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Travis Wright Running for District 8 School Board Seat

By Focus Staff

Travis Wright has announced he is a candidate for the Knox County Board of Education 8th District seat held by Mike McMillan in the Republican primary. Mr. McMillan recently announced he was not seeking reelection.

The 8th District is the largest in terms of land mass in Knox County, encompassing all East and Northeast Knox County.

Asked why he wanted to serve on the Knox County Board of Education, Travis Wright said, "A good students to have the best opporproductive and happy members of society.

"I think the great majority of parents in the 8th District feel the same way."

who attends Gibbs Middle School.

Wright says parents have no and minds and financially" than in their children and he believes parents should have a big say in

education matters and I want all how their children are educated. Wright says parents face many tunities they can get to become challenges in today's world that members of the board of education need to always remember. "I think the school board needs to always keep in mind who pays for everything," Wright says. "Par-Wright has a 13-year-old son ents are also taxpayers and that's what keeps the schools running."

"I think board members need greater investment of "hearts" to remember there are a large number of parents who are working very hard to keep their homes warm, food on the table, and their

children clothed," Wright said. "Those people need to always have their voices heard and if I am elected, I will do my very best to represent their views."

Wright also stresses his belief in parental rights. "Good parents have their hearts and minds completely invested in their children," Wright explains. "Parents need to be involved in the education of their children. Parents have expectations about what their children watch or read. Things

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Travis Wright



Attendees enjoy food and fellowship at Tuesday's Three Rivers Republican Club Christmas Party. Pictured left - right: Terri Reece, Kenny Boatman, Focus columnist Ray Hill, Focus publisher Steve Hunley, Michael Cates and 8th District School Board candidate Travis Wright.

Three Rivers Republicans celebrate Christmas

By Ken Lay

Christmas was in the air Tuesday night as the Three Rivers Republican Club celebrated the holiday season at its Christmas party Tuesday night at Marbledale Baptist Church in Strawberry Plains.

Club members and guests, which included several county leaders and political candidates, enjoyed a holiday dinner with ham, macaroni and cheese, corn, sweet potatoes and fried okra. Of course, no party would be complete without a dessert table full of cakes, pies and cookies.

The party was a charity fundraiser by the club. Members and guests also brought unwrapped toys, which will be donated to Mission of Hope and the Isaiah 1:17 House.

The club also had a silent auction. The highlight of the evening, however, was a cake auction, hosted by emcee, guest auctioneer, entertainer and East Tennessee native Phil Campbell.

Campbell, the son of East Tennessee entertainment legend Archie Campbell, has recently retired from show business and opened his appearance



Cake Auction at Tuesday's Three Rivers Republican Club Christmas Party. Proceeds from the auction and toy drive go to Mission of Hope and the Isaiah 1:17 House.

with a few jokes.

"I'm retired and I'm happy to be back. I'm an tioneer. I just have a big East Tennessee native," Campbell said. "I'm from Tennessee, where the men Club President Chuck Fraare men and the women zier said he was pleased win National Champion-

He also exhibited a self- out and we have presents deprecating side of his that we're donating to both

"I'm not a trained auc-

mouth.' Three Rivers Republican

with the evening's event. "We had a great turn-

personality as he noted: Mission of Hope and the Isaiah 1:17 House," Frazier

Knox County Republican Party Chairman Buddy Burkhardt announced that the party's website www. knoxcountyrepublicanparty.com/ has been officially launched and is fully operational.

Campaigns in motion for 2024 elections

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

2024 will be a heavy political year as voters will pick a U.S. President, House and state House representatives, Senate members, a Knox County Criminal Court Judge, commission members, a law director, a property assessor, school board members and two Town of Farragut board members.

The filing deadline for the March 5 primary election was Thursday at noon and the Knox County ballot will have more than 40 folks on the ballot seeking county seats. Thurscandidates to withdraw and Justin Hirst from the races.

I. Sanchez stands alone ney Durrett is alone in in his bid to retain his

position as Criminal Court Judge, Division II, District

Early voting for the local primary races is set to begin on February 14. The races for the seven open **Knox County Commission** seats are drawing a lot of attention as both Republicans and Democrats choose their candidates. Independent candidates will not appear on the primary ballot but will show up in the General Election.

District 1: The race to replace Democrat Dr. Dasha Lundy has four primary candidates with Democrats Evelyn Gill and Damon L. Rawls competday, December 21 is the ing. In the Republican prilast day for prospective mary are Charles Frazier

District 2: Incum-Only incumbent Hector bent Democrat Court-

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Council OKs Young-Williams for animal control

By Mike Steely Senior Writer steelym@knoxfocus.com

Janet Testerman's final Knoxville City Council meeting saw the passage of transferring all animal care in the city to Young-William Animal Center, which she directs, but only after several amendments to the agreement.

One of the most discussed changes was removing the center as a voting member of the Animal Control Board and giving it a seat there in an advisory capacity instead. The new agreement removes animal response from the police and sheriff's departments except when requested, funds the center's effort for five years and transfers the animal control build-

ing and vehicles to YWAC.

Testerman pledged to hire and train response personnel and be ready for duties on April 1.

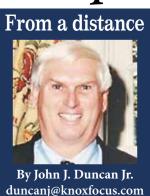
Councilwoman Lauren Rider led the effort to alter the initial agreement and had told Testerman, in a previous meeting, that she should not be CEO of the center and, at the same time, serve on the Animal Control Board.

"No member will be an employee or affiliate of the Young-William Animal Center," was the new language and Testerman said, "That's reasonable."

Both City Police Chief Paul Noel and Knox County Sheriff Tom Spangler supported the idea of transferring animal calls to Young-Williams, freeing up their departments from that duty.

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I Hope Everyone Has A Merry Christmas



Next Monday will be Christmas Day, and I hope everyone has one of the best Christmases they have ever had.

Last year, I wrote a column about the night my grandson, Beau, corrected the preacher during the Christmas Eve service at Eastminster Presbyterian Church.

Beau was probably only seven or eight years old at the time, and he had gone forward for the children's sermon. The preacher said, "Boys and girls, there is a song which says Christmas is the most

won-won-wonderful time of somehow worked out. the year." Beau then piped up, much to my great surprise, and said "It is not the most wonderful time it is the hap-hap-happiest

I hope this is a very happy time for you and your family. But I have read and heard that it can be a very sad or even depressing time for many people.

Very early in my adult life, I realized that everybody gets hurt by life. Everybody needs help at times during their lives, and during my career as a lawyer, judge and congressman - and even at times in my retirement - many people have come to me for help.

I never promised or guaranteed anyone anything other than that I would try hard to help them. I have seen things that I thought would be easy that became extremely difficult. I also saw things that I thought would be impossible that

We have a human-run system, and I knew that if I contacted someone to ask for help for one of my constituents, if they were in a good mood they might do almost anything I asked. But if they were in a bad mood for some reason, they might not be helpful.

I said several times that my main goal was to try to help as many people as I could for as long as I could. And I can assure you that over 99% of the people I have helped never contributed to any of my political campaigns. I have spoken to many

thousands of students over the years, and I have often told them that life is filled with far more good times than bad - maybe 95% good, 5% bad - but everyone gets hurt in some really

I have told the young people to try to work on their faith, especially when be prepared for those bad times that hit everyone.

For anyone who is having a very difficult time now, I would strongly recommend the entire 34th Psalm. Psalm 34:6 says "This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles."

Psalm 34:18-19 says "The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all." All of us worry about

almost everything important in our lives. But I once heard a minister say that a friend of his had lived a life of terrible tragedy, almost none of which had ever happened.

We are blessed beyond belief to live in this country. I read not long ago that almost half the people in the world have to get by on

times are good so they will \$4.00 or less a day, and that about three-fourths have to get by on less than \$10.00 a day.

> Over these last couple of months, I have felt so sorry for the people of Gaza. One report said there may be as many as 20,000 killed when all the bodies are retrieved from under all the rubble of bombed buildings, with possibly twothirds being women and children.

> Two million have been made homeless, and those who are still alive are having to search desperately every day for food, water and a place to sleep. Thousands of children have been denied even rudimentary medical care and medicine. We need to all pray for these people, very few of whom had anything to do with Hamas.

My Iowa grandfather, Dr. Jacob Swisher, wrote poetry as a hobby. I have a framed copy of a poem he

wrote entitled "Blessings Everywhere". That poem starts out this way:

"'Seek and you shall find' is a phrase we often hear. Seek the good and you will find it, for it is often very near. Seek the blessings that are near you and blessings far away. Then at evening you'll be grateful for the blessings of the

This Christmas, if you feel lonely or the Christmas music makes you feel sad, play the old Nat King Cole version of the song "Smile" and make that your theme song. That song says "When there are clouds in the sky, you'll bet by if you smile through your fear and sorrow. Smile and maybe tomorrow you'll see the sun come shining through for you."

Merry Christmas.

My University of Georgia Commencement Address

among the first to congratulate all of you on your achievement that of graduating from this wonderful university. You are joining an extended family of proud Georgia graduates – and

that pride will grow as you age. I am proud of this university and of my youngest granddaughter, Haley Savannah Rose, who is a member of this class. The university has come a long way from when I first arrived as a freshman in 1962. The society was still segregated so much so that I had never had a conversation with a white person before arriv-

My windows in Reed Hall window crew came by every with all the Confederate

three times. Firecrackers were put into the slats in the door. My bathroom was By Dr. Harold A. Black sabotaged. There was always gum haroldblackphd.com

to be dug out of my keyhole. The first time I went swimming in the university's pool, they kicked everyone out and drained it. I went back the next day. Although I got five band scholarships out of high school, I was not allowed to be in the "Dixie" Redcoat Marching Band. I was the only one of us to go to the football games where I was often the only black in the stadium not carrying a broom or a mop. It was were broken so often that a like a Ku Klux Klan rally

morning. Lighter flags. After the national fluid was squirt- anthem, the band played ed under my door Dixie and I sat. Debris and curses rained down upon me but I refused to stand. Dean Tate seemingly materialized out of nowhere to gather student ID cards. By the third game, I could sit in peace. My father told me that I would not have any friends. But at our first dorm meeting, the three boys directly in front of me turned around and asked if they could sit with me. They became steadfast friends even though they were constantly harassed. Am I bitter? No. To quote Stevie Wonder: "You can always look at the negative but you should always live in the positive So I try every day to live that way." I hope you do that as well. All of us who came here focused on our objectives and shut out all the noise. My parents

said to not let others discourage you and to ignore those who tried. They said to find your limits and when you do, to find someone who could help you push past them. I embraced that here at Georgia and in my career. I encourage you to

do the same. The university has come a long way, not just racially but also academically. My degree is more valuable because of what this university has accomplished over these 60 years. The true purpose of a university is to help you learn how to learn, to think critically, to investigate, to gather and process information in order to make more rational informed decisions. Conclusions can differ because information more times than not yields contradictory results. Your what you believe. But just because your conclusions might differ from others it does not mean you can claim "truth" unless you explore the truth value of contrary evidence. Don't be dogmatic. I say, "Prove me wrong and I'll adopt your opinion."

