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Pedigo flooding before commission

Engineering and Public Works Director Jim Snowden holds a photo of the Pedigo Road sinkhole area and asks the Knox County Commission to contract to build two walls to hold back runoff water during a flooding situation. Some of the neighbors oppose the idea and it may be turned down in today's regular commission meeting.



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Some of the residents along Pedigo Road north of East Emory Road have an opinion about what to do about the flooding and a large sinkhole in their neighborhood.

Last Monday the Knox County Commission discussed the flooding issue there and a resolution to spend \$117,600 to possibly solve the water runoff to the 42-acre area with the sinkhole.

The idea of building two walls in the neighborhood was opposed by local residents Bart Owen and James Petress. Both residents urged the county to find the source of runoff during heavy rains. They said that walls would not solve the problem and would decrease property values.

The proposal to hire Geosyntec Consultants for a professional design service was submitted by Engineering and Public Works Director Jim Snowden. The idea

is to build walls to keep the water out of the area and install pumps which the homeowners would then need to maintain at their own expense. Snowden suggested two walls as the best of 27 different possible solutions.

Snowden said the walls would be the most cost-effective solution.

Commissioners John Schoonmaker and Larsen Jay both raised the issue of the homeowners

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Junior commission approved

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"A lesson in local civics" is how Commissioner Larsen Jay describes his idea of creating a Junior Commission Program. The suggestion gained the approval of the Knox County Commission and Jay explained how it will begin during last week's work session.

Jay said the idea of selecting junior and senior high school students, one from each commission district, could be an "annual model" to get those youth involved in local government.

He said the application process will begin with the addition of an application form on the county's website where students can apply online. Each applicant would be filtered to the appropriate district commissioners and students chosen during December's meeting.

Jay said the year-long process would include public and fiscal sessions and eventually lead to a mock commission meeting for the junior commissioners. He said the website would be active as of December 6 and promoted for high school applicants.



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Nine aspiring teachers were awarded scholarships Wednesday by the Knox County Retired Teachers Association at the Foundry at World's Fair Park. The students will graduate after fulfilling their student teaching requirements during the spring semester.

KCRTA hosts annual scholarship luncheon

By Ken Lay

Nine aspiring teachers received some financial help from the Knox County Retired Teachers Association Scholarship Foundation Thursday.

All the recipients are looking to graduate this spring after fulfilling their respective student teaching assignments, the final requirement for earning a Tennessee teaching certificate.

The foundation rewarded the scholarships Thursday at its annual scholarship luncheon, which was held at The Foundry at the World's Fair Park site.

The 2022 calendar year marks the third consecutive time that the scholarship foundation has awarded nine scholarships to help the prospective teacher defray costs while finishing their course work.

The luncheon also had a record turnout this year.

"We are giving out nine \$1,500 scholarships for the third straight year," said David Huntsinger, KCRTA Foundation Chair. "In previous years, we have given out six."

"Since 2016, we have given out 63 scholarships totaling \$63,000, and looking at the crowd, I see that this is the biggest crowd that we've

ever had."

Emily Snell was awarded the Tom Underwood Scholarship, which was presented by Anna Marie Hughes. The Reuben and Pat Hunter Scholarship was awarded to Tytiara Spikes, a student at Lincoln Memorial University and Bearden High School graduate. The Colleen Bennett Scholarship, which was presented by Kitty Spry, went to Ally Carpenter.

Emilee Fowler received the Bill Crosland Scholarship, which was presented by Elnora Williams, a longtime colleague of the late Crosland. Madelyn Wright received

the Cindi Fuller Showalter Scholarship, which was presented by Vicki Andrews. Madison Keaton was awarded the Emma Ruth Catlett Scholarship, which was presented by Kaye Williams.

The David LeCoulre Scholarship went to Ashlyn Peace and was presented by Lori Thumler. Judy Fleenor presented the Norma Kelley Scholarship to Megan Schramm.

Nola Ridgeway was awarded the Elnora Williams Scholarship, which was presented by Libby Burney, the KCRTA president.

Brickwork at new Safety Center funded by council

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An additional \$4.9 million in the contract for the new Public Safety Complex was approved routinely Tuesday evening by the Knoxville City Council. The increase, bringing the total thus far to \$52.4 million, goes to Messer Construction Company for changes and alterations to the former St. Mary's Hospital to replace the brick on the former Professional Office Building there.

Another \$100,000 was added for the design of the brick replacements with McCarty Holsaple McCarty

Inc., bringing that contract's total to \$3.7 million. Deputy Mayor David Brace told the council that renovations inside the former hospital are "wrapping up" and the police and fire departments, along with other city departments, should be moving inside in January or February while exterior brick repairs are underway.

City Parks and Recreation Director Sheryl Ely asked the council for a one-year extension with Antares Golf Management to manage services at the Whittle Springs and Knoxville Municipal golf courses. When the \$117,546 agreement for the next

year ends, Ely said the city will "turn out for bids" for management of the golf courses plus conduct a study of financial needs and a possible new management company.

Councilwoman Lauren Rider said she's been getting many comments about the Whittle Springs course and said the increase in "not so good" golfers during the pandemic resulted in nearby neighborhoods getting pelted with golf balls.

Ely responded that relocating the tee-off locations on two holes and planting new trees might help.

The council also voted to approve just over \$1 million in a contract with Playworld Preferred Inc. for the design and installation of playground structures and other improvements at seven city locations. Councilwoman Amelia Parker said there has been a "lack of public input" in the funding but Mayor Indya Kincannon rebutted her by saying there was lots of input.

"I don't remember them at all," Parker said and was the lone "No" vote.

Parker also commented on the funding of Phase Two of the Baker Creek Preserve Adventure Playground.

Councilman Tommy Smith countered that the funding was already in place and Kincannon said a University of Tennessee study noted the benefits of the Urban Wilderness, of which the Baker Creek park is a part.

Councilwoman Rider said

the Baker Creek project isn't just a playground but includes structures and groundwork on the hillside there. The council voted to contract with Great Southern Recreation LLC for \$640,000 for the project.



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I Hope Everyone Has A Happy Thanksgiving

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr.
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Dr. Norman Vincent Peale was the pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City from 1932 to 1984. He died on Christmas Eve in 1993 at the age of 95.

He wrote The Power of Positive Thinking and several related books with sales of many millions. He founded Guideposts Magazine in 1945 which even today has a circulation in the millions.

Rev. Billy Graham said in 1966 that “I don’t know of anyone who has done more for the kingdom of God than Norman and Ruth Peale, or have meant any more in my

life for the encouragement they have given me.”

Dr. Peale’s influence lives on today through his books, magazines, and pamphlets. For many years I have started each day reading the Daily Guideposts Bible Study along with my morning prayer.

I recently came across a pamphlet published in 2008 with a Thanksgiving article Dr. Peale had written many years earlier. In that pamphlet he talks about his friend, Dr. John Riley who practiced medicine until he died in his 90s, and who at that point was the oldest practicing physician in the state of New York.

Dr. Riley told Rev. Peale, “If a person would each day deliberately practice thanksgiving, he would thereby activate new sources of energy and power within him.” Dr. Riley then said “Every day of my life, when I rise in the morning...I have a prayer and give thanks to God for my good body” and each part

thereof and then other blessings.

Dr. Peale also wrote about Professor William Stidger, a great theologian, who had a nervous breakdown. He said Stidger told him he sat for months in abysmal gloom, thinking “everything was hopeless.” Stidger said a friend told him he could “come out of his despondency by practicing thanksgiving” and suggested that he write a letter of thanks to someone who had helped him in his life.

He thought of an old teacher and wrote her. He received this in reply: “Dear Willie, when I read your letter I was blinded with tears, for I remember you as a boy and as I think of you now I see you as a little fellow in my class. You have warmed my old heart!”

The teacher continued: “I taught school for fifty years. Yours is the first letter of thanks I every received from a student, and I shall cherish it until I die.”

Stidger then wrote 500 such letters, and whenever he later felt depressed, he would re-read some of the letters he had written and some of the replies.

A little over a month after my wife, Lynn, died, I wrote a Focus column listing 25 great blessings in my life. Among those were my mother and father, and Lynn.

Every morning some place early in my prayer, I pray that Mama and Daddy and Lynn are all in Heaven now and that they are the happiest and healthiest they have ever been. I also pray that Pat Gleason, Zane Daniel, and Bill Vaughan are there, too. All of them did so much for me.

When I was a boy and people would ask me what I wanted to be when I grew up, I would always tell them I wanted to be a lawyer. Later, I was blessed with 16 fascinating years as a lawyer and judge.

In my early adulthood, I developed a desire to

follow my father into Congress, then I was blessed with 30 fascinating years in Congress.

My other biggest dream as a young adult was that I wanted to get married and have children. God blessed Lynn and me with four children, and now nine grandchildren.

I am just amazed that when so many never even have one good marriage, I have now been blessed with two.

My friend John Wood told me several months ago that he had a theory that a man should marry someone very different from himself in a first marriage so that he would be stretched in a good way. But he said at our age, we should marry someone much like ourselves in order to be truly happy.

Lynn and I were very different. She was more ambitious and much tougher than I was, both in good ways. She was strong in areas where I was weak

and vice versa. No one was more loyal to me than she was or did more for me.

As regular readers of my column know, as a youngster I went to Sunday School and Bible School with my new wife, Vickie, until I was 12. She was a year behind me at Chilhowee and Holston.

She taught elementary school for 31 years and then took care of her first husband for five years until he died with Lou Gehrig’s disease.

Vickie and I are so much alike in almost every way. Everyone who knows her describes her as one of the sweetest, kindest people they have ever known.

We have only been married for six months, but she has been a great blessing to me and has made me very happy, and I hope I have done the same for her.

Happy Thanksgiving!

It is time to call the “Progressives” Socialists

Joe Biden’s handlers apparently thought that he could help democrats win elections by raising the “threat-to-democracy” MAGA bogeyman. Republicans were no longer “Conservatives”.

They were now the MAGA crowd and “the most extreme political organization that exists in American history.” Biden also said that the GOP “ain’t your father’s Republican party, this is a MAGA party now.” It is also Ultra MAGA and MEGA MAGA depending on what is on his teleprompter. Regardless, Biden apparently thinks that calling the Republicans names will frighten people to vote for the socialists in progressive clothing who now



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the Democrats? Liberals. Well no more Mister Nice Guy. The Dems want to be called “progressives”. That makes sense in that “Democrats” is a term seeped in American racism. The same is true with “progressive”. Margaret Sanger, an avowed supporter of eugenics who founded Planned Parenthood to abort black babies, was a progressive. The Ku Klux Klan and early leaders of American unions who excluded blacks from their ranks were progressives. The Nazis were

constitute the Democratic party.

The Republicans are just too nice. They have historically left the name calling to the Democrats (racists/fascists/homophobes/sexist). And what have they called

progressives with much of their agenda enthusiastically endorsed today by AOC and Bernie Sanders. Perhaps the most famous American Progressive was President Woodrow Wilson who was an avowed racist. Wilson advocated sterilizing criminals and the mentally incompetent. He segregated the railway mail service (my father was once a postal clerk in railway mail) and segregated the civil service. Wilson brought Jim Crow to the North. During his presidency, the Army and Navy refused to commission black officers and the Navy implemented a system of Jim Crow. Like today’s progressives, Wilson contended that the Declaration of Independence was out of date. The rights of all individuals enshrined in the founding documents for Wilson were an obstacle

to what he described as a “rational national policy.” Like today’s progressives, Wilson advocated that the Constitution be a “living document”.

