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PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Jackie Raley kicked off her 2024 campaign for Knox County Property Assessor last week at Calhoun's on the River. She is pictured with current Property Assessor John Whitehead and supporter Broadus Hubbs.

## Jackie Raley kicks off campaign for property assessor

By Ken Lay

A lifelong public servant is seeking elected office for the first time.

Jackie Raley is running for Knox County Property Assessor in next year's election. She's seeking to replace John Whitehead, who is term-limited after serving eight years in office.

The first-time candidate appears to have a bevy of support as she opposes one-time Knox County Property Assessor Phil Ballard.

"This is the first time

that I've ever run for anything. I consider myself a true public servant," Raley said Wednesday at a kick-off event to announce her candidacy at Calhoun's on the River. "I'm not a politician."

A packed banquet hall of supporters, including Whitehead, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs and former Knoxville City Councilman Nick Pavlis, were on hand to show their support for Raley, who has served as Knox County Chief Deputy Property Assessor since 2016. In that position, she's relished the

opportunity to work for Knox County and its residents.

"I'm running because I'm passionate about public service," Raley said. "I'm very, very excited to be running and I'm honored to work for the citizens of Knox County."

Public service is nothing new for Raley, who was a longtime regular at Central High School football and basketball games as the school's cheerleading coach.

"I was in public service as a cheer coach at Central for a decade," she said.

Like anyone seeking public office, Raley needs support from her family. She has that support from her husband, Johnny.

"Johnny has been really supportive," she said.

But if she's elected, she said that nothing would change for her as she'll continue to work at the same office.

"I'm a hard worker and I have a great work ethic," Raley said. "I expect people to come to work on time and I'll get there early."

"I won't ask anybody to do anything that I won't do."

## City may apply for \$3.6 million for charging equipment

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The switch to electric public transportation is moving forward locally.

The City of Knoxville may seek a federal grant of \$3.6 million with a local match of \$900,000 to help

purchase and install electric bus charging equipment at Knoxville Station. The council is being asked in its Tuesday meeting tomorrow to approve the application by the mayor to the Federal Transit Administration in a request from  
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## Commission seeks new merit system board member

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The last remaining member of the former Knox County Sheriff's Office Merit Council is leaving the new board at the end of April. Jim Wright Jr., who has served since 2017 with former members Jim Jennings and Gina Oster, is term-limited.

The deadline for resumes for the opening position falls on April 12, the same date the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors has set to hear the grievance of KCSO employee Lisa Jarrell.

The candidates will be interviewed during the county commission's work session on Monday, April

17 at 5 p.m. and the commission may vote on the new member in their April 24 regular meeting.

The merit board meets quarterly except for called meetings. Members must attend ethics training, be at least 21 years old, have no family member employed by the sheriff or city police for at least 10 years, and may not seek political office while serving.

Service on the merit board is voluntary and unpaid.

Applicants may submit their information by mail, fax, email or hand to the Office of Knox County Commission, Suite 603, City-County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tn 37902. The e-mail address is commission@knoxcounty.org.

## Candidates picking up petitions for 2023 city election

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As of Thursday several candidates and incumbents had petitions to seek four city council seats and for city mayor.

Mayor Indya Kincannon, who has already announced, has a petition. Three other mayor candidates have petitions: Constance Every, Jeff Talman and Kerry J. Williams.

Incumbent at-large Seat A Councilwoman Lynne Fugate has also held a rally and has a petition as has Cameron Brooks, her opponent.

Janet Testerman, the current Seat B at-large council member, has announced she is not seeking re-election and Debbie Helsley has

a petition for that seat.

Amelia Parker, at-large Seat C incumbent, has a petition and so do two other Seat C candidates: Tim Hill and Matthew Best. Incumbent District Five's Charles Thomas has picked up his petition.

Municipal Judge John R. Rosson Jr. has a petition for municipal judge as does Marshall A. Jensen, II.

Candidates have until May 18 to pick up and file a petition and until May 25 to withdraw. May 31 is the first day to request an absentee ballot and July 31 is the final day to register to vote in the city election. Early voting starts August 9 with August 24 as the final early voting day. The Primary Election is August 29; General Election is November 7.



## Junior commissioners graduate inaugural program

Knox County's Junior Commission appeared before the Knox County Commission meeting last week and Commissioner Larsen Jay led the graduation ceremony.

The students recognized and honored (pictured above with county commission) were Caroline Scoonover (West High School), Gabriela Sánchez Benítez (Fulton

High School), Dain Shelton (Hardin Valley Academy), Ethan Coffey (Christian Academy of Knoxville), Anand Patel (Farragut High School), McKayla Muse (HomeLife Academy), Lily Hutchison (Halls High School), Madelyn Dyer (Berean Christian School), Emily Child (South Doyle High School), Ella Parker (Bearden High School), and

Maya Farrar (Farragut High School).

The junior and senior high school students graduated from the first annual Knox County Junior Commission program and were charged with promoting civic engagement and sharing the importance of local government among their peers.

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# Two Amazing Apologies

From a distance



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Two unrelated, very amazing, maybe even shocking, apologies were issued in mid-March by widely read political commentators.

The first by Naomi Wolf, had been viewed by 3.4 million when I wrote this column.

Dr. Wolf was a Clinton White House official, lifelong Democrat, and feminist author. She wrote what she called a “formal letter of apology” for believing the official version about

the events at the Capitol on Jan. 6th.

She wrote: “Peaceful Republicans and conservatives as a whole have been demonized by the story told by Democrats in leadership of what happened that day.”

She added: “You don’t have to agree with Mr. Carlson’s interpretation of the videos to conclude that the Democrats in leadership, for their own part, have cherry-picked, hyped, spun, and in some ways appear to have lied about aspects of Jan. 6th,” turning it into “a politicized talking point aimed at discrediting half of our electorate.”

She said the tapes proved that Officer Brian Sicknick was not killed that day and that even in Senator Schumer’s attack on Carlson, the Senator did not say any of the tapes were false or altered.

Wolf also wrote: “I am sorry the nation was damaged by so much untruth issued by those with whom I identified at the time. I am sorry my former ‘tribe’ is angry at a journalist for engaging in – journalism.”

Ms. Wolf ended her apology in this way: “I am sorry I believed so much nonsense. Though it no doubt is too little, too late – Conservatives, Republicans, MAGA: I am sorry.”

I have been following politics very closely since I was 15 years old. I have never seen, heard, or read such a significant, heart-felt apology from a longtime liberal Democrat.

The second major apology concerned the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and was written by Washington Post columnist Max Boot, a senior fellow with the Council on Foreign Relations.

The Council is a very liberal, politically-correct institute that bashes anyone who believes in a fiscally-conservative, America First foreign policy.

George W. Bush ran for president campaigning against nation-building (helping other nations entirely at U.S. expense) and saying we needed a “more humble” foreign policy.

However, he changed completely after he was elected and came under the influence of people falsely called neo-conservatives.

Columnist George Will wrote that neo-cons were the “most magnificently misnamed people” in Washington, because they really were not conservative at all.

Most leading neo-cons were Jews who supported an Israel-first foreign policy and pushed for U.S. leadership in any war that would

benefit Israel.

I believe the U.S. should be very friendly toward Israel, but I do not believe we should allow Israel or any other country to control or dictate U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East or any other place.

Max Boot was, at least until now, one of the leading neo-cons, thus making the following apology very amazing.

He wrote: “Regime change obviously did not work out as intended. The occupations of Afghanistan and Iraq were, in fact, fiascos that exacted a high price in both blood and treasure, for both the United States and – even more, of course – the countries it invaded.”

Boot added that “after seeing how democracy promotion has worked out in practice, I no longer believe it belongs at the center of

U.S. foreign policy. In retrospect, I was wildly overoptimistic about the prospects of exporting democracy by force, underestimating both the difficulties and the costs of such a massive undertaking. I am a neo-con no more...”

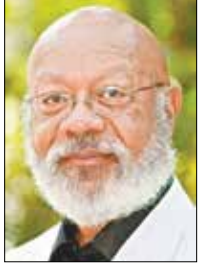
Most people know I opposed the war in Iraq. Not as many know how often I spoke out about getting our people out of Afghanistan many years before we pulled out.

And we never should have left over \$85 billion of new military equipment of all types over there.

Both of these apologies, while they are too little too late, hopefully will cause some on the left to not be so hateful toward conservatives and will also make some of our leaders not so eager to go to war in the future.

# Socialism: Caveat Emptor

Socialists hate capitalism because it works so well. Capitalism’s critics living in capitalist economies complain and whine because capitalism produces prosperity. Socialism produces poverty and starvation. Those conditions are endemic to socialism and are the norm whereas in capitalism they are the exception, not the rule. Evidence abounds before our very eyes but is ignored. Remember East Germany versus West Germany or North versus South Korea? No advocate of socialism could ever convince anyone that living under socialism was preferred to living under capitalism – unless of course you are a member of the socialist ruling elite. What it really boils down to is that socialists do not like markets because markets reflect the choices of



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the people rather than the elites. In the minds of the socialists, markets are wasteful and messy. When one Russian leader visited the United States, he was taken into a Baskin-Robbins. He proclaimed

that the US economy would fail because it wasted so many resources producing 31 different flavors of ice cream when only three were necessary – chocolate, vanilla and strawberry. He loved chocolate. Of course, if the other flavors were banned, then a black market in ice cream would appear because the market works even where it is restrained - rum raisin anyone?

Markets strive to satisfy the multitude of consumer tastes in clothing, food, drugs, automobiles (although the elites are working hard to limit your choices), music,

consumables and non-consumables. Your typical Walmart Supercenter carries over 142,000 items and Walmart online carries 70 million SKUs (stock keeping units). Amazon lists over 500 million SKUs. I wonder how many choices are available in the socialist paradise of North Korea. In a capitalist economy the production of all this variety is not wasteful. If it were, then the item would not be produced. If capitalism were wasteful and socialism was not then one would expect to see lots of empty shelves in capitalist stores and overflowing shelves in socialist ones. Reality shows the opposite. The only time I can recall of shortages and empty shelves was during Covid and that was temporary and a result of government missteps.

Ask Bernie Sanders and AOC why are living conditions and economic prosperity worse under socialism. Also ask why don’t they

expatriate to the socialist paradise of their choice. It is because, contrary to their whining, they know that they would be worse off living under socialism. Besides, where else but in a capitalist country can you carp and complain and be paid handsomely to live in affluence by the very system that you profess the desire to destroy? America’s socialists are whiners with no socially redeeming virtues.

There are always China, Russia, Venezuela, Zimbabwe, Angola, Laos, Zambia or lovely Cuba for our American socialists to go to live. But then they would have to give up their Teslas, French bulldogs, designer dresses, fancy apartments and estates, and have to work for a living rather than have capitalism generate the wealth that allows them to continue to live off the productivity of others. I am certain that there must be a reason why socialists keep winning elections other than to get them to live in Washington rather than in their home state. Perhaps they get the vote of the welfare dependent, or the millions of government workers who get higher pay, work fewer hours and hardly ever get fired. Maybe they get the vote of the unions or of the teachers who have job security and salaries based on time on the job rather than merit. Yet again to be a socialist you have to be blind to reality and to human nature. This is why socialism is more popular amongst the youth than people who have to work for a living and pay their own bills. American socialists foolishly pretend that America’s wealth will continue on an upward path even if they take away the incentive to be productive – the profit motive. They are wrong and, in their hearts, they probably know it.



In Loving Memory

Glenn Carroll Monroe

March 5, 1937 – March 23, 2023

Glenn Carroll “Brimbo” Monroe, 86, of Corryton and Sharps Chapel, was reunited with loved ones and his Lord in heaven on Thursday, March 23, 2023. He was of the Baptist faith and attended both Salem Baptist Church and First Baptist of Maynardville.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Maggie Cooke Monroe and Ural Leonard “Sheepie” Monroe, stepmother, Mary Edna Monroe, sons Anthony Glenn Monroe and Christopher Leonard Monroe, and his beloved wife of over 50 years, Peggy Adams Monroe.

He leaves a large family to mourn his passing including daughters Lisa (Scott) Starbuck and LeAnn (JR) Humphrey, brothers, Donald (Carolyn) Monroe, Kenny (Sheila) Monroe, Randy (Kathy) Monroe and Jimmy (Precia) Monroe, sisters Diane (Cris) Warwick and Vickie (Dennis) Gibson, granddaughters Nikki Monroe and Lauren (Brandon) Burkett, great-granddaughters Emily Parton, Cheyenne Smith, Mary Elizabeth Florida,

Lexi Monroe, Charlee Burkett and Layne Burkett as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins, and a host of friends.

Glenn and Peggy had a very full life together and raised four children in Halls Crossroads, where they were active and engaged members of the community. Glenn operated two service stations in Halls for many years before going to work for Norfolk Southern Railroad. Peggy worked as a retail administrative assistant and in the insurance industry after their children were raised. They loved spending time on Norris Lake and hosted many family events and outings there. They were a fixture at local C&W dances with friends. Above all, they ensured their children had the best possible childhood and that their family knew they were greatly loved.

Pastor James Allan officiated at services held last week. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution to your favorite charity in Glenn’s memory.



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# Publisher's Positions



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## Evil... Pure Evil

The shootings in Nashville's Coventry Christian school and church are appalling, heartbreaking, and tragic. Most of us have known for some time the mainstream media smother those stories that don't fit their preferred narrative. The fact the murders of three adults and three nine-year-old children were committed by a transgender person is well outside the preferred narrative of the mainstream media. Yet it is a fact Audrey/Aiden Hale deliberately, premeditatedly set out to murder fellow human beings. Because Hale is transgender, the mainstream media is reluctant to call it a hate crime. It's time to simply say it out loud, every violent crime is hateful. Every murder of any innocent person should be considered hateful by any sane person. Every innocent life ought to matter. Murdering any innocent person is a heinous thing to do, but it is especially vile and depraved to willfully take the life of a child. There must be, there has to be a special place in hell

reserved for those sorts of inhuman beings.