Work hard. To paraphrase Thomas Edison: Success is one percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration. Life is a challenge. The world is made up of three types: the two percent who make things happen, the eight percent who know what's happening and the 90 percent who haven't a clue as to what's happening. The university and its education cannot put you into the two percent but it can put you into the eight percent provided

by what you cherish and lazy. Unfortunately even with information being so readily available too many of us are intellectually lazy and will be relegated to the 90 percent. If you are intellectually curious and hard working you may get to the two percent. Look around you. Look at your extended family. Alma mater means "foster mother." Alumni means foster children. Understand that I do not care what you look like. I don't care if you are black, brown, white, red, yellow or shades in between. What I do care about is your character, your desire to get better, your desire to make a difference and your humanity. So welcome to the family. Go forth. Make



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us proud. Again, congratulations, and Go Dawgs. truth is guided in large part you are not intellectually Matlock Tire Service celebrates



70 years in business The Matlock Tire Farragut location at 10730 Kingston Pike hosted an Open House on Wednesday, December 13 thanking customers for continuing to choose them for their tire and auto service needs. All those in attendance enjoyed breakfast, coffee and giveaways. Among those present were (left to right) Tim Williams, Terry Goodwin and company owner and President Jimmy Matlock. All three of these gentlemen have been with the company since the 1970s. Congratulations to all the folks at Matlock Tire for 70 years of providing East Tennesseans with quality auto service.

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Woke College Presidents Are **Hypocrites**

Anyone who saw the performances of the three college presidents before the congressional committee attempting to address the shocking and still rising antisemitism on their respective campuses have to be repulsed and puzzled. The utter failure of those college and university presidents, supposedly civilized and well educated women, to condemn the genocide of the Israeli people is proof positive of the moral rot left in the wake of the DEI (Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion) culture. Each of the college presidents carefully parsed out their language and despite repeated opportunities to denounce the wholesale persecution of Jews on their campuses and support for genocide against the Israelis, never

The fact the antisemites would suddenly invoke the right of free speech is both astonishingly hypocritical and immoral. Harvard in particular can no longer even pretend to be what it once was. Once one of the most prestigious citadels

once chose to condemn it.

now a cesspool of Leftist propaganda and nothing more. Harvard was recently ranked dead last amongst colleges and universities for permitting free speech, according to the Foundation of Individual Rights and Expression (FIRE), which surveyed 55,102 students. The students at 254 different universities and colleges were asked how comfortable they felt in expressing their opinions publicly on their respective campuses, as well as how much support they felt from the administrators of their respective college or university. The top five schools in the expression of free speech were Michigan Technological University, Auburn University, the University of New Hampshire, Oregon State University, and Florida State University.

The bottom five were, in order, Fordham University, Georgetown University, the University of South Carolina, the University of Pennsylvania, and dead last, Harvard University. Harvard was the only school in the survey to achieve an "abysmal" campus free speech climate. 27% of students surveyed stated they believed using violence to stop a campus speech is, at least sometimes, acceptable.

Claudine Gay, a Black woman, would no more tolerate anti-Black racism or the like. Harvard's Iron Curtain would come crashing down at the mere whiff of prejudice against any number of groups, LGBTQ, Black, Palestinians, trans or any number of others. But NOT on behalf of Jews. In fact, the very same campus leaders and professors who

sity the capitol of anti-free speech in the United States raised the banner of free speech in an attempt to protect their right to antisemitism. The same logic would allow the Ku Klux Klan to march on Cambridge and say whatever they liked.

They claim the right to free speech, which they extend to no one else but themselves just like the

Republicans Need To Learn To Work **Together**

Democrats in Congress have no trouble sticking together, perhaps one reason why is there is very little divergence of view in their caucus. Democrats who oppose abortion are as scarce as hen's teeth and their party is becoming increasingly moved to the Left. There really isn't much difference between the political philosophy and that of the radical leftists that make up the "Squad."

Unfortunately, Democrats aren't the worst enemies of Republicans in Washington, D.C. Republicans are the worst enemies of fellow Republicans in Washington and that is a virus that has been spreading for sometime. Some Republicans compete with one another as to who is the most conservative, oftentimes times when there is simply a matter of degree in a difference of opinion. Things have become quite difficult for Republicans precisely because of an element of fellow Republicans who seem to live by the notion "rule or ruin." If

of higher education, it is have made Harvard Univer- aren't driving the car, they would rather drive it off a cliff, or simply blow it up with all occupants aboard. They seem to have the same mindset as an Islamic terrorist; blow yourself up along with your enemies, and you will go straight to paradise. Oddly, it never seems to

occur to these people just who benefits the most from this policy of rule or ruin: the Democrats. The GOP majority in the House continues to shrink in advance of the 2024 elections following Speaker Kevin McCarthy having been deposed, not by Democrats, but rather by Republicans. Now some Republicans are grumbling about Speaker Mike John-

The rule or ruin crowd never seems to realize the ultimate goal is to get something done, to pass something that helps the American people. That will never happen when the Republicans are too busy fighting amongst themselves. The terrible excesses and foolish policies inflicted by Joe Biden need to be rolled back, but it's not going to happen when House Republicans bicker, fight, and name call one another. The same thing happens in GOP primaries where a collection of loud and proud self-appointed far right Republicans feel they are the final say in deciding which candidate is the conservative candidate. Many of those same folks have not spent their lives working in the party vineyards, nurturing the party, funding it and supporting its candidates. It's time to remember, any jackass can kick down a barn, but it takes a

carpenter to build one.

Three Rivers Republican Club Dinner A Huge Success

The Three Rivers Republican Club has been growing nicely. Easily the largest Republican club in Knox County, the club just celebrated Christmas with a ham dinner and all the trimmings. The Three Rivers Republican Club is a combination of the 8th and 9th Districts and once the two came together, it has become the largest and fastest growing GOP club in Knox County.

Chancellor Bud Armstrong, County Commissioner-at-Large Larsen Jay, Law Director David Buuck, County Clerk Sherry Witt, State Senator Becky Duncan Massey, Criminal Court Clerk Mike Hammond, Trustee Justin Biggs, and Republican State Executive Committeeman Brian Hornback were among the elected officials to attend and join the festivities. There was a dessert auction to raise money for charity, which included numerous Bundt cakes while Travis Wright, an announced candidate for the Knox County Board of Education from the 8th District circulated through the crowd greeting friends. Barry Neal, candidate for the Knox County Commission in the 9th District did the same. Adam Thompson, a newly declared candidate for the **Knox County Commission** from the 8th District, was spotted having fun talking to folks. Buddy Burkhardt, GOP party chair, and Janis Crye, vice chairman of the

Knox County Republican Party were on hand to participate and wish friends a Merry Christmas. Longtime South Knoxville businessman Herman Goddard and his lovely wife helped to represent the GOPers from south of the river. Doug Beeler from Ritta and Alan Branch from Riverdale also attended.

The crowd filled up the vast fellowship hall at Marbledale Baptist Church. By any standard, the meeting was a great success and folks had a wonderful time of greeting old friends and making new ones.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

It seems this year has flown by with incredible speed and here we are once again in the midst of the Christmas Season. The Knoxville Focus wants to wish you and your family a joyous Holiday Season and a very Merry Christmas! We have been blessed by the fact you pick up our newspaper every week, that you read our stories and have made our columnists so notable. A few of our columnists are almost as widely read in Washington, D.C., and Nashville as they are here, but it is because of you our newspaper has been successful and we thank you from our hearts.

We hope you are blessed throughout this most holy of seasons and that the New Year will bring you and your family every good thing.

Knox County in good fiscal shape

Paid for by The Committee to Elect Jackie Raley

By Mike Steely

Knox County Financial Director Chris Caldwell told the Audit Committee last week that the county is in good financial shape as he reported on the last three months. Caldwell said the county is \$3.8 million ahead of last year.

"We're outpacing what we've seen," he said, adding that while the received wheel tax revenue is down and the property

taxes that were paid is fairly flat, the overall revenue is up.

Caldwell said that the local sales tax funds are about 4.59% above last year. He cautioned that the funds expected next year from the state may only increase by about one percent. He said that collection of delinquent taxes are up and that interest from bank investments is up as well, at about 4.5%.

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need to be age-appropriate at all times."

they aren't in charge, if they

The 44-year-old businessman is a big believer quality for someone aspiring to serve on the Knox County Board of Education. "Board members need to look to the future because the future of our children is entirely in front of them," Wright insists. "We have to think ahead and while we should acknowledge the past, we need to always be thinking about tomorrow.

"My family has always taught me to give back to my community and I intend to do that," Wright said.

Wright said is ready to be an advocate for the 8th Dis-

in looking to the future and comprise the 8th Dis- in Corryton. Wright grad-Corryton, Ritta, Skaggston, Sunnyview, Hills, Fort Sumter, Dora Kennedy, Thorngrove, Shannondale, Chilhowee and Ellistown-Arminda. The 8th District needs a representative who will represent the 8th District and all of Knox County on the board of education," Wright said. "I believe a representative owes his or her best efforts on behalf of those who elected him or her. That's who I will speak

and work for, the people for boys 12-13 years old. who elected me."

Travis Wright Running for District 8 School Board

"The communities that District, having been born School. began his working career at First Tennessee Bank and eventually started his own business, Informed Logic.

> Wright coaches two baseball teams; the Base Knox Royals, which Wright started about three years ago

Wright also is a volunteer Travis Wright has been a baseball coach for boys life-long resident of the 8th that attend Gibbs Middle

Early voting runs through thinks that's a very useful trict include Gibbs, Carter, uated from the University February 14-27, 2024, and of Tennessee in 2002 and election day is on March 5, 2024. The primaries for local offices such as the Knox County Board of Education and County Commission will be held in conjunction with the presidential preference primaries.



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Merit board, county commission regulation talks continue By Mike Steely

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The Knox County Sheriff's Office Employee's Merit System Board of Directors and the Knox County Commission continued to struggle to find common ground last week. Four of the seven board members had voted to ask the commission to revise the new policy inhibiting board members from publically supporting political candidates.

The current policy, adopted two years ago, prohibits board members from wearing candidate clothing, raising funds and placing political signage in their yards. The former merit council butted heads with the Knox County Sheriff over what employee grievances they could hear and some members openly supported a candidate

One former chairperson, Gina Oster, ran for commission while serving on the council and was elected. The current commission responded to the turmoil of the former council by adopting several new policies to reform that body.