Isn’t it interesting that today’s “progressives” and their cancel culture have canceled Wilson for being a racist? His name has been eradicated from Princeton’s school of public policy and its residential college. Yet for those of us who don’t have such a selective memory of history, the stench of being called a democrat or a progressive remains. Why anyone would want to call themselves either a democrat or a “progressive” is a mystery to me. Being called a liberal was turning into a dirty word and the socialists wanted to avoid that label (with the possible exception of Bernie Sanders and his ilk). The result was the resurrection of the term progressive. The Republicans were nice enough to go along with the name change indicating that their grasp of history was as bad as the democrats. So how about some truth in labelling? From now on, call the progressives, nee democrats, nee liberals, what they really are: Socialists.

Merit Board waits to elect officers

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The new Knox County Sheriff’s Office Employee’s Merit System Board of Directors met briefly Friday and decided, at the suggestion of the law director’s office, to hold off electing officers until their next meeting.

Reorganized by the Knox County Commission to now have seven members, not three, the board must by law, according to Deputy Law Director Myers Morton, elect officers to serve calendar years. Former Vice-Chairman Jim Wright Jr. presided over the meeting. Other members of the board now include Kenny Boatman, Christopher Manning, John Marshall, John Valliant, Clarence Vaughn and Lindsey Willis.

Merit System Director Paula Taylor said the officers will be elected in

January. Morton presented a letter to the members outlining their duties and answering several questions. One of those questions was about the election of officers. Other areas covered included Morton stating that all merit meetings must be open to the public; new rules passed by the commission will apply to any new grievance hearing; the law discourages rehearing old grievances being heard; and the procedure for how the board can hear and investigate grievances. He also said that grievances can be heard when they involve a loss of salary, a suspension of more than three days, denial of earned leave, and requiring classified employees to take part in political activity as a condition of promotion or employment.

Nature book trail features new book about insects at the UT arboretum

The University of Tennessee Arboretum Society is excited to announce the opening of a new book on the Arboretum’s Nature

Book Trail, “Bugs on the Job,” by author Nancy Kelly Allen and illustrator Martyna Nejman.

The Nature Book Trail, about half a mile in length, begins near the parking lot by the UT Arboretum Visitors Center, 901 S. Illinois Avenue in Oak Ridge. It is an easy trail for children and adults to hike, with two benches to rest on along the way; however, it is non-accessible for people with disabilities. The 14 beautiful

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Publisher's Positions



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Knoxville has admitted it hired a search firm to find the next police chief specifically to tiptoe around public records laws. That admission was made in Knox County's Chancery Court where the city's attorney was being closely questioned by Chancellor John Weaver.

The News-Sentinel immediately pounced on the declaration and printed it. The daily newspaper has sued the City of Knoxville in an open records case in the Chancery Court as previously stated. As it happens, Kincannon, who promised complete and utter transparency as a candidate, evidently had her fingers crossed behind her back when she made the pledge. Or perhaps it was just the usual Kincannon promise. Kincannon placed a resolution on the city council's agenda to hire the Police Executive Research Forum to find its candidates for chief. The council, which almost never questions, much less debates, any proposal Kincannon offers, routinely approved paying the search firm \$43,000 to find Knoxville a new police chief.

It sure sounded good. The Police Executive Research Forum promised everything with all the

trimmings, which included "a needs assessment, community engagement, advertising and recruiting for the position, candidate screening, and ultimately, a list of the best candidates for the job." It also accomplished something else the City administration wanted, which was to keep taxpayers in the dark as to just precisely who the candidates to become Knoxville's next chief of police were.

Now lest you think it is the conservative old Focus battering Indya Kincannon yet again, let me quote directly from the Knoxville News-Sentinel, which any impartial observer would have to acknowledge is sitting on the left of the spectrum. "By paying a firm to handle the hiring, Mayor Indya Kincannon and her team thought they could bypass Tennessee's open records laws and keep taxpayers in the dark." Readers probably ought to grab their phones and take a picture of that. It will be one of the very few times you'll ever see the News-Sentinel ever complain about anything relating to the taxpayers.

When one peels back the Sentinel patting itself on the back, the daily newspaper does finally get to the meat of the story, which is

the effort by Kincannon and her administration to be anything but forthcoming.

John Weaver is the senior chancellor of Knox County's Chancery Court and is widely respected by just about everybody. Weaver's persistent questioning gave the city's attorney, Chris McCarty, not even a fig leaf for cover.

Considering the sensitivity of the city government about police issues, one would think the Kincannon administration's lack of transparency will become an issue, not only for Kincannon herself, but also for the city council members who approved it. A policy of rubber-stamping an incompetent executive frequently puts a legislator at risk in elections, too.

Kyle Ward Running for Chairman of the Knox County Republican Party

Kyle Ward has announced he is running for chairman of the Knox County Republican Party. This announcement comes on the heels of Daniel Herrera's declaration he won't seek a second term in the post.

Ward has the kind of background that should

help to make him an effective chair for local Republicans. Kyle Ward went into the military where he became a special forces officer. A small businessman who operates several highly successful businesses, Ward and his wife Katie are expecting the arrival of their first child any day now.

Kyle Ward has also demonstrated a determined ability to overcome the odds. Ward was not given much chance to win election to the Knox County Commission when he announced two years ago. Ward upset the favorite in the primary, winning decisively. Kyle Ward went on to win the general election and has impressed local observers as one of the more thoughtful and productive members of the Knox County Commission.

Kyle Ward has been able to get things done through quiet conciliation and an ability to shepherd ordinances through the commission. The youngest member of the Knox County Commission, Ward has stunned many hardened local observers of politics by doing the unexpected. While infuriating the left by reconstituting the Knox County Board of Health, Kyle Ward was also the sponsor to make

Juneteenth a holiday in our county. It was Ward who did the heavy lifting as chairman of the commission's redistricting committee. An oftentimes contentious process, Ward's leadership on the issue saw it sail through the commission without controversy or conflict.

Kyle Ward has repeatedly demonstrated the ability to think outside the box and is young and savvy enough to understand the importance of social media in today's world. Ward will almost certainly be the choice of local Republicans to serve as chairman.

Some have been under the impression that the leadership of the party is the party when the truth is the membership is the party. Nobody understands that better than Kyle Ward and nobody can do a better job in a demanding and frequently frustrating position. Ward will be a formidable candidate and would be an excellent choice of local Republicans to choose to serve as chairman.

Ward has the ability to put all the pieces together to revitalize Knox County's Republican Party and give the local Democrats even more competition.

Pedigo flooding before commission

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maintaining the pumps. Snowden said the largest property owner there would not agree to build a retaining basin for runoff on the property.

At first Commissioners Kyle Ward and Richie Beeler moved to deny the agreement. Snowden said that if the agreement fails the county doesn't have a budget for any other solution and might move the funds to other projects. Commissioner Terry Hill asked that, if denied, the flooding would no longer be a county problem to solve. Snowden said, "That's right, we don't have the budget for another solution."

Owen said the residents don't want the wall and will continue to use small home pumps. Petress agreed saying, "We can handle it." Commissioner Kim Frazier asked about the source of the runoff and local housing developments. Snowden said the current updated floodwater ordinances have improved standards and added, "We're going to be very cautious in that area." He said that there is a 42-acre drainage area in the Pedigo Road area including pasture land and no significant construction there to affect flooding.

The motion to deny raised a legal question as to whether or not the issue would appear on today's regular commission agenda. Knox County Law Director David Buuck said denying the item is not recommended. Ward then changed his motion to pass it along to today's meeting with no recommendation when the council could vote the agreement down.

State Street purchase may not be extended

In other business, the

years-long sale of several parcels of Knox County land along State Street met some commission opposition. The resolution calls for extending the sale of the remaining five of 13 pieces of property to Marble Alley Development six months from its December deadline to June 30, 2023.

Commissioner Schoonmaker questioned the extension, one of several since Knox County first gave "Marble Alleys, AKA Mr. Goss, the opportunity to purchase these five parcels" in 2009.

Knox County Purchasing Director Matt Myers said the agreement has been extended twice but Schoonmaker countered by counting at least five extensions given to the company for the opportunity to purchase the property. Eight parcels of the property have been purchased by the applicant.

"Knox County set the current purchase price in 2009, thirteen years ago, with the caveat that the price would increase two percent per year," Schoonmaker said. The commissioner noted that after 2015, downtown property value has seen a "pretty

amazing" increase.

Schoonmaker produced the 2019 agreement documenting the fourth extension which included up to three 12-month extensions. He pointed out that the developer agreed with Commissioner Carson Dailey's recommendation that there should be no additional extensions beyond the expiration of December 31, 2022.

"We still have a piece of property that Knox County owns - with no revenue being generated on it - and we've now been holding that for this one developer for thirteen years."

Commissioner Ward said extending the agreement "is not responsible" and the property would sell for a lot more than the original appraisal.

"I would love to get 13-year options on properties (with no money down)," Ward said, joking, "That'd be great. I'd be a billionaire in a decade."

Buzz Goss, president of Marble Alley Development, said because of the market and the pandemic "it made sense to wait. We've hired architects and they have been working it."

"We're tweaking it," he



Commissioner Carson Dailey told the State Street developer another extension on the State Street property purchase shouldn't be granted and noted the 2009 purchase price isn't adequate now.

said, adding "It's hard to get things financed because of the interest rate environment."

"Is it the purchase price set in 2009 that is the issue or is it the agreement itself?" asked Commissioner Larsen Jay. He wondered if there is a compromise to bring up the price to the current market value.

Commissioner Dailey said 2020 was "a lost year" and said he remembered

being the one to hold Goss' feet to the fire. Dailey said that Goss lost his opportunity in 2021. "You said this was the last one - 'Now we want six more months.'"

"Either you do it by December 31st, get you a partner. I'm willing to take that gamble we're going to get more," Dailey said. "If it takes two years to put it on the market and sell, what have we lost?"

"You really lost the

opportunity in 2021 and early 2022 before interest rates started - interest rates were at zero point something. You've probably figured out how I'm going to vote," Dailey said. "The taxpayers need to move on."

Schoonmaker moved to move it to today's meeting with no recommendation with a second from Commissioner Dasha Lundy.

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The Hot Springs Welcome Center might be a good place to start your visit to this North Carolina historic little town, just about two hours east of Knoxville. The springs there have been an attraction for more than 200 years and bubble out of the ground at about 100 degrees.

Visiting Hot Springs, North Carolina

I'll bet you didn't know that the French Broad River, which joins the Holston River in Knoxville to become the Tennessee River, gets some of its water from a very strange source.

In the mountains of North Carolina, water heated far beneath the earth's surface to 100 degrees bubbles up as hot springs and flows into Spring Creek and into the French Broad. The location of the warm water has long been a noted historic spot by Native Americans and early travelers and settlers.

Today the small Appalachian Trail

community's big attraction is the Hot Springs Resort and Spa which has 100 acres and hot tubs along the creek supplied by the warm natural mineral waters.

From Knoxville, the easiest way to get to Hot Springs, N.C., is by Interstate 40 to Newport and then Highway 321 to the city and east on Highway 25. You'll leave extreme East Tennessee near Paint Rock and enter North Carolina. That will take you through the small town of Del Rio and on through the mountains to Hot Springs, about a two- or three-hour drive from Knoxville, skirting the French Broad at times. The route was a noted livestock trail during early settlement.

The Hot Springs Campground, with basic and full RV hookups, is located across from the Hot Springs Spa and Resort. The Spa offers several lodging choices from luxury suites with jetted tubs and a deluxe cabin, all with jetted hot tubs.

Nearby are other companies offering various lodging and recreation options.

The area has a history of resorts and hotels catering to tourists wanting to enjoy the springs' reported therapeutic properties.

Several hiking trails around Hot Springs are popular and can lead to amazing overlooks. In the small town are various shops and the Hot Springs Visitor Center. It is located on Bridge Street and is open 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily and has information about the Appalachian Trail and exhibits about the interesting town history.

You can find much more information on the internet at HotSpringsNC.org or call (828) 622-9932.

Returning you could follow Highway 25 to Asheville and come back by Interstate 40 or follow Highway 209 south to eventually reach the interstate at Fines Creek.