The leftist media is already trying to cast Audrey/Aiden Hale as the victim, which is reprehensible and inexcusable. Some of those on social media and in the news media are trying to justify the murders by squalling about transphobia. Idiots of the Left, which would certainly include NBC and their ilk, cry that conservatives blame the gender, not the guns. Whatever the gender, what Audrey/Aiden Hale did was a hateful, horrible crime and it doubtless meets any criteria for a hate crime under the law. The gun alone killed nobody; the guns Audrey/Aiden Hale used killed those folks. The Left's twisted logic is like blaming the fork for someone being obese.

Nor is it any coincidence the same people wailing about gun violence are also the very same people calling for defunding the police, reducing penalties for criminals, and applaud not prosecuting criminals. Much like Congresswoman Cori Bush who is the loudest mouth in Congress about defunding the police yet spends literally hundreds of thousands of dollars on her personal private security detail.

Daniel J. Flynn made some interesting observations in a column in the American Spectator last week. He quoted Spencer Bergstedt, a "gender diversity consultant" as having tweeted, "The shooter has been identified by his dead-name. It appears he used

he/him pronouns & was a former student at the school. Of course, MSM & LEO's discussing the issue are misgendering the murderer. I'm sad and angry on so many levels."

Flynn quoted another Twitter genius as tweeting, "It is so infuriating that the media gets to both misgender Aiden Hale as a 'rare female mass murder' \*AND\* misidentify him as a trans fem whose status as a mass killer proves trans women are men because women don't do that."

As Flynn observes, pronouns become more important than the fact six human beings have been murdered. Another imbecile squealed the police somehow "just put a target on every transperson's back." One TikTok, according to Flynn with almost an exultant tone, said, "I wonder if the parents of the victims of the Nashville shooting today would still have their children if these trans bills in Tennessee were never a thing."

The Left is already braying the right is using this terrible incident to "push its anti-trans agenda." That's just not true, but it is true that the Left is pushing its continuous diversion about who the victim/s are. Audrey/Aiden Hale wasn't the victim; he/she was the murderer of six fellow human beings.

The Left isn't at all bothered Audrey/Aiden Hale targeted Christians. Had the victims been gay or any other minority, the moral outrage would have been everywhere. Even

the children of Christians matter less, apparently.

Authoritarian societies always diminish the individual and whenever individuality is diminished, it is easier to see some as less than human. It is also easier to justify snuffing out human lives in the name of ideology. The Nazis did it, the Communists did it and still are doing it.

Tucker Carlson said the other night, those who think they are Gods are always furious whenever they are reminded, they are not God. To be a Christian is to acknowledge a higher power than man and oneself, to firmly believe and admit that man is not God. That naturally irritates and upset the Left who prefer to place their own belief in man instead. Churches and Christians are an ugly reminder there are those who will never believe in their own superiority.

When flesh, blood and bone mean less than pronouns, God help us all.

### Mayor Kincannon Parodied Online

Mayor Indya Kincannon is being lampooned with a parody website "IndyaforMayor." The website parodies Kincannon's progressive credentials. The welcome states, "Together, we are building a gentrified, authoritarian and exclusive Knoxville, where every neighborhood is owned and controlled by large landlords." "We will ensure Knoxville continues to be profitable for big business so everyone - - - no matter

where you come from, how you worship, what you look like, whom you love, and how you see yourself in the world - - - can generate wealth for my friends."

Perhaps the most painful aspect of the spoof is a chart of the Knoxville Police Department showing the top leadership, which is all white. While the parody is from the far left of the spectrum, it does touch on some of the Kincannon administration's soft spots. Certainly, it is having been authoritarian inasmuch as it doesn't like being questioned or transparent. Left or right, the Kincannon record is nothing to brag about. At least one city council member bragged about how superbly well-managed the City of Knoxville was from a fiscal perspective. Then came the 40% property tax increase. Kincannon and the council continue to spend money as if it were nothing. There is nobody on the council who currently asks if an expenditure is necessary, or if the taxpayers are getting their money's worth, much less cutting back something. Even after raising the property tax, which also has the effect of raising rents and mortgages inside the city, the first thing Kincannon did was to cut services, saying police officers would no longer respond to accidents inside Knoxville.

You can see the parody website at [www.indyaformayor.com](http://www.indyaformayor.com).

### Hypocrisy Alert

The Knoxville News

Sentinel continues its endless biased reporting on race without fail. Last week the Sentinel reported the state legislature's pondering of banning mandatory bias training for public school staff and faculty. The article fails to mention one big disparity. Last time I checked, perhaps the biggest disparity was the fact the Knox County School system spends four times the amount per student at Austin-East than it does at Farragut.

The News Sentinel boasts about its warped self-image of being a beacon of diversity, but like the embarrassing chart of the KPD leadership, the executive positions at the News Sentinel are filled by folks who are as white as the snow-topped tips of the Himalayan mountains.

### Thank You, Bill Hagerty

It was Tennessee's U.S. Senator Bill Hagerty who led the effort to fight the District of Columbia legislation reducing penalties for violent crimes and cause the Washington, D.C. court system to become a catch-and-release revolving door. The ordinance, approved by the Washington, D.C. City Council, also had to have the approval of Congress and Hagerty led the effort to beat it, which was successful. Bill Hagerty is making a great U.S. senator for Tennessee and Tennesseans.

## Commission turns down road closing, approves Bluegrass Flooding Project

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It isn't often that the Knox County Commission doesn't respond with a "Yes" vote on the partial closing of a road. In fact at last week's meeting two applications, for closing a portion of Roseberry Creek Lane and a right-of-way at South Gallaher View Road, were approved without discussion on first reading.

But the request to close Parsonage Lane just off Old West Dick Ford Lane was turned down.

Jim Snowden, senior director of Engineering and Public Works, had notified the property owner, Simon Elliott, that they should appear at the regular council meeting but failed to appear.

With no one present to speak to the request, Commissioner Carson Dailey made a motion to deny the closure. Commissioner Larsen Jay seconded the motion.

Commissioner Richie Beeler asked Snowden to speak about Engineering's position on the application.

Snowden said the owner has stopped access to the road with brick barriers. He said the road once accessed 8 to 10 properties and the owner has consolidated all those properties.

"Essentially Parsonage Lane serves as this gentleman's driveway," Snowden said, adding that the owner put some gates up and Engineering told him the road was still a county road.

"He resides out of state but we talked to a couple of his representatives, telling them he's needed to be

here to speak," Snowden said.

Dailey then questioned whether or not a fire engine could get there to fight a fire in the woods behind the property. Snowden said that the owner would need to put on a lock that Rural Metro could access if needed.

"That's a concern of the residents of South Point," Dailey said, adding "All those woods back up to their houses."

"We need to send a message that you need to show up. They can reapply," Dailey said.

With the closure denied, the county may now ask the owner to remove the barriers. Snowden said the county owns the right of way and, in the next five or so years, will have to repair the road. He said the brick barriers in place may be used to secure a gate.

Dailey then asked Snowden to get back with the landowner and have them reapply for closure and appear before the commission. The rejection of the road closure passed unanimously after one commissioner suggested, but failed, to grant a 30-day extension.

Flooding in the Bluegrass area was on the agenda and that problem was addressed by local resident Keith Britt, who suggested the commission appoint a task force to look at the problem and prevent the potential mosquito infestation.

The commission approved a \$930,000 contract with Ardurra for an engineering survey of the flooding which Commissioner Jay said has happened two years in a row.

Snowden said a culvert drains Bluegrass Lake into Fort Loudoun Lake.

He added that the primary way of draining the water there was a sinkhole and, over time, that hole has become clogged.

He said the county would improve the 60-inch culvert that is "in pretty bad shape" plus install a pump station in the lake that will pump 10,000 gallons per minute.

"Our hope is to, with mechanical means, replicate that sinkhole," Snowden said.

The engineering and construction will take about two years. He said the City of Knoxville is contributing to the project.

He said that the county may get some big pumps from Somerset, Kentucky, that have not been used. He said the county could get the pumps for free but may have to transport them to the site.

"We are still negotiating with them on that," Snowden said. He said that if those pumps are obtained it will save the county several million dollars.

Commissioner John Schoonmaker asked Snowden if the recent sale of Ardurra will affect the agreement and was told it probably will not.

The motion to approve the contract for the flood engineering project passed unanimously.

Passing within the consent agenda was the health department's selection of members for the new EMS Cost Review Board that included Commission Chairwoman Courtney Durrett. Commissioner Jay had previously questioned the appointment of a commissioner without commission input but remained silent when the item was before the meeting and it passed unanimously.

## City may apply for \$3.6 million for charging equipment

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The council is also being asked to approve an agreement with Southern Constructors for the Kingston Pike Complete Connections Project with an estimated contract of \$2.1 million.

Zoning changes before the council include a rezoning request for property at 1817 Francis Road from Agricultural to Single Family Residential Neighborhood. Road closings to be considered include portions of Henry Chiles Street and Anderson Drive.

The Willis Towers Watson company may be hired for professional brokerage and risk management consulting services for city workers. The agreement with Bank of America may be extended for banking services until the city finds a new banking services contract.

The fire department

is seeking permission to accept used firefighter boots and facepieces, valued at about \$12,125, from the First Responder Institute.

Assistance to owner-occupied housing units, a program of the Knox County Community Action Committee, may get an additional \$19,167 in funding for tenant-occupied units.

The Appalachian Mountain Bike Club may be awarded \$100,000 to maintain the professional natural surface trails in the city.

Mayor Indya Kincannon will appoint Ben Reams and Dennis Murphy to the Better Building Board and \$5,000 from Community Empowerment funds may be approved to go to T3 Corp to support mentoring and the inspirational speaker program for youth to help overcome traumatic experiences.



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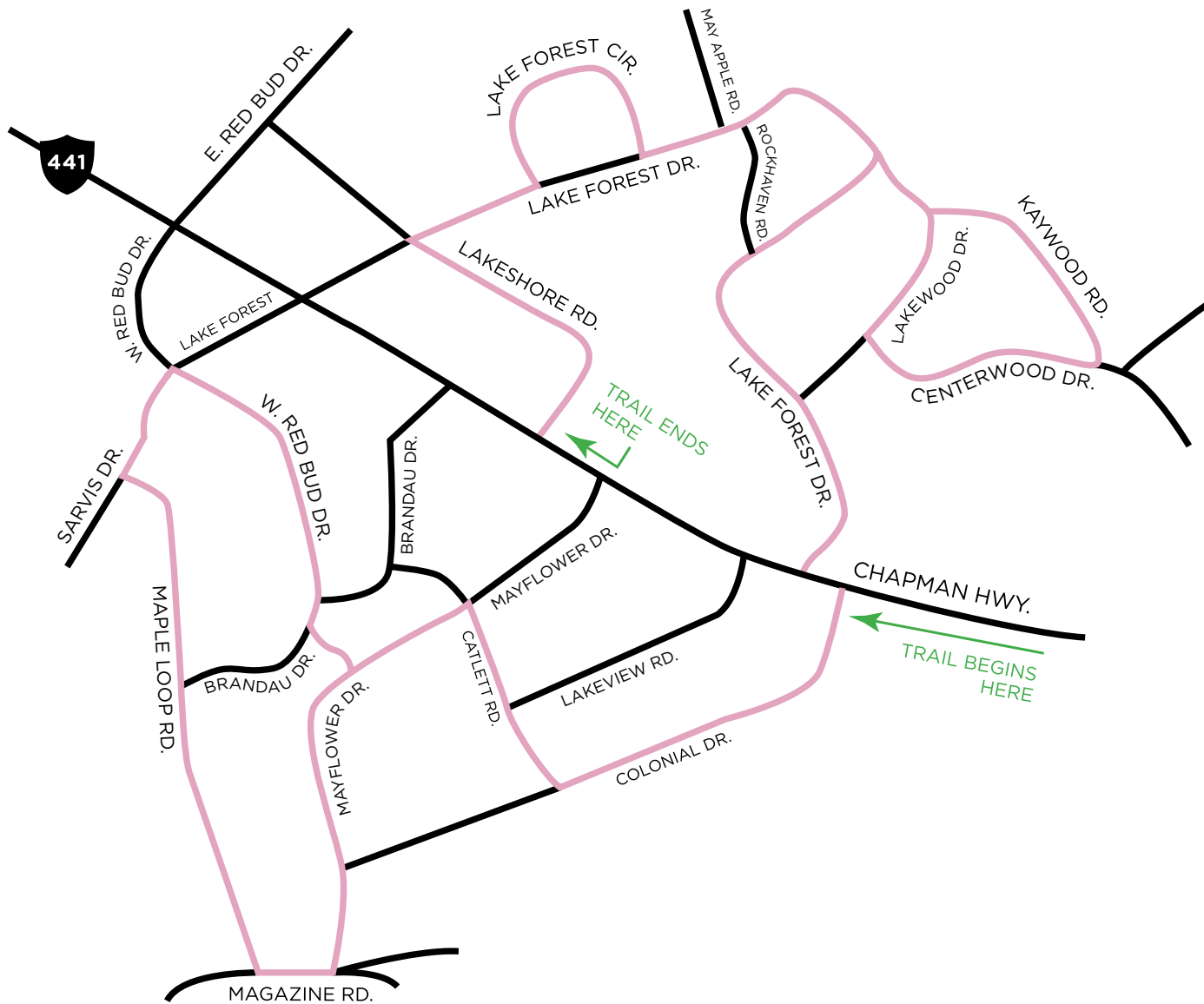
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# Chapman Highway







## The Doctor is in

a weekly column by  
Dr. Jim Ferguson

### Sunday Lunch

It's not what's served, but who's around the table that counts.