One of those policies prohibits the unpaid volunteer members, each approved by the commission, from openly supporting sheriff candidates or any other candidate while

serving. The policy was upheld said the policy does not prohiblast Monday when Commissioner Larsen Jay, who basically wrote the reform policies, moved to deny a resolution that would have removed the political restrictions.

Jay said the political retractions were installed "to protect our officers from politics." "What is now broken that

needs fixing and how does this benefit our officers?" Jay asked merit board member and attorney John Valliant. Valliant had led the effort to

overturn the new policies calling them "unconstitutional" and said the commission doesn't have the power to restrict free speech. Oster said the merit board is the only committee to be so restricted and called on Merit Chairman Christopher Manning to speak. Manning did so but, when

asked about the 4-3 vote by the board to change the rules and permit political involvement, he said he voted against the pro-

"All the members knew the rules. If they don't agree they can step down and get involved," Commissioner Kyle Ward said of public political involvement. Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers confirmed the commission's powers to make rules for the Merit Board. He

it members from taking part in partisan meetings and clubs or voting.

Commissioner Courtney Durrett made a substitute motion to move the issue to today's commission meeting but that

Jay asked Valliant why he volunteered to join the merit board if he knew he would be restricted in political activity while serving. Valliant replied he hadn't read or understood the rules until after he became a member. The motion to deny open

political involvement by board members passed with Commissioners Jay, Ward, Rhonda Lee, Richie Beeler, John Schoonmaker and Carson Dailey voting to deny. Voting "No" were Commissioners Durrett, Oster, Rhonda Hill, Dasha Lundy and Kim Frazier.

The denial removed the resolution from today's regular commission meeting.

One rule amendment involving KCSO and the merit board policies did move on to today's meeting regarding the removal of the "three-day" policy on suspension of deputies and permitting pay to continue during a suspension.

Campaigns in motion for 2024 elections

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the Democratic Primary and the Republican is Debbie Phillips. Ethan Grantham seeks the office as an Independent.

District 4: The race to replace Republican Commissioner Kyle Ward has Republicans Garrett Holt and Liz Tombras facing off in that primary with Democrat Shane Jackson alone in his bid.

District 5: Looking to replace Republican John Schoonmaker are six candidates. The Republican candidates include Brad Hall, Angela Russell, Dale Skidmore, Toni S. Scott and Brian Walker. S. Arthur Moore stands alone on the Democratic primary ballot.

District 6: Commission Chairwoman Terry Hill and fellow Republican Julie McBee-Fritts face each other with Democrat Daniel Edward Green as the sole Democrat on that party's primary

District 8: Republicans looking to replace Commissioner and former Chairman Republican Richie Beeler are D.J. Corcoran, Kara Dailey and Adam Thompson. The sole Democrat in the primary is Charles V. Chandler.

District 9: Hoping to replace Republican Commissioner Carson Dailey are two fellow party members, Andy Fox and Barry Neal. The Democrats have Matthew Park in the primary and the Independent is Stacy Bryan Smith.

Assessor of Property: Two Republicans want to replace Republican Property Assessor Don Whitehead. They are Phil Ballard and Jackie Raley. Drew A. Harper is in the Democratic primary.

Law Director: Incumbent Republican David L. Buuck is challenged in that primary by Daniel A. Herrera. Jackson Fenner is the lone Democrat in the primary. School Board: Jennifer Owen is

seeking re-election on the District 2 seat as an Independent as is Pat Polis. The Democratic primary has only Anne Templeton. There is no Republican in that race. The District 3 race has three candidates wanting to replace

Daniel Watson. The Republicans

are Robert V. Daspit and Angie

Goethert. Democrat Patricia Fontenot-Ridley is alone in her party's primary. In the District 5 school board race is Republican Lauren Morgan. The Democrat Primary has Terrye Whitaker. Republican Renee Jackson apparently did not

deadline. Facing each other in the District 8 race to replace Republican Mike McMillan are Republicans Tommy Lakins and Travis Wright.

file her petition for the seat by the



Janet Testerman's final City Council meeting saw her honored for her service and her Young-Williams Animal Center was awarded a contract to respond to all animal control calls.

Council OKs Young-Williams for animal control

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Testerman told the council that members of the board have been in support of the revised agreement. The council voted to approve the revised agreement on an emergency basis, negating any need for a second reading.

In other action, the council voted to approve a \$70,000 purchase of two properties in Burlington where a new two-bay fire station may be built. The group also approved the funding of renovations at the current station in that community so it can be sold. Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie said the current station is too small and noted that closing an alley between the two properties is welcomed.

Mayor Indya Kincannon

noted that the new station is part of the Burlington and Magnolia Avenue Streetscapes projects. As part of those projects, the council also voted to give Knoxville Leadership Foundation a tax break on projects along Magnolia. One project includes the renovation of an existing building for housing and the construction of two new housing buildings.

Cornerstone Government Affairs Inc. was hired as the city's Washington, D.C., lobbying group and Fred D. (Tony) Thompson Jr. was rehired to lobby for the city in Nashville.

Outgoing Municipal Judge John Rosson JR. also spoke and noted the many people whom he met during his long career.



The late community activist and former council member Larry Cox was honored by Councilwoman Janet Testerman, Councilman Charles Thomas and the entire council. His wife, Brenda, accepted the honors.











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The Doctor is in

a weekly column by Dr. Jim Ferguson

The Christmas Message

great love.

Mother Teresa

Every year Becky and I begin our annual pilgrimage through our stack of Christmas movies. Like Holiday music, these timeless movie classics help us to get in the Christmas spirit. It's as if we're visiting old friends and memories are rekindled.

Some contend that we are in danger of losing the "reason for the season" because of our increasingly secular state and commercialism. Actually, I think these problems of modernity demonstrate the necessity of the Christmas message.

In this era of relativism, there could not be a dramatic contrast between what is right (Christ) and what is wrong (Hamas). And yet Ivy League presidents,

Not everyone can do the Squad and many great things, but everyone Progressive Democrats can do small things with have trouble stating that genocide, sexual atrocities and kidnapping are wrong. Folks, it's not hard to see the facade of relativism. That which is oppositional to the absolute goodness

> of God is wrong. I'm proud of my advanced academic degree from the University of Tennessee. And I'm glad I was educated to think instead of being indoctrinated with the lies of wokeness and political correctness. My education wasn't perverted by a socalled "elite" school groupthink ideology.

are wrong and can never be explained away or justified. The lvy Leagues have shown their colors and destroyed their brand. They deserve to be "Bud-Lighted" along with all the supporters of the Hamas savages. And though I've save Bud Light.

December 7th is a special day of remembrance for me. I've told the story before, but on that day in 1941, my father's ship, the aircraft carrier Yorktown, was three days out of Pearl Harbor when the Japanese attacked. My Dad was a 22-year-old naval aviator and probably would have been killed in the attack because the Japanese were looking for carriers, but had to settle for battleships like the Arizona. As a result, I might never have been born.

The sense of what's right is never in question with Frank Capra movies like "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" or "It's a Wonderful Life." And at this time of the year, I reflect on George Bailey and what he learned from the ingenious plan devised by his guardian angel, Clarence. Life is precious. I think about all that is lost because of untimely death. Even the word "untimely" is Antisemitism and racism challenging.

I have a few early Christmas gifts and suggestions for you. Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" is a timeless classic with many adaptations. Please try the 1999 movie starring Patrick Stewart as Ebenezer Scrooge. Stewart seen Budweiser's latest is not over the top with his

commercial attempt to British elocution, but just his tight schedule. rescue their brand, not enough to be authentic. even Peyton Manning can And the movie captures 19th century London and the timeless story of a transformed soul.

> And while I'm "gifting," go to YouTube and listen to the hauntingly beautiful Christmas carol, "I Wonder as I Wander." Fragments of the carol were collected by John Jacob Niles when he heard a waifish young girl performing the song in Murphy, North Carolina, in 1933. Next, search and listen to Nancy Wilson's, "That's What I Want for Christmas," a non sacred homage to love and Christmas.

> Lastly, I shamelessly offer some last-minute Christmas gift suggestions or stocking stuffers. My novels, "Mantis" and "Epiphany," as well as a collection of my essays, "Well, What Did the Doctor Say?" are available at amazon.com (James V. Ferguson MD books)!

I embrace both the sacred aspects Christmas and the more secular, fun-filled activities of the Holidays. Why do we have to choose? Most of life is a continuum. Yes, there are rights and wrongs, but being kind, loving, and respectful of others and their traditions should not be debatable. And since there are many options for sacred Christmas Eve services, Santa Claus can keep

America is perhaps the most pluralistic culture on earth with 330 million opinions. There may be billions of people in China, but diversity is not a characteristic, nor is divergence from group-think tolerated by the communist masters. Europe is having lots of problems from Muslim immigration which is causing cultural shock waves in their historically homogeneous populations.

Problems of a different nature are evident in Democrat sanctuary cities which are struggling to deal with the financial issues of supporting ILLEGAL aliens, which they assumed would be other people's problems. You may be surprised to learn that "legal" immigration in America was closed for many years in the early 1900s to allow assimilation of European immigrants. The Democrat open border policy is a disaster and has set the stage for enmity between citizens and illegals. Assimilation means becoming an American citizen legally and learning English.

I believe humans are tribal and not inherently selfless. We can be made better with sufficient resources, laws, proper education and certainly religious precepts, but we are not perfectable. I doubt Mother Teresa would argue

this point with me.

In 1943 Abraham Maslow outlined a hierarchy of human needs, often depicted as a pyramid. Physiological needs like food, water, and even air are preeminent and occupy the base. Above these basic needs come subsequent levels of safety, then belonging and love, esteem, cognitive needs such as creativity, aesthetic pursuits like beauty, self-actualization where someone reaches their full potential and finally transcendence with spiritual connection. I think about the poor people in Gaza, Ukraine, the horn of Africa, American ghettos, and countless other places where people can't aspire to their full potential, let alone seek their Maker.

We live in an imperfect world and we are imperfect beings. I am blessed. And I know that I can't fix the world's problems. I don't feel guilty about that. What I feel is thankfulness and the desire to do my best and my duty to God, country and those I love and serve. This is my modification of the Boy Scout pledge.

The Christ, whose birthday we are celebrating, said, "To whom much is given, much is expected." And wise men still seek and listen for His message.

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What is your earliest memory of meeting Santa?

years old and on Christmas Eve my brother, sister and I were watching TV and begging to open presents. There was a knock at the back door and it was Santa!

