cause of the problem – improving the basic education of blacks and Hispanics – the bureaucrats have resorted to limiting the admission of Asians. Standards are changed, with test scores and standardized tests being deemphasized and replaced by subjective personal characteristics. When I was an active researcher in lending discrimination, I found that all of the lawsuits alleging discrimination in

lending excluded Asians from their samples. If Asians were included, then the statistical evidence of discrimination would disappear. If Asian outcomes were compared to whites, then the statistics would often indicate that

whites were being discriminated against. Thus, Asians are to be excluded from “people of color” because they have somehow triumphed over oppression.

Minorities are also different politically. While blacks remain mostly loyal Democrats, Asians are revitalizing the Republican Party in California. Lumping all Hispanics together is simply dumb. Hispanics are not a homogeneous group. Cuban-Americans are solidly Republican while Puerto Ricans are typically Democrats. Hispanic residents in border towns have reacted to the illegal immigrant invasion by voting for Republicans. Arizona, Texas and Florida all have solid numbers of Republican Hispanics while Democrats remain entrenched in California, New Mexico, New York and Illinois. Yet even in those states and nationwide, Republicans are showing strong gains in Hispanic communities. There is even some movement among blacks as economic conditions, crime and education are replacing social issues for black voters.

The recent brouhaha in Los Angeles vividly calls into question the supposed unity of “people of color”. The city is mostly Hispanic and solidly Democratic. There is an ugly rift not only between the whites and the

Hispanics but also between the Hispanics and blacks. The racial spoils are being fought over. Since the Hispanics are in the majority among the city’s politicians, they have made themselves the favorite minority to the exclusion of blacks.

It used to be the case that the advocates of “people of color” envisioned a united front against “white supremacy.” Instead, one minority group is not pitted against another in a racial spoils battle. This should come as no surprise. Since the death of Martin Luther King, Jr., there have been few leaders in the minority communities that have preached about a harmonious coexistence between races working together to make all better off. Rather instead of trying to make the economic pie larger, the groups are acting as if it is a zero-sum game where in order to make one group better off you must make the others worse off.

The Biden Administration is a major culprit in the schism between the races with its obsession over diversity, equity and inclusion. Asians and Hispanics know that the Biden initiatives are aimed at blacks and at the very vocal LGBTQ advocates. Asians know that they are being excluded because they do not fit the poor and downtrodden mold. That Hispanics are being pandered to less than blacks is curious since they are the largest minority. No wonder they are demanding more of the spoils pie. The result is that “people of color” has been exposed as a leftwing pipe dream. It has never existed as a unified entity and now more than ever the term should be relegated to the scrap heap.



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# Publisher's Positions



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## Herrera Moves On

On the heels of the midterm elections comes the announcement by Daniel Herrera that he will not seek another term as chairman of the Knox County Republican Party. The GOP held an election night get-together at the Crowne Plaza that was barely advertised if

it was advertised at all. Approximately forty people gathered together to watch the returns come in and celebrate whatever good news there was locally. There had been no mass email sent through the Republican party mailing list to make local GOP members aware of any festivities on the night of the election.

Nor was the GOP apparatus locally much involved over the summer for the county ticket's general election campaign. Herrera has always pointed to the 2021 city election where his compadre Erik Wiatr ran a ticket of five candidates; to hear Herrera's version, it was a success because it "identified thousands of new voters and supporters during that process." Of course, if it did, they were

hardly enough as it also motivated and energized local Democrats whose candidate wiped out the slate managed by Erik Wiatr. Those candidates averaged 42% - 43% of the vote inside the City of Knoxville. The Democrats had bragged Knox County was turning blue when their own candidates won 43% - 45% in the August general elections, yet the presumption is the City of Knoxville remains solidly blue. Naturally, the numbers vary little from one to the other.

Erik Wiatr had two candidates on the ballot for the November general election. Elaine Davis finally got elected to office after the Republican House Caucus came here and rallied around her. David Pozy got wiped out by Gloria Johnson, who won by her

greatest majority ever. Other than that, there was little for local Democrats to crow about.

Tim Burchett got 70% of the vote inside the Second Congressional District, humiliating Democratic nominee and UT professor Mark Harmon.

Governor Bill Lee won a handsome majority, as was expected. While the Democrats circled around Gloria Johnson and Sam Mackenzie and were all smiles, there wasn't much else for them to brag about locally.

Republicans in Knox County have the opportunity to actually meet the Democrats on their own terms as far as fundraising and organizing goes.

There are some obvious changes needed in the leadership locally and that will do the Knox County

Republican Party a world of good.

## Windle Loses House Seat

The last of the old-time Democrats lost his seat in the Tennessee General Assembly. John Mark Windle was first elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives in 1990 and has served continuously since then. Windle was too conservative to suit the people running Tennessee's Democratic Party today and there were rumblings he would be ruled off the ballot, as had happened to former Representative John DeBerry. John Mark Windle opted to run as an Independent and lost the general election to a Republican. Windle was almost certainly the only Democrat who could

have been elected from that particular legislative district, but was not the woke, progressive Democrats require.

Still, anyone who served with John Mark Windle respects his innate fairness and ability, as well as his honesty and integrity. John Mark Windle served his people well and his will be big shoes to fill.

## Ogles Wins

With the retirement of Congressman Jim Cooper, Republican Andy Ogles has been elected to the U. S. House of Representatives. The county mayor of Maury County, Ogles had a credible Democrat challenger in state Senator Heidi Campbell. Ogles won easily.

## Thursday Safety and Awareness Meeting to focus on North Neighborhoods

North Knoxville residents are invited to a Neighborhood Safety and Awareness meeting focused on crime data and prevention on Thursday, Nov. 17, 6-8 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd. Meetings about East, West and South Knoxville neighborhoods were held in those areas of town earlier this year. KPD Officer John Morgan will present crime data for neighborhoods in City Council Districts 4 and 5, including Old North Knoxville, Edgewood

Park, Oakwood-Lincoln Park, Fountain City, North Hills and Inskip.

Attendees will learn about initiatives of the Office of Neighborhood Empowerment, Office of Community Safety, and East Tennessee Valley Crime Stoppers. Representatives from Knoxville Fire Department, KPD's Safety City, and other community safety organizations, such as Metro Drug Coalition, will be available to speak to residents as well.

## Local Republicans celebrate victory, high voter turnout

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"Our party has to be more fiscally responsible."

Briggs, who handily defeated Democrat challenger Bryan Lanagan for the District 7 Seat in the state Senate, was battling hoarseness on the election night. While he didn't stick around long at the celebration, he made some brief but passionate remarks to a crowd of supporters and well-wishers downtown.

"I'm hoarse so I'm going to keep this short but this is a great night for Knox County and a great night for Knox County Republicans," said Briggs, who won a third consecutive term by taking 62% of early

returns. "When we stick to our Republican principles, we win every time."

"I really don't know why we just can't do a (national) sweep. It might not do it tonight, but we can do it in 2024."

State House winners Tuesday included Michele Carringer, who ran unopposed for District 16, Jason Zachary of District 14, Elaine Davis of District 18, and Justin Lafferty of District 89.



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# Democrats encouraged by turnout, two victories

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Turnout for Tuesday's state and federal election in Knox County was huge, with 128,234 voters voting in person or absentee. The increased turnout encouraged local Democrats in a heavily Republican county. Democrats assembled at Holly's Gourmet Market on Kingston Pike that evening to watch the election results come in and came away happy with the increasing party voting.

In the state House and Senate races, Democrats averaged 43% of votes and saw two victories. The close race to replace state Representative Eddie Mannis in District 18 saw Republican Elaine Davis victorious over Democrat Gregory Kaplan, but Davis' eight-point lead wasn't as large as expected.

State Representative Sam McKenzie was easily re-elected in District 15 over Republican Pete Drew with almost 71% of the vote. The East Knoxville legislator and other candidates waited for the Knox County Election Commission to report results late because people were still lined up to vote after the 8 p.m. poll closings.

Democrat Gloria Johnson, ousted from her former district by the Tennessee Republican House, barged into the new District 90 with a vengeance. She relocated her residence from her former district to within the new district, jumped into the race, and celebrated victory Tuesday evening.

Her battle to retain a seat in the state legislature was strongly opposed by the local Republican Party with questionable mailers and television ads. About half of the new



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

**Representatives Gloria Johnson and Sam McKenzie chat prior to finding that both were successful in their races for Tennessee State House. Johnson had to change her residence in order to compete successfully in the new District 90 area created by Republicans in the state house.**

district, which stretches from east Knoxville to west Knoxville, takes in the former District 13.

Johnson got 58% of the vote compared to Republican newcomer David "Pozy" Poczubut. Pozy told The Focus Tuesday morning that he had nothing to do with the questionable advertising against Johnson.

Republican incumbent winners included Governor Bill Lee with 60% of the vote, Congressman Tim Burchett with 61%, and state Senators Randy McNally with 100% in District 5 and Richard Biggs with 62% in District 7.

Also re-elected were Reps. Jason Zachary with 64%, unopposed Michele

Carringer with 100%, Dave Wright with 75%, and Justin Lafferty with 66%.

All of the state constitutional amendments passed in Knox County.

As a footnote, the two Knox County residents on the local ballot as Independents for governor were Constance Every, who received .71% of the vote and Charles Van Morgan who received only .08%.

## Kincannon to kick off her re-election campaign

Knoxville Mayor Indya Kincannon kicks off her re-election bid Thursday at The Standard in a 6-8 p.m.

gathering. The ad promoting the event has a long list of names of Democrats and Republicans supporting her.

Kincannon, a former Knox County School Board chair and member, won the Democratic Primary four years ago by defeating Councilman Marshall Stair. She went on to defeat Republican Eddie Mannis in a 52% to 47% victory.

The early kick off comes ahead of the campaign and who may oppose her next year is in question, if anyone. Kincannon replaced former Mayor Madeline Rogero who is supporting Kincannon's re-election. Commissioner Larsen Jay, who has moved into the city, was

thought by someone to run against Kincannon. The Focus asked Jay and he replied.

"People are likely to see my name on a future ballot, but it won't be in 2023. It's an honor to serve as an At-Large Commissioner and I believe the hard work I put in every day along with the initiatives I've championed are having a real impact on Knox County - and that's where I intend to keep my focus on," Jay said.

Also facing re-election next year are council members Lynne Fugate, Janet Testerman, Amelia Parker and Charles Thomas.

The City primary is set for August 29 and the General Election is on November 7, 2023.

## School board rezoning

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and other school systems throughout the state, more autonomy on decisions to retain third graders who don't do well on standardized reading proficiency exams.

Bike held a press conference rally prior to last week's board work session.

Retired educator Candace Bannister spoke at both the rally and during public forum last week.

"As a retired second, third and fourth grade elementary teacher, I have very serious concerns about the Third Grade Retention Law," Bannister said. "Currently, across the state of Tennessee, only two percent are retained per year with good reason."

"This law goes into effect this school year and will require 50-60 percent our third graders to be retained based on their score on just one section of a single standardized Reading/Language Arts test that they are taking for the very first time."

Others echoed her concerns at public forum at both of last week's board meetings.

Democrat state Representative Sam McKenzie (who was re-elected Tuesday) spoke last Monday during the board's discussion.

"I went against my party and voted for this law because it's a good law," McKenzie said.

The board expects to vote on the resolution next month prior to January's state legislative session.

## \$5M more on the city agenda to repair bricks

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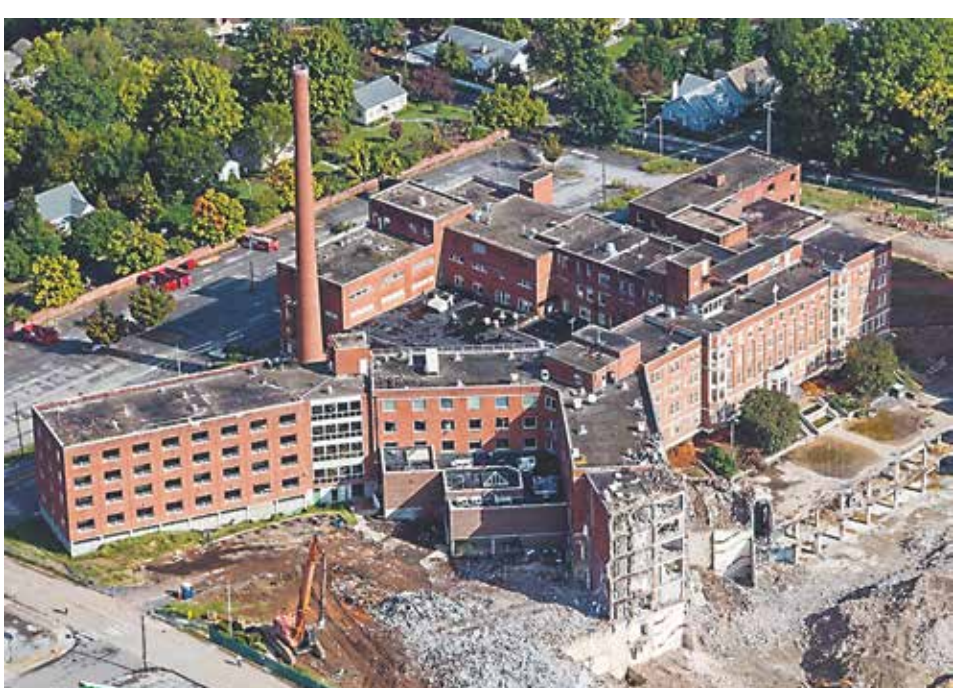
equipment for seven city locations. Great Southern Recreation LLC may be approved for similar services at the Baker Creek Preserve Adventure Playground for \$640,000.