Nature book trail features new book about insects at the UT arboretum

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trail signs feature Ian Sect, a roving reporter who interviews ten different insects to learn about their roles in nature as decomposers, pollinators, or colonizers.

This is the first book by Allen and Nejman to be featured on the trail. It is published by The Little Fig in Overland Park, Kansas, a company dedicated to creating fun, high-quality children's book for young readers that spark discovery and encourage physical activity. It is available for sale through Target, Amazon, and bookstores nationwide.

During the months of November and December, the Arboretum's Little Free Library, located on the back of the kiosk by the Visitors Center, will feature books about insects. Children are encouraged to check out the Little Free Library and also to leave a book for another child to enjoy.

If you have a large quantity of books to donate, either for children or adults, please contact Janet Bigelow at janet_bigelow@tds.net. The adult books will be traded at McKay's in Knoxville for credit to purchase children's books.

To learn more about the Arboretum Society, go to www.utarboretumsociety.org or contact mcampani@utk.edu.

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Groupthink

Politics is downstream from culture.
Andrew Breitbart

I've never been a fan of comics. Perhaps the only exception is the single-cell comics of Gary Larson. I loved Larson's caricatures and creatures, and his witty and pithy observations. And I liked Charles Shultz's Peanuts comic strip. I could identify with the neighborhood kids, having remembered the likes of the hapless Charlie Brown, the talented Linus and the scruffy Pigpen from my own childhood. I never cared for the duplicitous Lucy. We've all known someone like Lucy who will say "Trust me," and then pulls the football away at the last minute. I suspect Lucy is a Democrat and Charlie Brown is a Republican.

Since our kids are grown-up and gone, Becky and I no longer put up a big Christmas tree. I used to be like Clark Griswold of the National Lampoon's

Christmas Vacation. A big tree for our great room was a must. After Thanksgiving, we now bring out of storage our version of Charlie Brown's Christmas tree. However, we haven't figured out what to do with boxes of Christmas tree ornaments, collected throughout our lifetime and travels. Perhaps we will offer these baubles to our kids. But they probably won't want our "stuff" because mementos are only meaningful to the collector.

I learned a new word recently, although Mr. Webster says "neopaganism" was first used one hundred and fifty years ago. In medical school, I learned that the prefix neo-derives from Greek and implies something new. For example, a newborn is neonatal. Neopaganism is the contemporary practice of paganism. Examples are the worship of nature, fertility or Wicca, the largest of the modern pagan

religions. Interestingly, paganism was a "term first used in the fourth century by early Christians for people in the Roman Empire who practiced polytheism or ethnic religions other than Judaism."

Words fascinate me. They are the tools we use to exchange ideas. Since we are discussing conceptual tools, Hebrews referred to anyone not a Hebrew as a gentile. And Romans called anyone not a Roman a barbarian. The Romans often adopted aspects of other cultures. The concept of a barbarian comes from ancient Greece. When the Greeks began to encounter people who did not speak their language they described such speech as gibberish, sounding like "Ba, ba, ba, ba..." From this we get the word barbarian.

People are trying to make some sense out of what happened in the November 8 election. There was no "red wave;" barely a red trickle. The Democrats were relieved that their destructive policies did not wipe them out. And the anti-Democrat party forces (Republicans and others) were as flummoxed as Charlie Brown trying to kick Lucy's football.

The television talking heads and the political commentariat continue to pontificate on what happened in the midterms - as if they understand the

American people. I don't presume to be an expert, but given the destruction of the last two years, I cannot understand how anyone could vote for any Democrat in this election cycle. But that's just me.

What we know is that the pollsters were wrong again, and should all be fired. And apparently, groupthink and tribalism (brand) "trump" common sense and realpolitik. Furthermore, the election system has been corrupted and is broken in places like Arizona. And in my opinion, people without loyalty to the country and who have little or no skin in the game can be bought by politicians.

As an example, pollsters predicted that 20% of the Z generation (18-29 year olds) would show up to vote. Actually, 27% showed up and they overwhelmingly supported left wing policies of higher taxes, late-term abortion, open borders and Democrat candidates. Perhaps the "October surprise" was Biden's promise to forgive college loans, even though this is patently unfair and will undoubtedly be ruled unconstitutional. No matter, it influenced the election, just like the elite media and the FBI tampered with the 2020 election by suppressing the Hunter Biden laptop story. And to complete my point, a report by intelligent.com and CNBC found that 73%

of college debt forgiveness recipients plan to use the bounty on nonessential items including travel, dining out and new tech.

Of course there are many other reasons for the "red trickle," including Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell's spiteful refusal to use funds to support candidates endorsed by President Trump. But there are many other reasons including gerrymandering of districts, voting illegalities, the sickness of the Trump hatred syndrome and the influence of clueless Holly-weirds and "Zucker-bucks."

The FTX crypto bankruptcy is the latest money laundering scandal, where nearly \$40 million was scammed and given to Democrat campaigns this midterm. And yes, I realize that more than 90% of the media are liberal Democrats and their slanted/deceptive reporting has become the modern "norm." However, in my opinion, the biggest issue is alluded to by Andrew Breitbart in the header above.

American culture began to change after the Second World War. (Read my May 16, 2022 essay "What Happened?" in the Focus Archives.) The Greatest Generation survived the Great Depression, won the Second World War and wanted a better life for their

Baby Boomer kids. Perhaps they spared the proverbial rod and the Counter-Culture of the 60s was born. Those radicals were groomed by Frankfort School professors and teachers, and the radicals now run Biden and control the mainstream media. Trickle-down generational indoctrination is being normalized through America hating, socialism, CRT, BLM, anti-capitalism, anti-God, climate change, abortion on demand and the entitlement philosophy.

The solution to our problems will not come easily or quickly. Change will have to be generational, but we must start somewhere. We must change the culture as leftists began to do 75 years ago. We have to stop trusting the Democrat Lucys of the world. The Democrat party is all about elitist power and the debacle of the last two years is proof. We The People must be the movement which governs our leaders. The other way has proven disastrous. We do not need career politicians as titular leaders; the old fossils of Washington DC must go. And we must humbly return to the philosophy of "In God We Trust."

There is hope. Don't let Leftist Lucys normalize their destructive groupthink. And always keep looking up.

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Old North Park renamed in honor of Beth Ann Booker

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Old North Park is a small, quarter-acre neighborhood park that was once overgrown and abandoned. The little park at 416 E. Oklahoma Avenue became a pet project of Beth Ann Booker who took on the challenge among her many other volunteer projects.

Today the park is pristine, with a playground, gazebo and paved walking trails, all thanks to Booker and neighborhood volunteers.

Tuesday evening the Knoxville City Council voted to rename the park in Booker's honor and

remembered the late neighborhood leader with flattering comments, sometimes emotional. Council members Tommy Smith and Lauren Rider sponsored the re-naming.

Booker passed away last January and the family asked that contributions in her name be made to Cancer Support Community of East Tennessee, 2230 Sutherland Ave Knoxville, TN 37919-2350

City Councilwoman Lauren Rider was moved to tears while remembering the late Beth Ann Booker during a vote to rename a North Knoxville park in Booker's honor. Rider described Booker, who passed away last January, as the person who selflessly got involved in various projects and "created a beautiful park." Councilman Charles Thomas recalled Booker's "hands-on nature" in various neighborhood improvements. Mayor Indya Kincannon said the naming of the park was "very appropriate."



Parrott-Wood Memorial Library History hosting film programs

The Parrott-Wood Memorial Library is hosting several films about recent presidents. The films were chosen to demonstrate how presidents since Franklin D. Roosevelt have dealt with unexpected and difficult to manage situations.

The films include: "Hyde Park on the Hudson," about FDR hosting both his cousin Daisy Suckley and the King and Queen of England just prior to the outbreak of World War II, "Truman" starring Gary Sinise which details Truman's monumental decision to drop

the atomic bomb on Japan to end WW II, "Thirteen Days" which chronicles the tense days of the Cuban Missile Crisis in October 1962, and "LBJ" starring Woody Harrelson describing his taking the reins of power after the Kennedy assassination. These films will be shown as part of the Dollar General Corporation's generous funding of Adult Literacy.

Mrs. Donna Phillips, Parrott-Wood Memorial Library director, applied for and was awarded this grant. The general public

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Turkeys and Thanksgiving



Picture of wild turkeys, by Ralphine Major. While my favorite wild turkey picture was taken a couple of years ago after a light snow, this picture was taken recently on a rainy fall day.

They are a common sight in our rural community. Almost daily, small flocks of wild turkeys can be seen roaming in pasture fields and yards. Months ago, a particular flock had several little ones



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that got hemmed up inside our chain link fence. They could not find the way out until someone went down toward them, and they flew out. I often think of the Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving when I see the wild turkeys.

This year promises to pose a Thanksgiving

problem for many Americans. News reports indicate that there is a shortage of turkeys. Short supply and big demand equal higher prices. Most Americans will likely gather with family and

friends for Thanksgiving 2022 to enjoy a day filled with football, turkey with all the trimmings, and parades. Thanksgiving is a perfect time to reflect on the happenings of the year. The somewhat slower pace during the holiday week-end gives a welcome relief

from daily, hectic routines. Besides the pumpkin pie and turkey, Thanksgiving is a time set aside to appreciate all the many blessings that we have. Freedom. Food. Family. Jobs. Homes. Churches, and so much more.

As you celebrate with loved ones on this Thanksgiving, be blessed with safe travels and great memories. *Happy Thanksgiving!*

Words of Faith: "Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms." Psalm 95:2 (KJV).

Critical thinking

Critical thinking is defined as "the objective analysis and evaluation of an issue in order to form a judgment." This skill is taught in schools today, but the explanation of it, and the assignments that are paired with the term make critical thinking seem to be a difficult task that only the greatest of minds can complete. Leave it to education to take something easy and make it impossible to understand.



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Now, in some settings, critical thinking can be a much more difficult process. Using the skill in literature or philosophy can be torturous. The reading

of a great novel is assigned, and students must complete a critical analysis of the book. In philosophy, students are given the task of studying a philosophical idea and applying it to life. "To Kill a Mockingbird" is one of the greatest novels ever written, and its messages have been clear to readers for years. Existentialism is a philosophy that isn't so easily understood. Individuals must put more effort into understanding it and then applying the wholeness of it to life. Still, both require critical thinking.

The use of critical thinking skills continuously enters our daily lives.

Moms go to the grocery stores for the week's groceries. Lists of items help them in making choices for meals. My dear wife analyzes the contents of most items she takes from the shelves. Some products have too many unhealthy ingredients for her to buy them. Sometimes, the ingredients of a name brand are identical to those of a generic one. Based on those two things and others of which I am not privy, Amy loads her buggy with items for meals and snacks.

I taught high school English for 30 years. My students wrote plenty of essays, and I graded them by putting chapter numbers from the Harbrace Handbook beside mistakes. Some folks said I graded too harshly because some papers looked as if I'd

bled on them. My students knew what I was doing. I read what they had created and scored them based on an analysis of their use of grammar and writing rules. After that, I assigned grades based on that criteria. No, I wasn't interested in letting the students express their inner beliefs or writing conventions. My goal was to teach them to write essays that would pass in a college class or help them to better express themselves in work-world situations.

Educational institutions have ways of making the simple difficult. They accomplish this by giving lofty names to everyday things. Critical thinking is nothing more than common sense. Any problem can be solved with the use of it. The simplest

example might deal with money. A person wants a new car because his old one has many miles on it. The person goes shopping and discovers the soaring prices of new cars, especially when extras are added. He drops by Carmax and sees that prices for low-mileage vehicles are more to his liking. At home, the buyer looks at the cost of the car and the monthly payment. Then he looks at his other bills and monthly income. If he can meet the car payment, along with the rest of his bills, he might decide to purchase a vehicle. However, he might also decide to have his present car checked over and keep it for a while as he saves up money to buy a car in the future. That process is the long and short of "critical thinking." Analyzing

something is taking it apart to look at components. The judgment about that thing is based on the information gained from the analysis.