He came in and did his "HoHoHo" and gave us each a gift. I learned years later that Santa was the teenage nephew of my stepfather but that memory of Santa coming into our house was a surprise and a childhood delight.

folks about their earliest ly convinced! I think I was

More Than A Day Away



memory of meeting or seeing Santa and got some

candy.

Laura K Kildare: I waited up all night because I just year... we had moved into a new house with a fireplace and it actually snowed. Heard a bump and there to my delight was a Dancerina doll. Didn't actually see I've asked a few other him, but was complete-

in Norris.

Caterina Angel Heatwole: When I was eight (1971) we (there were six kids) went to see Santa and I got a box Carson of eight big crayons and Dailey: Four a book about how Santa years old at began delivering gifts. my little sister asked him the Maryville The book was not new but where he got the "branch." Christmas I loved it. I still have the All six of us kids went into p a r a d e . book. Well, I actually gave Santa was it to my grandson 3 years handing out ago on his 8th Christmas. I read that book to so many children over the years.

My second best memory knew that this was the was when I was 10 (1973). My family moved to Cleveland, Tennessee, and it took all our money to get moved and the utilities turned on. My aunt worked at a large sewing factory and the workers sponsored my family for Christmas. We

or most fond around five. We were living had a Charlie Brown tree that year. We had lived years in Jellico where you went into the mountains and cut you a Christmas tree. My dad was gifted a little tree (barely 3 feet tall) and when he brought it in our own stuff and picked something to give each other. My aunt brought scrap material home and I made each sibling something. One of my brothers still has the pillow shaped like a car I made for him.

Judd Davis: My grandmother worked at Millers on Henley Street and I remember getting to go to the breakfast with Santa as a young child.

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Many of us remember when we first met Santa and some of us were too young, like my grandchild, pictured above.



Merry Christmas!

Christmas so special?

It could be singing the

treasured Christmas

carols and sharing

the birth of the Christ

child by going carol-

Christmas so special? It could be SNOW! Though a white Christmas in our area is rare, it certainly is special when there is one. It could be the Christmas tree decorated in multicolored lights, sparkling garland, and ornaments that bring back years

of memories. It could be the

Christmas cards with their beau-

tiful winter scenes and thought-

ful verses and the feeling of

friendship when opening them.

It could be the excitement that

the Christmas parades bring

with marching bands and festive



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ing. It could be those tasty treats like fudge, By Ralphine Major fruitcake, eggnog, and sugar cookies cut out in Christmas designs and

> topped with sprinkles. It could be dining with friends and family, opening gifts, and taking priceless pictures of one another. It could be quiet time at the end of the day while sitting by a crackling fire and counting the many blessings of the year.

> > of us are rather

True. All these things make What else makes Christmas special. But what makes Christmas most special is a place called Bethlehem, the manger, and the virgin birth--- the gift of God's Son who would one day die on a cross, rise again, and bring eternal life to those who believe--- the Savior, the King of Kings, the Prince of Peace. Without the birth of Jesus, there would be no Christmas. As the countdown to Christmas continues, may we remember to pray for our Tennessee neighbors who were devastated recently by deadly tornadoes and for peace in our country, in Israel, and around the world. God bless you and your family during this holy season. May you have a blessed,



Picture of a quiet and beautiful Christmas scene in Boston, Massachusetts, courtesy of Bryce Williams, Meteorologist, National Weather Service.

safe, and Merry Christmas!

Words of Faith: "For unto you is Luke 2:11 (KJV).

born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Busy Times

time of year for all of us. I used to have things that ate away at my time and kept me busy. These days, other people, organizations, and conditions demand my time, in addi-

occurrences.



golf balls around and just hang out together. Yes, we'd like to have better scores on joerector@comcast.net our cards after rounds, but being tion to some standard together is most important.

Jim and I also find plenty

Some of my time is spent of projects to keep us busy. with my brother Jim. We try Just today, we finished a

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to play golf once two-day job at his daugha week. Both ter's house. We cleaned a basement area at Mindy's. poor players, but Her house is an old one in it's fun to knock Fountain City with plenty of yucky stuff that has accumulated over the years. We emptied the place, tore out a dilapidated workbench, and rearranged items. I built her a worktable for the basement, and we placed it in a convenient place. None of the work was that important, but that "hanging out" was priceless. We've been doing the same thing since we were wild little twin boys.

> Aging has a way of eating up my spare time. I've visited doctors too many times this month. One trip had me in a chair at an ENT specialist. He checked me out, prescribed an antibiotic cream, and scheduled another visit in February for a check-up and a CT scan of

my nose and sinuses. This week I am visiting an imaging center for a lung scan. It's something that doesn't cost me a dime, and it offers a look for anything that might need attention. I also visited the eye doctor and received a prescription for new glasses.

Earlier this year, someone talked me into joining the church choir. I discovered that hitting low notes still is a challenge, but I don't do too badly. Besides, I've had fun working with the choir and the director Gage and the accompanist Paula, who keeps me in stitches during practice. I sang in the church choir during high school, and returning has been a blessing. I still might ask to join the praise band before long. That would take up even more time.

Christmas of course, is stunned every time I think every second I spend.

right around the corner. Amy and I will travel to Hendersonville for a few days to celebrate with our daughter Lacey and Nick and Madden. We also want to visit friends we made when we owned a condo down there. We'll return to Knoxville in time to celebrate Christmas with our son Dallas. Our menu for the day will be chili and tamales. My Christmas shopping is completed. Like most men, purchases are limited to ones for my wife; she stresses and deals with the rest of the shopping. I don't think she trusts me to do much more than pick up items she's

already bought. While we are in Hendersonville, Amy and I will celebrate our 49th anniversary. Next year will be the big one, but I'm

about my dear wife having put up with me for so long. I am not an easy person with whom to live; I have quirks that would drive most folks up the wall. Some years have been rougher than others, but overall, we still love each other and enjoy the time we have together.

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas. Your reading my thoughts and gripes and praises has blessed me more than anyone can imagine. I hope that the Good Lord allows me to continue to peck away on the computer and create an occasional piece that is special to readers. This is the one thing that takes my time but rewards me for

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mind. I slowly and quietly to bed now." room where our Christmas met him before....hmmm? tree was displayed and

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watched my mom making like my daddy. out with Santa!

poor eyes!

I remember clearly as George Bove: I was 8 and Santa glanced at me with 1/2 years old, completely his kind eyes and an incredsleepless with the thoughts ibly familiar voice saying, of Christmas racing in my "George, get your -ss back

snuck my way to the living I still feel like I may have

Deanne Charlton: I first then....my eyes, my poor, met Santa at an event in the basement of our It was so real and so Methodist church. He was incredibly revealing as I jolly and sounded exactly

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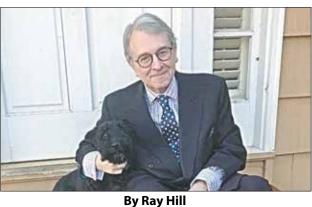
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The Tribune's Sentinel Charles Wayland Brooks

Pages from the Past



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From 1940 until 1949, Charles Wayland Brooks served in the United States Senate. A successful attorney who had fought in the First World War, Brooks was known to his friends as "Curly" because of his hair; TIME magazine had referred to Brooks as a "kinky headed" attorney in 1936. Indeed, when Curly Brooks became a candidate for public office, there were rumors he had Black ancestry because of his hair. Brooks was a Republican and like many of his fellow Midwesterners, was largely an isolationist in outlook. Brooks became known as the favorite Republican of Colonel Robert McCormick, owner of the Chicago Tribune, a newspaper Franklin D. Roosevelt had described as one of the "three furies

Brooks was the son,

grandson and great-grand-

son of ministers, grew up

on a farm and became

country.

a Marine. C. Wayland Brooks was attending the University of Illinois when America entered World War I. Brooks and his older brother, Russell, left to enlist. Brooks' exploits during the First World War made him a genuine hero who captured twenty-seven and returned to the United States with the rank of first lieutenant and a handful of medals. General John J. Pershing, head of the American Expeditionary Force pinned the distinguished service medal on Brooks' chest. While fighting near Soissons, an exploding shell blew off part of the future senator's left foot. Brooks returned home for surgery, which enabled him to once again use his left foot. "I came back from France determined to have something to say about running my government and determined that no American soldiers

From that time, C. Wayland Brooks became active in two organizations: the American Legion and the Republican Party. Brooks became a captain in his precinct and worked hard for the GOP. Brooks attended law school and became an assistant prosecutor in the state's attorney's office. It was the height of the era of Al Capone and Brooks was deemed utterly fearless in his pursuit of "Chicago kidnappers, bombers, murderers" and other criminals. It was C. Wayland Brooks who prosecuted Leo Brothers,

dered Jake Lingle, a report-

er for the Chicago Tribune.

should ever again be sent

to die in foreign lands."

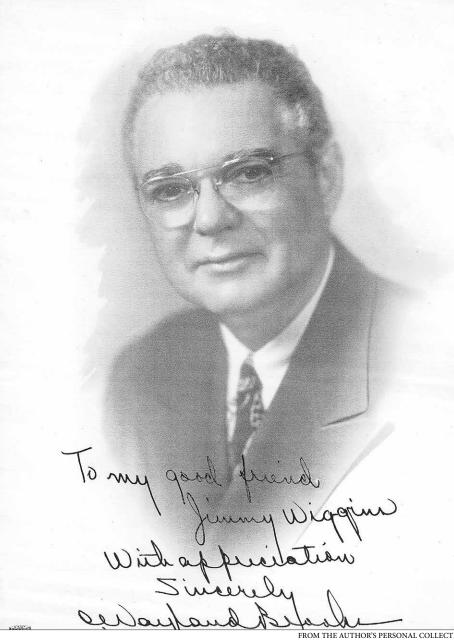
Curly Brooks made his first statewide campaign in 1932 when he ran for state treasurer. While Brooks and the rest of the GOP ticket lost in the Democratic landslide, Brooks was notable for at least having polled a goodly number of votes in a very bad year for Republican candidates. Two years later Brooks was campaigning for an at-large seat in the U.S. House of Representatives from Illinois. Only a flood of ballots from the corrupt Chicago machine in Cook County kept him out of Congress. In 1936, Brooks was the "good government" candidate inside the GOP primary to forestall the comeback bid of former Governor Len Small, who knew quite a bit about corruption himself. Brooks won the Republican nomof isolationism" in the ination easily but lost the general election in what was one of the best years Democrats had enjoyed in decades.

TIME magazine, owned and published by fervent internationalist Henry Luce, frequently derided Brooks as the Tribune's senator. The weekly magazine described Brooks as "an oldtime rabble-rouser, a flag-waving Billy Sunday orator who can jerk tears from any group of mothers a highly disliked political German soldiers manning with a recital of his own a machine nest by himself. World War I experiences..." Later, Brooks was serious- Paul Douglas, who sucly wounded seven times ceeded Brooks in the U.S. Senate, once described his day after Pearl Harbor to running the Chicago politirival as "a public speaker of great ability and persuasiveness." In April of 1939, J.