Becky Ferguson

The only time I lived away from Knoxville was during medical school and internal medicine residency in Memphis, Tennessee. I don't miss Memphis. And although I had lived in an apartment while attending UT Knoxville, I had never been truly away from home until my sojourn in Memphis. It was the first time I was homesick.

Since I am now retired, I have no need for "vacations." Every day is a day off, these days. I have made a discovery, perhaps because I now have more time for musing. I realized it is preferable that "vacation" comes to me, rather than getting on an airplane and enduring the rigors of travel elsewhere.

It was both vacation and homecoming last week for the Ferguson clan. My Portland daughter, her husband and my west coast grandkids (aka cute ones) spent a blessed week with us which began with "Sunday lunch." This southern tradition is less common now, and I believe America is worse for its absence. My wife, Becky, fixed pot roast with all the fixings (including homemade ice cream) for a crowd of kids, cousins, adults and friends.

For many years we would gather at my mother-in-law's home after church for pot roast, fellowship and table conversation which often lasted hours. The only entry ticket for a fine meal was a church bulletin proving worship service attendance! It took me years to get the numerous and generational Marys in Becky's

extended family straightened out. However, around the Sunday lunch table, I learned more than family history. I also received generational wisdom and discovered nuanced love. Jesus looked for opportunities to share a meal with others. We can learn a lot from the Master and Sunday lunches.

There were six hundred and thirty something Jewish laws when Jesus walked the Earth. The complexity of those laws made it virtually impossible to be righteous. Jesus simplified the issue. He said there were only two laws necessary for salvation and community. You should love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. And you should love your neighbor as yourself. He said all the other laws derive from these. I believe the thousands of laws man has dreamed would not be necessary if humans obeyed those two foundational principles. Sunday lunch after church is an affirmation of those principles.

I was a bit concerned that the Portland "cute ones" (ages 6 ½ and 4 ½) might be shy around us. But with the wonderful technology we have nowadays, we've been able to be a part of their lives with pics and FaceTime as well

as occasional cross-country visits. I thought about William Wordsworth's beautiful spiritual poem "My Heart Leaps Up" while picking up my family at the airport. My heart leapt as my grandkids ran to hug me at the airport. I imagine God feels similarly when his children run to Him.

Despite our joys of love and family, my heart is broken by another act of evil, this time in Nashville, Tennessee. Who or what would murder children? But then who or what would exploit children or demand they be exposed to drag queen shows? There is no logic or argument for such warped ideologies. To promote self to the detriment of another is wrong and sacrilegious.

There is no excuse or scapegoat for the Nashville murders. I realize that similar or worse horrors have occurred throughout history, but now we are instantly aware of atrocities because of technology's downside. My grandchildren are the ages of the murdered children. We are left beyond saddened. We are devastated, enraged and condemned; less by the tools of murder, but by the perversions and apostasy of our modern secular culture.

I believe we are in a Manichean war where

"the best explanation for the otherwise inexplicable is evil" (JVF). And our only defense is God. Man's laws have always fallen short and will continue to do so.

Although life is essentially over for the families of the murdered, the living must continue. I must continue to write and speak out against the evil that has fallen upon our land. I must continue to witness for the Way, the Truth and the Life. I must protect my family, and I am prepared to do so. And I will continue to fight the good fight, keep the faith and finish my race (2 Timothy 4:7, paraphrased).

I haven't tried ChatGPT or Google's Bard. I wonder how these soulless AI (artificial intelligence) tools might write a story of murdered children, Sunday lunch, homecoming, God and evil? Supposedly, you give the man-made tools a topic, some parameters and presto an essay results. I'm dubious. I've been tempted to write an essay and then ask the HAL 9000-like computers to write a comparative piece. But not this week. Not this time. It would be sacrilegious.

I am not a Luddite. I use technology. I was similarly curious to try virtual reality (VR) and did so a few years

ago. Science fiction has long explored the realms of VR. I'll warn you ahead of time: if you ever try VR, make sure you're sitting down or you'll find yourself on the floor. You might have experienced a vaguely similar experience in a movie theater watching the roller coaster advertisement of popcorn and sodas. VR is a movie roller coaster on steroids. Zuckerberg's META is banking on selling this alternate reality. But I don't think highly of Zuckerberg; he already exists in an alternative reality.

It's time for actual reality, folks. Woke ideology is racist and wrong. Men don't menstruate or have babies. Science and genetics define us as male (XY) or female (XX). Democrats everywhere are destructive. China is building two coal-fired energy plants a month and has twice the CO2 emissions as the US, while Biden's energy secretary says we could learn from our enemy's climate policy. Our border has been destroyed. Crime and drugs are everywhere.

It's not about gender dysphoria, a butchy woman or a girly man. No, this "trans-killer" had transitioned to a monstrous evil.

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Above: The Volunteer State Veterans Honor Guard stood at attention and created a "Soldier's Cross" during the Knoxville Vietnam Veterans Day Wednesday.

Right: Boots were placed in a "Soldier's Cross" during the Vietnam Veterans Day Ceremonies Wednesday at the World's Fair Park by members of the Volunteer State Veterans Honor Guard. The battlefield-type grave marker included a rifle, boots, dog tags and a helmet. Honor Air founder Eddie Mannis spoke at the ceremony and recalled stories of those veterans and spouses who visited the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C.

## Vietnam veterans honored

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A memorable service for Vietnam veterans was held at the World's Fair Park Veterans Memorial Wednesday hosted by the Vietnam Veterans America, Chapter 1078, with Honor Air founder Eddie Mannis as guest speaker.

Mannis recalled things the veterans and loved ones told him after visiting the

Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. Retired Navy Chief Don Smith, who heads the Captain Bill Robinson Chapter of the local Vietnam Veterans organization, and several others spoke during the 10 a.m. ceremonies.

Participants included Gold Star Mothers, the Karns Junior ROTC, and the Volunteer State Veterans Honor Guard.



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# Alienation of Affections

You may have heard of the legal term, “alienation of affections,” at some point, but what does this phrase mean?



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not recognize this anymore. Tennessee Code Annotated section 36-3-701, which was made into law in 1989, even says so, stating, “The common law tort action of alienation of affections is

hereby abolished.”

a spouse) who has certain rights or claims to such affection usually to a third person who is held to be the instigator or cause of the diversion. NOTE: In most jurisdictions alienation of affection is no longer recognized.”

Really what we are talking about is, can you sue someone who is having intimate relations with your spouse and breaking up your marriage? As the dictionary definition notes, most states do

Interestingly enough, there are still six states where you can sue someone for breaking up your marriage. Those states are North Carolina, New Mexico, South Dakota, Utah, Hawaii, and Mississippi.

While I am very sorry that someone has started a relationship with your spouse and broken up your marriage, you have no legal recourse against them in Tennessee for doing such.

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Picture of “The Last Supper” carving to be dedicated and installed at Clapps Chapel on April 6, 2023, courtesy of Dr. Chris Stanfield.

## ‘The Last Supper’ Carving Returns Home to Clapps Chapel

“What started in an artist’s workshop in Corryton, has traveled the South and made its way back to home,” Dr. Chris Stanfield shared.



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Dr. Stanfield is the Pastor of Clapps Chapel in Corryton, Tennessee. He was referring to an amazing carving the church acquired recently. One of the artists, Gene Henegar, was a former member of the church and a well-known artist. Two other artists, Jerry Hankins and Paul Henegar, also worked on the carving. According to Dr. Stanfield, the church was blessed to host the carving for a brief time back in the 1970s when it was completed and before

it started its traveling tour to different locations. “To the best of our knowledge, the carving has been in churches, ministry centers, organizations, garages, basements, and maybe even a college or museum,” he added. The carving has now made its way back to where it began. It seems quite appropriate that a special dedication service is scheduled for this time of the year—just before Easter.

On Maundy Thursday at 7 p.m., the carving of “The Last Supper” will be installed as an altar-piece at Clapps Chapel, 7420 Emory Road. The welcome and introduction will be given by Tennessee State Representative Dave Wright. Special music will include Shawn White of the Knoxville Symphony; Laura White, pianist; and Ally Rogers, Central High School junior and bassoonist. Rev. Dr. Chris Stanfield will give an interpretation of the theological elements that the carving communicates. “All art

communicates something, and sacred art communicates something sacred. This large mahogany carving of ‘The Last Supper’ is a sermon,” Dr. Stanfield said. “The most obvious message the carving communicates is the sacrificial work of Jesus and the New Covenant He established, but there’s much more to this sacred piece. And that’s what the Dedication and Interpretation service will highlight,” he added. Dr. Stanfield holds a doctorate in Art & Theology from Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C. Longtime church member Shane Carpenter will dedicate the unique carving and altar installation. The dedication service starts at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. A Holy Communion service will be held at 6:30 p.m. and is also open to the public. It is quite amazing that such God-given talent could turn a simple piece of wood into a masterpiece! What a blessing awaits those who enter this rural church to see “The Last Supper” carving on Maundy Thursday, April 6, at 7 p.m. Be blessed this Easter!

*Words of Faith: Dr. Stanfield shared this week’s scripture as well as the thought process leading to his selection and a fascinating observation about Leonardo Da Vinci’s famous work. “Initially, the carving will remind you of Da Vinci’s large painting of ‘The Last Supper.’ In fact, his painting was a major inspiration for the carving. However, Henegar and Hankins changed the thrust of the message in their carving from that of Da Vinci’s painting. Da Vinci produced a Christ centered painting on ‘The Last Supper’ that highlights betrayal and is sort of a foreshadowing of the events that would follow. The carving is more of a Christ centered carving on ‘The Last Supper’ that highlights a promise and foreshadows events that have not yet happened. Because of this, the text I see in this carving is Revelation 3:20 (KJV).” That special verse reads as follows: “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”*

## The Humble King

An event that has been labeled Palm was a festive occasion as the King of the Universe rides into town on the Sunday before Passover (John 12:12-26). It is an exciting and tense time in Jerusalem. The Roman security detail is put on heightened alert for any problems that might arise. You never quite knew what the Jews would do. There were religious extremists called the Zealots who were



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happy at any moment to slit a Roman’s throat. Many self-proclaimed messiahs had shown up to lead a revolt. Each was put down and killed. Would this be another occasion for a coup?

As Jesus makes his way into Jerusalem from staying in Bethany at the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, the crowds welcomed Jesus with the word “Hosanna.” This word literally means “save” and on this occasion probably meant “save us” or “save, I pray.” They saw Jesus as their deliverer. This is a quote from Psalm 118, the same Psalm that was quoted 100 years earlier when Judas Maccabaeus drove out the Greeks. The palm branches were symbolic of the crowd’s desire for Jesus to have political aspirations. The palm was the symbol on the coin of the second Maccabean revolt. Waving palm branches was symbolic of a nationalistic spirit. The crowd wanted Jesus to drive out the Romans who occupied their land. But in the midst of this, Jesus did something the crowd did not understand. We must look back 500 years prior to something written by Zechariah: “Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you;

righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey” (9:9).

According to Luke 19, Jesus sent two disciples into the city to find a colt for Him to ride. This was a donkey that had never been ridden before. For sacred purposes, animals were used that were fresh, new, that had not been used for other purposes (1 Sam. 6:7). I don’t know if you have ever ridden a donkey before, but it seems strange to me that on Jesus’ entrance into Jerusalem for the final week of His life, He would choose a donkey, especially an untrained one.

Word has spread that Jesus is in town. Thousands have crowded into town for the Passover, and here is Jesus for all to see and celebrate. Jesus knew what He was doing when He rode this donkey into Jerusalem. Jesus was identifying himself as the long-awaited Messiah. He is saying He is not like other conquerors, past or future. The donkey was an animal of peace. Jesus was a type of king no one understood. His weapon was love and compassion, not swords and war chariots. His crown was a wreath of thorns, not a golden one.

In the midst of crowds cheering for Jesus, we see a humble king. I would have ordered a white stallion for Jesus to ride in on. But Jesus selects an untrained donkey. But that is Jesus. Jesus demonstrates to us the importance of humility. Can you imagine the position of Jesus before coming to earth? He ruled the universe. No position could be better than being at the right hand of the Father. But Jesus chose not to hold on to this rite. There was nothing Jesus was not willing to give up when asked to do so by His Father. His love for His Father compelled Him to do whatever was asked, whatever the cost, whatever the sacrifice. He was obedient, even to death on the cross.



# Harold Knutson of Minnesota

## Pages from the Past



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By 1948, Harold Knutson had been in Congress for thirty-two years. Knutson, a Republican, had risen to perhaps the highest position a congressman could aspire to outside of the speakership; Knutson chaired the immensely powerful Ways & Means Committee in the House of Representatives. When the Republicans had won on the slogan "Had Enough?" following the deprivations and sacrifices made by Americans during the Second World War, Harold Knutson had been elevated to the chairmanship of the committee from which tax laws emanated. As specified in the Constitution, all tax legislation was supposed to originate in the House of Representatives and the Ways & Means Committee was where tax laws were born or died. Usually, holding the chairmanship of such a powerful committee helped a congressman with his constituents. That proved not to be the case for Harold Knutson.