Mayor Kincannon plans several appointments including John Cadotte, James Tomerlin, Sydney Poker and Brad Guilford to the Neighborhood Advisory Committee. Janet Testerman may be appointed to the Knoxville Animal Control Board, Dennis Owen to the City Pension Board and Cynthia Gibson to the Knoxville Utility Board of

Commissioners.

Several zoning changes are also on the agenda including properties at 3411 Garden Drive, 1101 University Avenue, 2721 Whittle Springs, Zero Pelham Road, and 6318 Deane Hill Drive.

The name of Old North Knoxville Park may be changed, in a request from council members Tommy Smith and Lauren Rider, to "Beth A. Booker Park." Located at 416 E. Oklahoma Avenue, the quarter-acre park has a gazebo, a paved trail and a playground.



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### It's Time

I reserve seven thousand in Israel - all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal.

The Lord (I Kings 19:18)

Have you ever thought about how many times a day you check the time? If you're like me, it's a lot. You could argue that we are all time-bound. Humans used to orient their lives by the cycles of day and night. We moderns live by the clock. When my grandson Oakley was four years old and asked to recall events of his pre-school day, in frustration he told my wife that he could only handle "now."

Throughout the 1990s Becky and I did mission work in Guatemala. Our work was centered in the fairly sizable town of Chichicastenango. I remember looking out over the town and mountains at night and seeing nothing but blackness.

Later, as prosperity came to the region, the night was broken by the earthly stars of twinkling electric lights. The people were no longer bound by night and day.

Time is a challenging concept for me. I understand the three dimensions of space (length, width and height). Einstein threw a wrench into conceptual gears with the notion that time is a fourth dimension which we now call space-time. I am occupying three dimensions at my desk, but as I write my body is moving through time.

I'm less confused by yesterday, today and tomorrow than I am by "deep time," a concept often used in geology. The problem arose when science demonstrated that the earth was millions of years older than the Biblical account of the earth's age as 6000 years. Geological deep-time

concepts are daunting, but cosmic time is even more challenging. Light travels at 186,000 miles a second. We measure the distance to celestial objects in light years. Light from Sirius, the brightest star in the night sky, has been traveling 8.6 years by the time we see it. And as I gazed upon Betelgeuse last night - not the movie, "Beetlejuice" - the light from that star had been traveling for over 500 years. My next novel will deal with time and the constraints imposed by God's cosmic speed limit.

On a more practical level, last week I dealt with the biannual daylight saving time (DST) conundrum. Ben Franklin satirically proposed DST was an economical way to conserve candle usage in temperate latitudes. (There is no benefit of daylight saving time near the equator or the high latitudes.) We live in an industrial society, largely oriented by the clock rather than sunlight. Therefore, I argue that there is little, if any, benefit to "springing forward" or "falling backward" twice a year. When I practiced medicine I did like springing ahead while on-call each spring; although I didn't like an additional one hour of night-call in the fall!

Recently, I got to thinking about time as I watched Day Dog (Lulu) sleep at my feet. (Since my daughter and son-in-law are at work during the day, and my grans go to school, their big dog spends the day with Becky and me, hence the moniker, Day Dog.) I wondered, "Do animals experience the passage of time?" Researchers have explored that question with conflicting results. Lulu remembers things, but I don't believe she contemplates yesterday or looks to tomorrow.

Years ago, I read a book by Thomas Cahill titled "The Gift of the Jews." In it, he posits that God gave humans the concept of time when God entered our space-time reality. In other words, there arose the western linear concept of time: before God came, the moment He came and when He might come again. I once read that CS Lewis imagined heaven as an eternity of present moments in the presence of God. Furthermore, Lewis imagined Hell as an eternity of past regrets and future anxieties. These concepts are captured in Lewis' beautiful allegorical book "The Great Divorce," which I heartily recommend.

By the time you read this

we will know whether our Nero will have speed limits placed upon his rush to destroy America. If the anti-Democrat party forces are victorious, Republicans will hopefully stem the tide and begin to unravel the anti-American policies of the last two years.

I am not prescient; I don't know what will happen. I find it an indictment of our so-called democracy that we cannot hold an election, count the votes, and have a result by the next day. I have hope, but this has been tempered by the repeated failures of our leaders and voters blinded by hatred. Memphis just reelected a Democrat state representative who has been dead for a month!

As a student of history, America is now doing what has been done before, and always with disastrous consequences. We think more highly of ourselves than we should. We think we will be smarter than those of the past. We think our technology and power will bring us through the storm. I disagree.

Some years ago I happened on a concept called panentheism (not pantheism). Look it up. Apparently, Paul knew of this ancient concept. I have stood on the Areopagus where Paul

delivered his Areopagus sermon of Acts 17:22-33 before Athens' Sophists and Epicureans. Paul defines panentheism for me in verse 28. "In Him we live and move and have our being." So as I write on a beautiful fall afternoon I bow my head and heart, and I pray to the Creator of all that is, including time.

You can't put lipstick on a pig and it would seem that a once proud people are now to be ruled by fools and ghouls. There is a precedent for what we are now doing. In the ninth century BC, there were upwards of five million people in ancient Israel before the slaughters. Tragically, they did not listen to the prophets who railed against their apostasy, injustice and idolatry. As a result, God sent repeated invading armies and utter destruction resulted. Sound familiar? Better hope you are counted as a remnant.

But for all their faults, the Hebrews fought the Assyrians, Babylonians and then the Romans. Americans just gave barbarians keys to the gate.

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# Buzz Buswell honored at 38th annual ETMAC Luncheon

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Knox County Veterans and Senior Service Officer Robert "Buzz" Buswell was honored Wednesday by a packed house of active-duty service members, military veterans and civilians. Buswell was selected for the Sam Hardman Memorial Award by the East Tennessee Military Affairs Council.

Retired U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Leslie Purser presented the honor to a humble Buswell, who spoke of his years of service to the nation and Knox County. He mentioned others in his department and county officials, and specifically thanked his wife and family.

WBIR John Becker welcomed the huge crowd to the 38th Annual Veterans Appreciation and Awards Luncheon. Several other people were honored during the event including honoring 18 enlisted military members.

Retired U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Lawrence D. Nicholson was the featured speaker and the combat veteran spoke of his experiences and kidded the audience about his 35-year career which he said he never intended but kept "re-upping" every few years.

Jason Hardy, director of the Knoxville Opera, sang the national anthem and Rev. Pat Polis of the Vietnam Veterans of America # 1078 gave the invocation. During the luncheon, the oldest serving veteran was recognized.

Knox County Commissioner Carson Dailey hosted a table that included other commissioners and guests. Many city and county officials attended the event and were recognized by host Becker.

**Knox County Veterans and Senior Services Officer "Buzz Buswell" speaks to the large audience at the East Tennessee Military Affairs Council's 38th Annual Luncheon.**



## Parkinson's support group meets tomorrow

PK Parkinson's Hope is Alive Support Group is pleased to invite the community to its Tuesday, November 15, 2022 meeting. Zach Guza will explain the use and necessity for Awareness Kits for persons with Parkinson's and Lydia Greiner of Amneal Pharmaceuticals will speak about Rytary and its extended release advantages. Lunch to be provided by Amneal Pharmaceuticals.

This support group meets every third Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship room at the Central Baptist Church of Oak Ridge, 130 Providence Road, across the street from Oak Ridge High School. Hope is Alive shares fellowship, support and education on the journey with Parkinson's.



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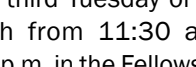
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# Praying in the Name of Jesus

“And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross” (Colossians 2:15).

The Roman government knew how to celebrate military triumphs over hated enemies. Victorious armies and generals would demonstrate to the folks back home what a wonderful victory they had won by bringing back the ‘spoils of war.’ This would include all the treasures they had captured, a long line of prisoners led in procession, and if possible, the defeated king. At the high point of the celebration, they would bring out the defeated king for a public execution.

When the Romans crucified Jesus, a sign was fastened over the cross that read, “King of the Jews.” The defeated king was being executed. They didn’t bring Jesus back to Rome, since he was not the head of any army nor was there a serious revolt under his command. But each crucifixion of an enemy “king” was another symbolic triumph for Rome. Anyone who looked at the cross of Jesus in the first century would have thought to themselves: the rulers and authorities stripped Him naked and celebrated a public triumph over Him.

On the cross, something else was happening that the Romans didn’t realize. God was disarming the rulers and authorities. God was celebrating His triumph over the principalities and powers, the very powers that thought it was the other way around. Jesus was not kidding when He



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**Arlington Church**  
**of Christ**

told his disciples, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me” (Matthew 28:18).

By this authority, Jesus could do whatever He wanted. If He wanted to pull a coin out of the mouth of a fish,

He did it. If Jesus wanted a tree to wither, He spoke a word and it withered up. Jesus offered to God a prayer of thanks and five small loaves of bread and two small fish began to multiply and were enough to feed thousands. He spoke a word to the wind and the waves and they ceased. How could Jesus do all of these things and more? Jesus told us: “All things have been handed over to me by my Father” (Matthew 11:27).

At the cross, Satan was defeated. In Numbers 21, Moses placed a bronze serpent on a pole and any Israelite who had been bitten by a deadly snake could look up to the snake on the pole and be saved. This was the imagery of the cross of Jesus. Jesus bore our sins on the cross. He took our punishment, the snake bite, and died. But there was much more going on. The cross was a fulfillment of Genesis 2:15, where God told Satan, the snake, “He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel” (Genesis 3:15). Yes, Satan struck the heel of Jesus and He died, but Christ crushed the head of the serpent when He conquered the grave. Jesus outranks and defeated Satan. In other words, Satan has no power over Jesus.

So, when you pray in the name of Jesus, there is “divine power to demolish strongholds” (2 Cor. 10:4). Strongholds of the Devil can be demolished. Whatever sin struggle you are dealing with, God can demolish it when we pray in the name of Jesus. This tells me that Satan hates it when we pray in the name of Jesus. This is why we need to pray. Spiritual growth is rooted in an active life of prayer. Prayer is powerful because it brings our concerns directly into the presence of God.

Pray in the powerful name of Jesus!



*From a distance, picture of the flags at Clear Springs Baptist Church, courtesy of Perry McGinnis.*

## Old Glory Flying High in Corryton! Pt 2

“It was a five-year vision,” he said. “A vision even before becoming pastor,” he added. “When I got the call about becoming pastor, I would come and sit in the church parking lot at the far end and pray for God’s will. The thought crossed my mind that on the hill would be a perfect place for a flag for the whole community to see,” Rev. Justin Pratt shared about the giant American flag flying high above Clear Springs



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Baptist Church in Corryton. What a special time to see a five-year vision fulfilled as the church celebrated its 125th Anniversary on September 25, 2022.

Rev. Pratt shared more about the details surrounding the flag. A drone was used to determine the height needed so that the flag could be seen far beyond the church grounds. A generous donor who attends Clear Springs covered the cost of the

project. On any given day, a drive by the church offers an amazing sight of Old Glory standing tall and waving proudly. “There is a natural breeze so that the flag is most always blowing,” the pastor added.

The picture was taken from a vantage point approximately two miles away. With the beautiful East Tennessee mountains as a backdrop, the flag is a steadfast reminder of our everyday freedoms. The pastor was right. The hill is a perfect place for that big, beautiful flag. What a wonderful gift to the Gibbs Community! Thank

you, Clear Springs Baptist Church, for this marvelous blessing!

*Words of Faith shared by Rev. Justin Pratt: “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.” Psalm 33:12 (KJV).*

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## Cowboy shows

The other night I spent time surfing the channels and all the apps to which



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we subscribe through ROKU. Guess what?! I couldn’t find anything to watch. Oh, plenty of programs were available, just nothing that piqued my interest. After a while, I switched to a free app and finally found an old standard

favorite for me: a western/cowboy movie.

As a boy, I spent much of my tv watching time with shows of this kind. Roy Rogers had a program. His wife Dale and horse Trigger fought the bad guys in the area, and every show had a song. Even though I viewed the show, Roy Rogers was far from my favorite cowboy. The white hat and fringe cuffs just didn’t fit the kind of outfit that a cowboy would wear. The best part of most shows was the “Happy Trails” song at the end.

A better show was “My Friend Flicka.” Fury and Joey were best friends, and they lived with Jim Newton, who took the orphan boy in. The adventures of a younger boy who could ride a horse

appealed to my brother and me. The horse was beautiful, and because the show aired on Saturday mornings, I never missed an episode.

“Sky King” was an unusual show. This cowboy didn’t fool with horses. Instead, he flew a plane. Best of all, Sky King’s niece Penny lived with him and was involved in every show, something that we boys liked.