> Hamilton Lewis, the flamboyant senior United States senator from Illinois died unexpectedly. Governor Henry Horton appointed James Slattery to fill the vacancy. Slattery was a candidate to succeed himself for the six-year term in the 1940 special election. Curly Brooks won the GOP primary easily, beating Congressman Ralph Church. Colonel McCormick's Tribune reflected the publisher's thorough dislike of President Roosevelt and his administration, as well as his own Republicanism. Throughout the fall campaign between Brooks and Senator Slattery, the Tribune trumpeted the GOP senatorial candidate and pounded the Democrats. Brooks eked out a 20,000vote lead in more than 4 million ballots cast to win the election. Still, C. Wayland Brooks had been swimming against the tide as Franklin Roosevelt carried Illinois for the third time. During the campaign, Brooks had forthrightly opposed American

a gangster who had mur-The GOP candidate also had warned of the United

intervention in the Second



Autographed photo of Senator C. Wayland Brooks of Illinois.

help the Communist government of the Soviet Union. When C. Wayland Brooks died, one newspaper confessed Brooks had been "reviled by interventionists in both major parties, who were dominant in the financial and publishing fields." It was quite true. C. Wayland Brooks remained a special target of interventionists. Even after supporting the American war effort, Senator Brooks was figure on the part of many interventionists. They overreturn to the Marine Corps. The senator was politely told he could be more useful to his country in the United States Senate.

As a member of the U.S. Senate, C. Wayland Brooks had always been a strong proponent of building up America's own defenses and was an especially forceful advocate for a strong air force. Senator Brooks was popular amongst his Black constituents for his sponsorship of legislation that removed the poll tax from servicemen. That same legislation also enabled American servicemen to send mail without postage. Living in Chicago for his

law practice, C. Wayland Brooks looked forward to the times when he could retreat to the peace and quiet of his farm in LaSalle County on the Fox River. Brooks remained a

strong isolationist, as did many Midwestern senators and congressmen, until Pearl Harbor. Democrats targeted the GOP senator for defeat in the 1942 election for a full six-year term. Illinois Democrats chose Congressman Raymond McKeough as their senatorial nominee and Colonel McCormick promptly labeled the representative as "Small Potatoes

McKeough." In fairness,

McKeough was not likely

Democrats could have nominated but was the choice of Pat Nash and Chicago, the rulers of the Democratic machine. While in Congress, Raymond McKeough had only rarely spoken on the floor, sponsored no legislation of significance, and had largely been just another vote for the Roosevelt administration in the House. Once nominated, McKeough paid tribute to Patrick Nash, who had made a cal machine was Ed Kelly, who had risen from sewer worker to the mayor's office.

Brooks won reelection by more than two hundred thousand votes. Evidently, Brooks' service in the Senate took a toll on his marriage. Gertrude Ackerly Brooks sought a divorce in Reno in 1943. Three years later Brooks wed Mary Thomas Peavy, the daughter of the late John Thomas, U.S. senator from Idaho. Mrs. Peavy was a widow, her husband having been killed in a hunting accident. She brought two children to the marriage, which Brooks proudly claimed as his own. The senator also had a son from his first marriage, named for his brother, Russell. Wayland and Mary Brooks would become one of the most prominent "power" couples of their day as Mary, the daughter and wife of United States senators, understood politics as well as anyone. Eventually, she would be elected to the state Senate in her native Idaho. The couple remained married until C. Wayland Brooks'

death in 1957.

1948 for a second six-year

Senator Brooks was highly popular with his fellow Republicans and was renominated easily in

term. Governor Dwight Brooks ran well ahead of

430,000 votes.

States doing anything to the strongest candidate Green was renominated for a third four-year term and the duo was believed to be a very strong ticket for the fall campaign. Thomas E. Dewey, the governor of New York, was the GOP nominee for president and virtually nobody believed he could lose the general election to Harry Truman. Dewey's campaign for the presidency was run as if the New York governor were an incumbent. Dewey spoke in generalities and was careful to make no sizeable fortune by tearing mistakes and said little lucrative law practice and up the streets of Chicago or nothing of significance. was a frequent visitor to looked the fact Brooks had and installing sewer pipes. President Harry Truman Washington, D.C., for clivolunteered for service the Nash's political partner in ran a slashing underdog ents and political business. campaign and was drawing enormous crowds as Wayland Brooks entered he campaigned across the country, a fact which Republicans ignored until it was too late. Senator Brooks and Governor Green were also the heavy favorites against Paul Douglas and Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic nominees for U.S. senator and governor, former senator's doctor respectively.

> Douglas, a former Chicago alderman and professor of economics, traded barbs with Senator Brooks in the general election. Brooks said Douglas was "irresponsible" and thought him a "socialistminded professor" as well as "a demagogue with a lot of cock-eyed ideas." Douglas fired back that Brooks was "a dyed-inthe-wool, reactionary isolationist dominated by the Chicago Tribune" and "a tool of the monopolists."

quite a number of surprises to the professional political prognosticators, the biggest of which was Harry Truman's defeat of Thomas E. Dewey. Truman carried Illinois by just over 33,000 votes, while Paul Douglas beat Senator Brooks by 407,000 ballots. The difference was the huge vote in Cook County, which

his running mate, Governor Dwight Green, who lost by more than 570,000 votes to Adlai Stevenson. The 1948 election was a disaster for Republicans, who went from a majority in both houses of Congress to a minority in both houses. Both Governor Green and Senator Brooks conceded the election shortly after midnight. It was readily apparent, the governor said, that the entire GOP ticket had lost.

Only fifty-one when he was defeated for reelection to the United States Senate, Brooks was mentioned as a candidate to challenge Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas for reelection in 1950. Brooks chose not to run and in 1952 was unanimously elected as the Republican National Committeeman from the Land of Lincoln. Out of elective office, Brooks was still in demand as a speaker for various clubs and organizations across Illinois. Masons and American Legionnaires still enjoyed the oratory of former Senator C. Wayland Brooks. During his lifetime, Curly Brooks had run no less than twelve statewide campaigns in the Land of Lincoln. For a person who likes and enjoys people, it

is a hard habit to give up. Brooks had originally favored his former Senate colleague Robert A. Taft of Ohio for the 1952 GOP presidential nomination, but once the convention chose Dwight D. Eisenhower, the former senator enthusiastically backed the general. Throughout the decade of the 1950s, Brooks was periodically plagued by a series of heart attacks, which slowed his usual frenetic pace. The former senator had resumed his

On January 8, 1957, C. Passavant Hospital in Chicago suffering from chest pains. Brooks had suffered a massive heart attack. Still, the initial prognosis seemed good as the former senator's physician noted the patient was progressing nicely. The said Brooks had enjoyed an "excellent day." Brooks woke up after a peaceful rest, only to complain of chest pains and died shortly thereafter. The cause of death was a tear in the artery leading from the left ventricle of the heart.

Colonel McCormick remembered his friend in an editorial strongly praising the former senator. McCormick described Brooks as one "who always managed to smile when the going was toughest." McCormick praised Brooks Election Day brought for having "always put his country first." "Bertie" McCormick, a stiff and difficult man, lamented the loss of one he readily acknowledged he would greatly miss "as our friend." "He was unselfish and warm hearted in his associations, stimulating, and always kind," the colonel wrote. "His thoughtfulness in doing for others will long Douglas carried by almost be remembered."

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of Knox County, Tennessee, within the 13th Ward known and designated as part of Lots 1 and 2 of J C. White's First Addition to the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being more fully described as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pin in the southern line

of McCalla Avenue, which said iron pin is distant

13.1 feet in a westerly direction from the point of intersection of the southern line of McCalla Avenue with the western line of Fern Street if these line be extended; thence along the southern line of McCalla Avenue South 41 deg. 10 min. West, 63.20 feet to an iron pin in said line of McCalla Avenue; thence South 37 deg. 59 min. East, 99.15 feet to an iron pin in the line of a fence; thence along said fence line North 45 deg 57 min. Fast 24.9 feet to a point at the stens to a porch of a dwelling house; thence North 38 deg. 16 min. West, 42 feet to an iron pin; thence North 41 deg. 45 min East, 57.3 feet to an iron pin in the western line of Fern Street; thence with said line of Fern Street North 43 deg. 50 min. West 58.97 feet to a point designated by a cut in said line of said Street; thence on a curve to the left in a northwesterly direction a distance of 19.9 feet to an iron pin in the southern line of McCalla Avenue, the place of BEGINNING, as shown by survey of W.S. Lack, Engineer, Knoxville, Tennessee, dated 20 November 1959.

Being the same property conveyed to Kathleen Thompson from Barbara Jean Shagan by 201102170049922 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee. This conveyance is made subject to all

annlicable easements, restrictions and building setback lines of record in Knox County, Tennessee The Property, known as 3822 Martin Luther

King, Jr., Avenue, Map & Parcel: 82DL/4, will be sold for cash in bar of right and equity of redemption and dower rights. The property is sold subject to applicable easements, restrictions, covenants, prior encumbrances and unpaid taxes. The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be

rescinded at the Substitute Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time and place certain, without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. Other parties of interest: City of Knoxville

Publication dates: 12/18/23, 12/26/23, THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT

COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION RECEIVED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

This 12 day of December, 2023.

A. Scott McCulley, Substitute Trustee, 535 W. Lamar Alexander Pkwy. Maryville, TN 37801 865-243-3363

COURT **NOTICES**

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: WALTER DOOLEY, SR. AND UNKNOWN

HEIRS OF EDNA SCOTT AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR

IN RE: LATONYA LATTIMORE, JENNIFER ROCK, SHELTON COTNER, REGGIE COTNER, JOHNNISHA COTNER, SCOTT COTNER, JOHN COTNER III, CHERYL MICKLER, Luther Mickler, Kerry Mickler, Sarah

SANDERS, CHANEL SANDERS, KAMERYN SANDERS, THOMAS K. SANDERS, VINCENT SANDERS, KALEB SANDERS SNAPP, KERMIT SANDERS SNAPP AND YOLANDA J. SNAPP, PETITIONERS.

WALTER DOOLEY, SR. AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDNA SCOTT AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS JOHN DOES 1

THROUGH 10, RESPONDENTS. No. 207212-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the WALTER DOOL-EY. SR. AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDNA SCOTT AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIM-ING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT. TITLE. ESTATE LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 10, defendant, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon, it is ordered that said defendant, WALTER DOOLEY, SR. AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SCOTT AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PER-SONS CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 10, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with BARBARA W. CLARK, an Attorney whose address is 2415 E. MAGNOLIA AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37917 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor JOHN

Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 20th day of NOVEMBER, 2023.