Knutson had been born in Norway and was six years old when his family moved to the United States. The Knutson family settled in Chicago first before moving to a farm near Clear Lake, Minnesota. Young Harold Knutson found work as a printer's devil with the Clear Lake Times and the Foley Independent. Eventually, Knutson became the editor of the Royalton Banner and bought the Foley newspaper. The congressman from the district, Charles A. Lindberg, father of the famous aviator, left his seat to run for the United States Senate in 1916 and Harold Knutson became a candidate for Congress. Knutson won the general election handily.

Almost immediately, the new congressman was faced with voting for a declaration of war against the German Empire. Knutson was one of the fifty congressmen who voted against going to war. Knutson wasn't the only congressman from Minnesota who voted against going to war. Ernest Lundeen, then a Republican, also voted against the declaration of war. Lundeen did not survive the next election while Harold Knutson was reelected. The non-interventionist sentiment in Minnesota remained quite strong all the way through December 7, 1941.

Isolationist feelings pretty much ceased everywhere in the United States when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Knutson was certainly reflecting the views of the people who had elected him.

Knutson survived an electoral free-for-all in 1932 when Minnesota's congressional delegation was forced to run statewide due to the legislature's failure to redistrict. Knutson's

most difficult election prior to 1948 came in 1934 when he faced another incumbent congressman and former United States senator in the general election. Magnus Johnson had been born in Sweden and was a farmer and excellent rabble-rouser who ran on the Farmer-Labor party ticket. With redistricting complete, Harold Knutson and the fiery Swede found themselves competing against one another in Minnesota's Sixth Congressional District. Knutson won the hard-fought contest, a three-way race, with 46%. Johnson got almost 38% of the vote while Democrat Frank Weber won just under 16% of the ballots cast.

Bald and somewhat portly, Harold Knutson made his reputation through his assiduous attention to the people of Minnesota's Sixth Congressional District. That same attention kept Knutson in Congress for thirty-two years.

It had been Congressman Harold Knutson who had made public the rumor going through Washington that President Roosevelt had mistakenly left his beloved Scottish terrier, Fala, behind on one of the Aleutian Islands, and had sent a destroyer to fetch his dog at great expense to the taxpayers. That led to one of FDR's most famous speeches and helped to get his 1944 reelection campaign back on track.

TIME magazine had described Congressman Knutson as "kewpie-shaped" and "one of the most incorrigible rumor-mongers in Congress." The weekly news magazine was published by publishing magnate Henry Luce, who was a fervent internationalist and his publications tended not to show isolationist members of the Congress in a positive light.

When President Harry Truman had announced he was calling Congress back into session to provide financial aid to France and Italy in a program that would cost billions, Knutson was the chair of the House Ways & Means Committee. The Minnesotan had said the aid would only be \$1 billion while Truman was envisioning much, much more. Knutson had originally said, "Get them a paddle and then tell 'em --- 'Go paddle your own canoe.'"

Twice before Congressman Knutson had passed his tax reduction bill through the House and watched helplessly as President Harry Truman vetoed it. Finally, with the Republicans having a majority in Congress, Knutson as chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee passed his bill for the third time and watched gleefully as Congress overrode Truman's veto to become law. When Truman wanted



Autographed photo of Congressman Harold Knutson of Minnesota to his colleague Roy Woodruff.

to merely cut income taxes by \$40 across the board for Americans and reinstate the excess profits tax, Knutson's counterpart on the Ways & Means Committee, North Carolina's Robert "Muley" Doughton would have nothing to do with Truman's proposal and flatly refused to sponsor it.

Harold Knutson had some idea he might face some backlash from voters and announced the 1948 campaign would be his last. Knutson promised if reelected, he would serve out his term and leave office in 1951.

Democrats had not been much of a political threat in Minnesota prior to 1948. The usual general election fight had been between Republicans and the Farmer-Labor Party. Henrik Shipstead, a fiery progressive born in Norway, had been elected on the Farmer-Labor ticket to the United States Senate and stayed there until his defeat in the 1946 Republican primary. One of the political heroes of those who supposedly admired political statesmen was Minnesota's senior United States senator, Joseph Ball. Joe Ball had first been appointed to the U.S. Senate by Governor Harold Stassen following the death of profoundly isolationist Senator Ernest Lundeen, who had been killed in a plane crash in 1940. Ball had mortified isolationists when he made a speech outright urging the United States to help Great Britain against the Nazi assault waged by Adolf Hitler. Thirty-five years old when he was first appointed to the Senate, Joe Ball had been a journeyman reporter before Governor Stassen tapped him to sit in the United States Senate.

Ball undermined his own standing with fellow Republicans when he endorsed a war-weary and ailing Franklin Roosevelt for a fourth term instead of GOP presidential nominee Thomas E. Dewey. Ball also earned the undying enmity of organized labor for having strongly supported the Taft - Hartley

Right-to-Work Bill. Ball faced the young mayor of Minneapolis in the general election, a Democrat named Hubert Humphrey. The Democrats and the remnants of the once "radical" Farmer-Labor Party merged to form the DFL - - the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota. The DFL was organized and energized in 1948 and the Republicans were hard-pressed in the general election.

Harold Knutson was catching hell from some of his constituency about the tax legislation approved by the Republican-dominated Congress and despite his enduring popularity over the years, some of the younger, more "modern" Republicans like former governor Harold Stassen snubbed the congressman while trying to save Joe Ball's seat in the United States Senate. That brought a protesting editorial from the St. Cloud Times, which pointed out Congressman Knutson had been a faithful Republican who had "done more yeoman service for the Republican party than anybody else in the history of the Republican party in Minnesota, including Stassen himself." Stassen had urged support for Tom Dewey and Joe Ball, and asked voters to reelect GOP congressional incumbents but made no mention of Harold Knutson. The Times pointed out "Stassen did his best to prevent the nomination of Knutson" in two previous primary contests. Then, as now, the reduction of taxes was portrayed by the opposition as benefitting the rich at the expense of the poor.

Knutson celebrated his sixty-eighth birthday during the 1948 general election campaign. The congressman announced a tour of central Minnesota for the month of October, stopping to visit 33 towns. Knutson still found himself on the defensive, saying his vote against the Marshall Plan had been a mistake.

Some believed Knutson would win the election easily as his opponent, a farmer by the name of Fred

Marshall, was completely politically inexperienced. Yet as the returns began to trickle in after the polls had closed, much to the surprise of just about everybody, Harold Knutson was trailing his challenger. The congressman never caught up. The final tally showed Knutson losing to Fred Marshall by 4,407 votes. Marshall's election was considered an upset and the fact Hubert Humphrey had beaten the hell out of Senator Joe Ball certainly didn't help the other candidates running on the GOP ticket. Without formally conceding, Congressman Knutson said on the night of the election "on the face of the returns I have been defeated." One veteran reporter thought Harold Knutson's loss was the major surprise in an election full of surprises, but also believed the congressman's defeat was largely due to the voters' dissatisfaction with the recent Republican program. Certainly, the farmers were unhappy and Republicans suffered heavy congressional losses in the Mid-Western states. Most political observers were shocked by Knutson's defeat.

The St. Cloud Times editorialized loftily, "The Times does not think that Harold Knutson regrets his defeat a great deal." The newspaper thought the congressman had been sincere when he had said he would retire should he be reelected to one final term. The Times noted Knutson's thirty-two years in Congress had been due to his diligence in serving the people he represented. "No Congressman was ever in Washington who proved to be such a faithful and on-the-spot chore-boy for the folks back home," the Times editorial intoned. "His personal service was unbeatable."

The St. Cloud Times readily admitted, "Because of his personal following, he was unbeatable and nobody expected him to be defeated even at this election." Yet the editorial acknowledged that over the years Congressman

Knutson "became one of the most solid reactionaries, isolationists and high tariff advocates there was in Congress." The editorial ticked off those things the congressman had opposed over the years: America's entry into the First World War; "everything that savored of the New Deal," the European Recovery Plan (the Marshall Plan). Yet due to his personal service to his people, Harold Knutson, "in spite of all his reactionary faults" had been unbeatable at the polls. The editorial concluded, "But no anti-liberal could have outlived the smashing Democratic trend that swept the Democratic party back in power in this election."

As for Congressman Knutson, he attributed his loss to organized labor and the "whispering" campaign waged against him. "This undercover whispering campaign was carried on by labor leaders and employees of various federal agricultural organizations."

Harold Knutson's defeat illustrated perfectly the notion that any officeholder can be beaten. It takes the right candidate, the right set of circumstances and the right issues to all come together in many instances, but it can happen.

Former congressman Harold Knutson retired to his home in Wadena, Minnesota, and resumed his newspaper interests. In 1953, he suffered a series of heart attacks, which sent him to the hospital. Knutson had divided his time between his winter home in Venice, Florida, and had been keeping regular office hours at the Wadena Pioneer Journal.

Knutson rallied slightly only to grow weaker as his sister-in-law and two nephews sat at his bedside to offer comfort and solace. The former congressman rested beneath an oxygen tent. The seventy-two-year-old Knutson just slipped away quietly.

Knutson left behind not only a legacy from his long congressional service but a more tangible gift for several generations of youngsters. The former congressman owned a vacation property in Crosslake, Minnesota, located between the waters of the Big Trout and Lower Whitefish Lakes on thirty acres. Knutson's bequest was specifically designated to serve children and young adults afflicted with "autism, heart disease, skin conditions, Down syndrome, burn survivors, HIV/AIDS, and experiencing homelessness."

Camp Knutson still thrives to this day and if the fresh happy faces of children are any indication, Harold Knutson's gift has made a very real difference.

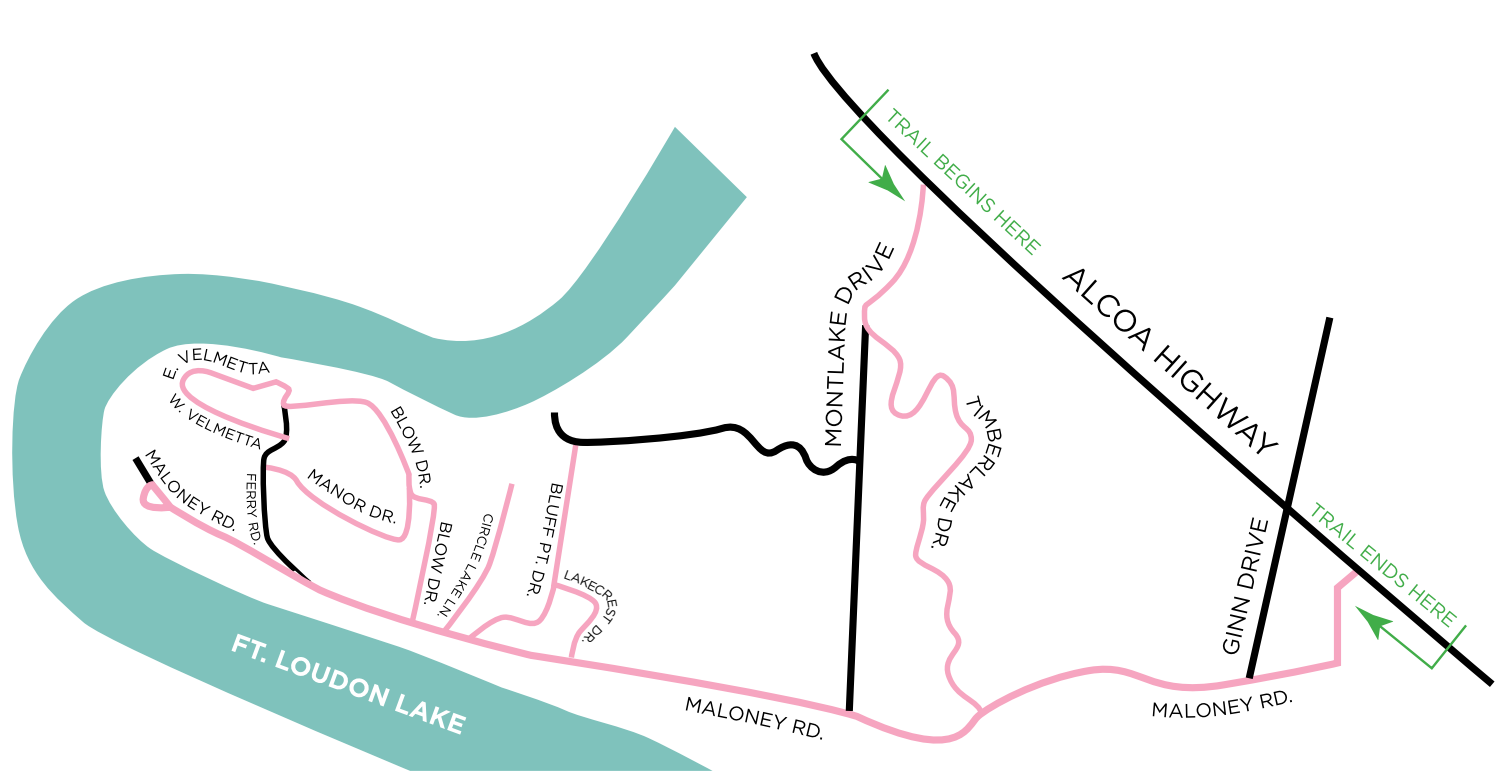
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Due to the wonderful, heavily-treed areas, the temperature drops several degrees in the summer when entering this neighborhood. The nearby Lake Hills Presbyterian Church offers a walking trail with basketball and tennis courts available to anyone in the neighborhood. Maloney Park, a wonderful neighborhood amenity, is located on the lake and has a boat ramp, playground, picnic pavilion, and a walking trail.

Lakemoor Legacy Park & Garden, on Circle Lake Lane, is a little gem in the heart of the neighborhood which provides a quiet sanctuary for people to enjoy native plants and observe diverse wildlife. Est. in 2017, this certified wildlife habitat is also a rain garden demonstration project.