I have talked to a few authors in my lifetime, and none of them wrote scholarly things. Most of the writers that students studied were dead. Unless they revealed analyses of their works, I believe anyone can write a good one as long as he uses common sense and backs it up with examples from the text.

Critical thinking isn't so hard, is it? Other more scholarly folks might disagree with my analysis, but I'm not so sure they would be any more correct. I produced it through critical thinking.

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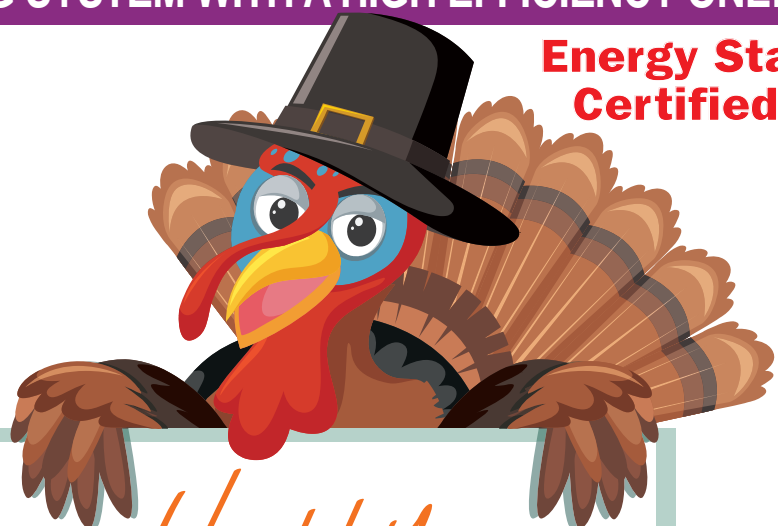
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Pages from the Past



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Both of Tennessee's seats in the United States Senate were up for election in 1964. Oddly, that has been the case every thirty years since 1934. Tennesseans went to the polls to elect both United States senators in 1934, 1964, and 1994. The first popular election for a seat in the United States Senate occurred in 1916. That year Tennessee Republicans nominated the man who was likely their strongest candidate, former Governor Ben W. Hooper. Republicans saw another opportunity to try and wrest a Senate seat away from the Democrats in 1948, which most observers thought was going to be a terrific year for the GOP. Former Congressman Carroll Reece was the Republican nominee for the U.S. Senate in 1948 and won only a third of the vote.

Tennessee Republicans were newly energized by continual success in presidential elections as Dwight D. Eisenhower carried the Volunteer State in 1952 and 1956. Richard Nixon won a decisive victory over John F. Kennedy in protestant Tennessee. Bill Brock had won a seat in the House of Representatives by beating the Democratic nominee in 1962. Republican Bob James had fallen short by just over 1,200 votes of beating veteran congressman Cliff Davis that same year in Shelby County.

Emboldened by their success, Tennessee Republicans determined to offer serious candidates for both of the Senate seats up for election in 1964. Senator Albert Gore Sr., Tennessee's "Old Gray Fox," was running for his third consecutive term in the United States Senate. The other seat was up for election due to the death of Estes Kefauver, who had died suddenly in August of 1963. Governor Frank Clement had appointed Herbert S. "Hub" Walters to fill the vacancy until the next regular election. "Hub" Walters was past seventy, had suffered a bout with throat cancer and had long been active in Tennessee's Democratic Party. Walters was not a candidate to succeed himself and virtually nobody thought he would be; instead, the man who had appointed him was off and running for the United States Senate, along with Congressman Ross Bass, for the Democratic nomination.

Dan Kuykendall, a native of Texas who had moved to Memphis to take a regional job with Proctor & Gamble a decade earlier, had been methodically traveling across the state, meeting Republicans in cities, towns and hamlets in Tennessee. Kuykendall

(pronounced Kirk-in-dahl) was campaigning to oppose Senator Gore until he made his announcement official in April of 1964. The GOP candidate for the remainder of the late Senator Kefauver's term was Howard Baker Jr. Baker's father had been the congressman from Tennessee's Second Congressional District from 1951 until his death in January of 1963. Baker spurned the opportunity to run in the special election that year to fill the vacancy, which was won by his stepmother, Irene Baker. Mrs. Baker chose not to be a candidate for the full term in 1964, which sparked a hard-fought primary fight between Knoxville Mayor John J. Duncan and Judge Frank Qualls.

Another source of optimism for Tennessee Republicans was likely GOP presidential nominee Barry Goldwater, who was polling ahead of President Lyndon Johnson inside the Volunteer State. Bob James was running for Congress once again in Shelby County and even Tom Murray, who had been in Congress since 1942 and was the most conservative Democrat in Congress from Tennessee, had drawn a serious GOP opponent for the general election. That opponent deserves a mention. Julius Hurst of McNairy County was remembered as "a force to be reckoned with" inside his home area. Hurst served as superintendent of schools for thirteen years until finally losing an election in 1971. Julius Hurst went on to serve on the McNairy County Commission, as well as the Selmer City Board as an alderman. Hurst gave Tom Murray a real race and quite nearly won a seat in Congress two years later when a Democrat named Ray Blanton just barely eked past him in the general election. Julius Hurst also served a term as chairman of Tennessee's Republican Party.

Hurst died at age sixty-four in 1983 and was remembered by one local political observer who said, "He wouldn't go around the corner. He'd tell you to your face." Selmer Mayor Billy Joe Glover recalled Julius Hurst, saying, "I don't think I've ever dealt with a more honest and sincere person." The hallmark honesty and sincerity of Julius Hurst's character made him "very formidable as an opponent" Glover thought. It also hurt him as blunt honesty isn't always appreciated by those on the receiving end. Hurst had lost the superintendent's seat by a mere 41 votes likely because of his direct and forthright stand



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Autographed photo of Congressman Dan Kuykendall.

in favor of school system consolidation.

Kuykendall was unopposed in the Republican primary while Howard Baker swept past two minor candidates. With the fall campaign in full swing in September of 1964, Dan Kuykendall won the endorsement of the Chattanooga News-Free Press. That newspaper was as conservative as Kuykendall, at least in its editorials. "After years in which Senator Albert Gore has badly misrepresented Tennessee with his consistent record of votes on the left wing side of the street," the editorial thundered, "Tennesseans now may rejoice that they have a choice, an alternative." The News-Free Press described Dan Kuykendall as "a constitutional conservative in philosophy, a man of excellent character and high motivation, an unusually intelligent and alert gentleman." The editorial concluded, "Tennesseans could be proud to have him represent them in the Senate."

Kuykendall launched his fall campaign for the general election in the very heart of enemy territory, choosing to open in Covington, Tennessee in Tipton County. Kuykendall minced no words, charging Senator Gore had "served the appeasers of Communism" while serving on the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee.

Speaking from the steps of the courthouse with a gigantic photo of himself looming nearby, the candidate was introduced by another rising star of Tennessee's Republican Party, Congressman Bill Brock of Chattanooga. "One hundred and twenty-eight years ago," Kuykendall cried, "my ancestors left this county to join Sam Houston in Texas in a fight for freedom and beginning here today I ask you to join me in another fight for freedom."

Kuykendall stirred a charge against Senator Gore that I can recall now quite well. It was a common complaint and one my grandfather believed to his core. That accusation

was Gore was far more interested in foreign affairs and national politics than in Tennessee and Tennesseans. Kuykendall told his listeners one of the slogans of his campaign would be "let's not bother Gore with Tennessee any more." Kuykendall said Senator Gore was responsible for having supported "wasteful foreign spending" which the Republican candidate asserted had "contributed to poverty in Appalachia, has caused unemployment in the textile industry, and has caused a tremendous loss of income in the cattle industry."

Worse still, Dan Kuykendall insisted, "Albert Gore's unjustified attacks against the job building people throughout the country have kept industry out of Tennessee and kept Tennessee's working men from getting the kind of jobs they deserve." Among Gore's other failings, at least according to Kuykendall, was the senator's having "ignored the plight of the cotton farmers" in the Volunteer State, as well as his "total lack of interest in the tobacco industry."

According to the Knoxville Journal, more than 10,000 people gathered to greet GOP presidential nominee Barry Goldwater when he made a stop at McGhee-Tyson Airport on September 16, 1964. Goldwater's Knoxville visit followed an appearance in Memphis where Chief of Police J. C. McDonald said 80,000 people had heard the Arizona senator speak. The Kingsport News reported one of the "happiest men" in attendance at the Goldwater rally was GOP senatorial candidate Dan Kuykendall. Goldwater had noted Senator Albert Gore had offered an amendment to the Medicare proposal pending in the Senate. Goldwater said Gore's amendment was based on the same foundation as that of France, which the Arizona senator claimed was bankrupting the French people.

Years after the 1964 election, Howard Baker was candid in saying he knew the Republican ticket

in Tennessee could not possibly carry the burden of Barry Goldwater's pledge to sell the Tennessee Valley Authority. If any agency or entity in the State of Tennessee was close to being sacrosanct with the voters, it was the TVA. While Dan Kuykendall was highly conservative and an avid supporter of Barry Goldwater, the Memphian made it quite clear to Tennessee voters that he did not agree with the Arizonan at all about the Tennessee Valley Authority. Originally, Barry Goldwater had polled well ahead of Lyndon Johnson in Tennessee, but Tennesseans clearly disliked the idea of any president selling the TVA off to private power interests. Dan Kuykendall repeatedly stated his belief he didn't care what anyone thought, Republican or Democrat; he supported leaving the TVA alone to do its work. Kuykendall also hit Senator Gore's votes against LBJ's Civil Right Act as well as the federal tax cut as having been motivated solely by political need. Dan Kuykendall insisted Gore was moving to the right to shore up his support inside Tennessee. For his part, Senator Gore largely ignored his Republican challenger, but let fly with eloquent attacks on GOP presidential nominee Barry Goldwater.

Barry Goldwater apparently understood his earlier promise to sell the TVA had done quite a lot of harm to voters in the Volunteer State. While campaigning in Memphis, the Arizona senator had retracted his pledge and had said, "I recognize the need for TVA and you know Howard Baker and Dan Kuykendall are going to see that nothing happens to it."

The Arizona senator had managed to rile some members of his own party by not having mentioned other members of the GOP ticket during his stops in Memphis and Knoxville. Senator Goldwater never once called Howard Baker's name, despite the fact it was Baker who introduced him to the thousands of people at the airport. Nor

did Goldwater say anything about Dan Kuykendall when in Memphis, much less GOP congressional nominee Bob James. The Goldwater campaign kept its headquarters separate as well.

Some observers believed Kuykendall was quite likely to make a better showing in the general election against Albert Gore than Howard Baker would against Congressman Ross Bass. Bass had surprised nearly everyone with his smashing victory in the Democratic primary against Governor Frank Clement inside the Democratic primary. That victory made Bass the strong favorite over Baker in the general election.

Lyndon Johnson was one of the most adroit politicians ever to hold public office, although his presidency was troubled and overshadowed by the Vietnam War. Johnson made his own campaign stop in Tennessee and delighted Democrats when he said he certainly wouldn't sell TVA while visiting Nashville.

Both Howard Baker and Dan Kuykendall constantly reiterated their support for the Tennessee Valley Authority on the campaign trail. Kuykendall stoutly maintained the Tennessee Valley Authority was the best-managed agency in the entire federal government. "In its long history," Kuykendall reminded Tennesseans, "it has not once been touched by scandal."

"TVA was needed. It has done a good job. I think that TVA is going to find it necessary to expand," Kuykendall said. "Our continuing industrial growth makes this expansion necessary and I have said time and again that in Tennessee we must expand our industry."