My favorite Saturday morning cowboy was Gene Autry. He wore outfits that were a bit closer to what a man riding a horse and chasing a bad guy might have put on. Gene had a quicker temper than Roy Rogers, and he would show any scoundrel who might call him out who was the boss. I wasn’t much crazy about his singing fits on shows either, but at least Gene sang “Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer.” That redeemed him in my boyhood eyes.

Local stations aired plenty of other shows and movies. We had a television that only got two of the three stations, so we didn’t watch “The Rifleman” or “Johnny Rebel.” The best of all the cowboys was John Wayne. He moseyed along without singing songs. Instead, he’d look at the meanest hombre in the bunch and either fight him or shoot him; it made no difference to him. All the women immediately fell in love with him, but John

would give ‘em a kiss and head out for new adventures.

The best cowboy television show ever aired was “Bonanza.” Sunday evenings were the time slots for the show and woe unto the minister who ran long on his Sunday message. “Bonanza” is the one program that I remember Daddy liking. He watched as intently as his three sons. Ben Cartwright had three boys, and Adam, Hoss, and Little Joe were dedicated to their father and their ranch, The Ponderosa.

A double treat came in the fall. That’s when Chevrolet unveiled its new models. We always watched that special, and my brother Dal dreamed of getting a new family car. Of course, these days have no waiting for a big reveal. In the fall of 1964, Daddy and Mother showed up at football practice in a new 1965 Impala. It was yellow with a black interior. We all loved that car, but little did we know that by August of 1965, Daddy would have died and our dream car would turn out to be a lemon.

I still watch cowboy shows. “The Magnificent Seven” is one I can watch over and over again. I’d bet not one in 10,000 kids have ever played cowboys and Indians or watched a cowboy movie. I hate to think about what they’re missing.

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# The Last Civil War Veteran in Congress

## Charles Manly Stedman of North Carolina

### Pages from the Past



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Charles Manly Stedman had announced he would not run again to represent his people in Congress in 1930. The eighty-nine-year-old congressman had served for the past twenty years. According to the Raleigh News & Observer, Stedman had repeatedly “signified a wish to spend his days under his vine and fig tree” but the people of North Carolina’s Fifth Congressional District “would not hear of it.” Charles M. Stedman was the last veteran of America’s bloody Civil War to sit in Congress.

A few months earlier, Senator Francis Warren of Wyoming and Stedman were the last two men to serve in the halls of Congress who had served in the Civil War. Warren had been a Union soldier, while Stedman had been a Confederate. Indeed, Stedman had been a staff officer for General Robert E. Lee and sixty years later was still known as “Major.” After Senator Warren’s death in November of 1929, Major Stedman remained the only person in Congress to have served in America’s bloodiest conflict. Charles M. Stedman and Francis Warren had been good friends. Each had a jocular greeting for the other whenever they met; Stedman addressed Senator Warren as “Yank,” while the Wyoming lawmaker replied by calling the Major “Johnny Reb.” One reporter recalled when told of Senator Warren’s passing, Congressman Stedman was “visibly affected” by the news.

A kind man, tall with a snow-white full beard, Stedman was a favorite amongst his colleagues and folks on Capitol Hill due to his courtly manners and gentle demeanor. Congressman Stedman was known for daily dispensing “old-fashioned courtesy” to every person he encountered. One of the last photographs widely published of the veteran congressman was as the “Daddy of the House” along with the “Baby of the House.” Congressman Stedman was pictured sitting in a comfortable leather chair grasping the hand of his youngest colleague, twenty-six-year-old Republican congressman Fred A. Hartley Jr. of New Jersey.

Charles Manly Stedman was well aware time stood still for no person and he had announced his retirement from Congress in January of 1930 after celebrating his eighty-ninth birthday. The announcement was made by Stedman’s fellow North Carolina congressman, Robert Doughton, who paid ample tribute to the retiring member on the floor of the House. Even at his advanced age, a reporter from the New York World wrote Stedman still “stands erect and has a soldierly bearing.” Charles

Manly Stedman could have likely served as a prototype of the stereotypical “Southern gentleman” as he was said to belong “to the old school” with his “scholarly, mannerly, and chivalrous” demeanor.

It was something of an annual occasion for members of both political parties, Republicans and Democrats, to rise on the floor of the House of Representatives and offer a few words of congratulation and praise to the Major upon his birthday. Bob Doughton, who would go on to wield real influence in the House as the chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, was renowned for his stubborn nature, earning him the nickname of “Muley.” Doughton stood on the floor of the House of Representatives as members paid tribute to Major Stedman and made the announcement of Stedman’s impending retirement.

“Major Stedman feels,” Doughton said, “and those nearest and dearest to him, feel that he is entitled to a much needed rest.”

Irrespective of what was written elsewhere, the Asheville Citizen-Times grudgingly acknowledged Congressman Stedman was “slightly stooped” of shoulder. The Major still smoked two cigars daily and told reporters he felt fine, although he readily acknowledged he was no longer as “spry” as he once was. Stedman’s personal popularity was such, according to “Muley” Doughton that they kept insisting the elderly congressman keep running for reelection. In fact, Doughton said so “determined were his constituents and the country that he continue his work here, that he had to make three separate and emphatic statements that he would not again be a candidate before his decision would be accepted and before anyone in his district would become a candidate to succeed him.”

It can hardly be surprising the truth was somewhat different than the picture being painted by colleagues who were friends of the Major and an accommodating press. The old gentleman was failing. It is very rare, but there are those lucky people who have worn their age very lightly, but all too often diminished eyesight, hearing, and the numerous failings caused by advanced age afflict most of us. In September, it was announced Charles Manly Stedman had suffered a stroke. The congressman went to the Mount Alto Hospital for veterans in Grove Park in Washington, D.C. The Major’s only child, Katherine Stedman Palmer, was by his side. Mrs. Palmer had come to Washington the previous year to look after her father. Mrs. Stedman, the congressman’s wife, had

died a decade before.

The background of Charles Manly Stedman was about what one would have expected of such a man. Born in Pittsboro, North Carolina, in Chatham County, Stedman spent his formative years in several cities in North Carolina including Wilmington, Asheville, Fayetteville and Greensboro. He entered the University of North Carolina at the age of 16 and graduated at 20. The young Charles Stedman was a gifted student, winning a “first distinction” in every course he took and graduated with the highest honors.

Stedman had just been handed his college diploma when he immediately volunteered as a private in the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry company. Sometime later, Charles M. Stedman joined a Chatham County company and was elected as their lieutenant. He was promoted, first to captain and finally, major. Stedman served with General Lee and was wounded three times during the fighting. Charles Manly Stedman was with Robert E. Lee when the general surrendered at Appomattox.

Politics came naturally to Major Stedman. His father, Nathan, had served in North Carolina’s state legislature and as comptroller. Charles Stedman’s own first foray into elective politics was in 1880 when he was elected as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention that year.

Charles M. Stedman began his career in politics when he was elected to serve as North Carolina Lieutenant Governor in 1884. Presiding over the North Carolina State Senate, Stedman won a reputation for fairness to all and always maintained his dignity.

Stedman ran for governor four years later but lost the Democratic nomination. Major Stedman practiced law in Asheville and Greensboro and served as a trustee of the University of North Carolina. As an attorney, Charles Stedman enjoyed a very successful practice and had a large clientele. Elected president of the North Carolina Bar Association in 1900, Stedman again sought the gubernatorial nomination of his party in 1904 but was defeated. Yet even in defeat, Charles Manly Stedman managed to win new friends and admirers, always running without any hint of bitterness for his opponents, and actively supporting the winners in the general election.

Stedman became the president of the North Carolina Railroad in 1909 and when an opportunity presented itself, the Major ran for Congress in 1910. At the time of his election, Charles Manly Stedman was sixty-nine years old. Doubtless, an entire generation of aspiring would-be congressmen waited anxiously for the aging congressman to either die in office or retire. Stedman kept them waiting for the next twenty years.

Every mortal’s last fight is ultimately futile, as Death comes for all of us. Major Stedman lay in the Mount Alto Hospital gravely ill and doctors began acknowledging the old soldier might be losing his last battle. On September 23, 1930,



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*The oldest and youngest members of Congress in 1930. 89-year-old Charles Manly Stedman with 27-year-old Fred A. Hartley Jr. of New Jersey.*

the eighty-nine-year-old Charles Manly Stedman quietly breathed his last and slipped away.

Josephus Daniels, owner and publisher of the Raleigh News and Observer, was certainly no stranger to government or politics, having served as Secretary of the Navy during the administration of President Woodrow Wilson. The newspaper publisher became friends with Franklin D. Roosevelt as the latter served as an assistant secretary during Daniels’ time in office., President Roosevelt would appoint Josephus Daniels to serve as ambassador to Mexico during his own administration. Daniels published an editorial entitled, “Last of the Romans” eulogizing the fallen Charles Manly Stedman. Daniels acknowledged the simple fact most of the states in the former Confederacy had been represented in Congress by those who had fought in the Civil War. Josephus Daniels thought one word summed up the essence of Major Charles M. Stedman: “Chivalric.” “Handsome in person, straight as an Indian, the soul of courtesy, Major Stedman worthily represented the best of a day that is gone,” Daniels wrote in the editorial. The publisher acknowledged Charles Stedman had “touched life at all points.” The late congressman had known “prosperity and adversity, victory and defeat.” Nor was Charles Stedman “unduly elated by one or cast down

by the way,” Daniels insisted. “He was the master of his fate.”

Daniels reminded his readers of the late congressman’s fairness as the presiding officer of the North Carolina State Senate while Stedman had been Lieutenant Governor. Josephus Daniels wrote Stedman was “reputed to be the best presiding officer of a century.” Daniels noted Stedman’s service in the House of Representatives had been excellent “until failing health impaired his powers.” “Even then his district honored itself by re-electing him,” Josephus Daniels wrote. Daniels remembered Charles M. Stedman as “upright, patriotic and distinguished.” The editorial concluded with Daniels writing, “The State, sorrowing in its loss, is proud to have borne him and been honored by his career.”

The prosperity and adversity referred to in the editorial by Josephus Daniels were acknowledged by a former law partner of Stedman’s, A. Wayland Cooke, who recalled the Major had been a man of considerable wealth at one time. Stedman had faced “severe reverses” which caused “his entire estate to be consumed” in paying down his accumulated debts. Cooke remembered paying off his remaining debt became something of a “passion” with the Major. Stedman paid every last penny owed to every creditor.

Victory and defeat applied

to Charles Stedman not only in times of war but also in his political life. Aside from having twice lost the Democratic nomination for governor, Charles M. Stedman had run for Congress three times from the district surrounding Wilmington, North Carolina. Called the “Shoestring district” because of its unusual configuration, contest between Colonel Alfred Moore Waddell “took on many of the aspects of the War of the Roses.” When Charles M. Stedman became a candidate for Congress from the Fifth District in 1910, Congressman Alfred M. Waddell sent a highly flattering letter to his former opponent, along with a personal check as a campaign contribution.

When Stedman became a candidate for Congress from North Carolina’s Fifth District in 1910, the Democratic nomination was decided by a convention rather than a primary election. Stedman was apparently the last candidate to announce he was running, yet he emerged with a plurality of votes after the convention became deadlocked for several days. Nominated and elected to Congress, Charles M. Stedman remained there for the rest of his life.

Wayland Cooke recalled the Major was not a man to harbor malice, although throughout his life there had been numerous occasions where Stedman certainly had good reason to feel “aggrieved” by the “uncalled for assaults of the misinformed, the misguided and sometimes even the vicious. . .” Cooke wrote that while Charles M. Stedman surely had known and experienced adversity, his spirit never knew defeat. His defeats for political office, and his losing literally all of his material possessions and personal wealth, caused Major Stedman no bitterness. Charles Manly Stedman arose from every personal challenge stronger than before.

Adversity reaches out its claws to grab hold of every life. Perhaps how we react and respond to those challenges and travails says more than we would care to admit about our determination and character. By any standard, Charles M. Stedman met the challenges of his own time and managed to devote his life to serving others.



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# The Tall Woman

a novel by WILMA DYKEMAN



## Wilma Dykeman's 'A Tall Woman' as fresh now as it was in 1962

By Christy Martin

I recently reread a book that I read over forty years ago. "The Tall Woman" (1962) by Wilma Dykeman is the story of Lydia McQueen, a young married woman whose father and brother go to fight for the Confederate Army, while her husband fights for the Union. The book is set in the Appalachian Mountains and could as easily have been here in East Tennessee. The community and its people are split with its men going to join both sides in the ugly conflict that divided the nation and families. It tells of conscriptors that searched for and often forced men to join the Confederates and of "outliers" who purloined the life's blood of the community's families by stealing food and livestock they needed through the winters of those difficult years. Someone in the community sent them to Lydia McQueen's mother's unprotected farm, and much of the book is spent in anguish over who the traitor was. The brutality experienced by the family and the hardship brought on by the thefts had far-reaching effects on Lydia's life and on her family.