## Celebrate Spring with ‘Dinner in the Dogwoods’

Celebrate one of nature’s great performances and enjoy a dinner outdoors on the grounds around Mabry-Hazen House! On Saturday, April 15, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the museum will host their fifth annual Dinner in the Dogwoods. Guests will be treated to cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, entrée, and dessert surrounded by beautiful flowering dogwoods. A stop on the Dogwood Trail, Mabry-Hazen House conserves over 80 flowering dogwood trees, and their showy inflorescences will be in full force adorning Mabry’s Hill in an array

of whites, pinks, and greens. The site is also a level 1 arboretum, conserving over 30 species of trees including ancient southern magnolias, oaks, and maples. Tickets are \$65 per person, and Mabry-Hazen House members get a discount on ticket price. Dinner includes hors d’oeuvres, multi-course dinner, table wine, and cocktails. All proceeds benefit Mabry-Hazen House and their mission. The entire menu will be gluten-free! Vegetarian options are available by request. Food will be prepared by

Patrick Hollis, executive director and curator of Mabry-Hazen House. In addition to his position at the museum, he is a former chef who honed his culinary skills in Knoxville’s burgeoning restaurant scene in the early 2010s. Hollis is passionate about food from researching its history, dining out, learning new techniques, and most importantly bringing friends and family around the table to share food, drink, and experiences. Dessert will be served up by Jordan Smith of Small Comforts Kitchen and promises to be

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# Early goal propels Webb past Admirals in Bearden Invitational

By Ken Lay

Going into Thursday afternoon's soccer match at the Bearden Invitational, Webb School of Knoxville and Farragut were heading in drastically different directions.

The Admirals, a traditional Class 3A state power, and the Spartans, who have won multiple state titles, collided on the pitch and they continued on their respective paths as Webb notched a 1-0 victory in the opening round of one of the Volunteer State's elite tournaments at Turner-Allender Field.

The Spartans (4-0) tallied the lone goal of the match in the 10<sup>th</sup> minute when Greyson Webb fired a long-range shot that went past Farragut starting goalkeeper Ahmad El Messidi.

The scoring play was a bit bizarre as the Admirals (0-3) seemed to freeze.

"I think they kind of just didn't know what to do," said Webb, a sophomore forward for the Spartans. "Their center back played it back to their keeper, and then tried to clear it, and it just kind of stuck on my hip and dropped down.

"I didn't think about where the ball was at the point when I got it."

Farragut coach Bradley Culbreth, in his third year as the teams head coach, couldn't hide his frustration with the play and his team's effort out of the gate this season.

"Somebody played a hospital ball and nobody communicated," Culbreth said. "Just an error that you can't make. They pressured us. They made a hospital pass and nobody communicated. He picked our pocket. "You can't make

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West High hopes its softball field will be ready in time to host this year's district tournament.

# New look for West High athletic facilities in the works

By Steve Williams

You can't see it from Sutherland Avenue, but there's a lot going on in the backyard at West High School.

A new look to the baseball field is in the works and not far from its right field corner is the school's new softball field that is about "three-quarters" completed by new Athletic Director Paul Romero's calculations.

To meet Title IX guidelines a new facility has been built between the baseball and softball fields that includes dressing room and locker room areas for the two teams plus a training room, where the school's athletic trainer can attend to players' needs.

This building also includes a concessions area and bathroom area and connects to a "heated" batting cage that both teams can utilize.

There's a new storage building close by too for mowers and equipment.

Work also is going on for a new entrance to West's turf field, which is used by the football and girls' soccer teams in the fall and the boys' soccer team, boys' and girls' lacrosse teams plus the school's track teams in the spring.

The current entrance, said Romero, will become an ADA entrance for wheel chair access, etc.

A new ticket booth has been built and will be used for all the sports aforementioned, and there will be

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New baseball coach Mark Allen Bounds (left) and new athletic director Paul Romero believe West High will have one of the finest athletic complexes in Knox County when everything is completed.

# Gracie Gray leads Lady Hawks past Bearden in early-season district showdown

By Ken Lay

Bearden High School softball coach Kenneth Boles could only tip his hat to Hardin Valley Academy and its pitcher Gracie Gray Tuesday night.

"I love watching Gracie play. She's a great kid and a great player," Boles said after Gray hurled a three-hit shutout against the Lady Bulldogs in a 7-0 District 4-4A victory at Bearden's Kim Hazelwood Field. "She's going to do great things when she leaves here and goes to (college).

"I wish her all the success in the world except when she plays against us."

Gray, a senior, was dominant in the circle. She also carried a big bat at the plate as she delivered what would be the knockout blow in the top of the third inning when she crushed a grand slam over the fence that gave the Lady Hawks (4-2 overall, 1-1 in District 4-4A) a 5-0 lead.

When the dust had settled, Gray went 2-for-4 with the home run, a double, a run scored and four RBIs at the plate.

In the circle, she allowed just three hits and two walks. She recorded six strikeouts and hit a batter. She pitched out of jams in the third and the fifth frames.

In the third, Bearden's Kendall Hubbs walked and Abbey Thompson singled. In the fifth, Reece Waltman walked and Kendyl May was hit by a pitch. Gray, however, averted damage in both innings.

The Lady Bulldogs Abby Keiton singled in the second. Bearden (2-4, 0-2) managed a pair of hits in the bottom of the seventh as Jaycie Overton and Allie Seritt started the frame with back-to-back singles.

"Our bats just didn't come alive tonight," Boles said.

The Lady Hawks had no such

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# Jewelry can now be worn in prep baseball and softball

By Steve Williams

Baseball and softball diamonds are sparkling a little more this season on the high school level.

For the first time in over 50 years, the rule book says players and coaches are allowed to wear jewelry.

In the past, jewelry could only be worn for medical and religious reasons.

“The game of baseball has evolved and players have demonstrated that wearing a bracelet or necklace does not impede their ability to play or increase any risk to themselves or their opponents,” said Elliot Hopkins, the National Federation of High School Associations’ director of sports and liaison to the Baseball Rules Committee, when the new rule was announced.

The NFHS has also given umpires the authority to remove excessive jewelry in a game.

This reporter checked with baseball and softball head coaches in Knox County last week to get their reaction to the rule change.

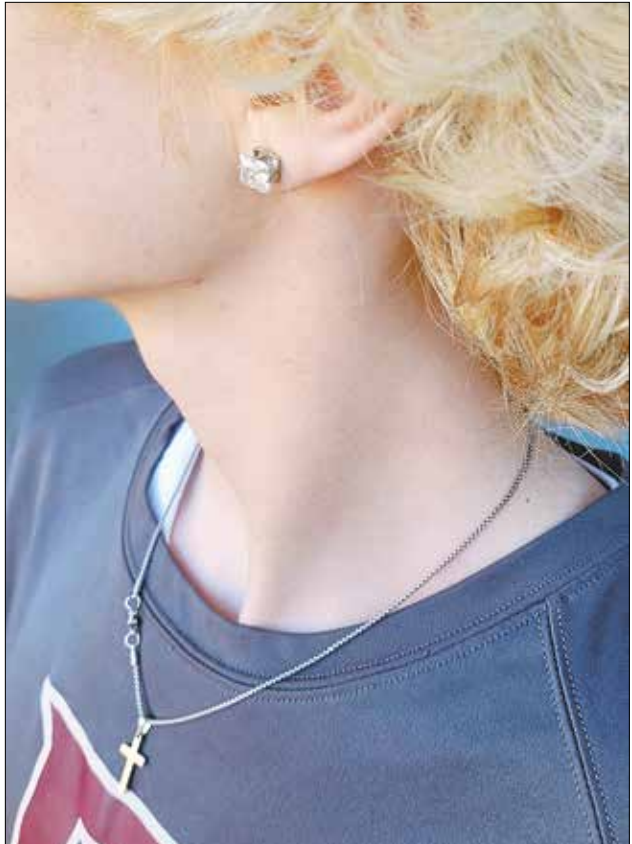
“Doesn’t bother me, I don’t mind it,” said Matt Buckner, Farragut’s baseball coach.

“Not a bother to me!” echoed Coach Brandon Roberts of Central. “I never have seen jewelry cause an injury in a professional game and they wear some pretty flashy things. It’s one less thing to worry about as a coach!”

Halls Coach Doug Polston said: “I have no problem with the rule if they enforce it and not let dangling jewelry be worn.”



Fulton is one of the schools where quite a bit of jewelry and colorful wristbands are being worn by baseball players, according to Buzz McNish, the Falcons’ new head coach.



none of them have mentioned it nor have I. Honestly, I don’t even notice if they have jewelry on or not.”

Farragut’s Coach Green said: “I do have standards and limitations on size and type of jewelry. Ear rings and nose rings are studs or small hoops only, no Mr. T starter set necklaces, bracelets are ok; but I tell and warn them not to wear anything special because it might break or get lost and we are not stopping the game to look for lost or broken jewelry.”

“I think the girls really appreciate the rule change and have been good about not wearing jewelry that endangers them,” said Carter’s Burkhart. “I personally do not wear jewelry in general, except my wedding ring, so it really doesn’t impact me.”

Coach Hunt at GCA summed up: “The young ladies are use to wearing jewelry to school and some still take it off even for games. Others have had no issues with any types of jewelry that would give an umpire the right to ask them to remove it. As for coaches, I’m not sure we ever gave it a thought to wear or not wear jewelry.”

**OTHER SPORTS:** Gene Menees of the TSSAA said in addition to baseball and softball, track athletes can wear jewelry; but in soccer, jewelry can only be worn for medical or religious reasons and must be covered.

“I’m fine with it,” said CAK’s Tommy Pharr. “I think there are a lot bigger issues in our sport and sports in general than a kid wearing a necklace.”

As far as the softball coaches, Gibbs Coach Carol Mitchell said: “I don’t have a problem with it. I’ve wondered why it hasn’t been changed sooner.”

“I like the new ruling, less for coaches and umpires to have to police and we both have enough responsibilities as it is,” said Nick Green of Farragut.

“It honestly is a relief for me,” said Carter Coach Ryan Burkhart. “I’m all for it within reason. As long as they aren’t wearing dangling stuff, it’s less of a hassle.”

“As a coach, the new rule doesn’t affect what we do in our profession,” pointed out Grace Christian Coach Dwayne Hunt. “It doesn’t take away from the quality of softball that our local high schools play in our area.”

“College and travel ball have allowed this rule and most high school young ladies are used to knowing how to play with jewelry and it not be a problem. So far, our umpire association has been really good with the rule.”

Baseball and softball coaches also were asked how their players had reacted to the new jewelry rule.

Karns’ baseball team apparently likes the new rule. In one game, four

straight Beavers came to the plate wearing a necklace. Fulton’s Falcons have been wearing a lot of jewelry and colorful wrist bands, said Coach Buzz McNish.

“Most of our guys wear a necklace,” said Farragut’s Buckner, “and I have no safety concerns at all.”

Central’s Coach Roberts said the new rule “has taken away the unnecessary game stoppages to remove wristbands. We don’t have any players that are close to being excessive with jewelry. I think the new rule has allowed the umpires to focus more on calling the game to the best of their ability instead of being focused on apparel and uniform violations.

“Our coaches do not wear

jewelry, just a watch which has always been allowed,” added Roberts. “And I am comfortable with the safety aspect of the new rule.”

“No noticeable difference in any of us,” replied Coach Polston at Halls. “The new rule is a non-issue with my kids.”

CAK’s Coach Pharr added: “My jewelry has been the same for my career, a watch and wedding band. Our guys haven’t really talked about it. It doesn’t seem to be a big deal that I have seen. I’m comfortable with the safety. I’m not sure what the safety issue was or is.”

When asked about her softball players’ reaction to the new jewelry rule, Gibbs’ Mitchell said: “Actually,

## New look for West High athletic facilities in the works

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nights in the future when three games could be playing at the same time.

To connect all of these facilities are stone pavers and Romero foresees the widest portion of this walkway one day including a huge Power W logo.

With the back of the football stadium now visible from where the softball field is, Romero said a Power W has already been planned to be painted there.

The softball team has been playing “away” games. “Right now we just want to make sure our field is safe and playable for our girls,” said Romero, who took over as the school’s



The new steps lead to the new entrance to West High’s turf field, where football, soccer and lacrosse games are played and track events are held. The new ticket booth can be seen in the background.

athletic director in early January. “There is a good possibility that they will be able to play on it this season. End of April is the hope.”

Romero said West High is scheduled to host the district tournament in May.

West also is having its inaugural season this year for boys’ and girls’ lacrosse.

The goal is to make the school’s backyard “a West High Square to where it’s like a big, huge entrance to one of the finest complexes in the county,” said

Romero.

“We want our student-athletes to know that we are going to do everything we can to put them in spots to win. From my point, it’s the facilities and the best that I can help with that.”

The bells and whistles and trimmings are still to come.

“Dr. (Ashley) Speas (West High’s principal) has created a One West culture,” said Romero. “You see it everywhere you go. We have the Power W and ‘We are One West’ is our brand.”

“Dr. Speas has created this culture where we do a lot of winning. She’s put a lot of the right people in the right places and now my job is not to mess it up.”

It’s just been four months since West won a state championship in football.

Mark Allen Bounds, West’s new baseball coach, envisions “an outstanding facility for all West people who would like to come watch a ball game of any sorts. It’s going to add to our community and just make it a really great place to come.”