F. WEAVER at the Knox County Chancery Court.

Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennes

see 37902. This notice will be published in a The

J Scott Griswold

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN RE: ESTATE OF JERRI DELZIA SNYDER, Deceased.

DANIEL DOTSON

DEE DOTSON UKNOWN HEIRS OF JERRI DELZIA SNYDER KNOWN HEIRS OF JERRI DELZIA SNYDER, Respondents

Knox County Chancery Court (Probate Division) Docket No. 87498-2

DANIEL DOTSON, DEBBIE DOT-SON, AND DEE DOTSON UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JERRI DELZIA SNY-

It is ordered that said Respondents, Daniel Dotson, Debbie Dotson, and Dee Dotson and all unknown heirs of Jerri Delzia Snyder file an answer with the Clerk of the Probate Court at Knox County, Tennessee and with Lisa W. Gammeltoft, Esq. an attorney whose address is Kizer, Gammeltoft & Brown, P.C., 110 Cogdill Road, Knoxville, TN 37922 within thirty (30) days of the final date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against them ex parte. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 7 day of November, 2023.

Lisa W. Gammeltoft, Esq. KIZER, GAMMELTOFT & BROWN, P.C. 110 Cogdill Road Knoxville, Tennessee 37922

NON-RESIDENT **NOTICE**

TO: GLADYS D. HICKSON

IN RE: TJT PROPERTIES, LLC., v. GARY

PONDERS AND GLADYS D. HICKSON,

NO. 207169-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant GLADYS D. HICKSON a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon GLADYS D. HICKSON, it is ordered, that said defendant GLADYS D. HICK-SON file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with A. SCOTT MCCULLEY, an Attorney whose address is 535 W. LAMAR ALEXANDER PKWY. MARYVILLE TN 37801 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor CHRISTOPHER D. HEAGERTY at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks

This 28TH day of NOVEMBER, 2023

LOCATION: SITUATED in District Seven (7)

(formerly 2) of Knox County, Tennessee, said lot

fronting 100.02 feet on Bluebird Drive, and be-

ng more particularly bounded and described as

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the South line

of Bluebird Drive distant in a westerly direction

200.4 feet from the intersection of the South line

of Bluebird Drive extended with the West line of

Plummer Road extended said iron pin marking a

common corner of Lots 32 and 33 in said Block

in said Addition: thence South 19 deg. 55 min.

East with the dividing line between Lots 32 and

33, a distance of 153.17 feet to an iron pin;

thence in a westerly direction, 100 feet to an

iron pin, marking a common corner of Lots 31 and

32; thence North 19 deg. 55 min. West with the

dividing line between Lots 31 and 32, a distance

of 155.1 feet to an iron pin in the South line of

Bluebird Drive; thence in an easterly direction

with Bluebird Drive, 100.02 feet to the point of

BEGINNING, as shown by survey of W.E. Lack,

Gregory Vernal McNelly (sic) from Gergory Neal

York by Tennessee Quit Claim Deed dated Feh-

ruary 22, 2006, filed for record as Instrument

No. 200603090075226, in the Knox County

Register of Deeds Office. Gregory Vernal McNel

ley having died on or about July 1, 2013. See

Order of Partial Summary Judgment dated June 1, 2023 filed as Case No. 201564-2 in the Chan-

This parcel is commonly known as 1304

Sale is pursuant to the Order of Partial Sum-

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: January 5,

PLACE OF SALE: City-County Building

TERMS: The sale will be for cash. The pur-

chaser may either (i) pay the entire purchase

price at the time of sale or (ii) pay 10% of the

purchase price at the time of sale and execute a

note for the balance, without interest, to be paid

in full within thirty (30) days from the sale date.

As security for the note, a Knox County resident

must sign the note as surety and the Clerk and

Master will retain a lien on the real property until

the note is satisfied. All funds must be paid by

check drawn from a bank where the Clerk and Master can independently verify funds are avail-

able. If the person bidding is an agent of another

person or entity, the person bidding must present sufficient evidence to the Clerk and Master,

at the time of the sale, to establish his or her

to accept an upset bid within ten (10) days fol-

lowing the sale and reopen bidding in accordance

with Tenn. Code Ann. § 35-5-110. Any upset bid

shall be at least ten percent (10.00%) of the orig-

inal winning bid. If the Clerk and Master receives

an upset bid, he shall conduct an upset sale on

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL: 865-

NON-RESIDENT

NOTICE

TO: LUAY M. S. ISLAM OR

ANY LIVING HEIRS

IN RE: DEBRA GREEN AND WESLEY

GREEN, v. LUAY M. S. ISLAM AND / OR HIS UNKNOWN HEIRS AND ASSIGNS,

NO. 207818-1

COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint

J. Scott Griswold, Esq.,

Clerk and Master

January 26, 2024 at 11:00 AM.

The Clerk and Master is further authorized

within the corridor of the Main Street entrance

near the Large Assembly Room, North entrance,

400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Blue Lane Knoxville, TN 37918 and is further

identified as Knox County Tax Identification No.

mary Judgement by Clerk and Master entered June 1, 2023, in the above cause of action.

2024 at 11:00 AM.

authority to bid.

 $cery_Court\ for\ Knox\ County,\ Tennessee.$

BEING the same property conveyed to

Engineer, dated May 9, 1955

J Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

SALE OF VALUABLE NOTICE OF SERVICE **PROPERTY** BY PUBLICATION

Julia McNelley,Petitioner IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE Jana McNelley, Respondent. **CHANCERY DIVISION AT** CLINTON, TENNESSEE No. 201564-2 Case No. 23CH5570

> Dairian Leshawn Hughett Whereabouts Unknown

Last Known Address: Unknown

Angela Minga, Petitioner

Dairian Leshawn Hughett, Respondent

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

It appears from the pleadings filed in this cause that Dairian Leshawn Hughett whereahouts are unknown. In compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. 21-1-204 and the Order of Publication of this court entered December 7. 2023, service of process will be made by Dairian Leshawn Hughett IS THEREFORE

HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR ON OR BEFORE THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE LAST DATE OF PUBLICATION before the Clerk and Master of Chancery Court, located at 100 N. Main Street, Suite 308, Clinton, Tennessee 37716 and make defense to the complaint filed in the foregoing case styled above. Otherwise, said complaint will be taken for confessed and a Judgment by Default entered, Dairian Leshawn Hughett is required to file responsive pleadings with the court and Petitioner's Attorney, H. Daniel Forrester III, 224 N. Main St., Clinton, TN 37716. It is further ordered that this Notice he nublished in the Knoxville Focus for four consecutive weeks.

This December 11, 2023.

Harold P. Cousins Jr. Clerk and Master By: Blake Williams Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., ADRIENNE J. BAILEY, MANAGING MEMBER, ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC.

IN RE: PAMELA D. GROVES v. PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., ADRIENNE J. BAILEY, MANAGING MEMBER.

ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC.

NO. 207631-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE this Cause, it appearing from the

Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., ADRIENNE J. BAILEY, MANAGING MEMBER, ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., a non-

resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., ADRIENNE J. BAILEY, MANAGING MEMBER, ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AND

CREDITORS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., it is ordered that said defendant, PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP,

ADRIENNE J. BAILEY, MANAGING MEMBER, ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF PRESSTIN MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF

MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC., file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery

WORTLEY, an Attorney whose address is 3715 Powers Street Knoxville, TN 37917 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to vou hefore Chancellor Christopher D. Heagert at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902 This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 14th day of DECEMBER, 2023

J Scott Griswold

Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EUNICE ANN ALLEN DOCKET NUMBER 88541-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of EUNICE ANN ALLEN, who died August 2, 2023, were issued to the Executor William Allen by the Probate court of Knox County, All persons, resident and nor resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same ith the clerk 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 (or posting, as the case may be) 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 posting); or (1)(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 (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF EUNICE ANN ALLEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SAMUEL B TIPTON ATTORNEY 611 S WASHINGTON ST MARYVILLE, TN 37804

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

DOCKET NUMBER 88760-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of

DECEMBER, 2023, Letters of Testamentary Administration in respect to the Estate of BILL KEITH BEELER, deceased, who died on February 18, 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for Knox County, Tennessee All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured against his/he Estate are required to file the same in triplicate 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 claim will be (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 the first pub-

(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 the first publication as described in (1)(A): or

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

This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF BILL KEITH BEELER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES DAVID W BURKHART 3307 ROBERTS RD MASCOT, TN 37806

SCOTT B HAHN ATTORNEY 5344 N BROADWAY, STE 101 KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF ORPHA R BENNETT DOCKET NUMBER 88542-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of

DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ORPHA R BENNETT who died Jun 20, 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 pub-

(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 This the 1 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF ORPHA R BENNETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

KATHY L BENNETT; CO-EXECUTRIX 4109 WESTGATE DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921 BETTY A FORD; CO-EXECUTRIX

> GAIL B COPE; CO-EXECUTRIX 716 IDLEWOOD LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37928

7541 POPEN DRIVE

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** ESTATE OF CLARENCE

EDWARD BOWLES JR DOCKET NUMBER 88601-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary (or Letters of Administration as the case may in respect of the Estate of CLARENCE EDWARD BOWLES JR, who died Sept. 12, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) of (2), otherwise their (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of such notice 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 fill 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 or posting as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 2 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF CLARENCE EDWARD BOWLES JR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S KAREN LUNDY BOWLES 7717 NICHOLAS DR CORRYTON, TN 37721

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

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF JOAN MARGARET CLEARY DOCKET NUMBER 88437-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOAN MARGARET CLEARY who died Aug 7, 2023, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chan cery 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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 1 day of DECEMBER, 2023. ESTATE OF JOAN MARGARET CLEARY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

JOHN BROTHERS; EXECUTOR 236 SANDRINGHAM COURT KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF CYNTHIA CORMANY**

DOCKET NUMBER 88776-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of

DECEMBER 2023. letters administration in respect of the Estate of CYNTHIA CORMANY who died Oct 19, 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 un matured, 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 pub

(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

This the 1 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF CYNTHIA CORMANY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S JENNIFER CORMANY **ADMINISTRATRIX** 80 DUNNEMANN AVENUE CHARLESTON, SC 29403

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARGARET ANN RYMER DENTON DOCKET NUMBER 88745-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of

DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in re spect of the Estate of MARGARET ANN RYMER DENTON, who died September 9, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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 the first pub lication: 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 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF MARGARET ANN RYMER DENTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DON R. DENTON, JR 250 VINE CLIFF DRIVE HARVEST, AL 35749 JEFFREY R. DENTON