"The Tall Woman" is a story as good today as it was when it was published. Wilma Dykeman authored another book that continued the story of the community she introduced in "The Tall Woman" titled "The Far Family" (1966), and another fiction book, "Return the Innocent Earth" about a fictional canning company reminiscent of Stokely. (She was married to the heir of the Stokely canning company,

later Stokely-Van Camp, Inc.) She wrote a biography of Edna Rankin McKinnon, and "Tennessee: A History" (1975) for our country's bicentennial. Ms. Dykeman was a columnist for the Knoxville News-Sentinel. Her "The Newport Plain Talk" was published in several national magazines, and she was a regular and well-received speaker at many events in the area. Her work is internationally praised and read.

"The Tall Woman" is a beautiful book about life. It documents well the hard life of Appalachian women of the 1800s. It is a good reminder of how far we have come in our lifestyles and labors and how little we have progressed in attitudes toward learning, mental health, and spiritual growth. Lydia McQueen, the heroine of "The Tall Woman" was indeed a tall woman in many ways. She brought education to the hills, fairness in dealing with people, and caring for those in need of healing, food, or companionship. If you haven't read it, I recommend it. If you have, it is a book worth re-reading. You can find "The Tall Woman" at most online outlets and bookstores that carry local books. I found mine at a Friends of the Library book sale in Blount County, where I will soon look for more of Dykeman's work.

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# You Cannot Get Married When You Are Drunk

There are many movies and TV shows, perhaps the most famous being, "The Hangover," when someone wakes up in Las Vegas and finds out they got married the night before while in the midst of a drunken stupor. Yikes!



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Fortunately, there is a law in place in Tennessee that is designed to prevent this from occurring.

Tennessee Code Annotated section 36-3-109 states, "No (marriage) license shall be issued when it appears that the

applicants or either of them is at the time drunk, insane or imbecile."

I have searched all of the Tennessee laws for the legislators' definition of an imbecile, but it appears that they did not provide one. If we turn to Webster's Dictionary, an imbecile is defined as, "a foolish or stupid person; a person affected with moderate intellectual disability." It also states that the term imbecile is, "dated, now offensive." Since this law came into effect in 1937

I suppose I am not terribly surprised that the term is dated, but if I am understanding correctly, this is saying that anyone with a moderate intellectual disability is to be denied a marriage license.

Let's turn back to the drunk part though. Here is a legitimate story I heard from someone's own mouth. A woman's boyfriend was charged with a domestic assault in which she was the alleged victim. They went to court, the domestic assault charge got dismissed. They then proceeded directly to a bar and started drinking to celebrate. One of them came up with the idea to go to the courthouse and get married. And so they did. And

it appears they obtained the marriage license, while under the influence and/or drunk. Probably a marriage license request that should have been politely declined by the clerk's office. I do not blame the clerks though. How are they supposed to know when people are drunk unless they are a slobbering mess?

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## Community answers Young-Williams' call



*Young-Williams Animal Center put out a call for pet food last week and received at least \$5,000 in food donations and calls and deliveries have been constant! The food will help feed pets throughout the end of the year. YWAC's Brandy Ellison, Cheiney McBrien and Jessie Ellison are pictured with some of the donated bags. Supply is still uncertain for the future, so the shelter will happily accept any more that people can contribute. The community's generosity is inspiring, and Young-Williams is so appreciative!*

## Knox County's center of population report released

Knoxville-Knox County Planning recently released the 2022 edition of Knox County's Center of Population report.

Every ten years, when the U.S. Census of Population and Housing is completed, the Census Bureau reports on geographic centers of population. A center of population is the mean center of gravity, or the point at which an imaginary map would balance perfectly if everyone weighed the same and were placed on the map exactly where they live. Measuring this point helps show general migration patterns and illustrates trends in investments and economic shifts over time.

The 2020 Census shows that the center of the county's population is now in Northwest Knoxville at the intersection of Hinton Drive and Third Creek Road. Much like the U.S. center, Knox County's has incrementally moved west over the past several decades. In 1980 it was in the Lonsdale community, followed by shifts to Pleasant Ridge Road, to Western Avenue at I-640, and, by 2010, to the intersection of Ball Camp Pike and Hazelwood Road. Each time, the center has been pulled farther from the city's center towards newer suburban developments.

This westward movement is no

surprise considering the consistent growth in the Northwest and Southwest sectors over the past few decades. Despite that westward expansion, the center of population for the county is still relatively close to downtown Knoxville, indicating that public resources and opportunities located within the urban core are still positioned in a setting that best serves residents.

For more information, you can view the newly released Knox County's Center of Population report, as well as additional topics on local population and demographics, at [knoxplanning.org/data/technical-reports](http://knoxplanning.org/data/technical-reports).

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# Gianni and Panthers pay back Mustangs, 48-0

By Steve Williams

Powell's Gianni Magdos had one of the best games of his high school career but wanted to talk about the payback instead.

Two years ago, the Panthers saw their season come to an end in a first round playoff loss at Walker Valley. Friday night they got their "revenge" said Magdos.

It took a little while, but Powell ran off and left the Mustangs and posted a 48-0 win in a TSSAA Class 5A second-round playoff game at Hayworth Field and Scarbro Stadium.

It was the 10th straight win for Coach Matt Lowe's defending state champions after opening the season with back-to-back losses.

Thanks to Oak Ridge for its 13-12 win over McMinn County, Powell will get to play the Wildcats in the Jungle this Friday instead of traveling to Athens to play McMinn County.

The quarterfinal round game kicks off at 7. The winner is expected to get a shot at unbeaten West in the semifinals.

Gianni got Powell going after a slow start. Backed up on the 17-yard line, the small but fast Powell senior took a pass from quarterback Jordyn Potts and raced to the Mustangs' 1-yard line on the 82-yard play before being "hawked" (a modern day word for tackled, said Gianni) by



PHOTO BY CHARLES MAYS

*Powell High's No. 22 Gianni Magdos had a big night as the Panthers got revenge Friday for a first-round playoff loss at Walker Valley two years ago. Magdos scored one touchdown in the 48-0 win and helped set up two more, but it was the payback that he enjoyed the most.*

Josiah Sheppard at the 1.

Connor Wheeler took it in from there for an easy six. Dylan Stooksbury added the PAT with 3:51 remaining in the first quarter.

The lead would grow quickly and Magdos was in the middle of every bit of it and then some.

He had a 17-yard run to the WV 6-yard line when Powell got the ball back and Potts ran a keeper to score on the next play.

At this point in the

contest, Gianni had come close to scoring two touchdowns.

On Powell's next possession, Potts delivered a beautiful 35-yard pass up into the night sky and Adarius Redmond snagged it. On the next play, Potts passed 16 yards to Ayden Greene for the TD and it was 21-0.

Now back on defense, Magdos made a diving interception, but the take-away was nullified by off-setting penalties.

At some point in the second quarter, Walker Valley starting quarterback Evan Schwarzl suffered a shoulder injury and could not continue. WV Coach Drew Akins said after the game it was a blow to the Mustangs' offense.

Seeing the game slip away, Walker Valley went for a first down on fourth-and-eight at the Powell 37 but couldn't convert.

Three plays later, Potts hit Greene on the sideline

and the senior wideout went 49 yards to the end zone to make it 28-0 with 3:31 to go in the first half.

Gianni again got an interception at the WV 36. Potts connects with Greene and Ayden smokes defender Tucker Ownby on a 35-yard play and it's 35-0.

Powell wasn't satisfied (remember, this was a revenge game) and Coach Lowe used a timeout to save time and get the ball back.

Unfortunately for the Panthers, they can't move the sticks. But Walker Valley contributes to the Powell cause and roughs Stooksbury, the Powell punter.

That puts the ball in Mustangs' territory at the 42-yard line with under a minute before halftime.

Potts hits Magdos down the middle and this time Gianni scores. The third time is the charm for the speedster.

And believe it or not, the scoreboard clock reads 0:22 - and No. 22 is Gianni's uniform number!

The clock was stopped prior to the extra-point attempt and 0:22 was brightly shining for all to see. There's no telling how many Powell fans noticed it.

This reporter did and Gianni said after the game he was aware of it too.

The extra point was missed and the first half ended with the score 41-0.

Second half highlights included Walker Valley missing a 38-yard field goal. Do you think the Mustangs were trying to avoid a shutout?

Powell reserves got to finish it off with an 80-yard touchdown drive in 11 plays. Fabby Neiwoh tallied on a 6-yard run. Reserve kicker Nathan Patterson nailed the PAT.

Paybacks are great, Magdos said after the game.

# Maryville uses running game and defense to beat Bearden

By David Klein

Behind the power running of Gage LaDue and some turnovers, the Maryville Rebels defeated the Bearden Bulldogs 28-10 in a Class 6A second round playoff game at Maryville.

LaDue would end the night with 27 rushes for 199 yards and three touchdowns and the Rebels ran for 220 yards overall on the night. The Rebels advance to play Science Hill in a quarterfinal matchup Friday at Maryville.

Maryville started the game with a bang on LaDue's 63-yard touchdown run on the first offensive play of the game. He got

**"We'll get better and I can promise you this, you'll see a better Bearden football team next year."**  
**Coach Josh Jones**

stuck running to the outside but then cut back in the middle and outraced Bulldog defenders for the score to give Maryville an early 7-0 lead with 11:34 left in the first quarter.

Answering the Rebels' touchdown, the Bulldogs would drive all the way to the Rebel 6-yard line but had to settle for a 22-yard Daniel Kinney field goal.

Following Bearden's field goal, both offenses would struggle to move the ball. LaDue fumbled the ball and the Bulldogs' Sam Nicaud recovered it. However, the Bulldogs fumbled the ball right

back to the Rebels on the next play.

Maryville head coach Derek Hunt said, "Defense was phenomenal. I thought our coaching staff did a great job. Our kids played their tails off the whole game; defense played great the whole game. I told our guys it's going to be an ugly game. We just got to find a way."

Maryville continued to struggle but found enough offense near the end of the first half to put another touchdown on the board. Following a pass interference call on Bearden, LaDue took a handoff 12 yards into the end zone with 55 seconds left in the first half to put Maryville up 14-3 at halftime.

The Bulldogs had a great chance to cut the Rebels' lead

on their first possession of the second half, but nine plays later, Maryville's Peyton Cooper made a diving interception off Drew Parrott's errant throw. Maryville took advantage of the turnover and capped it with LaDue's third touchdown of the night, a 1-yarder on 4th-and-goal. The touchdown put Maryville up 21-3.

"Those three touchdowns do not happen without the o-line obviously," LaDue said. "There's no o-line I'd rather run behind in the whole state of Tennessee."

Bearden was reeling. On its next possession, Parrott threw his second interception of the game to Hutton Jones. Maryville got the ball deep in Bearden territory and was aided by a personal foul call on the Bulldogs. On 2nd-and-goal at the 4-yard line, Price

Davis ran for a touchdown to put the Rebels up 28-3.

Bearden got its only touchdown of the game with 2:23 left in the game against Maryville's second team on Parrott's 6-yard touchdown pass to Tory Beaufort. That made the final score 28-10, Maryville.

Bearden ended its season at 7-5. "Offensively, we got whipped at the line of scrimmage," Bearden coach Josh Jones said. "You're not going to win many games when you get whipped at the line of scrimmage. Maryville's got a terrific team, a really good defense. It just wasn't our night. We'll get better and I can promise you this, you'll see a better Bearden football team next year."





HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

A-E's Bertram is one of 16 new head coaches

By Steve Williams

There are a lot of new faces on the Knox County high school basketball scene this year with 16 new boys' and girls' head coaches.

Preseason practice started Oct. 31 and Hall of Champions Games will be played this week (Nov. 14-19) along with the KOC Tip-Off Classic tonight at Central and Tuesday night at Karns, starting at 5:30.

In that first week of preseason practice, this reporter saw new Austin-East boys coach Denard Bertram working with the Roadrunners on Nov. 3 for over an hour at Clifford Ross Gymnasium.

And as one might expect, there were mixed expressions on Coach Bertram's face as he put his team through different drills ... a smile from just being around his guys ... a strong focused look as though he was ready to get in there with them ... and even a frown as one player had to come off the floor after a lack of effort.

Overall, however, the Roadrunners worked hard and there were some laughs shared by the coaches and players too through the practice.

To help fans get to know a little about their new coach, The Focus sent out a brief questionnaire to obtain background information. One of the questions asked for the coaches to point out their career highlight in basketball.

As he enters his 20th season of coaching this year, a highlight of Bertram's career has been being involved with several championship teams as an assistant coach. He was part of the 2014 Class AAA state runner-up boys' coaching staff at Oak Ridge.

In 2017, Bertram had the same position on Harri- man's Class A state championship coaching staff. Overall, he's been part of 12 district championship staffs, six region championship staffs and four state tournament berths.

After graduating from Harri- man High in 1998, Bertram played football at Carson-Newman. He was head boys basketball coach at Midway



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

*Austin-East boys basketball coach Denard Bertram observes his players in a preseason practice session. Bertram is one of 16 new boys' and girls' head coaches in Knox County this season.*

High in 2020-2021 and head girls basketball coach at Concord Christian School in 2021-2022.