"I am a conservative, but I am not a roll-back-the-calendar man," Kuykendall insisted. "I believe that for every man and for everything, the time to begin is now. This philosophy applies to all things we do or undertake. As for TVA, we have it, it has worked well and we need to improve it."

As the general election approached, both Dan Kuykendall and Howard Baker picked up their frenetic pace in the first real effort made by Tennessee Republicans to win election to a seat in the United States Senate since 1948. Both men knew they faced long odds, but there was good reason to believe the prize was within their grasp.

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Kincannon kicks off re-election campaign



Mayor Indya Kincannon announced her re-election campaign Thursday evening before a large crowd at The Standard on Jackson Avenue. She spoke of her accomplishments during her first term and what she plans to do when re-elected. Photo courtesy of Cynthia Moxley.

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Knoxville City Mayor Indya Kincannon kicked off her bid for re-election Thursday evening at The Standard on Jackson Avenue with an enthusiastic crowd of elected officials, city employees and supporters of all political affiliations.

Mayor Kincannon got cheers and laughs during her announcement, remembering how she became the “second woman” mayor when she replaced term-limited Madeline Rogero four years ago. Knoxville’s race for mayor and city council is a non-partisan contest with heavy Democratic overtones inside a largely Republican Knox County.

She recalled that early in her term the COVID-19 pandemic hit and recalled that no city employees were laid off during that period. She touted expanding the Urban Wilderness and noted the new East Knoxville Greenway.

The mayor said that public safety is a priority and mentioned the progress to complete the new Public Safety Complex and the baseball stadium in East Knoxville. She applauded KUB’s growing high-speed internet system and listed accomplishments that include increasing funds for affordable housing, switching to electric city vehicles and buses, implementing community solar panels and traffic calming.

“There’s still work to do,” she told the audience and said a caring and fully staffed police department is a priority.

“Leadership matters,” she said, adding, “That’s me.”

The evening program began with a thunderous “Drums Up, Guns Down” percussion show. Yassin Terou, owner of Yassin’s Falafel House, spoke after the exciting drum presentation. He was followed by Kincannon’s husband, Ben Barton, who introduced his wife to the large gathering of supporters.

The city non-partisan election begins in August with a primary and the general election is on November 7 next year.

McNabb Center seeks Wish List sponsors for Dear Santa program

For more than 20 years the McNabb Center has partnered with community organizations, local businesses and individuals to provide holiday gifts for children in East Tennessee. The Dear Santa program gives the Center’s child clients and their siblings with the most needs and fewest resources the opportunity to fill out a wish list and receive donated gifts from community sponsors.

Because many families served by the McNabb Center have limited resources, wish lists often consist of basic items like clothing, toiletries and, of course, the child’s Christmas wish for Santa.

Each year, approximately 2,200 children and families in the East Tennessee region are served through the Dear Santa program. In addition to the Dear Santa program’s wish list option, hundreds of children receive gifts through the program’s toy drive.

To sponsor a child, visit mcnabbfoundation.org/DearSanta. Wish lists, which include the child’s gender, age, clothing sizes and gift wishes, will be distributed to sponsors. The McNabb Center requests that a minimum of four gifts be purchased for each child. Additionally, the community can support the Dear Santa program by donating new, unwrapped gifts for children in need.

Do You Want to Be a County Historian?



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The End of an Era

Webb falls to Lipscomb in state semis, close out Meske’s 38 years as head coach

By Bill Howard

It was a disappointing end to a storied career. Friday night at David Meske Stadium, Webb School of Knoxville’s perfect season came to an abrupt end with a 44-7 loss to Lipscomb Academy in the semifinal round of the TSSAA Division II-AA State Playoffs. The game also closed the book on Spartans’ coach David Meske’s stellar 38-year career as Webb’s head coach. Unsurprisingly, emotions ran high after the game. Hugs and tears were in abundance. “I love you guys,” Meske told his team in the post-game huddle. “This is the last football game I’ll ever coach. And I’m proud it was with you. We’re out there to win but there’s gonna be more important things that you do.” For a quarter and a half, it was a tight game, and Meske’s boys had reason to believe they could give their coach a shot at an



Longtime Head Coach David Meske hugs his players after his final football game at Webb School.

PHOTO BY DAN DUNLAP

eight state championship. The Mustangs took the opening kick and drove 80 yards for a 7-0 lead when workhorse running back

Drew Patterson took it in from the 14. Lipscomb then forced a Spartan punt and took the ball back with 4:55 left in

the first. But on first down, quarterback Hank Brown threw a lateral pass that was incomplete, and was therefore a fumble.

Webb’s Steven Beaty recovered and the Spartans were in business on Lipscomb’s 36. It took them 11 plays, but they tied it at

7 when quarterback Charlie Robinson went around the left end for the touchdown on fourth and one second into the second quarter. It would be the last offensive highlight for the boys in green, as Lipscomb’s defense continually pressured Robinson, both on keepers and pass attempts. A 48-yard kickoff return put the Mustangs on Webb’s 26 to start the next possession, and they needed but five plays to take a 13-7 lead. The score came when Brown hit Mark Johnson for a 13-yard touchdown. “For sure, they’re a good team,” said Robinson. “That’s what’s hardest about this game, just wish we could have brought coach a state championship.” “They’re a really good football team but we did some good things,” said Meske. “We had chances in the first half but things

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PHOTO BY BARRY HOUGHIN

Quarterback Jordyn Potts directs Powell’s offensive show in a 43-13 win over Oak Ridge Friday night at Hayworth Field and Scarbro Stadium. It was fitting that No. 5 threw five touchdown passes in the Class 5A quarterfinal win.

Potts passes Powell past Oak Ridge, 43-13

Unbeaten West next for defending champs

By Steve Williams

And now the big one!

Powell dispensed of Oak Ridge 43-13 in the Class 5A state quarterfinals on a chilly Friday night in The Jungle and set its sights on West. Fans on both sides felt the

rematch between the Panthers and Wildcats would be a much closer game than Powell’s 30-14 win in Week 7 of the regular season.

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West’s quick start leads to 49-7 win

By David Klein

In a Class 5A quarterfinal playoff game at West, the Rebels used their quick-strike offense led by running back Brayden Latham to blitz the Daniel Boone trailblazers 49-7. Latham ran 13 times for 208 yards and four touchdowns. Time and time again, the Rebels showcased their athletes and quick-strike capability.

On the Rebels’ first offensive play of the game, Latham took a handoff, cut outside to the left and raced untouched for a 60-yard touchdown run with seven minutes left in the first quarter. “Once you get that kid (Brayden Latham) to the second level, good things are gonna

happen,” West Coach Lamar Brown said. Moments later following a Trailblazer punt, West quarterback Carson Jessie threw a pass 52 yards to Syxx Hoard. On the next play, Latham ran for a 12-yard touchdown. With 4:01 left in the first quarter, West led 14-0. Daniel Boone was limited on offense on the night as the Trailblazers were down to their third-string quarterback Aiden Riner. Their starter Luke Jenkins tore his ACL in the second round and the second-string quarterback Brogan Jones got injured against West. West picked up where they left off in the second quarter

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Carter puts girls' program in McNew's hands

By Steve Williams

Parker McNew feels right at home in his first head coaching position. "I want to thank the administration at Carter High School for believing in me and my abilities to turn this program around," said the 22-year-old McNew, who has taken over the Lady Hornets' basketball program.

A 2018 graduate of Carter, McNew was offered the position by Athletic Director Jewel Brock last May after he received his Special Ed degree at Carson-Newman University. He filled the vacancy left by Bo Lewis, who took the Jefferson County girls' head job after last season.

Parker played basketball, football and soccer at Carter and earned All-District, All-Region and All-State honors as a 6-foot-5 goalkeeper in soccer.

He started coaching basketball right out of high school and for three seasons he coached middle school girls under Dante Turnipseed at The King's Academy, where they won a KISL championship. Turnipseed is the new girls head coach at TKA this season.

Parker got his first experience coaching high school players last year as an assistant coach for the Carter varsity girls and boys teams.

"In my short career, I believe my career highlight would be getting the opportunity to coach at my alma mater," he said. "Carter and its community is really a family. Carter has a special place in my heart."

McNew said he hopes to eventually bring back the excitement that the Carter girls program experienced two years ago when the Lady Hornets advanced to the Sub-State.



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

New Carter High girls coach Parker McNew talks with junior co-captain Lily Lampkin (left) and senior captain Olivia Wolford after a preseason practice. Ava McSwain also is a co-captain but was not at practice that day. Wolford, a shooting guard, is the Lady Hornets' only senior this season.

In addition to getting the program turned around, he said another goal is "to get one percent better every day."

McNew, who is assisted by Todd Pait and Ashlyn Sullivan, is one of eight new girls head coaches in Knox County this season. The others are Lebrandon Marie at Central, Freeman Pinkney at Fulton, Summer Dalton at West, Lauren Trent at Karns, Kendall McGill at Gibbs, Ginger Harness at Concord Christian and Morgan Jones at First Baptist Academy.

The new coaches were requested by The Focus to submit brief background information and a career highlight.

Central's Coach Marie has previously been a head coach on the boys' side at Berean Christian and Sweetwater.

Marie, who played at Karns High and Knoxville College, started out as an assistant coach at Shorter University and Virginia Intermont College and since then has been an assistant at West, Karns, Anderson County, South-Doyle and Loudon high schools.

Pinkney previously was head coach at Catholic and FBA. He played at Kenwood High in Clarksville and Walters State Community College, UT Southern and Bethel University.

"A career highlight for me," said Freeman, "would be during the 2020-2021 FBA season when the program beat Webb, CAK and Grace for the first time in school history."

West High is the first head coaching job for Dalton. Previously, she was an assistant coach at

Savannah State University and then at Austin-East.

Summer played high school ball at Farragut. In college, she played first at Charleston Southern, but then transferred her sophomore year to Maryville College and finished there.

Karns High is Trent's first head coaching position after spending the last seven seasons as an assistant at Oak Ridge under Paige Taylor.

"We won seven straight district tournaments, three region titles and had three trips to the state tournament during that stretch," she noted.

Lauren graduated from Hardin Valley in 2011 after attending Karns her freshman season. She then played four years at Maryville College.

Trent said her "player career highlight" was

making it to the NCAA tournament all four seasons. As for her coaching highlight, "I have had so many good ones, but I will choose one of my favorite memories – Jada Guinn hitting a buzzer beater 3 to win us the region championship at Oak Ridge in 2018."

FBA Athletic Director Darin Mercer said: "We are in a big rebuilding year and our new high school girls coach is actually leading our middle school into next year's high school squad. We don't have a girls high school team this year."

TIME TO START: After last week's Hall of Champions Games, the TSSAA's first contest date for basketball is today.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Admirals withstand late surge to hang on against Bearden

By Ken Lay

As the 2022-23 Knox County Middle School Basketball conference season progresses, Farragut and Bearden will continue to answer questions as both are taking to the hardwood with inexperienced teams.

The two squads had their annual meeting on the court early last week with the Admirals holding off a late surge from the Bruins in a 48-40 victory on Monday, Nov. 14, at Bearden Middle School.

"We're happy with the

win but Bearden really out-hustled us and we were just fortunate enough to make a few more plays," Farragut coach Lynn Allen said. "We're just trying to be as good as we can be. We just have to keep getting more work in."

The two rivals slugged through a fairly even first quarter with the Admirals holding a slim 13-12 advantage at the end of the frame. Farragut's defense stiffened in the second stanza and closed out the

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Bearden Middle Schools boys basketball coach Ben Zorio addresses his team during a timeout last week. The Bruins fell at home to Farragut, 48-40, on Monday, Nov. 14.

Lady Admirals notch key early win at Bearden

By Ken Lay

Farragut Middle School's girls basketball team notched a key road win early last week. The Lady Admirals toppled Bearden 33-18 Monday, Nov. 14, at Bearden Middle School.