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# An article of faith

Every year as October yielded the stage to November, attention crossed the expanse of Big Orange Country turned



By Tom Mattingly

to one of the best-known famous motivational phrases in all of college football, courtesy of John Majors. “They Remember What You Do in November.” When he was head coach at Tennessee, he always said it, to the point everybody believed it to be true. Signs were posted all over the Neyland-Thompson Center. It was a mere seven words, but it was an article of faith. As a Vol tailback in 1956, Majors, named the SEC’s “Player of the Year” for a second time, led the Vols to a 10-0 record and the SEC title, winning four times in November and once in December. The highlight was a 6-0 win at Georgia Tech on Nov. 10, one of the greatest Tennessee wins of all time. There were also wins over North Carolina, Mississippi, Kentucky, and Vanderbilt. Majors, the Heisman

runner-up that season, had a steady hand on the throttle for a team that scored 275 points and gave up just 88. There were several classic moments on the Majors coaching resume at Tennessee that proved the truth of the adage. There were four wins in five tries in November 1978, when fans started catching on to the Majors magic. There were more wins than losses by far in the ensuing years, leading up to the magic season of 1985 that Vol fans still proudly discuss. The month started with a 31-14 loss at Notre Dame, where the Vols led at halftime, but finished with wins over Duke, Ole Miss, Kentucky, and Vanderbilt. Then came an undefeated month of November 1985, with five wins in five tries. Backup quarterback Daryl Dickey did nothing but win in replacing the injured Tony Robinson. Things looked bad when Robinson went out with a knee injury late in the Alabama game. No one really knew what was ahead for the Vols. The Vols refused to lose, winning against Rutgers, Memphis State, Mississippi, Kentucky, and Vanderbilt, with three shutouts in

that five-game span. The result was the SEC title, setting up that remarkable match-up with Miami in the Sugar Bowl. Bradley County’s Chris White, who seemed destined for another year on the bench, got his chance at safety and earned All-American honors with an NCAA-leading nine interceptions, one for a score. He had two interceptions and blocked a punt in the Ole Miss game. A record crowd of 97,372 showed up for the Vanderbilt game, a 30-0 Vol win that clinched the Sugar Bowl invite. On Jan. 1, 1986, it was Tennessee 35, Miami 7. A couple of major highlights included walk-on tailback Jeff Powell “roaring down the greensward” for a score, as John Ward intoned on the Vol Network. Ken Donahue’s defense, led by the inspirational Dale Jones, put the clamps on the Hurricanes, 32 net rushing yards, with the Vols also claiming four interceptions, seven sacks, and four lost-yardage tackles. The Louisiana Superdome sounded like Neyland Stadium South. “The championship teams I have been involved with in the past may have



Daryl Dickey led the way to an inspirational finish in 1985, the highlight being a 23-22 Sugar Bowl win over Virginia.

had more experience, strength, and speed at certain positions,” said Majors, “but, as a group, this is the most remarkable one in terms of improvement since spring practice and since a period of reconstruction at midseason.” In the SEC championship year of 1989, the Vols defeated Mississippi, Kentucky and Vanderbilt to bring home the conference title again. The Vols edged Arkansas in the 1990 Cotton Bowl. The Vols had a tenuous couple of weeks against Alabama and LSU, when the pass defense sprang a leak, but when the multi-talented Carl Pickens joined the secondary, order was restored. In 1990, even after the Vols lost a close one to No. 1 Notre Dame, the Vols found the wherewithal to win in each Grand Division of the state to close the season, triumphs over Ole Miss in Memphis, Kentucky in Knoxville, and Vanderbilt in Nashville. Then came a Sugar Bowl victory over Virginia, despite the Vols trailing 16-0 at the half. In an inspiring story, running back Tony Thompson came off the bench when Chuck Webb banged up a knee against Pacific and was lost for the season. Thompson answered the bell, gaining 1,261 yards, earning All-SEC honors, and leading the SEC in rushing. He was also named team captain. Majors made the announcement in late November and seemed very pleased with the selection. Fullback Roland Poles was named alternate captain. No one can argue with three SEC titles in a six-year period and some of the most exciting players in school history. It was a never-to-be-forgotten time. Is the adage about success in the month of November really true? The answer is easy. John Majors said so.

# Vols Shine at NFL Pro Day

By Mark Nagi

Tennessee is back in its rightful place as an NFL feeder program. Later this month, the NFL Draft will take place, and you will absolutely hear the names of some former Vols called at the podium. On Thursday, March 30, representatives from all 32 NFL teams showed up at Tennessee’s indoor facility to watch a few Vol alums workout. “I’m really proud of this group of guys and how they handled the entire process,” said Tennessee head coach Josh Heupel. “Just the feedback that I’ve gotten today, the feedback that I’ve gotten after the (NFL) Combine and after some of the postseason bowl games. I thought physically our guys did a great job of preparing themselves.” Former Vols quarterback Hendon Hooker will be one of the most interesting people to watch in a few weeks. He tore his ACL

against South Carolina on November 19, and some NFL teams might be wary of selecting him for that reason. However, talent-wise he has all the tools for a long pro career. Hooker has valued the opportunity to speak with NFL representatives. “It’s been great just to be able to sit down and watch ball, showcase some of my things on the cerebral side of the game and just learn from them,” said Hooker. “They answer all of my questions, and I’m just having a great time.” The number one option in the Tennessee passing game last season was Jalin Hyatt. He went from 21 catches for 226 yards and 2 touchdowns in 2021 to a remarkable 67 catches for 1267 yards and 15 scores in 2022. Those numbers opened a lot of pro eyes. “A lot of the feedback I’ve heard has been good,” said Hyatt. “I’ve got my top-30 visits coming up so I’m going to be everywhere.

I’ve definitely been hearing good feedback. I’m excited about the process and what’s next. We’ll see what happens in the future... I’ve talked to maybe 15 to 20 teams. All of their coaches and GMs are in there and they’re asking everything about you—what type of player you are, what you do this or that, but I felt like I did pretty good. I can talk about football 24/7 based off what Coach Heupel and Coach Pope taught me in this offense. It’s easy, this interview process, especially being around guys like (Hendon) Hooker.” Former Tennessee edge rusher Byron Young could be selected in the first round. Young picked up first-team All-SEC honors as a senior, leading the Vols with seven sacks. He also had 37 tackles, including 12 for loss. But it was his NFL Combine performance that put him at the top of the list for teams with the need for his services. Young ran a blistering 4.43 40.

“I put in a lot of effort,” said Young. “We worked out three times a day, Monday through Saturday, and Saturday was twice a day. I put in a lot of time and effort. I changed my diet and the way I sleep by waking up early. I was really dedicated and committed to something I want. So, when that happened, I wasn’t surprised, I was thankful I kept on going and didn’t give up.”

During most of the 2010s, Tennessee’s football program was an NFL Draft afterthought. It looks like times are changing. “We’ve got really good players that are here currently,” said Heupel. “They are getting developed at an elite level in our offseason program. Structurally, what we do schematically on offense, defense, and special teams... it’s putting those guys in a position to

showcase their physical attributes but also stress them and grow them in their understanding of concepts. That will all transition to the next level. This group of guys... we’re going to have a lot of high draft picks that come out of it. I hope that with the way that we’re recruiting, the guys that we’re bringing in, the development that we have here we will continue to have that.”

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# Farragut's Simpson named State Gymnast of the Year



By Steve Williams

Farragut High senior Brooke Simpson was named Tennessee State Gymnast of the Year Saturday, March 26, at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville.

Brooke will be continuing her education and gymnastics career as an LSU signee. The Tigers' gymnastics team moved up to No. 6 in the national rankings in late February.

## Chattanooga to host BlueCross Bowl

The TSSAA Board of Control has approved Chattanooga's Finley Stadium as host for the BlueCross Bowl football championships in 2023 and 2024.

After a lengthy discussion regarding the feasibility of the implementation of a shot clock, the Board voted to permit the Tennessee Basketball Coaches' Association to use a shot clock on an experimental level during their upcoming 2023 summer camps.

## Wharton new track coach at Farragut

Vic Wharton is Farragut High's new track and field



Farragut High is proud to have the "Tennessee State Gymnast of the Year" in Brooke Simpson.

coach this spring.

Other new track coaches in Knox County include Corey Rathbone at CAK, Chris Meadows (boys) at Carter and Chris Kane (boys) and Andy Hibbett (girls) at Hardin Valley.

In tennis, Matt Cupp is the new coach at Halls and Ski Smith is the new coach at Austin-East.

Director Gary Householder calls the Eagles' new head coach "extremely knowledgeable" about football.

Terry Clark was on former coach Scott Branton's staff the past two years and he was the head coach at Bunker Hill, N.C., before coming to Seymour.

Householder also said Clark is great in his interactions with the players.

Clark, who also is Seymour's new track and field coach this spring, is originally from South Knoxville.

# Gracie Gray leads Lady Hawks past Bearden in early-season district showdown

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problems as they recorded seven hits and had the big frame in the third.

The inning started with Natalie Nettles and Alex Souders drawing consecutive four-pitch walks. One out later, leadoff hitter Ayla Perry reached on an infield single to load the bases.

Nettles came home on a single by Avery Thrift before Gray cleared the loaded bases with her round-tripper.

The Lady Hawks extended their advantage with runs in the sixth and seventh on RBI singles by Nettles and Thrift.

Thrift went 2-for-4 with two RBIs and a pair of runs in the contest.



Hardin Valley Academy's Gracie Gray threw a shut-out against Bearden Tuesday. She also had a home run and a double as the Lady Hawks defeated the Lady Bulldogs 7-0 at Kim Hazelwood Field.

HVA coach Autumn Collin is new to the school and East Tennessee's toughest softball league. But she knows how big a road win in the district is.

"This was big for us," she

said. "Gracie did a good job keeping their hitters off balance.

Gracie and Alex (Souders), our catcher work well and do a good job together. They call their own pitches. I want them to do that themselves because I was a catcher."

Gray noted that she was in control in the circle and hit a high pitch from Bearden's Rylee Sieber out of the park.

"I've been nervous in some of our early games, but today, I felt good out there," Gray said. "That pitch was high and I don't usually swing at high pitches because I pop them up."

# Early goal propels Webb past Admirals in Bearden Invitational

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mistakes like that and expect to win."

So, what's a hospital pass?

"When you give it to them like an injured duck," Culbreth explained.

That mistake cost the Admirals, who have lost their first three matches of the 2023 campaign. Farragut, which has been outscored 9-2 in losses against West High, Oak Ridge and the Spartans, was shut out twice last week, falling to the Wildcats 2-0 on Monday, March 27 at home.

"We need to take a good hard look in the mirror," Culbreth said. "We need to look at our effort. That's

as plain as I can say it."

The Spartans were short-handed Thursday afternoon as they were without starting netminder Nathan Pope (who had a commitment with the school's robotics team) and defender Axel Mnzava (who was on a choral trip to Florida). Both are senior starters and team leaders.

Webb School missed some chances but head coach Jared Zeigler was pleased to come out with a win.

"We're a little short-handed right now," Zeigler said. "We really only had a couple of subs on the bench.

"(But) it's a good

opportunity for us to play guys that maybe don't get as many minutes as they normally would."

That could be crucial later in the season.

"I think we're going to have to rely on our roster later in the year, so the more experience you get now, the better," Zeigler said."

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# FROM THE MOUNTAINS BY JADON GIBSON

# Beware the Harpes, Part 2

**By Jadon Gibson**

It was less than 50 years after Dr. Thomas Walker documented the discovery of Cumberland Gap in 1750 when the Harpe brothers spread their misery and mayhem along the trails of early America. It was less than a quarter century after Daniel Boone led his band of thirty men blazing the trails from Sycamore Shoals (Elizabethton, TN) to the Kentucky River. It opened the floodgates to pioneers along the Wilderness Road.

Early Americans found it hazardous to trek through the area because Indians disdained to relinquish the land where their forefathers had lived and hunted for centuries. There were also individuals like the Harpes who went westward to escape from the law, to evade prosecution.

A cavalcade of wagons and horsemen discovered a body along the Wilderness Road near the young settlement of Barbourville in 1797 after noticing a flock of buzzards circling above. The dead man was deemed a peddler as he was found with his grip nearby, void of its contents. He had been tomahawked and covered with brush in order to avoid early detection.

Word was spreading about the dreaded Harpes along the trails and settlements. Rev. Lambuth had been robbed by the Harpes and warned everyone he could but mass communication wasn't available in that period. Information was disseminated mostly by the spoken word. Written words (newspapers) were rare and slow in arriving.

The Harpes were staying on the move to lessen the likelihood of being caught. They were aware of the basic tenets in thievery and mischief. As nightfall descended they came upon Hughes Tavern along the Holston River, not far from Knoxville. It had a reputation as a "rough groggery."

Men went to bed and rose with the chickens in that era and one night Hughes locked his door behind his last patron, a man named Johnson.

The Harpes came upon Johnson soon after he left Hughes Tavern. Two or three days later his disemboweled body was found floating in the Holston River. Rocks had been placed in his stomach but enough spilled out, and the body had enough buoyancy that allowed it to be seen from the shore. By this time the Harpes were long-gone.

The tavern keeper and two others were arrested for the murder but were released due to a lack of evidence. Hughes reopened his "groggery" but a vigilante group of citizen "regulators" called on him and gave him a lashing with a leather whip. They then destroyed his building and admonished him to "leave the territory and not return."

A few days later two men were found dead on Nashville Road. One had been caught off-guard, shot in the back and killed. The other struggled before being tomahawked, covered with debris and left along the trail.

Initially, some of the deaths were blamed on Indians but as word spread about the Harpes, it was they who put fear in the hearts and minds of the settlers as much as the natives. There was a constant alarm out about the Harpes who were laying low during daylight hours and traveling north into Kentucky at night to avoid being seen.

Posses and bands of regulators were thick on the horse paths and wagon roads in the weeks that followed and the Harpes continued to lay low. They camped near the Wilderness Road not far from the small settlements of Little Rock Castle and Crab Orchard.