11444 CARDINAL DRIVE MADISON, AL 35756 BRADLEY H. HODGE, ATTORNEY 900 SOUTH GAY STREET, SUITE 2100

KNOXVILLE, TN 37902 NOTICE TO

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of

NECEMBER 2023. letters testamentary in re

spect to the Estate of JOYCE AUBREY DYER who

died October 5, 2023, were issued to the under

signed by the Chancery Court, Probate Division,

CREDITORS ESTATE OF JOYCE AUBREY DYER DOCKET NUMBER 88758-2

KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

f 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 abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will he forever harred: (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 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF JOYCE AUBREY DYER PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

LISA MCKENZIE 104 GIGI I ANF LOUDON, TN 37774 VIRGINIA COUCH, ATTORNEY

5419 SUMMITRIDGE LANE KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

CREDITORS ESTATE OF JOHN THOMAS EVERETT

NOTICE TO

DOCKET NUMBER 88743-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters administration in re-

spect of the Estate of JOHN THOMAS EVERETT who died October 22, 2023 were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Knox County Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of

the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their

first publication (or posting, as the case may be)

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

claims will be forever barred:

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 posting); 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

posting) as described in (1)(A): or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF JOHN THOMAS EVERETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) FREDIA M. BERRIER 7850 THOMAS HENRY WAY KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

ATTORNEY 1810 MERCHANT DR. KNOXVILLE, TN 37912 NOTICE TO

DAVID B. HAMILTON,

CREDITORS ESTATE OF RACHEL D FRANKLIN

DOCKET NUMBER 88779-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters of administration C.T.A. in respect of the Estate of RACHEL D. FRANKLIN who died August 24, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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

(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

date of death.

ESTATE OF RACHEL D. FRANKLIN PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

> 118 E HAMPTON WAY JUPITER, FL 33458 MICHAEL R CROWDER **ATTORNEY**

4TH FLOOR, BANK OF AMERICA BLDG P.O. BOX 442 KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0442

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

DOCKET NUMBER 88740-2

DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DAVID GLENN LAMB, SR. who died August 18, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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

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.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DAVID GLENN LAMB JR

> M. SAMANTHA PARRIS, ATTORNEY 2908 TAZEWELL PIKE SUITE G

four (4) months from the date of the first publication: or

described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

JENNIFER AVONDA

ESTATE OF DAVID GLENN LAMB, SR. Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of

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 the first pub-(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor eceived an actual copy of the notice to creditors

This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF DAVID GLENN LAMB, SR.

KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

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NOTICE TO

CREDITORS

DOCKET NUMBER 88774-3

DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respec

of the Estate of CHARLES EDWARD CRAWFORD

who died Aug 7, 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

actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty

(60) days before the date that is four (4) months

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

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

This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

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

ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD CRAWFORD

NOTICE TO

CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PAUL EDWARD DIXON

DOCKET NUMBER 88567-3

DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect

of the Estate of PAUL EDWARD DIXON who died

May 30, 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 wil

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actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty

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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

This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

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

ESTATE OF PAUL EDWARD DIXON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

TINA MITCHELL: CO-EXECUTRIX

SHIRLEY DIXON; CO-EXECUTRIX

3425 HAPPY ACRES DRIVE

KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

3730 EDGEWATER WAY

LOUISVILLE, TN. 37777

from the date of this first publication; or

be forever barred:

described in (1)(A): or

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

MASCOT, TN. 37806

JOE STEPHEN CRAWFORD: EXECUTOR

from the date of this first publication; or

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

be forever barred:

described in (1)(A); or

date of death.

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GLADYS V. LARSEN DOCKET NUMBER 88665-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of DE-CEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GLADYS V. LARSEN who died May 16, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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 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

This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF GLADYS V. LARSEN PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

JAMES H. WALLER 6742 RIDGEVIEW ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

> ATTORNEY P.O. BOX 3804 KNOXVILLE, TN 37927

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CAROLINE R. LUKINGBEAL DOCKET NUMBER 88763-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of

DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CAROLINE R. LUKINGBEAL who died September 23, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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 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

This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF CAROLINE R. LUKINGBEAL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

HOME FEDERAL BANK OF TENNESSEE 515 MARKET STREET, SUITE 500 KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

P. NEWMAN BANKSTON 900 S. GAY STREET, 14TH FLOOR P.O. BOX 2047 KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF SUNEETHA MOOSS DOCKET NUMBER 88742-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DE-CEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of SUNEETHA MOOSS who died Sep tember 2, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk 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 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF SUNEETHA MOOSS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SUSMITA MANSUKHAN 27 TODDY HILL ROAD SANDY HOOK, CT 06482

ANNE M. MCKINNEY ATTORNEY 1019 ORCHID DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KIM LESLIE MORTON DOCKET NUMBER 88749-2

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of KIM LESLIE MORTON, who died on September 27, 2023, were issued to the under signed 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 this 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) below; 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

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF KIM LESLIE MORTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) RONG FANG CHEN 6965 WYNDHAM POINT LN.

JANE KAUEMAN JONES ATTORNEY

KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF BILLY JOE NIXON DOCKET NUMBER 88754-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DE

the Estate of BILLY JOE NIXON who died August 27, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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 om 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

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF BILLY JOE NIXON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) BRYAN TRACY NIXON 213 TIMBERWOOD TRAIL CENTRE HALL, PA 16828

JACKSON G. KRAMER, ATTORNEY KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0629

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ELLEN CATHERINE RUCKER DOCKET NUMBER 88703-1 Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DE-CEMBER, 2023, letters of administration in respect

of the Estate of ELLEN CATHERINE RUCKER who died on May 28, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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 the first publication; or (B)Sixty (60) days from the date the credito received and actual copy of this 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

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF ELLEN CATHERINE RUCKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) GERALD MATTHEW RUCKER 140 BOY SCOUT CAMP ROAD ANDERSONVILLE, TN 37705

MARK E. TILLERY, ATTORNEY P.O. BOX 12257

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF HARRY E VOLING JR DOCKET NUMBER 88536-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of DE-CEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HARRY F. YOUNG, JR., who died June 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk 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 eceived 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

This the 5 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF HARRY F. YOUNG, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JON YOUNG 111 BRENTWOOD DR. CHATTANOOGA, TN 37415

MICHAEL R CROWDER ATTORNEY 4TH FLOOR, BANK OF AMERICA BLDG. P N RNX 442 KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0442

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CATHERINE M. ANDERSON

DOCKET NUMBER 88789-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of

DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CATHERINE M. ANDERSON who died May 18, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk 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 the first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor ceived 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 This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF CATHERINE M. ANDERSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ALAN MATTHEWS 1999 MAPLEWOOD DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN 37920 SARAH F. C. MALIA ATTORNEY

KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF LINDA SUE BALES DOCKET NUMBER 88732-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of

DECEMBER 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LINDA SUE BALES who died Ser 3. 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 an sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF LINDA SUE BALES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DONALD TODD BALES: ADMINISTRATOR 820 WHITESBURG DRIVE KNOXVILLE TN 37918

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF COLETTE MARIE BROWN**

DOCKET NUMBER 88690-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of COLETTE MARIE BROWN, who died October 7, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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:

from the date of the first publication; or, 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 COLETTE MARIE BROWN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MICHAEL LEE BROWN 3426 BLUFF VIEW DR. LOUISVILLE, TN 37777

DAVID J. OTTEN. ATTORNEY

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF DAISY BELL BROWN DOCKET NUMBER 88702-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of DAISY BELL BROWN, who died August 19, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured and 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 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 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

This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF DAISY BELL BROWN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SAMUEL BROWN 127 S CRUZE KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

GAIL F. WORTLEY ATTORNEY 3715 POWERS STREET KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF GLENN MURPHY BURD

DOCKET NUMBER 88792-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters of administration in

respect of the Estate of GLENN MURPHY BURD who died September 8, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division 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 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 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 an 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 DECEMBER, 2023.

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JAMES BURD 113 COUNTRY CLUB CIRCLE

ESTATE OF GLENN MURPHY BURD

LAUREN E. SMITH, ATTORNEY 110 COGDILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

WINCHESTER, VA 22602

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the fast 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 (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

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

This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

P.O. BOX 32211 KNOXVILLE, TN 37930

CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RECTOR ROBERT DUNSMORE DOCKET NUMBER 88699-3

NOTICE TO

Notice is hereby given that on the day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of RECTOR ROBERT DUNSMORE, who died October 1, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Probate Division, 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 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 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 ceived 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 fourth (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 DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF RECTOR ROBERT DUNSMORE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SHARON RICE

12417 BOYD STATION ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37934 WILLIAM E. DUFFEY, JR. ATTORNEY 112 DURWOOD ROAD Knoxville, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF SHARON EASON

DOCKET NUMBER 88797-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of

DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SHARON EASON who died Oct 12. 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 This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

NOTICE TO

CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHARON EASON

JOHN B GULLEY, IV: EXECUTOR

8295 HORSESHOE MOSA TRAIL

ESTATE OF JEAN SAGER FOX **DOCKET NUMBER 88688-1**

ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD CRAWFORD

DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary (or Letters of Administration as the case may be) in respect to the Estate of JEAN SAGER FOX who died on July 30, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division 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 of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) below, 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 the first publication; or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

ceived an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors nublication of this notice if the creditor received an 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 received an actual copy of the notice to creditors

date of death. This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF JEAN SAGER FOX PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

ROBERT D. FOX

122 CAVETT HILL LANE, APT 237 FARRAGUT, TN 37934 DANIEL ROBERT FOX 816 MCKINLEY POINTE LANE

KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

O.E. SCHOW, IV. ATTORNEY 900 SOUTH GAY STREET, 9TH FLOOR KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0900

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

DOCKET NUMBER 88785-2 Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of

DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARGARET GAIL GARNER who died Nov 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 he forever harred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first

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

publication of this notice if the creditor received an

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

This the 6 day of DECEMBER, 2023. ESTATE OF MARGARET GAIL GARNER

> PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DAVID L GARNER: EXECUTOR FARRAGUT, TN. 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLA MAE GRANTHAM DOCKET NUMBER 88756-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLA MAE GRANTHAM who died October 8 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in

(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 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF WILLA MAE GRANTHAM

WILLIAM H. GRANTHAM, EXECUTOR **508 GOLDEN HARVEST ROAD** FARRAGUT, TN 37934 VICTORIA B. TILLMAN ATTORNEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

1019 ORCHID DRIVE

KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF CONARD LEROY

HENDRICKSON JR **DOCKET NUMBER 88795-3** Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, Letters of Testamentar

in respect of the Estate of CONARD LEROY HENDRICKSON, JR., who died on the 26th day of September, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk 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 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 lescribed in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