Farragut took control of the contest early as it darted out to an 8-3 lead in the first quarter and

extending that advantage to 20-9 by halftime.

But Lady Admirals' coach Devan McIntyre wasn't all that pleased with the way her team executed over the first 12 minutes of the contest.

"I thought Bearden played really tough," McIntyre said. "They did a good job taking us out of what we wanted to do and

pressuring us on defense.

"After we talked about that at halftime, I thought we did a little better with that and we did a good job calming down."

The Lady Admirals had a pair of players post double figures in the scoring column as Reagan Sheridan had 14 points, including 12 in the first half. Gabby Vanacker had 11

Tip-Off Classic Scores

(Games consisted of two 6-minute periods)

AT CENTRAL Monday, Nov. 14 Girls

Webb 31, Carter 7
TKA 22, Central 11
Halls 22, Austin-East 7
Hardin Valley 26, Gibbs 12

Boys

Webb 39, Carter 25
TKA 22, Central 21
Halls 26, Austin-East 26
Hardin Valley 29, Gibbs 25

AT KARNS Tuesday, Nov. 15 Girls

Catholic 37, Karns 19
Fulton 29, West 4
Farragut 29, Powell 7
Bearden 33, South-Doyle 6

Boys

Catholic 31, Karns 13
Fulton 27, West 20
Farragut 27, Powell 18
Bearden 23, South-Doyle 19

(Scores were reported to The Focus by Chad Brown at Central High and Ben Collins at Karns High)

Farragut to host Thanksgiving basketball tournament

By Ken Lay

Local high school basketball fans can see some of the area's top boys and girls teams this week at The Belle Building Group Thanksgiving Tournament hosted by Farragut High School.

The event tips off today (Nov. 21) with four games at Farragut High School's Lynn E. Sexton Gymnasium.

Carter and Fulton will open things with a girls game at 4 p.m. The Carter boys will then square off against Morristown East at 5:30. At 7, the Karns Lady Beavers will tangle with Gatlinburg-Pittman. Opening night concludes at 8:30 as the Fulton High Falcons will play McMinn County.

First-round action continues Tuesday as the host Lady Admirals play West High at 4 p.m. At 5:30, Karns faces Science Hill. The Seymour Lady Eagles will take on Livingston Academy at 7. The nightcap features the host Admirals taking on West High at 8:30 p.m.

After a two-day break, action resumes Friday and tournament play concludes Saturday.

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What generation?

In this business, people are always asking intriguing questions, whether it's on the street, in restaurants, via E-mail, or on the telephone. It's the stuff of which memories are made.

A whole host of memories revolves around Sunday afternoons at 1 p.m. on Channel 6 in Knoxville in the mid-to-late 1960s. John Ward and Doug Dickey co-hosted the "Doug Dickey Show" with analysis of the previous day's game. It was "can't miss television." Watching the show with Bill Dyer's cartoon summary of the game in hand was a magical experience.

There was a postal employee in Chattanooga who called one year and asked who the third-string tailback was in the 1950s, probably in 1956 or 1957. When I said "Al Carter," he said "Thanks" and hung up. There was apparently a bet in his section of the North Chattanooga Post Office. I got the impression he

dropped 75 cents into the cash box to cover the cost of the call.

I have also been asked who the most underrated player I ever saw was. My answer was Shawn Bryson, one of the captains of the 1998 national championship team. He could do it all, run, block, catch passes, and always be in the right place at the right time. Think about his touchdown catch in the 1999 Florida State Fiesta Bowl game and a very big fourth down reception when the Vols were trying to kill the clock late in the game.

In my much younger days, I always liked 1965, 1967, and 1970. The 1965 bunch was the one that put the Vols back on the national radar. The 1967 team finished 9-2 overall and won the SEC title. The 1970 team finished 11-1 and defeated Air Force in the Sugar Bowl.

The 1985 team was a personal favorite later on, winning the SEC and pulling off a memorable win in the Sugar Bowl against Miami. There was the 11-1 team in 1995 that defeated Ohio State in the 1996 Florida Citrus Bowl and the

1989 Cotton Bowl team that defeated Arkansas in the 1990 Cotton Bowl.

In the 1998 national championship season, the key moment came in Tennessee's Nov. 14 game against Arkansas at Neyland Stadium. It was late in the game. Arkansas led and had the ball.

Then came a moment that led to a Vol win and kept championship homes alive.

Billy Ratliff not only caused a fumble but recovered it as well. The play is known as the "Stoerner Stumble," in honor of Clint Stoerner, that day's Arkansas quarterback. Billy was an exceptional player, one who suffered more than his share of injuries.

I liked the way the 2001 team came back from the loss to LSU and took Michigan apart on New Year's Day 2002. Hearing "Hail to the Victors" was a great deal of fun. Watching Vol receivers, most notably Jason Witten, slice through the Wolverine secondary was more fun. That team won at Florida, Alabama and Notre Dame.

To this day, the LSU game was an inexplicable loss.



John Ward and Doug Dickey are shown on the set of the "Doug Dickey Show" in the late 1960s.

Fourth quarter turnovers were killers. One sportswriter led his game story as follows: "Uneasy lies the head that lies near the crown." It wasn't quite Shakespeare but was as good an explanation as any.

I once received a call from SEC referee Jimmy Harper about getting a copy of a Volunteers Magazine cover photo that showed the coin toss of the 1989 Auburn game. There was this deep voice on the phone, and my response was to the point.

"Should I be talking with you?" He said, "Yes," and later profusely thanked me for the photo.

One of the officials from the 2001 SEC Championship Game, one named Mike Wallace, called from his office in Martin with a similar request. "Why couldn't No. 14 come up with an interception when he had the ball right in his hands?" he asked.

No. 14 was Vol defensive back Julian Battle, and he nearly had a couple of picks that might have changed

the course of the game. I never came up with a good answer to why he didn't come up with the ball.

When people call and ask about my favorite teams from over the years, I always ask "what generation?" It does make a difference. Right now, we're in the middle of another special season. The Vols were 3-7 two seasons ago, but have finished an undefeated home schedule with an offensive attack capable of scoring at any moment from any point on the field.



PHOTO BY DAN DUNLAP

Webb quarterback Charlie Robinson strains for yardage against a tough Lipscomb Academy defense Friday night. The Mustangs from Nashville eliminated the Spartans in the Division II-AA semifinal game.

The End of an Era

Webb falls to Lipscomb in state semis, close out Meske's 38 years as head coach

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didn't go our way. But I knew we were gonna play hard. We just didn't make enough plays early in the game."

Lipscomb built the lead to 20-7 with 4:26 left in the half when Maureice Sherrill scored on a 12-yard run. Webb badly needed a score before half to hang in.

It didn't happen. Taking over on their own 21 with 4:19 left, the Spartans moved to the 'Stangs' 22 with one second left. Robinson's pass was intercepted in the end zone, and Webb went into half down 13.

For the game, Robinson was 15 of 31 for 73 yards and an interception, far below his season's averages.

"Late in the half," said Meske "all of a sudden it's 20-14 (if Webb had scored) and you're in a position to take the lead (with the second half kickoff) but it didn't work out at the end of first half."

A score to open the second half might also have kept Webb in the game, but Robinson's

"It's been a great year. I love these kids. I've been fortunate to coach football for a long time. I'll miss them. I couldn't have asked for a better group of young men to be around. Winning is important, but it's not good enough. It's got to be more than that. Changing this world makes you successful." - Coach David Meske

fourth-down pass from Lipscomb's 39 with 8:33 left in the third was incomplete. The Mustangs pulled away after that.

After the game, Meske reflected on both the season and his nearly four decades at the helm of Spartan football.

"It's been a great year," he said, not trying to hide his emotions. "I love these kids. I've been fortunate to coach football for a long

time. I'll miss them. I couldn't have asked for a better group of young men to be around."

Meske stressed that winning, while important, was always secondary to being a good person and trying to make a difference.

"Winning is important, but it's not good enough," Meske said. "It's got to be more than that. Changing this world makes you successful."

Tennessee's Season to Remember

By Mark Nagi

Admit it. You didn't have high preseason expectations for the Tennessee Volunteers football team.

I mean, how could you? You'd seen the Vols lose game after game for most of the last 15 years. They had lost 15 in a row to Alabama, beaten Florida only once since 2004, and weren't even in the same zip code talent-wise when compared to defending national champion Georgia.

Tennessee would also have to play at Pittsburgh and at LSU. Kentucky was a hip pick to make some moves in the SEC. The schedule was not set up for a breakthrough season.

But that's exactly what has happened.

No matter what the rest of the season holds, the 2022 campaign should forever be remembered in glowing terms by Tennessee fans.

Let's go down memory lane just a bit, shall we?

The Vols beat Pittsburgh in overtime 34-27 in week 2, avenging a loss at Neyland Stadium the previous season. This was a game in which Tennessee's high-powered offense was pretty much held in check during the final two quarters, but the Vols' much-maligned defense kept making stops.

A couple of weeks later, the 3-0 Vols welcomed hated Florida to Knoxville. Checker Neyland was in full effect on a beautiful afternoon for football. ESPN's College GameDay was here and witnessed a contest that UT controlled most of the day.

But things never go that easy against the Gators. A successful onside kick made things a bit tense for Tennessee in the final seconds, but the Vols held on for a 38-33 victory.

Following a bye week, there was a trip to LSU. The football gods smiled on the Big Orange thanks to an 11 a.m. local time kickoff. Tiger Stadium is not an easy place to play at night (as Alabama found out a few weeks ago), but they seemed to be sleepwalking following a fumble on the opening kickoff. Tennessee converted that gift into a

touchdown, and never looked back in a 40-18 pounding of what would eventually become the SEC West champions.

Seven days later, ESPN College GameDay was back to see Tennessee host Alabama. In one of the greatest college football games ever played, the Vols got five TD catches from Jalin Hyatt, and a wounded 40-yard quail of a kick from Chase McGrath as the clock struck zero. The 52-49 win brought forth a celebration not seen at Neyland Stadium since the 1998 Florida game.

Cigars were lit, goalposts torn down and tossed into the Tennessee River, and fans had a story to last a lifetime.

Two weeks later, Kentucky was the Vols' next victim. The 44-6 victory probably wasn't even as close as that 38-point gap suggests. The Wildcats never seem to be able to beat the Vols, no matter the talent level on each sideline. On that night, it was obvious who the better team was.

When the first College Football Rankings came out, the Vols were number 1. For a program that hasn't played in a major bowl game since 1999, that was quite the accomplishment. Yes, things did not go well at Georgia. The Bulldogs proved they were still at the top of the SEC heap in a 27-13 victory, but the Vols had shown the nation that they deserved to be in the national conversation.

Which leads us to the next couple of weeks. Tennessee may get a spot in the College Football Playoff. They might not. If they don't, a trip to the Sugar Bowl is likely for the first time in over 30 years. Ask any Tennessee fan before the season began if they'd make that deal and all of them would have jumped at the opportunity for a few days on Bourbon Street.

Tennessee football is back. Vols fans should enjoy the good times even more because they've certainly been through the bad times.

Knox County Coach of the Year

Brown says it's a testament to his assistants and team

By Steve Williams

Lamar Brown is a coach's coach.

He has earned the respect of many local coaches with the program he has built at West High School and by continually knocking on that playoff door with the gold football behind it.

This season has been extra special for Brown and the Rebels, who posted the first 10-0 record in the regular season in school history. West also outscored its five Region 2-5A opponents 233-3 en route to the title.

Such dominance in the region played a part in Brown being voted the 2022 Knoxville Focus / Coaches' Knox County Coach of the Year, which was based on regular season results.

Notching wins over state powers Alcoa and

Maryville – non-region foes that Brown chose to put on the schedule – made 10-0 even more sparkling. And ending Knox County's 105-game losing streak to Maryville also was a bonus.

Learning of his selection for the award, Brown quickly turned the spotlight on his coaching staff and players.