It was a desolate area where Indians hid out for years. Travelers wouldn't traverse through that area alone, but wait for others with the same destination. The age-old adage, "there is safety in numbers," evolved from such areas. Another, "don't turn your back on a stranger," was also applicable. If you were alone with Micajah and Wiley Harpe, it was easy for one of them to waylay you from behind with a tomahawk.

When the Harpes' provisions at last ran low they called on a tavern and inn, kept by John Pharris. When a young traveler by the name of Stephen Langford paid for his lodging and breakfast Big Harpe (Micajah) heard the jingle of his money and decided the young man would be their next mark if given the opportunity. Wary travelers on the borderland would generally hide their funds, only keeping a meager amount in a leather pouch. Young folks often are slow at learning important life lessons.

It was over a week before Langford's body was found covered by brush at the bottom of a ravine, away from the road. It was found after regulators noticed a flock of buzzards circling above.

Captain Joseph Ballenger and his Stanford, Kentucky, posse stumbled upon a drunken party one night and immediately thought they were the Harpes from information he received in prior days. They claimed to be Shelby's but the captain knew otherwise and took them to the Stanford jail to be held for trial.

Word quickly spread that the Harpes had been apprehended and several folks came to Stanford to see the "devil of a man" Micajah Harpe, Wiley Harpe and their women.

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**No. 82150-3**  
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**ESTATE OF MARY ELIZABETH DODDS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87427-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY ELIZABETH DODDS who died Jan 28, 2023, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF MARY ELIZABETH DODDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DON RAY PEARSON, JR.; EXECUTOR  
4326 BEECHWOOD ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

ANNE MCKINNEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1019 ORCHID DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE ANN GORDON FOWLER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87435-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPHINE ANN GORDON FOWLER who died Jan 15, 2023, 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 20 day of MARCH, 2023

ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE ANN GORDON FOWLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
THE TRUST COMPANY; EXECUTOR  
4823 OLD KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 100  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

STACY E ROETTGER ATTORNEY AT LAW

4823 OLD KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 100  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CONNIE ANN GATES**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87372-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 15 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CONNIE ANN GATES who died Nov 17, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from 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 MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF CONNIE ANN GATES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
HOWARD SCHARF; CO-EXECUTOR  
3757 HOLLY BERRY DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

CYNTHIA SCHARF; CO-EXECUTOR  
3757 HOLLY BERRY DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

STEPHEN BYRD ATTORNEY AT LAW  
9051 EXECUTIVE PARK DRIVE, SUITE 400  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOHN ARTHUR GILMAN**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87432-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JOHN ARTHUR GILMAN who died Dec 3, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF JOHN ARTHUR GILMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DORREN KRAVITZ; ADMINISTRATRIX  
8942 HEMINGWAY GROVE CIRCLE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

WILLIAM D EDWARDS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1111 N NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE S-700  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LEONARD RAYMOND KROLL**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87363-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LEONARD RAYMOND KROLL who died Dec 16, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the

above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF LEONARD RAYMOND KROLL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DAVID RAYMOND KROLL; EXECUTOR  
4981 HWY 11 S  
CALHOUN TN 37309

WILLIAM E DUFFEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
112 DURWOOD ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF GEORGIA MARIE MARGOLIS**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87257-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 15 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GEORGIA MARIE MARGOLIS who died Sep 30, 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 MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF GEORGIA MARIE MARGOLIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
LINDA PICACCHIA; EXECUTRIX  
2230 SOUTHERN SHADE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF GRACE LOUISE MILLER MCCARTER**  
**DOCKET NUMBER 87393-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GRACE LOUISE MILLER MCCARTER who died Jul 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 17 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF GRACE LOUISE MILLER MCCARTER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
REBECCA J HENSLEY; EXECUTRIX  
1256 AMBER MEADOWS CIRCLE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932







NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ELISE DAVIDSON  
AKA ELLISE DAVIDSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 86327-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELISE DAVIDSON AKA ELLISE DAVIDSON who died Mar 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:

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

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

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

This the 24 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF ELISE DAVIDSON  
AKA ELLISE DAVIDSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
TYANKA MICKLE; EXECUTRIX  
23133 KUYKENDAHL ROAD #C06  
TOMBALL, TX 77375

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN DOONAN  
DOCKET NUMBER 87416-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PATRICIA ANN DOONAN who died Sep 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:

(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 11 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN DOONAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
BETH LEA BARLOW; EXECUTRIX  
605 CHAPEL POINT LANE  
KNOXVILLE TN 37934

STEPHEN H BYRD ATTORNEY AT LAW  
9051 EXECUTIVE PARK DR SUITE 400  
KNOXVILLE TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF KIMBERLY ANN EVANS  
DOCKET NUMBER 87450-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of KIMBERLY ANN EVANS who died Nov 25, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This the 22 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF KIMBERLY ANN EVANS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DARLENA LAUREN JANOWSKI;  
ADMINISTRATRIX  
7305 HAMMER ROAD  
KNOXVILLE TN 37924

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RUTH HOOPER FUSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 87453-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RUTH HOOPER FUSON who died Jan 5, 2023, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF RUTH HOOPER FUSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KEITH W FUSON; EXECUTOR  
2810 SPECKLEBELLY DR  
BAYTOWN TX 77521

CHARLES FINN ATTORNEY AT LAW  
P.O BOX 629  
KNOXVILLE TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CARLETT VERSHANN GREEN  
DOCKET NUMBER 87092-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CARLETT VERSHANN GREEN who died Jun 24, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This the 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF CARLETT VERSHANN GREEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
MAURICE L WILSON; ADMINISTRATOR  
44 POLO FIELDS NE  
CARTERSVILLE GA 30121

BARBARA CLARK ATTORNEY AT LAW  
2415 E MAGNOLIA AVE  
KNOXVILLE TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES PRESTON HAMMETT  
DOCKET NUMBER 87465-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES PRESTON HAMMETT who died Jan 23, 2023, 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 24 day of MARCH, 2023

ESTATE OF CHARLES PRESTON HAMMETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SUSAN MARIE HAMMETT  
RHEA; EXECUTRIX  
4931 SHANNON RUN DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LEONARD LEROY HILL JR  
DOCKET NUMBER 87441-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LEONARD LEROY HILL JR who died Oct 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 21 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF LEONARD LEROY HILL JR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CELINA HILL; EXECUTRIX  
4809 GETTYSBURG ROAD  
KNOXVILLE TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF GUY JASPER LOCICERO  
DOCKET NUMBER 87434-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GUY JASPER LOCICERO who died Sep 18, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 20 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF GUY JASPER LOCICERO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
NANCY A LOCICERA; EXECUTRIX  
3206 MARYVILLE PIKE  
KNOXVILLE TN 37920

P ANDREW SNEED ATTORNEY AT LAW  
217 E BROADWAY AVE  
MARYVILLE TN 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JAMES F LONG  
DOCKET NUMBER 87382-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES F LONG who died Dec 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 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF JAMES F LONG

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JILL LONG; EXECUTRIX  
P.O. BOX 4393  
N MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29597

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LOIS BETTY MOORE  
DOCKET NUMBER 87326-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LOIS BETTY MOORE who died Dec 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 22 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF LOIS BETTY MOORE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KENNETH LEE MOORE; CO-EXECUTOR  
1600 ROBINSON ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923

JEANNETTE SUE BRYANT; CO-EXECUTOR  
8508 NORTHLAND LANE  
CORRYTON, TN. 37721

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF HOPE EMILY MUSE  
DOCKET NUMBER 86826-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of HOPE EMILY MUSE who died Jul 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.

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

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

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

This the 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF HOPE EMILY MUSE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ARTHUR ISSAC MUSE; ADMINISTRATOR  
2212 BUYINGTON-SOLWAY ROAD  
KNOXVILLE TN 37932

MARK E BROWN ATTORNEY AT LAW  
9724 KINGSTON PIKE SUITE 505  
KNOXVILLE TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOANN OVERTON  
DOCKET NUMBER 87455-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOANN OVERTON who died Dec 13, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF JOANN OVERTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JAMES M OVERTON; EXECUTOR  
1710 FERD HICKEY ROAD  
KNOXVILLE TN 37909

GAIL WORTLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW  
3715 POWERS STREET

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Knox County Commission shall receive letters and resumés/credentials from candidates seeking appointment to one (1) vacancy to serve a term expiring September 30, 2026 on the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors. Resumés should be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail or hand-delivered no later than **Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 4:00 pm** to:

Office of the Knox County Commission  
Suite 603, City County Building  
400 Main Street  
Knoxville, TN 37902  
Phone: 215-2534  
FAX: 215-2038  
E-mail: commission@knoxcounty.org

The Knox County Commission will interview candidates at the Commission Work Session on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 West Main Street.

The Commission's appointment shall be considered during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Knox County Commission on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 West Main Street.

The following provisions apply in accordance with Ordinance O-22-6-103:

- Membership is completely voluntary, and members will receive no compensation for their service.
- The board meets quarterly, unless a special-called meeting is held.
- Applicants must be over 21 years of age; of good moral character; a citizen of the United States and the State of Tennessee; and a resident of Knox County.
- No person shall be eligible to serve as a member on the Merit System Board of Directors if they have previously been employed by the Knox County Sheriff's Office department within the ten (10) calendar years preceding his/her appointment by the Commission, or if any member of such person's immediate family is or becomes employed by the Knox County Sheriff's Office or the Knoxville Police Department at any time during such person's term of service as a member of the board council. For purposes of this section, "immediate family" shall include spouse, parent, grandparent, siblings, in-laws, or children
- Members will be required to attend an Ethics training provided by the Knox County Human Resources Department, as required of all employees of Knox County.
- The County Commission finds that the actual or apparent political influence on the members of the Merit System Board is injurious to the credibility of the board and undermines its mission as an apolitical civil service system for KCSO employees. Therefore, membership on the Merit System Board shall be conditioned upon the following:
  - No person holding a position on the Merit System Board shall take an active part in any political campaign while a member of the Merit System Board.
  - No member of the Merit System Board shall solicit money for political campaigns.
  - No member of the Merit System Board shall make any public endorsement of any candidate in any campaign for elected office.
  - A member of the Merit System Board shall not use such position to reflect the member's personal political feelings as those of the Sheriff's department or to exert any pressure on anyone to influence that person's political views.
  - No member of the Merit System Board shall display any political advertising or paraphernalia on such person's body or automobile while conducting business on behalf of the Merit System Board. However, nothing in this part shall be construed to prohibit or prevent any such employee Board Member from becoming or continuing to be a member of a political club or organization and enjoying all the rights and privileges of such membership or from attending any political meetings while not on duty. Such employee Board Member shall not be denied freedom in the casting of a vote.
  - During a Merit System Board Member's term of service, should that Member take active steps toward becoming a political candidate, such member shall immediately resign from the Board of Directors.

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

This the 21 day of MARCH, 2023.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CURTIS RAY PHILLIPS  
DOCKET NUMBER 87113-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MARCH 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CURTIS RAY PHILLIPS who died Sep 7, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This the 24 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF CURTIS RAY PHILLIPS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
TERRY PHILLIPS; ADMINISTRATOR  
748 RICHLAND ROAD  
BLAINE, TN. 37709

ANDREW CRAWFORD ATTORNEY AT LAW  
5344 N BROADWAY, SUITE 105  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOHN G REA  
DOCKET NUMBER 87443-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOHN G REA who died Aug 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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(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

ESTATE OF JOHN G REA

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ELIZABETH A REA; EXECUTRIX  
905 VISTA OAKS LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF VIRGINIA BATES ROWLETT  
DOCKET NUMBER 87466-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIRGINIA BATES ROWLETT who died Mar 19, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 24 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF VIRGINIA BATES ROWLETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
PEYTON LEE ROWLETT, JR.; EXECUTOR  
10937 FARRAGUT HILLS BLVD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES WATTS  
DOCKET NUMBER 87457-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES WATTS who died Dec 15, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the

Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 23 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF CHARLES WATTS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SONYA T HARRIS; EXECUTRIX  
1275 W PRESIDIO DR  
PUEBLO WEST CO 81007

BRADLEY S LEWIS ATTORNEY AT LAW  
10413 KINGSTON PIKE SUITE 200  
KNOXVILLE TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DEBORAH G WRIGHT  
DOCKET NUMBER 87362-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DEBORAH G WRIGHT who died Nov 22, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 17 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF DEBORAH G WRIGHT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
LARRY WAYNE WRIGHT  
SR; ADMINISTRATOR  
1701 DAWSON HOLLOW ROAD  
POWELL TN 37849