In addition to Austin-East, the seven other boys' teams with new head coaches this season are Knoxville Catholic (Luke Smith), Central (Joe Ward), Concord Christian (Justin Zachary), Farragut (J.P. Burris), First Baptist Academy (Kevin Alexander), Hardin Valley Academy (Andy Arendt) and South-Doyle (James Jones).

"This is my first head coaching job," said Burris, who takes over the Admirals' program. "I played high school basketball at Bearden before transferring to Maryville High for my senior year (2009-2010). I went on to play at Maryville College (2010 - 2014)."

As for his career highlight in basketball, Burris said: "I'd have to say going to the NCAA tournament with Maryville College my sophomore year under Head

Coach Randy Lambert. We almost upset the No. 5 team (Wooster) in the country on their home floor in front of a sellout crowd, losing on a last second shot. It was one of the most electric atmospheres I've experienced coupled with a phenomenal down to the wire game. The NCAA tournament just can't be replicated as an experience."

Andy Arendt also will be making his debut as a head coach at HVA. He has been an assistant at CAK (boys) and at Farragut (girls).

"The highlight of my basketball career is coaching as an assistant in the state championship game last year with Farragut," he said.

Arendt played high school basketball at CAK and did not play in college.

Zachary, who previously has been head coach at The King's Academy, played football and basketball at Farragut and said his career highlight was winning the 2001 district tournament



*J.P. Burris played high school basketball at Bearden and Maryville. Now in his first head coaching job at Farragut, he'll be coaching against the rival Bulldogs and region foe Rebels.*

championship and being named the tournament MVP.

Justin's playing career also includes playing football at Austin Peay State.

"I was an assistant at CAK under Shane Wells for five seasons with the highlight being back-to-back district regular season and tournament championships and a state sectional appearance."

THE FOCUS will introduce the eight new girls head coaches to its readers in next week's issue.

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| Local high school student-athletes who have or will be signing scholarship papers in the first National Signing period (Nov. 9-16) of the 2022-23 school year and will be enrolling in college for the 2023-24 school year. |   |
| BEARDEN   | Lilly Shaw, Tusculum University, cheerleading<br>Lauren Peters, California-Berkeley, rowing<br>Kate Turner, LMU, track<br>Avery Treadwell, Florida State, basketball<br>Peyton Huber, Liberty University, soccer<br>Brinley Murphey, South Carolina, soccer<br>Becca Roth, Western Kentucky, soccer       |
| CAK   | Addison Smith, Samford, softball<br>Emily Wilson, Johnson University, basketball  |
| CARTER  | Delaney Griffin, Mars Hill University, soccer   |
| CATHOLIC  | Harrison Thompson, West Virginia, golf<br>Gracie Pardue, University of Toledo, swimming<br>Sydney Clements, Tennessee Tech, soccer<br>Jazmin Williams, Bluefield University, basketball<br>Daniel Parris, Tennessee, baseball<br>Maeve Thornton, Furman, tennis<br>Carson Gompert, UT-Chattanooga, tennis |
| FARRAGUT  | Mackenzie Turner, Centre, volleyball<br>Madison Neeley, Roane State, volleyball<br>Brooke Simpson, LSU, gymnastics<br>Annabelle Ekern, Bellarmine, soccer<br>Kennedy Reynolds, UT-Chattanooga, track / cross country<br>Ava Guzowski, Kennesaw State, softball<br>Jett Johnston, Texas A&M, baseball      |
| GIBBS   | Reilly Byers, Mississippi State, baseball<br>Jordann Reagan, LMU, softball  |
| HALLS   | Bowen Brantley, Walters State, golf<br>Samantha Kirk, Belmont Abbey College, softball<br>Staley Vaught, King University, softball   |
| KARNS   | Shelby Armstrong, University of North Alabama, softball   |
| KNOXVILLE AMBASSADORS HOME SCHOOL   | Savannah Rivera, Tennessee, cross country / track   |
| SEYMOUR   | Rae Rae Ellis, Mars Hill, women's soccer  |
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| WEST  | Kara Brantley, Carson-Newman, volleyball<br>Ryn Gaertner, Berry College, volleyball<br>Ella Reyes, Maryville College, volleyball<br>Denver Slifka, Carson-Newman, baseball  |
| <i>- Compiled by Steve Williams</i>   |   |

West, Powell and Webb face tough tests

By Steve Williams

Knox County teams lost four of their seven playoff games Friday night and the task at hand will be even tougher for West, Powell and Webb School this week.

West and Daniel Boone High will match 12-0 records Friday at West in Class 5A play, while Powell (10-2) and Oak Ridge (7-5) will have a rematch at Powell. The Panthers won the regular season game 30-14.

Meanwhile, Webb probably will have the toughest test of the three Knox County teams as Coach David Meske's Spartans (10-0) host Lipscomb Academy, which is 11-0 and one of the top teams in the country, according to Meske.

Expect a large turnout for each game. Kickoff time is 7.

While Webb toppled Davidson Academy 49-24 Friday, Lipscomb Academy rolled past Silverdale 77-13 in Division II Class AA.

"It's going to be a great challenge for us," said Meske, who is coaching his last season at Webb. "They are one of the top teams in the country. We're going to prepare to play our best game.

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I think they may be the No. 1 ranked team in the state. They've got a lot of talented players."

"We had another fast start," said West Coach Lamar Brown, after a 68-14 win over Morristown West, where Brown was head coach before coming to Knoxville. "It may have been the most complete game we have played all year. The offense had a lot of explosive plays and the defense forced three-and-outs and turnovers."

Brown said Boone, which eliminated Central 30-7, is a really good football team. "Big and physical," he pointed out. "One of the best defenses we have faced all year."

Oak Ridge Coach Scott Cummings said "Powell is a really good football team. Their defense is playing really well and skill on offense is obviously next level. We are healthier than last time



PHOTO BY JASON CANTRELL - CADENCE CAPTURES

*West High's Silas Cole dives into the end zone for a touchdown in the undefeated Rebels' 68-14 win over Morristown West in a Class 5A playoff runaway at Bill Wilson Field Friday night.*

we played them. We have to play very clean to have a chance to win."

**JONES PRAISES DOGS:** "Proud

of our seniors," said first-year Bearden head coach Josh Jones, after Bulldogs lost 28-10 at Maryville in Class 6A. "They worked so hard. Did all we asked

and more! Didn't accomplish all we wanted to this year, but to send our seniors out with their 'first winning season' in high school was nice."



# Where's Georgia Tech?



Looking at Tennessee's November football schedule begs an important question or two for us old folks. Where the heck is the "Rambling Wreck," AKA Georgia Tech? (The other question for the fans base is why the Vols are playing their final two regular season games on the road, at South Carolina and Vanderbilt. That hasn't happened in quite a while. You could go back to 1955 (a 7-7 tie), 1956 (Tennessee, 6-0), 1957 (Tennessee, 21-6), 1960 (Georgia Tech, 14-7), 1961 (Tennessee, 10-6), 1964 (Tennessee, 22-14), and 1965 (Tennessee, 21-7) as examples. This was always a great series overall, but these November games had a special "feel" to them, not only weather-wise, but with the Tennessee orange and white matched against Tech's white and old gold. Adding to the mystique was the battle between ex-Vol players Bobby Dodd at Tech and Bowden Wyatt at Tennessee in the early years or the later battles between Vol head coach Doug Dickey and Dodd, the latter by then a grizzled veteran. In his first season in Knoxville, Wyatt had posted a 4-2 record going into the 1955 Tech game. Tech was No. 8 in the country, favored by 7, losing only to

Auburn. It ended up a deadlock, with Tennessee outplaying the favored Techsters. A Vol TD pass late in the game was called back by an ineligible receiver penalty, a decision the Vol crowd protested to no avail. Wyatt was unbowed: "It was tied before we started. We wanted to win." The two teams, Tech ranked No. 2, Tennessee No. 3, battled all day, the only tally achieved after two passes by All-American tailback John Majors to All-American end Buddy Cruze and Tommy Bronson's dive into the end zone a play later. There was a wonderful moment highlighting Wyatt's competitive spirit. When it was fourth-and-4 at the Vol 28 early in the game, Dodd elected to punt. "Why didn't Dodd go for it?" one media type asked. "Because he wouldn't have made it," Wyatt responded. The 1956 game at Grant Field in Atlanta was named the No. 2 game in collegiate history by UPI in 1961, surpassed only by the 1935 Ohio State-Notre Dame game. In 1957, it was the Vols, ranked No. 9, against No. 18 Tech. Tennessee showed some T-formation that day, perhaps to Wyatt's surprise. With a minute or so to go in the first half and the ball on the Vol 2, Bobby Gordon went under center and, three times, fell on the ball while being "protected" by Anderson, Bronson, and Stockton Atkins. Russ Bebb reported that the play

had been rehearsed in Gordon's dorm room. Anderson was co-captain that season (with Bill Johnson) and remembered very little about the game. "I had been bothered by a pinched nerve in my neck for some time, and I was almost out cold. They told me I kept on playing and later scored on a 45-yard reverse. I remember taking a shower after the game when I finally regained my senses. I even had to ask the score." The two teams split decisions in 1960 and 1961, with the 1961 game being a major upset on Dodd's 53rd birthday. Billy Williamson returned a kickoff 93 yards for a score in 1960 that was a key to Tech's victory. Mallon Faircloth had a 22-yard TD pass to John Bill Hudson, and Gary Cannon had a 31-yard field goal in 1961, to highlight a defensive struggle. In 1964, Tennessee was a heavy underdog and trailed 14-3 in the final period before rallying for the victory. Quarterback David Leake led the comeback, tossing a TD pass to Al Tanara and leading a drive culminated by a Jack Patterson TD. Doug Archibald had an interception return for the final score. That gave the Vols a 4-2-1 record, before the team's offensive inadequacies became glaring in the final three games, all losses. In 1965, the Vols were in the aftermath of the deaths of three assistant coaches, yet playing inspired



John Majors, Buddy Cruze, and John Gordy (L-R) were among the key players in Tennessee's 6-0 win over Georgia Tech in November 1956.

football. Sophomore quarterback Charlie Fulton led an offense that racked up 251 yards rushing, 101 passing. Harold Stancell had an interception return for a score, Fulton hit Hal Wantland for another, and Stan Mitchell got a third.

That victory helped convince Vol fans that Dickey was building a team to be reckoned with, one that finished in the Top 10 after a Bluebonnet Bowl victory against Tulsa. Thus, these November games against Georgia

Tech were something special, with enough "angles" for the most intense fan. It was a great rivalry. Was there the concept of "immediate gratification" present in those days? If so, it was pretty immediate... for Tennessee fans.

## Road Trip! An international week of sports

By Mark Nagi  
Long time readers of my articles/columns/poetry know just how much I love going to sporting events. The gluttony, the angst, the tension... There's nothing better than sports. During an eight-day period in October, me and my girlfriend drove over 4500 miles, going through eight states, two provinces and two countries. And we saw three great sporting events along the way. We started by driving from Knoxville to Geneseo, NY, home of the greatest small college in the world, SUNY Geneseo. On Saturday, October 8th, we were approximately 750 miles from Knoxville, but the Tennessee/LSU game was first and foremost on our minds. At high Noon we settled in at the bar at Kelly's Saloon (one of America's truly great dive bars) to watch the Vols and Tigers. Being that upstate New York isn't a college football hotbed, we were the only ones that cared about the game. Tennessee recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff and never looked back, on their way to a 40-18 rout. So far so good on this trip! We spent the night with friends in Rochester and the next morning we drove to Orchard Park to watch the Pittsburgh Steelers play the Buffalo Bills. For years I've joked that if the SEC were ever to expand into professional

sports, the Buffalo Bills should be their first call. Is there a geographical tie? No, my friends there is not, but they'd be a perfect cultural fit. The entire town rallies around that team. Bills flags and license plates dot seemingly every few feet in western New York. The fans are... how can I put this... insane. Walking through a Bills tailgate is something every sports fan should experience at least once in their lives. We didn't see anyone jump through a table, but the revelry was in full gear by the time we arrived. We met some of my old fraternity brothers in the appropriately named "Mud Lot," had some pregame drinks, and ventured into Highmark Stadium on a cold, gray afternoon. The Bills, led by their gazelle of a quarterback named Josh Allen, destroyed the Steelers 38-3. Bills games are always fun, even more so when the team is good. Buffalo is a Super Bowl contender and I hope that this is the year they finally win the Lombardi Trophy. I don't think any long-suffering fan base deserves it more. The next morning, we drove to Niagara Falls, and then over to Toronto for the night. Unfortunately, the Blue Jays were already eliminated from the playoffs, or we would have stopped by the artist formerly known as SkyDome for a game. Realizing that we were that far from Montreal, we

decided to continue our journey east. Despite growing up in Albany, and I had never been to Montreal, which is only a three-hour drive from my hometown. We spent the next day touring the city (lots of history there) and on the Wednesday night we got to see something really neat. The first night of the NHL season, the Canadiens hosted the rival Toronto Maple Leafs. These are two of the so called "Original 6," historic franchises that are among the most popular in the game. Even though the Leafs haven't won a Stanley Cup since 1967 (the NHL's longest drought) and the Canadiens have been waiting since 1993, fans live and die with every game. On this night, supporters for both teams packed the Bell Centre, and watched a thrilling 4-3 win for Montreal. Back at the hotel I tried to watch the postgame report, but it was in French so... yeah. The next morning, we started the long journey back to Tennessee. We stopped by Watertown, NY, for lunch. I spent three years in Watertown, home of my first full-time TV gig, and then visited Scranton, PA, the fictional home of "The Office." We finally got back to Knoxville around 5 p.m. on Friday, October 14th. We were happy to be home and exhausted from the trip. Rest was needed. But I kept thinking about one thing...