"I think it's a testament to my assistant coaches and this football team," said Brown, prior to a practice session last week.

"I've surrounded myself with great men that are coaches that help way beyond football. They are dads to some of these guys and everything in between.

"But credit goes to the players," added Brown. "They've been unbelievable this year. It's really been a fun group to coach. They're good football players, but they are great young men

and that's a testament to them."

Brown said he had won Upper East Tennessee Coach of the Year awards a couple of times when he was at Morristown West. "But this is the first time in Knox County and that's a great honor."

Brown received 10½ votes, Bearden's Josh Jones two votes and Webb's David Meske ½ vote.

Coach Brown's teams have gone far in the playoffs each of the past three years.

In 2019, Brown and his Rebels lost at Central 10-0 in a physical semifinal playoff game. The Bobcats went on to win the state championship.

A controversial call that went against West preceded Oak Ridge's winning touchdown in the 2020 quarterfinal round at West. The Wildcats escaped with a 31-28 victory, and then ousted South-Doyle in the semis before losing in the title game.

Last year, Powell rolled to a surprisingly easy 35-7 semifinal win over the mistake-riddled Rebels at West. Fans on both sides



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

West High's Lamar Brown, The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' Knox County Coach of the Year, watches his Rebels at practice last week as they prepare for the Daniel Boone Trailblazers. Brown will be coaching in his third TSSAA semifinal game in four years when West plays at Powell Friday night.

were expecting a close game. Powell notched its first state crown the following week.

Brown said his peers' votes in the balloting meant a lot to him.

"There's a lot of great coaches here in Knox County," he said. "A lot of those coaches have helped me out a lot. Even when I was at Morristown West, a lot of these guys here I would lean on and consider my friends.

"The coaching fraternity

here in Knox County is a great thing; not just good football coaches, but a lot of great men leading young men trying to make this world a little bit better place."

Brown has been amazed with how many coaches have been pulling for him and his team this year.

"It seems like every week after the game or before the game I get a text from a lot of coaches in Knox County, wishing me luck and say they are pulling for

us," said Lamar.

"It seems like before and after every game Clark Duncan is sending me a text. He's one of them. He's retired, but Clark was a great mentor and I just watched the way he did things.

"Eddie Courtney is another one at Farragut," added Brown. "Just the way those guys carry themselves. It's great to have someone you can look up to in this profession and that you know does it the right way."

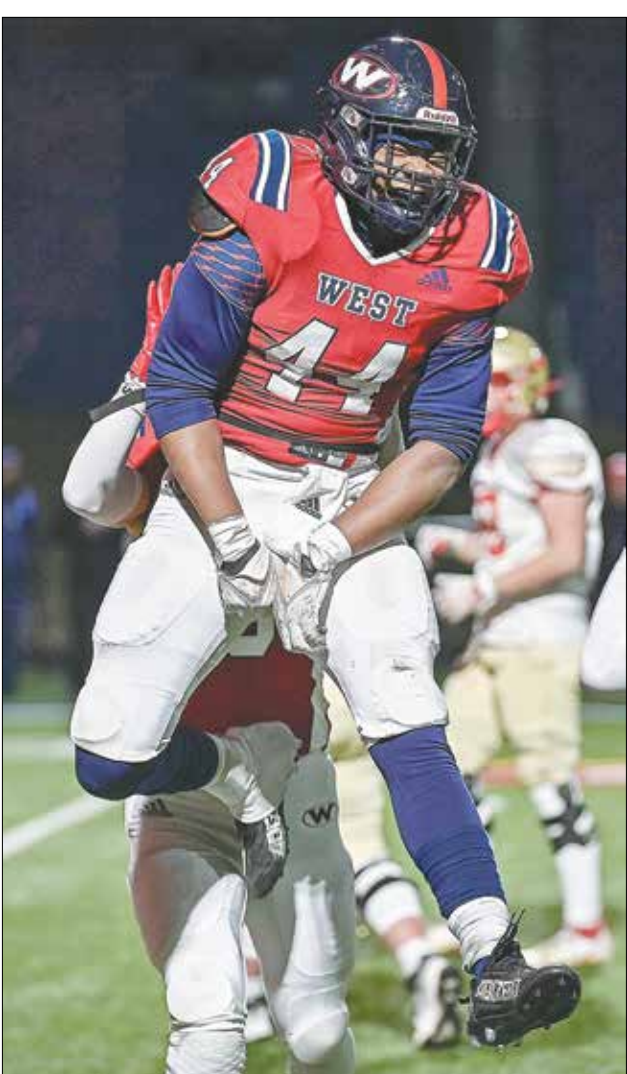


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West defensive end C.J. Smith (44) celebrates as Rebels roll past Daniel Boone 49-7 in a battle of unbeaten teams in Class 5A quarterfinal action Friday night at Bill Wilson Field.

West's quick start leads to 49-7 win

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as Jessie ran for a 1-yard touchdown off a fake hand-off to Latham. The Rebels jumped out to a 21-0 lead with 11:55 left in the second quarter.

West could not take advantage of a Daniel Boone fumble. The Rebels drove into Trailblazer territory, but a holding penalty forced them back into a 3rd-and-goal at the Daniel Boone 28-yard line. On the next play, West fumbled the ball back.

Despite the fumble recovery, Daniel Boone could not go anywhere on offense. Getting the ball back, West just needed two plays to put the ball in the end zone as Latham ran for 42 yards and then

scored on a 10-yard touchdown run on the next play, his third touchdown of the game. The score put West up 28-0 with 1:53 left in the second quarter.

"We really wanted to come out here and make a statement," Latham said. "I've got the best offensive line in the nation," he added.

West was not done with first half scoring just yet. Latham took a short pass and picked up a first down on 3rd-and-25. On the next play, Jessie threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to Cayden Latham, Brayden's brother, as time expired in the first half. The score put West up 35-0 and would start the Mercy Rule, a running clock in the second half.

In the second half with a running clock, West tacked on a fourth Brayden Latham touchdown on a 42-yard touchdown run with 8:49 left in the third quarter as West took a 42-0 lead. The first-team West offense was done for the day after Latham's touchdown.

Even the Rebel punt return game got in on the scoring fun. Marshawn Bowers took a punt back 70 yards for a touchdown and a 49-0 West lead.

The only bright spot for the Trailblazers was a 22-yard touchdown run by Jackson Young against West's second-string defense as the third quarter ended. That made the final score 49-7 West.

"We want to try to start

fast every week; our kids have done a great job of that," Brown said. "One thing is we have a lot of experience on defense. We're good at all levels of the defense. In the secondary we tied the school record for interceptions," Brown added.

West plays at Powell in the State 5A Semifinals Friday. Powell ended West's season in the semifinals last year on West's field. "Powell got the best of us last year, here," Jessie said. "It's going to be fun to play there next week for a berth in the state championship. For the past four years, it seems like it's just been us and them. It will be fun to go at it one last time."

Potts passes Powell past Oak Ridge, 43-13

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It was a close game for two quarters, but the Panthers went 54 yards in four plays to take a three-score lead at the start of the second half and had Oak Ridge on the ropes.

Powell senior quarterback Jordyn Potts felt "the coaching" was the key to the win. "We game planned pretty good at halftime and it was a close game," he said. "We knew that if we came out and scored, they would start feeling the pressure and we just kept rolling with that."

Trailing 36-13, OR Coach Scott Cummings took a chance on the Wildcats' first possession of the second half and went for a first down on fourth-and-seven at the Oak Ridge 45-yard line. Quarterback Ethan Garza's pass to tight end Brian Kelley fell incomplete.

The Panthers drove in the final nail as Ayden Greene hauled in a

27-yard pass from Potts and scored going down the sideline in front of the Wildcats' bench and Dylan Stooksbury's PAT kick started the mercy rule's running clock.

Potts finished with five touchdown passes and completed 17 of 27 with one interception for 260 yards.

Greene caught three passes (all for TDs), totaling 61 yards. He also had a pick-six nullified by a penalty, but the interception gave Powell good field position in the second quarter.

Gianni Magdos had six catches for 121 yards and two touchdowns of 50 and 15 yards.

Sophomore standout Connor Wheeler scored on Powell's first offensive play of the game, going 80 yards after a slight cut to the right and outrunning Wildcats trying to catch him down the sideline in front of the home crowd.

Wheeler finished the night with 11 carries for

131 yards and four receptions for 26 more.

J.J. Foust totaled 40 receiving yards, including a key 32-yard catch in Powell's opening drive after intermission. The two-way senior standout also made key tackles in the game.

The Panthers started out ferocious on defense as end Brady Brewster had sacks on Oak Ridge's first two plays and Nikko McDonald was in on the first sack too.

End Jahkye Irby (6-8, 290) made a big play in the second quarter when he broke up a third down pass, forcing the Wildcats to punt from their 5-yard line.

Oak Ridge's two scores came on DeJauvis Dozier's 52-yard run that cut Powell's early lead to 8-7 and Garza's 26-yard pass to Dozier on the first play of the second quarter that pulled the Wildcats to within two points (15-13).

SOLES WEARS 44: Steven

Soles, Powell's junior standout defensive end, wore his cousin Cardale Thomas' jersey No. 44 in the game. Thomas, a sophomore, was injured in Week 6. Soles, who is No. 6 on the roster, made four tackles.

SEMIFINAL SHOWDOWN:

Powell will host unbeaten West in the semifinal showdown at Powell this Friday. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

The Panthers are the defending Class 5A state champions and have won 11 in a row since opening the season with losses to Anderson County and Maryville.

Unbeaten West was No. 1 and Powell No. 35 in the state in Sonny Moore's Computer Power Ratings, which includes all teams in Division I and Division II, coming into last week's quarterfinal games.

The Rebels advanced to the semis with a 49-7 win over Daniel Boone.

Admirals withstand late surge to hang on against Bearden

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first half with a 13-5 run to open a 26-17 lead by halftime.

Ethan Farhat had a game-high with 25 points for the Admirals. Matthew Dickens added 11 and Connor Everly finished with nine.

"We had three guys who played really well," Allen said. Ethan had 25 points, Will Dickens had 11 and Connor had nine," Allen said.

Ben Zorio, the Bruins' longtime coach, was certainly impressed with Farhat and Dickens.

"I credit Farragut for making those plays and I credit (Farhat) for making those big plays and (Dickens) made some big shots," Zorio said.

Bearden entered the frame facing a 37-24 deficit before the Bruins' James Sutton knocked down a long-range jumper to help his team pull to within 37-27 to open the quarter.

That would start a surge and the Bruins pulled to

within 37-30 when Maddox Bravo-Moon made steal and converted a free throw and later added a pair of free throws with 4 minutes, 49 seconds remaining in the game.