FIONA HILL ATTORNEY AT LAW  
550 W MAIN STREET SUITE 310  
KNOXVILLE TN 37902



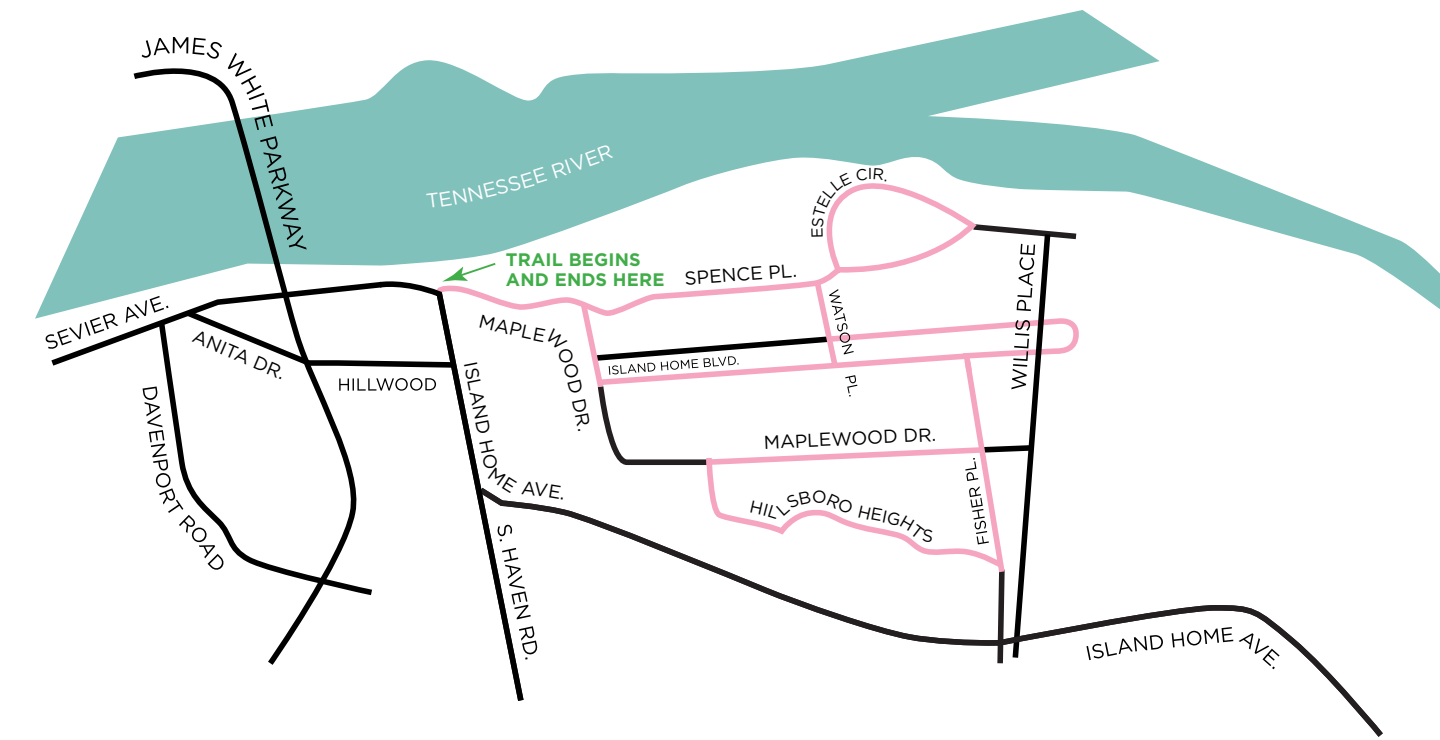
DOGWOOD ARTS SOUTH KNOXVILLE TRAILS

ISLAND HOME

**Established in the 1980s**  
2.5 Mile Trail begins at  
1906 Maplewood Drive (37920)

Historic Island Home Park Trail winds through a beautiful riverside neighborhood where abundant dogwood trees fill the boulevards and adorn the many cottage gardens.

Historic Island Home Park was developed as a streetcar suburb when interest in South Knoxville increased after the Gay Street Bridge, equipped with trolley tracks, was built in 1897-98. The original trolley turnaround at the entrance to the neighborhood served the first 1912 trolley line, connecting downtown to South Knoxville. Soon it traveled through the neighborhood along Island Home Boulevard, reversing at the top of Fisher Place. The entry columns, erected circa 1899, marked the perimeter of Island Home, the farm and summer home of wealthy merchant Perez Dickinson. His ‘Island Home’ farm covered 600 acres with 200 acres crisscrossed by white picket fences and was used as a model stock farm in



addition to his summer home. Dickinson’s Italianate home remains perched on the hill inside the campus of Tennessee School for the Deaf, the eastern boundary of Island Home Park.

Many of Island Home’s charming

homes and gardens were built during the first decades of the 20th century. Most of the original houses and streetscapes remain and the area is home to the city’s largest concentration of Bungalow-style houses. The use of river stone on piers and porches of classic bungalows is unique

to the neighborhood, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Throughout this vibrant neighborhood, stately old trees and newer replacements for dogwoods and hardwoods lost after 100 years create a lovely landscape.

DOGWOOD ARTS  
HIKES & BLOOMS

Whether on a greenway through a historic park or on a natural trail through the woods, you will observe historic relics and beautiful wildflowers among the dogwood trees at Hikes & Blooms! The interactive hikes will highlight interesting facts, features and flora in the unique locations. Hikers should wear comfortable clothing and bring any water or snacks they might need.  
Pre-registration required.

Norris State Park - Norris River Bluff Trail

Friday, April 7 | 10 AM  
Led by Happy Hikers: Carlene LeCompte & Brenda Therry  
*\*\*Email vbaumgartner@dogwoodarts.com to register*  
Easy three-mile hike; hiking poles recommended. The River Bluff Trail is one of the best spring wildflower hikes in the area. There are huge masses of trout lilies, purple phacelia, hepatic, spring beauties, several types of trillium, twinleaf, violets, celandine poppy, and many other early spring blooms.

Directions - Take I-75 to Exit 122. Turn right on Hwy 61, then left on Hwy 441. The Lenoir Museum (green building) is located on the right (restrooms available here). Cross the dam and take second road on left; immediately turn left again on to the road for the River Bluff TVA Small Wild Area which will wind down to the parking area and trailhead. Meet at Trailhead at 10:00.

Dogwood Arts Hike at Seven Islands

Seven Islands State Birding Park  
Saturday, April 8 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
*\*\*Email stephanie.mueller@tn.gov to register*  
Join park staff for a guided hike along the trails of Seven Islands State Birding Park! Participants will learn about the conservation efforts at the park focused on birds and native plants. The hike will be an easy-moderate difficulty 2.5-mile hike. This is a free hike but, if you would like to, donations to the park are welcome! This hike will leave the Bluebird Barn area at 10:00 a.m. Please bring bottled water for yourself and comfortable shoes and clothes appropriate for the weather.

SOUTH KNOXVILLE OPEN GARDENS  
& CAMERA SITES

CHAPMAN HIGHWAY

**Berry Funeral Home**  
Camera Site  
3704 Chapman Highway, 37920

**Charmaine Nichols & Mitchell Ruff**  
Camera Site  
204 Sarvis Drive, 37920

**Owen & Maggie Tharp**  
Open Garden  
202 Maple Loop Rd, 37920  
*Affectionately dubbed ‘the Magic Garden,’ this over 40 species food forest is designed to make you rethink what defines a landscape plant. Edible plants are interspersed with insect-loving flowers to mimic a natural setting. With beauty and usefulness in mind, this garden’s spring bloomers hosts edibles such as serviceberries, apples, blueberries, and garlic alongside heavily fragrant hyacinth.*

**Marcia Doyle**  
Camera Site  
113 Lake Forest Circle, 37920

**Tommy Ballard**  
Open Garden  
2301 Goff Rd, 37920  
*‘Heaven Scent’ features 350+ different colors of Iris.*

LAKEMOOR HILLS

**Lakemoor Legacy Park and Gardens**  
Open Garden  
Circle Lake Ln., 37920  
*Located at the end of Circle Lake Lane, this little gem in the heart of the neighborhood provides a quiet sanctuary for people to enjoy native plants in a certified wildlife habitat. The park is also home to a rain garden demonstration project.*

**Bill Stoess & Mary Cartwright**  
Open Garden  
4000 Maloney Road, 37920  
*Beautiful riverside property with over 47 varieties of flowering trees and shrubs, perennials, and evergreens. ‘Honeysuckle Hideout’ is a special place for kids to experience nature and indulge in play.*

**Dick & Ann Graf**  
Open Garden  
3505 Bluff Point, 37920  
*Stunning river and city views from atop this lovely garden setting.*

**David & Sharon Gerkin**  
Open Garden  
2300 Lakemoor Drive, 37920

**George Denninger**  
Open Artist Studio  
2109 Manor Dr., 37920  
OPEN: April Saturdays: 10AM - 5PM  
*Art will be displayed in the artist’s home studio/patio (as weather permits) and is available for purchase.*

ISLAND HOME

**Monte & Ann Whitney Stanley**  
Open Garden  
3029 Davenport Road, 37920  
Driveway north of Stanley’s Greenhouse  
*Spring blooming shrubs, trees, and flowers. Nature trail surrounds the large pond.*

**Lance Dean & Jeannette Bouchard**  
Camera Site  
2128 Island Home Boulevard, 37920

**Rocky Stanley**  
Camera Site  
2100 Spence Place, 37920

**Craig & Sue Wrisberg**  
Camera Site  
2125 Spence Lane, 37920

LEGAL & PUBLIC  
NOTICES

City of Knoxville Parks & Recreation Hikes

For more information email [ghoward@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:ghoward@knoxvilletn.gov) or call 865.215.1709

Fort Dickerson/Augusta Quarry (2.5-3 Miles)  
APRIL 6 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at Fort Dickerson Quarry Upper Parking

Ijams Nature Center - Hickory Trail (4 Miles)  
APRIL 13 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at 3518 Island Home Pike, 37920

Holston River Park (2.4 Miles)  
APRIL 20 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at 3490 Holston Hills Rd, 37914

Island Home Park to Ijams (3.2 Miles)  
APRIL 27 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at 2225 Estelle Circle, 37920

Cecil Webb Recreation Center (1.75 Miles)  
MAY 4 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at 923 Baker Avenue, 37920

Anderson School (3.5-4.5 Miles)  
MAY 11 | 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
Meet at 4808 Prospect Road, 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARTHA D WYRICK  
DOCKET NUMBER 87460-3  
Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MARCH 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARTHA D WYRICK who died Dec 24, 2022, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent’s date of death.  
This the 24 day of MARCH, 2023.

ESTATE OF MARTHA D WYRICK  
  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JACK A CORNETT, EXECUTOR  
10915 SOLWAY SCHOOL ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931

JANE KAUFMAN JONES ATTORNEY AT LAW  
8517 KINGSTON PIKE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:  
  
Bid 3382, Bleacher Repair Services, due 5/4/23;  
Bid 3397, Plumbing Services, due 5/3/23  
  
For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: [www.knoxcounty.org/procurement](http://www.knoxcounty.org/procurement). To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com).

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Knox County Investment Committee shall meet on Thursday, April 13, 2023 from 2:30- 4:00 p.m. on the 6th Floor Commission Conference Room in the City-County Building.  
**AGENDA**  
1. Call to Order.  
2. Approval of Minutes from January 2023 Meeting.  
3. Trustee’s Report.  
4. Review of investment portfolio performance

of bond proceeds and other funds invested with Raymond James.  
5. Discussion.

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of Floyd’s Wrecker Service Inc. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at public auction to be held on: Thursday April 27th, 2023 10:00am, at 135 Hawthorne Ave. Knoxville, TN 37920.  
2015 CHEVY 1G11C5SL1FU124675  
1998 CHEVY 1GCDT19X5WK132621  
2008 HONDA 1HGFA16878L081763  
2012 NISSAN 1N4AL2AP6CC240035  
2006 TOYOTA 5TDZT38A76S278560  
2015 CHRYSLER 1C3CCCAB9FN693107  
2002 DODGE 1D7HA18232J193031  
1995 FORD 1FTFE15N3SLA9486  
2002 FORD 1FMYU04121KF78757  
2006 FORD 1FAFP53226A212519  
2010 HONDA 2HGFA1F59AH530935  
2005 HONDA 5FNRL38785B107856  
1989 HONDA 1HGCAG182KA057817  
1998 HONDA 1HGEJ7227WL078228  
2000 HONDA 1HGC225XYA011463  
1997 HONDA JHMRA1864VC020923  
2014 HONDA 2HKYF18504H560293  
2002 LINCOLN 1LNHM97V92Y612937  
1998 NISSAN 4N2ZN112WD806586  
1997 NISSAN JN1CA21D6VT841014  
2011 NISSAN JN8AS5MVXBW270004  
2006 PONTIAC 1G2ZM151164123105  
2005 TOYOTA 5BDZT34A75S253923  
2007 VW WVVBR71KX7W274840  
1998 BUICK 1G4HR52K9WH461630

2006 BMW WBAVB1356BKX41776  
2006 CHEVY 2G1WT58KX69122103  
2008 CHEVY 3GCEK133286271810  
2008 CHEVY 1G1ZH57BX8F181744  
2012 CHRYSLER 1C3CCB6G3CN226828  
2008 CHEVY 1G1ZG57B18F266989  
NA DUMPSSTER NA  
2004 DODGE 1D4HB48N04F164939  
1995 DODGE 1B7G626X9SW905248  
2002 DODGE 3D7HA18N626151063  
1997 FORD 1FMFU18L6VLA21178  
2018 FORD 3FADP4B3J0J119911  
2016 FORD 3FADP4G76M148554  
2002 FORD 1FAFP38382W144794  
2003 FORD 2FMAZ53423BA18417  
1998 HONDA 1HFSC3701WA002260  
2003 HONDA 1HGCC65632A032165  
2013 HONDA 5NPEB44C4D0720409  
2000 HONDA 1HGEJ8248YL016654  
2000 JEEP 1J4FA5898YF20457  
2015 KIA KNDJN2A21F7167145  
1998 MERCURY 2MEFM75W1WX684196  
2019 NISSAN 3N1AB7AP2KY357680  
2006 PONTIAC 1G2ZG558064143941  
2004 SUZUKI KL5JD5223K048402

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owner or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and claims being held on the storage lot of Ogles Wrecker Service located at 4401 Asheville Hwy. Failure to claim these vehicles will be a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to sell vehicles.  
09 CHEVY IMPALA VIN# 2G1WC5EM7A1132200  
09 DODGE JOURNEY VIN# 3D4GG57V79T217461