What if the Tennessee/Alabama game this year is special, and I didn't go because I was "tired?" Saturday morning, we got back on the road, parked just off campus, and walked to G-10 and Circle Park, where we had friends tailgating. Well, you know the rest. Tennessee would beat Alabama 51-48, in one of the greatest college football games ever played. Fans stormed the field, goalposts were torn down and tossed into the Tennessee River, and a 15-year losing streak was ended. I could still smell the cigar smoke a couple of days later. So that was the trip. It was one I'll never forget. It would have been a good time even if we hadn't had any tickets scanned. But why would you want to do that?

## Top soccer players honored by District 4-2A coaches

By Ken Lay  
District 4-2A recognized its top girls soccer players recently when the league's coaches named its all-district team. Gibbs High School won the regular-season title and was heavily represented. Carolina Pittman was named Most Valuable Player. The Lady Eagles' Skyler Vogt was selected as the league's Best Midfielder and Lily West was named the league's Best Goalkeeper. Halls, which won the district tournament, had Molly Stover named Best Offensive Player. Karlee Poteet of the Lady Devils was named Best Defender. Fulton High's Roza Gonzalez was named Freshman of the Year. The Lady Eagles had five players earn all-district honors including: Raylea Powell; Neomy Casillias; Karleigh Dean; Kristin Oliver and Natalie Teague. The Lady Devils were represented on the team by Maya Patel, Ava Garrett, Jana Reynolds and Presley Mathes. South-Doyle players selected to the squad included Diana Aguilar, Lauren Feller and Haley Rhines. Austin-East had two players selected in Arsha Jallow and Alyssa Jones. Ashlyn Felipe Diaz was named to the team from Fulton.

### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCORES AND SCHEDULE

#### TSSAA PLAYOFFS

Local teams Nov. 11 Scores

##### Division I

##### Class 6A

Science Hill 40, Farragut 19  
Maryville 28, Bearden 10

##### Class 5A

Daniel Boone 30, Central 7  
West 68, Morristown West 14  
Powell 48, Walker Valley 0

##### Class 4A

Greeneville 58, Gibbs 28

##### Division II Class AA

Webb 49, Davidson Acad. 24

#### Schedule

Friday

Kickoff time 7 p.m.

##### Division I

##### Class 5A

Daniel Boone (12-0) at West (12-0)

Oak Ridge (7-5) at Powell (10-2)

##### Division II Class AA

Lipscomb Acad. (11-0) at Webb (10-0)





PHOTO BY JOHN VALENTINE

*West High's Brayden Latham has his eyes on paydirt as he runs for a touchdown in a 44-3 win at Central on Oct. 28. That victory gave the Rebels their first-ever 10-0 record in the regular season and capped the Region 2-5A championship. Latham, who averaged 9.1 yards per carry, is one of six West players on The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' 2022 All-Knox County first-team.*

# Latham-led West places six players on first-team

By Steve Williams

West High running back Brayden Latham wasn't a workhorse through the regular season, but he was a thoroughbred.

With the Rebels mowing down the opposition in posting the school's first-ever 10-0 record, there was no need to wear down the first-stringers or risk an injury in what could end up being a 15-game season.

So Latham's rushing stats overall aren't spectacular, except for one category. He averaged 9.1 yards per carry!

Other than that, he rushed for 1,171 yards on 128 carries and scored 15 touchdowns.

Still, No. 14 easily earned a spot on The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' 2022 All-Knox County football team. His performance in Week 10 clinched it, too. That was the night Brayden scored all four of West's touchdowns in a 31-18 victory over Maryville, ending the Blount County powerhouse's 105-game win streak over Knox County teams.

It's no surprise that unbeaten West has the most honorees on the 25-man first-team with six – two on offense and four on defense. Powell has a total of four.

Latham has good company as he and four others are TSSAA semifinalists for the Tennessee Titans' Mr. Football awards. That includes two others in Class 5A – Karns running back De'Sean Bishop and Powell quarterback Jordyn Potts – plus Fulton quarterback Marcellus Jackson in Class 4A and Webb School quarterback Charlie Robinson, who is up for the prestigious award in Division II Class AA.

And Farragut's Reese Keeney is a semifinalist for Kicker of the Year.

Robinson, who is committed to play football at the Naval Academy, made the All-Knox County first team as an "athlete."

Keeney, of course, is the All-Knox County first-team place-kicker and part of its "special teams" unit. Reese had a perfect regular season as he converted 44 of 44 PAT kicks and was 3 for 3 in field goals. He also put 48 of his 61 kickoffs in the end zone for touchbacks.

Bishop wrapped up his outstanding

prep career this fall with 2,320 yards on the ground and 28 touchdowns.

Potts, a member of Powell's defending Class 5A state championship team, was injured in the season opener and was sidelined the first few games. As a result, last season's All-Knox County first-team quarterback is on the second-team this year, as his absence played a part in the Falcons' Jackson getting the first-team quarterback spot.

Quick as a cat, the 5-9, 151-pound Jackson put on a show and dazzled the fans many Friday nights. A two-way threat, he ran for 1,420 yards and 17 TDs and threw for 1,874 yards and 23 touchdowns. When you add it up, that's 3,294 yards and 40 touchdowns!

Other statistical leaders on the first-team include Carter wide receiver Kaleb Harper (1,062 receiving yards) and Gibbs junior wide receiver Kamen Shown (14 touchdowns).

On the defensive side of the ball, first-team defensive end Steven Soles racked up 13 sacks, while Bearden defensive back Scott Tummins had a Knox County high seven interceptions, despite his coach, Josh Jones, saying, "he literally only plays 25 percent of our defensive snaps."

The rest of Tummins' time saw him leading the Bulldogs with 43 catches as a wide receiver.

A couple of second-team honorees also ranked No. 1 in stats as Fulton line-backer Kashawn Banks led the county with 131 tackles and defensive end Chase Stokely of CAK was tops with 28 TFL (tackles for loss).

Catholic's Brock Taylor had the best punting average (42.9 yards) and second-teamer Tyson Siebe of West had the most successful PAT kicks with 68 going between the uprights and over the crossbar.

In addition to Keeney and Taylor, the special teams unit includes long snapper Roger McNeer of Farragut and place-kick holder Pierce Browning of Grace Christian Academy.

Veteran Farragut Coach Eddie Courtney said McNeer, a 6-1, 250-pound junior, is the team's center and also was his top offensive lineman.

"Roger is a grinder every day," said



PHOTO BY JOHN VALENTINE

*Central running back Frank Johnson IV celebrates with a teammate after scoring a touchdown against South-Doyle during the regular season. Johnson is a first-team running back on The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' 2022 All-Knox County team.*

Courtney. "He loves the weight room and works hard on his fundamental technique on blocking. He also spends so much time year around on long snapping. I think he will be able to do that at a high level in college."

Not only is Browning the holder for GCA, he's an outstanding wide receiver and totaled 814 yards this season (the fourth most in the county).

Powell Coach Matt Lowe noted that junior Byron Finger (5-9, 280) is a "30-game starter at center and makes all pass protection and run game calls for the offensive line."

Central junior Frank Johnson IV ranked second behind Bishop in rushing yardage (1,599) and TDs (19) this season.

Powell RB Connor Wheeler may have had the top season for a sophomore as he rushed for 1,384 yards and darted into paydirt 17 times.

Webb freshman Shavar Young ranked 12th in receiving (621 yards) and in a tie for fifth in touchdown catches (nine) during the Spartans' nine-game regular season.

Both Wheeler and Young are second-team honorees.

## FIRST TEAM

### OFFENSE

QB: Marcellus Jackson, Fulton

RB: De'Sean Bishop, Karns

RB: Frank Johnson IV, Central

RB: Brayden Latham, West

WR: Kaleb Harper, Carter

WR: Kamen Shown, Gibbs

WR: Ayden Greene, Powell

L: Jones Conner, West

L: Garrett Rice, Karns

L: Dre Brooks, Gibbs

L: Byron Finger, Powell

L: Max Hull, South-Doyle

ATH: Charlie Robinson, Webb

### DEFENSE

E: Steven Soles, Powell

E: CJ Smith, West

L: Jameiyes Mills, West

L: Jabrillion Lauderback, A-E

LB: Ryan Scott, West

LB: Joey Bonifacio, Webb

LB: Jason Foust, Powell

LB: Sam Nicaud, Bearden

B: Sam Tummins, Bearden

B: Walker Lockhart, Karns

B: JaQurrius Wrenn, West

ATH: Nolan Faust, Halls

### SPECIAL TEAMS

PK: Reese Keeney, Farragut

LS: Roger McNeer, Farragut

H: Pierce Browning, GCA

P: Brock Taylor, Catholic

## SECOND TEAM

### OFFENSE

QB: Jordyn Potts, Powell

RB: Connor Wheeler, Powell

RB: Elijah Gibbs, Farragut

WR: Braylon Harmon, Catholic

WR: Daveon Shenault, Fulton

WR: Shavar Young, Webb

L: Drew Brown, Central

L: Dylan Greer, Central

L: Jacob Kirkland, Karns

L: Ryan Kearney, Halls

L: Jake Starnes, Halls

ATH: Derick Smith, Fulton

PK: Tyson Siebe, West

### DEFENSE

E: Brady Brewster, Powell

E: Chase Stokely, CAK

L: Vershaun Cash, Fulton

L: Tyson Pirtle, Bearden

LB: Kashawn Banks, Fulton

LB: Cooper Cameron, Webb

LB: John Carlevato, West

LB: Kareem Ellis, Karns

DB: Gianni Magdos, Powell

DB: Cayden Latham, West

DB: DeMarcus Allen, A-E

ATH: Markeis Barrett, Webb

P: Dylan Stooksbury, Powell

## HONORABLE MENTION

**Austin-East:** C-DT Tylan Baker, FS-WR De'Coriyeon Brown, MLB-RB Isaiah Flowers.

**Bearden:** WR Ethan Ford, OG Brenden Releford, OT Owen Johnson, P Ethan Ford, PK Daniel Kinney.

**CAK:** RB Jay Duncan, WR

Sloan Helton, WR Will Kelley, OLB Caleb Hoke, OLB Eli Campbell, DB JK Hamilton, ILB Eli Etherton.

**Carter:** QB Chandler Wilson, DL-MLB Nick Corum, LB Kash Altom, SS-OLB Jackson Steele.

**Catholic:** QB Jayden Neal.

**Central:** DL Jake Holbert, DL-TE Hunter Heinrich, TE Daniel Sackie, OLB Chase Adams, SS-RB Tre Lyons.

**Farragut:** WR Ashton Auker, LB Jack Alley, LB Jay Smiley, QB Luke Johnson, WR Landis Davila, DL Brice Fontenot.

**Fulton:** WR-OLB Dexter Lewis, OLB-WR Raymond Thomas, ILB-DE William Watson.

**GCA:** LB Jackson Eller, PK Lucas Hollifield.

**Gibbs:** QB Bryson Palmer, WR Bryson Walker, FB-LB

Eli Hubbs, PK Benji Angola.

**Halls:** WR-DB Camden Johnson, DL Noah Burgin, LB-RB Kameron Bates, DB Michael Harrop.

**Karns:** K-P Blake Dawson, QB Hayden Tarwater, OLB Desmond Lockett, FB-HB Tyson Taylor.

**Powell:** WR Adarius Redmond, DL Nikko McDonald.

**Webb:** OL-DL Jay Wade, OL-DL Xavier Hickman, C Steven Beaty, OL-DL Theron Hubbard, OL-DL Ethan Klasky, WR-DB Hal Niendorff, PK Clay Fultz.

**West:** QB Carson Jessie, TE RJ Brooks, WR-DB Syxx Hoard, WR-DB Marshaun Bowers, OL-DL John Sartelle, OLB Anderson Smith, OLB Brock Hatcher.





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# Stay Food Safe this Thanksgiving Holiday

Keep your stomach full of turkey and free from foodborne illness this Thanksgiving holiday. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) reminds us all that it's important to remember the steps to food safety during America's biggest meal.

"While the four steps to food safety — clean, separate, cook and chill — are important every day and at every meal, they are particularly significant on Thanksgiving," said USDA Deputy Under Secretary Sandra Eskin. "There will likely be many guests and many delicious dishes at your holiday table, but you don't want to invite any foodborne pathogens. Follow those four steps — in particular remember to use a food thermometer — and your Thanksgiving dinner will be a safe one."

Keep your Thanksgiving celebration food safe by following the tips below.