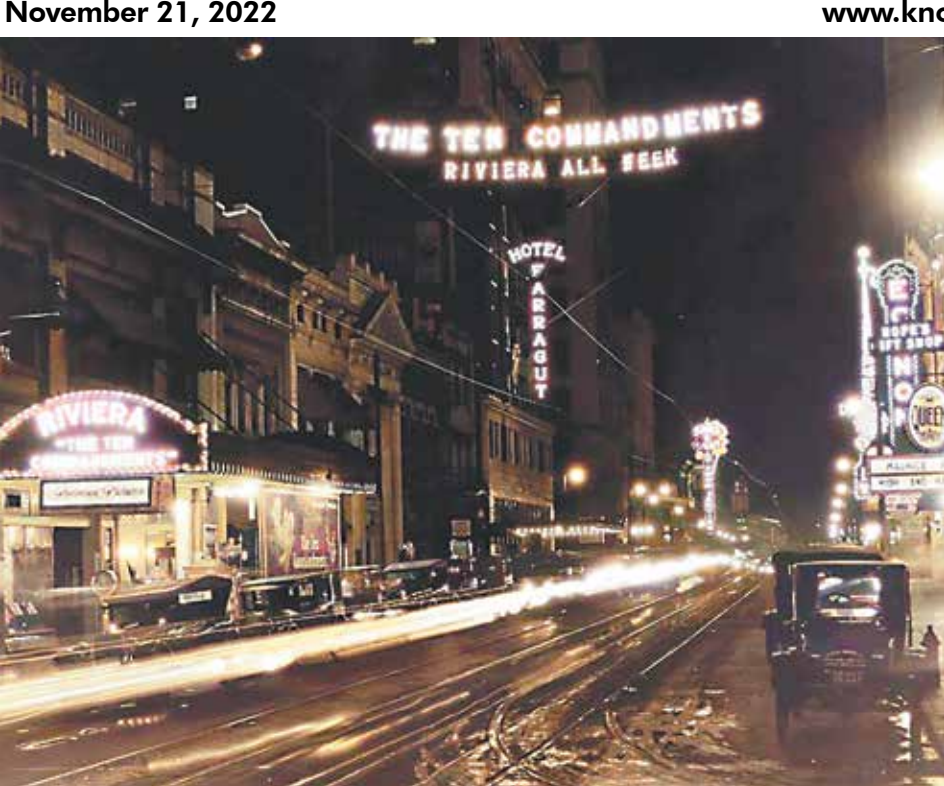
Bearden trimmed Farragut's lead to 42-37 when Bravo-Moon scored with 1:48 remaining but the Bruins wouldn't come any closer.

Maddox-Moon had a big fourth quarter as he had a steal and a key offensive rebound in the period. He scored six of his 10 points over the final six minutes.

Gavin Jones scored 15 points for Bearden and Sutton had all seven of his points in the fourth quarter.

Zorio said he was pleased with his squad's effort.

"My guys didn't quit. They kept fighting and that's all you can ask as a coach," he said. "This is one of the most inexperienced crews I've ever had, if not the most but they battle and they fight."



Riviera Theatre bedecked for an all-week showing of *The Ten Commandments* (1923) Gay Street, Knoxville, Tennessee; photograph by Thompson Brothers [colorized] Courtesy of the Calvin M. McClung Historical Collection, Knox County Public Library

Lights! Camera! East Tennessee!

open at the Museum of East Tennessee History

Knox County Public Library and the East Tennessee Historical Society are pleased to open a new feature exhibition entitled *Lights! Camera! East Tennessee!* at the Museum of East Tennessee History (601 S. Gay Street).

The exhibition explores the magic of moving images from the earliest promotion of Thomas Edison's Kinetoscope in 1895 to hometown folks who've walked the red carpet. East Tennesseans have factored into Hollywood from the glamour days of the golden era to current blockbusters. They've directed Hollywood's greatest stars, written some of the most classic screenplays, and racked up some of the most prestigious awards for outstanding performances on the

silver screen. Moreover, the region has been the backdrop to movies starring everyone from Ingrid Bergman to Sam Rockwell, Hal Holbrook and Burt Reynolds.

Today, most people know the Clarence Brown Theatre, named for a graduate of Knoxville High School and the University of Tennessee. But few people know his outsized impact on Hollywood as one of MGM's most prominent directors. Brown was famous for working successfully with iconic stars such as Greta Garbo, Clark Gable, Joan Crawford, Elizabeth Taylor, and Mickey Rooney. Likewise, James Agee is recognized today as a Pulitzer Prize winning novelist, but in his time, he was better known as a pre-eminent film critic and screenwriter. Knoxville

was home to Best Oscar winner, Patricia Neal, and Disney's *Sleeping Beauty*, Mary Costa. The list goes on.

The exhibition also explores the local movie theatre scene - from the urban movie palaces to the suburban cineplexes - and the story of segregated movie houses. These stories and more will be on display through July 3, 2023.

Lights! Camera! East Tennessee! is open daily in the Rogers-Claussen Feature Gallery. It was made possible with the generous support from Humanities Tennessee, the Jay Family, Visit Knoxville Film Office, Downtown Knoxville, Arts & Cultural Alliance, and UT Libraries.

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TO: ROBERT ALLEN GREEN
IN RE: KENNETH EMILE DUMAS
v. ROBERT ALLEN GREEN
NO. 205447-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ROBERT ALLEN GREEN, 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 ROBERT ALLEN GREEN, it is ordered that said defendant, ROBERT ALLEN GREEN, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Gail F. Wortley, an Attorney whose address is 3715 Powers Street Knoxville, Tennessee 37917 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 25th day of October, 2022.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

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

This the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF ROBERT G AFFEL, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)
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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:

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ESTATE OF SANDRA H BELL

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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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This the 3 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM THOMAS HAMSTEAD

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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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ESTATE OF CYNTHIA MARIE HARRIS

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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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This the 31 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARCELINO HEREDIA

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF AMANDA LEIGH WEAVER LEE
DOCKET NUMBER 86864-1

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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ESTATE OF AMANDA LEIGH WEAVER LEE

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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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ESTATE OF GREGORY HUGH LEE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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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 Apr 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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(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 GARY DALE LUCAS

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

CHRISTOPHER HALL ATTORNEY AT LAW
1111 N NORTHSORE 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 RACCON 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 COGDILL 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 STARHA
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 STARHA 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:

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

This the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JANICE L STARHA

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 8, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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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. 37903

Pianist Deborah Cable wins 2nd Annual Morning Pointe’s Seniors Got Talent

Talented seniors from the Knoxville area took the stage at the Bijou Theatre on Nov. 14 for the Morning Pointe Foundation’s Second Annual “Seniors Got Talent” showcase.

First place and the \$500 cash prize went to Deborah Cable, age 70, for piano performance of a medley of “Rustle of Spring” and “Clair de Lune.”

“I am elated, shocked,” said Cable. “I have been at it a long time. Thank you, Morning Pointe – you have blessed me beyond measure with this opportunity. I feel very blessed to be in the company of these very talented seniors. We’ve still got it.”

Cable started playing piano in grade school and has also added the pipe organ, cello and harp to her repertoire over the years. She accompanied the Gatlinburg Chorale for 12 years and was also pianist for the Sevier County Choral Department for around the same amount of time. She has played cello in the Oak Ridge Philharmonia and Laurel Strings Trio, plays the organ for Grace Lutheran Church in Knoxville and conducts two handbell choirs in Knoxville!

Second place went to singer and pianist Wayne Pugh, age 66, who performed “I Know the Lord Will Make a Way.”

Pugh grew up in Mississippi but now lives in Sevierville. He learned the piano at 9 years old when a preacher put him at the piano and asked him to play. He was a missionary for 48 years and has traveled the world. Music has been part of his ministry,



Deborah Cable, grand-prize winner, receives \$500.

and he has played in 66 different countries.

“This is a beautiful theatre – never been here before, and I enjoyed the experience,” said Pugh. “Thank you, Morning Pointe. I appreciate being able to be a part of this family.”

The Early Morning String Dusters, a bluegrass band with members ages 64-78, took third place for their performance of “No Hiding Place.”

The band has played in a variety of venues, from the 1982 World’s Fair in Knoxville to numerous churches and church events, the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center, the WDBX Blue Plate Special, grand openings, political events and Dollywood.

Henry Boerner, age 91, took home the new People’s Choice Award, receiving the most audience votes for his vocal rendition of “Can’t Help Falling in Love.” A

former director of advertising and marketing for the “Arkansas Gazette,” this was Boerner’s first professional performance. He dressed up as Elvis to portray his song.

Ted Hall, evening anchor and managing editor for WVLT-TV Channel 8, served as the emcee for the evening.

The senior talent show was produced by the Morning Pointe Foundation in conjunction with

Morning Pointe Senior Living. It raised more than \$34,000 for the Foundation toward its mission of providing nursing scholarships at schools, including the Tennessee College of Applied Technology in Jacksboro and Tusculum University in Greeneville.

“The show was fantastic!” said Morning Pointe Foundation Executive Director Miranda Perez. “It was a good group of contestants. We broke a lot of records and made a lot of dreams come true for our senior performers”

Judges included Nicholas Horner, songwriter and founder of Make Music Knoxville; James Taylor, gallery owner of Geneva Galleries in Knoxville and winner of last year’s Seniors Got Talent, Knoxville; Susan Richardson Williams, a leader in public affairs and business; and Susan Arp, independent fund developer and public relations consultant.

Morning Pointe also sponsors similar Seniors Got Talent competitions in Chattanooga and Franklin, Tennessee, as well as Lexington, Kentucky.

“Each year as the Morning Pointe ‘Seniors Got Talent’ competitions grow across the Southeast, the Morning Pointe Foundation remains committed to celebrating the talents of local seniors while supporting caregivers and nursing scholarships,” added Morning Pointe CEO and co-founder Franklin Farrow. “This is such an important cause, and what better way to support it than to bring out such talented individuals and let them shine.”

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY LOUISE H ALLEN
DOCKET NUMBER 86571-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY LOUISE H ALLEN who died May 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 9 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MARY LOUISE H ALLEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
THOMAS WALLEN; EXECUTOR
1933 HOPEWELL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEANNE L ALLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 86872-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of OCTOBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JEANNE L ALLEY who died Aug 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent’s date of death.

This the 21 day of OCTOBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JEANNE L ALLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S)
CLAIRE A STONE; EXECUTRIX
833 FORD STREET
ALCOA, TN. 37701

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CAROLYN SUE TROUTT ARMSTRONG
DOCKET NUMBER 86726-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CAROLYN SUE TROUTT ARMSTRONG who died Jun 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 9 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF CAROLYN SUE TROUTT ARMSTRONG

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

PHILIP ARMSTRONG; EXECUTOR
220 HELTON STREET
KODAK, TN. 37764

ADAM J CARR ATTORNEY AT LAW
109 PARKWAY, SUITE 2A
SEVIERVILLE, TN. 37862

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MORGAN BROWN AYRES, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 86401-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MORGAN BROWN AYRES, JR. who died Jan 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 10 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF MORGAN BROWN AYRES, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
EDMOND A AYRES; EXECUTOR
1715 POTOMAC DRIVE
HOUSTON, TX 77057

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LINDA VEIGH BAKER
DOCKET NUMBER 86965-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 15 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LINDA VEIGH BAKER who died Jan 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 15 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF LINDA VEIGH BAKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM MARK BAKER; ADMINISTRATOR
213 DOGWOOD LANE
KINGSTON, TN 37663

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JACK DONALD DAVIS, II
DOCKET NUMBER 86951-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JACK DONALD DAVIS, II 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:

(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 10 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF JACK DONALD DAVIS, II

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
VICKI L DAVIS; ADMINISTRATRIX
2025 GRENADA BLVD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHEILA DAY
DOCKET NUMBER 86600-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SHEILA DAY who died May 20, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 9 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF SHEILA DAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

JESSICA RUNTZ; ADMINISTRATRIX
4379 BAYLOR STREET
GREENSBORO, NC 27455

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KATHLEEN G HARRISON
DOCKET NUMBER 86946-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 9 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of KATHLEEN G HARRISON 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 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:

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

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

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

This the 9 day of NOVEMBER, 2022

ESTATE OF KATHLEEN G HARRISON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JUDY G BATSON; EXECUTRIX
7917 WOODLAND BRAE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA J HOBBS
DOCKET NUMBER 86957-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA J HOBBS who died Aug 8, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 14 day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

ESTATE OF BARBARA J HOBBS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PAULA KEY; EXECUTRIX
10808 SECOND DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

Massacre of 1773

James Boone and the others were cruelly tortured before being murdered by the band of Cherokees and Shawnees who were supposedly under a truce. It was felt that the Indians were enraged by the plans

CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LEON FRANKLIN VINEYARD
DOCKET NUMBER 86967-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 16 day of NOVEMBER 2022, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LEON FRANKLIN VINEYARD who died Sep 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

(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 found in (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or

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

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7. ADJOURNMENT:

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