### Clean and Sanitize

Handwashing is the first step to avoiding foodborne illness. Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water before, during, and after handling

food. In a recent study, 97 percent of participants in a USDA test kitchen failed to wash their hands properly. Make sure to follow these handwashing steps:

- Wet your hands with clean, running water.
  - Lather your fingers with soap.
  - Scrub soapy hands and fingers thoroughly for at least 20 seconds. Rinse your hands under clean, running water.
  - Dry hands off with a clean towel or air dry them.
- Clean and sanitize any surfaces that have touched raw turkey and its juices and will later touch food such as kitchen counters, sinks, stoves, tabletops, etc.

### Avoid Cross-Contamination

Cross-contamination is the spread of bacteria from raw meat and poultry onto ready-to-eat food, surfaces, and utensils. One way to avoid this is by using separate cutting boards — one for raw meat and poultry, and another for fruits and vegetables. A recent USDA study found that sinks are the most contaminated areas of the kitchen. USDA recommends against washing your raw poultry due to the risk of splashing bacteria throughout your kitchen. Clean and sanitize any areas that will come into contact with the turkey before and after cooking.

### Thaw the Turkey Safely

Never thaw your turkey in hot water or leave it on a countertop. There are three ways to safely thaw a turkey: in the refrigerator,

in cold water and in the microwave.

- Refrigerator thawing: Turkey can be safely thawed in a refrigerator to allow for slow and safe thawing. When thawing in a refrigerator, allow roughly 24 hours for every four to five pounds of turkey. After thawing, a turkey is safe in a refrigerator for one to two days.

- Cold water thawing: The cold water thawing method will thaw your turkey faster but will require more attention. When thawing in a cold-water bath, allow 30 minutes per pound and submerge the turkey in its original wrapping to avoid cross-contamination. Change the water every 30 minutes until the turkey is thawed. The turkey must be cooked immediately after thawing.

- Microwave thawing: To thaw a turkey that fits in the microwave, follow manufacturer's recommendations. Cook it immediately after thawing because some areas of the food may become warm and begin to cook during the thawing process, bringing the food to the "Danger Zone."

It's safe to cook a completely frozen turkey; however, it will take at least 50 percent longer to fully cook.

### Cook Thoroughly

Your turkey is safe to eat once it reaches an internal temperature of 165 F. Insert a food thermometer into the thickest part of the breast, the innermost part of the wing and the innermost part of the thigh to check its internal temperature. USDA recommends using a food thermometer even if the turkey has a pop-up temperature indicator to ensure it has reached 165 F in the three previously stated places.

### Stuffing your Turkey

USDA recommends against stuffing your turkey since this often leads to

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant WAYNE ROBERT CRUMP, JR., a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon WAYNE ROBERT CRUMP, JR., it is ordered that said defendant, WAYNE ROBERT CRUMP, JR., file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Carole Cole, an Attorney whose address is 135 Fox Road, Suite A Knoxville, TN 37922 within thirty

(30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 18th day of October, 2022.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

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KYLE LOGAN AYERS -Vs- LISA ANN LUNDY AYERS Docket # 155279

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by KYLE LOGAN AYERS, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with STANLEY R. BARNETT, Plaintiffs Attorney whose address is 108 E. BROADWAY AVE. STE B, MARYVILLE TENNESSEE 37804, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This the 27TH day of OCOTBER, 2022.

Mike Hammond Clerk

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY KATHRYN ACUFF DOCKET NUMBER 86911-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY KATHRYN ACUFF who died Aug 21, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARY KATHRYN ACUFF

PERSONA; REPRESENTATIVE (S) PATRICIA K MASHBURN; EXECUTRIX 6504 BROOKFIELD LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

You can reserve your legal or public notice by emailing Lisa at [legals@knoxfocus.com](mailto:legals@knoxfocus.com) or calling (865) 686-9970.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HELEN M BELL DOCKET NUMBER 86885-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HELEN M BELL who died Feb 18, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2022

ESTATE OF HELEN M BELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) VERNA B BARRETT; EXECUTRIX 5124 GRAY ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

JACK W BOWERS ATTORNEY AT LAW 625 MARKET STREET, 7TH FLOOR KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DORIS HELTON BRADY DOCKET NUMBER 86899-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DORIS HELTON BRADY who died Aug 21, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF DORIS HELTON BRADY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MICHAEL A BRADY; EXECUTOR 255 WEST HERITAGE DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

CHARLES M FINN ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 629 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901-0629

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF IBEL MARGARITA BRICENO DOCKET NUMBER 86893-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of IBEL MARGARITA BRICENO who died Apr 25, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 27 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF IBEL MARGARITA BRICENO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) IBEL R GROWDON; ADMINISTRATRIX 1400 KENESAW AVENUE, APT 33E KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF FRANKIE R CHAMBERS DOCKET NUMBER 86892-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of FRANKIE R CHAMBERS who died Feb 19, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

date of death. This the 27 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF FRANKIE R CHAMBERS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S) BURL DAVID CHAMBERS, JR.; EXECUTOR 9317 JOHNSON ROAD STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN. 37871

KYLE A BAISLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW 1111 N NORTHSORE DRIVE, SUITE S-700 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RODNEY HARRIS CLEMENTS DOCKET NUMBER 86891-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of RODNEY HARRIS CLEMENTS who died Sep 3, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF RODNEY HARRIS CLEMENTS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) WHITNEY CLEMENTS HAWKINS; ADMINISTRATRIX 14522 HWY 70 E LENOIR CITY, TN. 37772

CAROLYN L GILLIAM ATTORNEY AT LAW 10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BETTY JO CONLEY DOCKET NUMBER 86895-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY JO CONLEY who died Aug 17, 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 due 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 OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF BETTY JO CONLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S) BRIAN M CONLEY; EXECUTOR 6800 SHERWOOD DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

LEE A POPKIN ATTORNEY AT LAW 1111 NORTHSORE DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TOMMY RAY EGGLESTON DOCKET NUMBER 86908-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of TOMMY RAY EGGLESTON who died Aug 4, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 31 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF TOMMY RAY EGGLESTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) PAULA EGGLESTON; ADMINISTRATRIX 10125 BOB GRAY ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

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

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NEITA ANN MAE GIBBY DOCKET NUMBER 86907-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day of OCOTBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of NEITA ANN MAE GIBBY who died Dec 12, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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or

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

This the 31 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF NEITA ANN MAE GIBBY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) KERRY DALE YOUNG; EXECUTOR 120 YOUNG LANE RUTLEDGE, TN. 378.61

PATRICK R MCKENRICK ATTORNEY AT LAW 1019 ORCHID DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GLORIA WANDA COWAN HOUSER DOCKET NUMBER 86898-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GLORIA WANDA COWAN HOUSER who died Sep 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:

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

This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF GLORIA WANDA COWAN HOUSER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) TIMOTH C HOUSER; EXECUTOR 7307 WINDTREE OAKS WAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

BRADLEY H HODGE ATTORNEY AT LAW 900 SOUTH GAY STREET, SUITE 2100 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JENNY GRIFFIN-LIPHAM DOCKET NUMBER 86902-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JENNY GRIFFIN-LIPHAM who died Aug 31, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JENNY GRIFFIN-LIPHAM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) BENJAMIN T LIPHAM; EXECUTOR 114 BROOKVIEW ROAD DANVILLE, VA 24540

JON MCMURRAY JOHNSON ATTORNEY AT LAW 10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM BERTRU MORTON DOCKET NUMBER 86898-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 26 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters of administration c.t.a in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM BERTRU MORTON who died Jul 2, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 26 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM BERTRU MORTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CRAIG WILLIAM MORTON; ADMINISTRATOR CTA 4550 SHAMUS WAY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

M SAMANTHA PARRIS ATTORNEY AT LAW 2908 TAZEWELL PIKE, SUITE G KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ENITH GOLDIE NICHOLS DOCKET NUMBER 86904-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ENITH GOLDIE NICHOLS who died Sep 11, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox

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

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This the 31 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ENITH GOLDIE NICHOLS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) PAULA NICHOLS; ADMINISTRATRIX 2016 MCCLAIN DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

CHARLES CHILD ATTORNEY AT LAW 706 GATE LANE, SUITE 202 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SANDRA FAYE PERRY DOCKET NUMBER 86897-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SANDRA FAYE PERRY who died Feb 7, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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# Stay Food Safe this Thanksgiving Holiday

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bacteria growth. However, if you plan to stuff your turkey, follow these steps:

- Prepare the wet and dry ingredients for the stuffing separately from each other and refrigerate until ready to use. Mix wet and dry ingredients just before filling the bird's cavity.
- Do not stuff whole poultry and leave in the refrigerator before cooking.
- Stuff the turkey loosely — about 3/4 cup of stuffing per pound.
- Immediately place the stuffed, raw turkey in an oven set no lower than 325 F.
- A stuffed turkey will take longer to cook. Once it has finished cooking, place a food thermometer in the center of the stuffing to ensure it has reached a safe internal temperature of 165 F.
- Let the cooked turkey stand 20 minutes before removing the stuffing.

## The Two-Hour Rule

Don't leave your food sitting out too long! Refrigerate all perishable foods sitting out at room temperature within two hours of being cooked, or one hour if the temperature is 90 F or above. After two hours, perishable food will enter the "Danger Zone" (between 40 F and 140 F), which is where bacteria can multiply quickly and cause the food

to become unsafe. Discard all foods that have been left out for more than two hours. Remember the rule — keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold.

- Transporting hot foods: Wrap dishes in insulated containers to keep their temperature above 140 F.
- Transporting cold foods: Place items in a cooler with ice or gel packs to keep them at or below 40 F.

When serving food to groups, keep hot food hot and keep cold food cold by using chafing dishes or crock pots and ice trays. Hot items should remain above 140 F and cold items should remain below 40 F.

## Leftovers

Store leftovers in small shallow containers and put them in the refrigerator. Thanksgiving leftovers are safe to eat up to four days in the refrigerator. In the freezer, leftovers are safely frozen indefinitely but will keep best quality from two to six months.

*For Thanksgiving food safety questions, call the USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854), email MPHHotline@usda.gov or chat live at ask.usda.gov from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. The Meat and Poultry Hotline will be open on Thanksgiving Day from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST.*

# The Cost of This Year's Thanksgiving Has Run A-Fowl

## UT Extension Explains Increased Costs, Provides Tips to Stretch Food Dollars

Everyone knows that the cost of practically everything has increased. Since last year inflation has boosted overall prices 8.2 percent, but the cost of groceries has increased a whopping 13%, which University of Tennessee Extension says will impact this year's Thanksgiving Day meals. Many staple items, including butter, eggs and potatoes, have had steeper price increases.

Andrew Griffith, associate professor in the UTIA Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, says despite an increased number of birds being placed, turkey production in 2022 is down 4.6% compared to 2021 year-to-date. Their average live weight is down, too. This has resulted in an increase in 8- to 16-pound whole hen prices. Whole hen prices exceeded \$1.72 per pound in September but while they are expected to decline prior to Thanksgiving, they are still likely to remain above \$1.50 per pound. Simply stated, turkey prices have followed other meat prices higher.

To identify the total cost for a Thanksgiving meal for 10 people, UT Extension's Consumer Economics Leadership Team surveyed grocery stores across Tennessee from November 1 to November 7 to discover how much families could expect to spend on the holiday. This week was chosen to reflect some grocers running specials at certain items. Led by Ann Berry, a professor with UT Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences, the team surveyed rural and urban locations



**Tennesseans will find higher prices at the grocery store for staple items needed to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving meal this year. UT Extension surveyed grocers statewide to identify the average cost consumers can expect.**

along with independently owned and big box stores, representing retailers from each of the three regions of the state. Prices for store brands were used when available. Some grocers reported not having some items in stock during this week or estimating that they may not be in stock at all before Thanksgiving.

The survey included items that are traditionally served at a Tennessee Thanksgiving meal, including turkey and stuffing, cranberry sauce, ham, mashed potatoes, sweet potato casserole, green bean casserole, English pea salad, deviled eggs, pumpkin pie with whipped cream and rolls. The leadership team also estimated that the Thanksgiving meal would feed 10 people.

The total cost of the complete meal for 10 was \$112.30, with a per person cost of \$11.23.

Kristen Johnson, assistant professor and UT Extension nutrition specialist, also advises that Thanksgiving leftovers provide an opportunity to think creatively, try

new dishes or develop new holiday traditions. Leftover turkey, green beans, corn, sweet potatoes and other vegetables can be used in soups, stews, sandwiches and casseroles. And leftover cranberries make a great topping for oatmeal, waffles or pancakes. She also stresses to practice food safety steps to keep your food safe this holiday season to prevent food-borne illness. Thanksgiving leftovers should be used within three to four days. Set a reminder to use or freeze your leftovers by the Monday after Thanksgiving. As you're preparing your Thanksgiving meal and your Thanksgiving leftovers, remember that perishable foods should not remain at room temperature for more than two hours. Place perishable foods in the refrigerator or the freezer within two hours of removing them from the oven or refrigerator.

Berry and Johnson suggest using recipes for Thanksgiving leftovers from the SNAP-Ed website, [fns.usda.gov](https://www.fns.usda.gov).

# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MICHAEL GEORGE WILLARD  
DOCKET NUMBER 86896-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL GEORGE WILLARD who died Dec 1, 2021, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 27 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL GEORGE WILLARD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JUDITH E WILLARD; CO-ADMINISTRATOR  
231 CREEKSTONE LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924

JACK L WILLARD; CO-ADMINISTRATOR  
1808 PRICE AVENUE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT G AFFEL, JR.  
DOCKET NUMBER 86250-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT G AFFEL, JR. who died May 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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This the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ROBERT G AFFEL, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
RICHARD A SEDGLEY; EXECUTOR  
2923 SUTHERLAND AVENUE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

CHRISTOPHER HALL ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1111 NORTHSOAR DRIVE, SUITE S-700

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SANDRA H BELL  
DOCKET NUMBER 86942-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SANDRA H BELL who died Jul 28, 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 8 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF SANDRA H BELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JAMES W BELL; EXECUTOR  
8204 BENNINGTON DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ELIZABETH J BREAZEALE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86936-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELIZABETH J BREAZEALE who died Jul 11, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

This the 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH J BREAZEALE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JENNIFER BLAY; EXECUTRIX  
2209 STEVEN DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

STUART CASSELL ATTORNEY AT LAW  
707 MARKET STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES HOWARD BROWN  
DOCKET NUMBER 86934-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES HOWARD BROWN who died Jul 16, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

This the 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
BRENDA J BROWN; EXECUTRIX  
7217 ALLISON WAY  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

CHARLES H CHILD ATTORNEY AT LAW  
705 GATE LANE, SUITE 202  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DAVID HARTMAN FREEBERG  
DOCKET NUMBER 86921-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DAVID HARTMAN FREEBERG who died Feb 9, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF DAVID HARTMAN FREEBERG

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ELSIE C FREEBERG; ADMINISTRATRIX  
4329 DEERFIELD ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF NANNIE D GREENE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86924-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANNIE D GREENE who died Jul 14, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF NANNIE D GREENE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
JAMES H GREENE, JR.; CO-EXECUTOR  
200 WAY STATION TRAIL  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

THOMAS D GREENE; CP-EXECUTOR  
909 CLOVER LANE WEST  
LEBANON, OH 45036

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM THOMAS HAMSTEAD  
DOCKET NUMBER 86922-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM THOMAS HAMSTEAD who died Aug 24, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM THOMAS HAMSTEAD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
WILLIAM SCOTT HAMSTEAD; EXECUTOR  
5508 E SUNSET ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CYNTHIA MARIE HARRIS  
DOCKET NUMBER 86940-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CYNTHIA MARIE HARRIS who died Aug 27, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 8 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF CYNTHIA MARIE HARRIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
JEFF PARSLEY; EXECUTOR  
5539 STONELEIGH ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

BRADLEY HODGE ATTORNEY AT LAW  
900 S GAY STREET, SUITE 2100  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARCELINO HEREDIA  
DOCKET NUMBER 86909-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARCELINO HEREDIA who died Jan 29, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 31 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARCELINO HEREDIA

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CAROLE LYNNE HEREDIA; EXECUTRIX  
1509 STONY POINT ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF AMANDA LEIGH WEAVER LEE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86684-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of AMANDA LEIGH WEAVER LEE who died Mar 19, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 2 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF AMANDA LEIGH WEAVER LEE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
JAMES MARK LEE; ADMINISTRATOR  
1230 LONG LEAF LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932

D SCOTT HURLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
205 MOHICAN STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF GREGORY HUGH LEE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86939-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of GREGORY HUGH LEE who died Aug 9, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF GREGORY HUGH LEE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ALEXANDER JAKOB LEE; ADMINISTRATOR  
4417 COSTER ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912



# FROM THE MOUNTAINS BY JADON GIBSON

# Early settlers along Wilderness Road

**By Jadon Gibson**

Joseph Martin was a resident and farmer in the Albemarle County, Virginia, area. It was the home place of Dr. Thomas Walker whose explorations in 1750 documented the discovery of Cumberland Gap and travels in what would become Kentucky where his party erected the first log cabin.

Walker told Martin about the rich soil and bountiful game in Powell Valley and offered him a 21,000-acre tract of land if he would be the first to settle there. Walker was in the inner circle of the Virginia government and had the authority to make such commitments. He felt Martin was tough enough to take the challenge and persevere.

Martin was a large man for his period. He had fought in the French and Indian War and later went on hunts for months at a time in the wilds. He was also bent on adventure and gambling, two traits that led Dr. Walker to feel he had the right man. Martin accepted Walker's offer and began organizing a party bound for what would later become Lee County, the westernmost county in Virginia. It would also be where the great states of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia intersect.

Joseph Martin, his brother Brice, William Hord and several other men arrived in Powell Valley near the present location of Rose Hill on March 26, 1769. A 21,000-acre tract of land was staked off and they commenced planting corn and other crops.

Soon after their arrival, a group of Indians came to their camp. They seemed friendly even though they carried rifles. The men noticed their guns were quite inferior to their own. The Indians acted very interested in the guns of Martin's men and talked among themselves about them. Martin didn't understand what was being said so he told his men to be very wary of the Indians and not allow them to get their hands on their guns.

The visitors soon gave signs to Martin that they wished to swap rifles. He rejected their offer. Something happened soon thereafter that was later an embarrassment to Martin.

He errantly laid his own gun down after telling his men to be very watchful of their rifles. A few moments later he was distracted and the larger of the Indians picked it up. The Indian put his own rifle down in its place and then stepped back amongst his tribesmen. Martin noticed the switch almost immediately and tossed the old gun at the feet of the Indian. He grabbed hold of his own rifle but the Indian wouldn't let it go and a scuffle erupted. Martin was a very large man for his time. He threw the Indian to the ground jerking the rifle from his grasp. The other Indians were somehow amused.

Their laughter and the loss of the rifle enraged the native who chastised Martin with an angry tongue before departing with the others. Martin's men did not understand what the Indian said but they knew he had bad intentions and they felt he would seek revenge. Indians had a reputation for revenge at the time.

"I have known them to go a thousand miles for the purpose of revenge, in pathless woods, over hills and mountains," Adair, a noted Indian trader and historian wrote. "Such is their revengeful temper."

The next morning Martin and his men began building five or six cabins about 20 feet apart. A strong stockade was built around them and it included portholes for defense. They fenced in their crops with rails and brush. After building the fort they spent their time hunting and cultivating their corn.

Martin's Fort was one of the most important of a series of fortifications that were built along Wilderness Road. Their purpose was to offer protection for their residents and to offer a stop-over for the pioneers moving westward.

William Priest came with eight to ten men and built a fort a few miles above Martin's Station. About the same time William Mumps, with a party of men, built a fort at the Sinking Springs (Jonesville) 20 miles from Martin's Fort.

From Castle's Woods to Cumberland Gap there would be no less than twelve such forts: Russell's, Moore's, Snoddy's, Porter's, Cowan's, Fort Blackmore, Chrisman's, Carter's, Rye Cove, Mump's, Priest's and Martin's.

Col. Richard Henderson and a group of forty men stopped at Martin's Fort for six to eight days. They hunted in the area before continuing on their journey.

Indians continuously harassed Martin and his men. They attacked the fort and the mounting damage made it harder to defend. The Indians proved to be so pesky they had to abandon the fort. They returned to Albemarle County leaving ripening corn in the fields.

Joseph Martin made plans to return thereby retaining title to the land.

*Editor's note: Jadon looks at the massacre of 1773 in the next From the Mountains. Jadon Gibson is a freelance writer from Harrogate, TN. His stories are both historic and nostalgic in nature. Thanks to Lincoln Memorial University, Alice Lloyd College and the Museum of Appalachia for their assistance.*

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF GARY DALE LUCAS  
DOCKET NUMBER 86555-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of GARY DALE LUCAS who died April 18, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF GARY DALE LUCAS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
TRUDY MAY BLEDSOE; ADMINISTRATRIX  
1721 SOUTH FOREST DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

CHRISTOPHER HALL ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1111 N NORTSHORE DRIVE, SUITE S-700  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT E MCBRIDE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86926-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT E MCBRIDE who died Jul 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ROBERT E MCBRIDE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
R DENNIS MCBRIDE; EXECUTOR  
2519 MOSS CREEK ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF PATSY B MCCLURE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86941-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PATSY B MCCLURE who died Jul 27, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 8 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF PATSY B MCCLURE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
WALLACE B MCCLURE; EXECUTOR  
118 DURWOOD ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ALICE MCKENZIE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86929-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ALICE MCKENZIE who died Aug 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.

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ALICE MCKENZIE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
CAROLYN SUE MCKENZIE; EXECUTRIX  
417 RACCOON VALLEY ROAD  
POWELL, TN. 37849

PHILIP R CRYE, JR. ATTORNEY AT LAW  
125 N MAIN STREET  
CLINTON, TN. 37716

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARY JOAN PAUL  
DOCKET NUMBER 86931-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY JOAN PAUL who died Aug 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARY JOAN PAUL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
BETSY JILL PAUL MADDOX; EXECUTRIX  
P.O. BOX 716  
SULLIGENT, AL 35586

LAUREN E SMITH ATTORNEY AT LAW  
110 COGILL ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JUANITA IRENE REYNOLDS  
DOCKET NUMBER 86918-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JUANITA IRENE REYNOLDS who died May 11, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 2 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JUANITA IRENE REYNOLDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
REX REYNOLDS; EXECUTOR  
9503 JOHNSON ROAD  
STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN. 37871

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RICHARD DARYL SHOCKLEY  
DOCKET NUMBER 86920-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of RICHARD DARYL SHOCKLEY who died Apr 7, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF RICHARD DARYL SHOCKLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
TRAVIS SHOCKLEY; ADMINISTRATOR  
115 GARDNER LANE  
POWELL, TN. 37849

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JANICE L STARIHA  
DOCKET NUMBER 86637-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JANICE L STARIHA who died Mar 21, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JANICE L STARIHA

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KATHY L CLARK; EXECUTRIX  
9853 E EMORY ROAD  
CORRYTON, TN. 37721

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF NATHANIEL FRANKLIN TANKERSLEY  
DOCKET NUMBER 86768-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NATHANIEL FRANKLIN TANKERSLEY who died Aug 6, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 8 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF NATHANIEL FRANKLIN TANKERSLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
AMY E T KING; EXECUTRIX  
7919 WOODLAND BRAE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

THOMAS H JARVIS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
900 S GAY STREET, SUITE 2200  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CYNTHIA GAIL TRENTHAM  
DOCKET NUMBER 86937-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CYNTHIA GAIL TRENTHAM who died Jul 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF CYNTHIA GAIL TRENTHAM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JIMMY EARNEST TRENTHAM;  
ADMINISTRATOR  
7918 BARKER ROAD  
CORRYTON, TN. 37721

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

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RANDALL BURRELL VAUGHAN  
DOCKET NUMBER 86932-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RANDALL BURRELL VAUGHAN who died Mar 13, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF RANDALL BURRELL VAUGHAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
WILLIAM BURRELL VAUGHAN; EXECUTOR  
4601 WINTERSET DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

CHARLES CHILD ATTORNEY AT LAW  
705 GATE LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37909

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MARTHA ANN BROUGHTON WARD  
DOCKET NUMBER 86916-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARTHA ANN BROUGHTON WARD who died Aug 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 2 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARTHA ANN BROUGHTON WARD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
MANDY J MCCUBBINS; EXECUTRIX  
3350 SHARPS CHAPEL ROAD  
SHARPS CHAPEL, TN 37866

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN WEBBER  
DOCKET NUMBER 86787-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of PATRICIA ANN WEBBER who died Aug 14, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN WEBBER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
THOMAS KERNS; ADMINISTRATOR  
1020 BUCKTHORN DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

FELICIA COALSON ATTORNEY AT LAW  
900 S GAY STREET, SUITE 800  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIE C WHITE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86915-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIE C WHITE who died Jul 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

This the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF WILLIE C WHITE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)  
KENDRA MCFARLAND; CO-EXECUTRIX  
314 DALLAS STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

SYLVIA MCFARLAND; CO-EXECUTRIX  
314 DALLAS STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

# MISC. NOTICES

## LEGAL NOTICE 94

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

Bid 3341, Miscellaneous Construction/ Renovation Services, due 12/15/22;  
RFP 3342, Compensation Study Consultant Services, due 12/15/22;  
Bid 3345, Pavement Marking Materials and Road Striping Services, due 12/14/22;  
RFP 3346, Collection Services for Knox County Schools (Re-bid), due 12/15/22

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](http://www.knoxcounty.org/procurement). To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com).

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Bids – KCDC, the Public Housing Authority for Knoxville & Knox County, posts all of its solicitations at [www.kcdc.org/procurement](http://www.kcdc.org/procurement). Click on 'Open Solicitations' and follow the link.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Knox County Disability Advisory Group DAGWorld, will meet Thursday November 17th @ 3:00pm  
Location: Disability Resource Center  
9111 Crosspark Dr. Suite 135  
Knoxville, TN 37923