> ESTATE OF CONARD LEROY HENDRICKSON, JR

> > PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

SHERRY HENDRICKSON 216 HARTFORD ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37920 S. DAVID LIPSEY, ATTORNEY

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ESTATE OF STEVE A. KANO DOCKET NUMBER 88771-3 DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or letters

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CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of

of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of STEVE A. KANO, who died October 6, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever harred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

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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

This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF STEVE A. KANO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) STEVEN R. WARNOCK 9618 VERMILION DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

HAGOOD MOODY HODGE ATTORNEY 900 SOUTH GAY STREET, SUITE 2100 KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF ALLEN THEODORE KINCAID DOCKET NUMBER 88669-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ALLEN THEODORE KINCAID who died Oct 13, 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:

at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor ceived 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

(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

(4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A): or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

> ESTATE OF ALLEN THEODORE KINCAID PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ANNETTE KINCAID: EXECUTRIX 8925 W EMORY ROAD

NOTICE TO

CREDITORS ESTATE OF COLLEEN M MCMAHAN

DOCKET NUMBER 88138-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of DECEMBER 2023, letters administration in respect of the Estate of COLLEEN M MCMAHAN who died Jun 15, 2023, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, 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; (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

described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

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resident, having claims, matured or no matured, against the estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), erwise their claims will be forever barred: (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication on this notice if the creditor received

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than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023. **ESTATE OF COLLEEN M MCMAHAN** PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JULIE BRADLEY; ADMINISTRATRIX 5401 PINECREST ROAD KNOXVILLE TN 37912 DUSTIN LANDRY ATTORNEY AT I AW

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than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four months from the date of the first publication as

RANDY MILLER; EXECUTOR

described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) Months from the date of the decedent's death. This the 12 day of DECEMBER, 2023. ESTATE OF AMY EALY MILLER PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

> ROBERT A. COLE ATTORNEY 2313 PULASKI ROAD

ESTATE OF AMY EALY MILLER DOCKET NUMBER 88783-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of AMY EALY MILLER who died on October 9, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non

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NOVEMBER 12

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CLARA C MINK DOCKET NUMBER 88786-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of DECEMBER 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CLARA C MINK who died Oct 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

(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

This the 7 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF CLARA C MINK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DEBORAH L HOPPER; EXECUTRIX 5225 MALIBU DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES BRYAN PAYNE DOCKET NUMBER 88663-3 Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of

DECEMBER 2023 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of JAMES BRYAN PAYNE who died on March 26, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 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

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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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF JAMES BRYAN PAYNE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SUSANNA P. HUFFMASTER; **ADMINISTRATRIX** 1060 CURRY ROAD 13 **CLOVIS, NM 88101**

ANGELIA M. NYSTROM, ATTORNEY 1111 N. NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE S-700 KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WAYNE BRADLEY PHILLIPS DOCKET NUMBER 88722-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters of administration respect of the Estate of WAYNE BRADLEY

PHILLIPS, who died September 20, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court. Probate Division, 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 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 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 the first publication as

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF WAYNE BRADLEY PHILLIPS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

VICKI PHILLIPS 121 HONEY RIDGE WAY KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

COURTNEY D. SCOLLARD, ATTORNEY 10004 MEADOW VISTA CIRCLE KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ALICIA MARIE PHIPPS DOCKET NUMBER 88777-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentar in respect of the ESTATE OF ALICIA MARIE PHIPPS, who died June 25, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the abovenamed 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 the first publication: or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

eceived 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 DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF ALICIA MARIE PHIPPS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) GERALD L. DONNER, JR 520 S. WASHINGTON ST. SILOAM SPRINGS, AR 72761

JORDAN T. NEWPORT, ATTORNEY 900 S. GAY ST., STE. 2100 KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

PUBLIC NOTICE (REVISED)

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MEETING TIMES

COMMISSION (5:00 PM) FEBRUARY 26 MARCH 25 APRIL 22 **AUGUST 26** SEPTEMBER 23 OCTOBER 28 NOVEMBER 18 DECEMBER 16

NOTE: MEETING DATES, LOCATIONS AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF GEORGE ALLAN PIERCE, II DOCKET NUMBER 88716-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day DECEMBER 2023, letters administration respect of the Estate of GEORGE ALLAN PIERCE, II who died Aug 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 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; (BI Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor

received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A): or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's

date of death. This the 4 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF GEORGE ALLAN PIERCE, II

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM EARL MARCUS; ADMINISTRATOR 300 EDWARDS SCHOOL ROAD LOUDON, TN. 37774

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID E. PIERCE DOCKET NUMBER 88755-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DAVID E. PIERCE who died November 8, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured. against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk 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 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

This the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF DAVID E. PIERCE

DAVID M. PIERCE 799 S. CREST ROAD CHATTANOOGA, TN 37404

ROBERT W. WILKINSON, ATTORNEY PO BOX 4415 OAK RIDGE, TN 37831-4415

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

DOCKET NUMBER 88744-3

ESTATE OF ANNA MONDAY SHIPE

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of **DECEMBER 2023. letters administration in respect** of the Estate of ANNA MONDAY SHIPE who died Aug 4, 2023, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will

(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;

(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 This the 7 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF ANNA MONDAY SHIPE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

KELLY ANN SHIPE; ADMINISTRATRIX 1912 E GOVERNOR JOHN SEVIER HWY KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920 NOTICE TO

CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PAUL J. TRAUSCH who died November 12, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-

ESTATE OF PAUL J. TRAUSCH

DOCKET NUMBER 88780-3

named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor

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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 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 DECEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF PAUL J. TRAUSCH PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

CHRISTINA A. GERDES

KNOXVILLE. TN 37909

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES LAWRENCE WEAVER, SR. **DOCKET NO. 88656-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of DECEMBER, 2023, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JAMES LAWRENCE WEAVER, SR., who died on or about August 26, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court. Probate Division, 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 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 first publication as described in (1)(A); 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 scribed in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 12 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

> **ESTATE OF JAMES** LAWRENCE WEAVER, SR.

> > PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CHARLOTTE GAIL WEBB 8429 OLD ANDERSONVILLE PIKE KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

C. EDWARD DANIEL ATTORNEY 2236 HARVEST LANE DANDRIDGE, TN 37725

MISC. **NOTICES**

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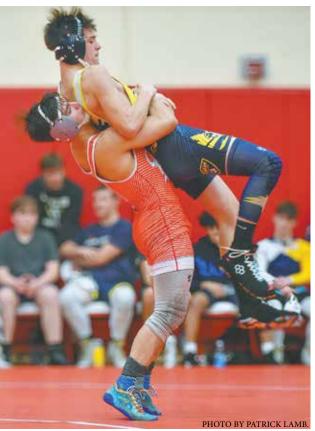
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Halls 150-pound wrestler Harlan Hunley controls Seymour's Lucas Burnett in midair. Hunley scored a pin early in the second period of the bout. The Red Devils defeated the Eagles 69-12 at Halls Thursday.

Halls wins first home dual meet of 2023-24 season

By Ken Lay

The Halls High School wrestling team finally had a regular-season dual meet at home late last week. And the Red Devils didn't disappoint their fan as they meet state champion Red notched a 69-12 victory over Seymour before a packed house Thursday night.

It was the Red Devils' first home meet since they hosted the preseason KWOA Jamboree on Nov. 4.

"It was great to finally have a dual at home," Red Devils' coach Shannon Sayne said. "It was great to wrestle in front of our

"We came out and shook

care of business. Our kids the 175 division. stepped up and wrestled.

That was perhaps the understatement of the season as the defending Class A traditional and dual Devils lost just one match on the mat.

With Halls now reclassified to Class 2A, the Eagles are looking to be a factor on the state wrestling scene. But their only outright victory came in the second bout of the night when Samuel Comes scored a pin over Brady Moreland in the 113pound weight class. Comes seconds.

off the rust and we took Campbell won by forfeit in Barrett Whaley (157), Gabe meet on Jan. 10.

The Red Devils opened the night with a pin as Tanner Kitts (106 pounds) stuck Jermaine Vazquez in just 44 seconds, giving Halls a 6-0 lead in the

Comes' win tied the match at 6-6 before the Red Devils took control of the match.

Only one match went the three-round distance. Halls scored three team points as Rylan May claimed an 8-5 decision over Caden

Trey Griffin (120 pounds), won by fall in 1 minute, 35 Ty Davis (132), Jordan er home dual meet until Sexton (138), Trevor Sexton Seymour's Skyler (144), Harlan Hunley (150),

Freeman (165); Matt Cook (215) and Caleb Turner (289) all scored victories by fall.

The Red Devils' Gavin Self won by forfeit in the 190-pound weight class.

Sayne said that his team was clicking on all cylinders against the Eagles.

"We just came out and took it to them a little bit," he said. "I don't think this was indicative of the Seymour program.

"We just had our night and they didn't."

Halls won't have anothit hosts geographic rival Gibbs in an in-school dual

Holiday Helpers making season merrier again

By Steve Williams

The Knoxville Focus received some good reports on "Holiday Helpers" again this year and would like to recognize these high school student-athletes for making the season merrier!

Thanks to the cheerleaders and coaches from Central and Powell high schools. And we also salute the Bearden High softball team and its coach.

Our recognition starts with a quote from Ella Grossman, senior/captain

the year is so important because it is a time that serve our community, espe-

everyone. It is a time to with family and friends. Giving back at this time of the opportunity to embrace and enjoy this season!"

CHS Cheer Coach Kara Clark Cardwell reported: "The Central High School Cheerleaders have been extremely active in the community this holiday season! We just recently volunteered with Fantasy of Trees supporting East Tennessee Children's of the Central cheerleaders: Hospital, and we rang bells "Giving this time of for the Salvation Army.

"We are always thrilled to should be enjoyed by cially this time of year."

celebrate the birth of Jesus Coach Emily Lanius reports: "The Powell High School cheerleaders volunthe year gives more people teered at Fantasy of Trees on Sunday, Nov. 26. Some girls worked at the sand art booth and the others worked at the wooden ornament booth. "The girls also decorated trees and donated them to Children's Hospital through the Tiny Trees event. This event is designed to make sure each patient at Children's Hospital has a Christmas tree in their room for Christmas."

> Last but not least, Bearden Coach Kenneth Boles and his softball team

At Powell, Cheerleader were scheduled to participate in Wreaths Across America in Knoxville this past Saturday.

Said Coach Boles: "Bearden High School Softball program will be helping with this program to honor our heroes that have made the greatest sacrifice."

The Focus hopes to receive pictures from the Bearden team's efforts and share them with our readers in the Dec. 26 issue, along with more information and pictures of "Holiday Helpers."





Trees. Front Row: Hannah Simmons, Addison Arnold, Kenzie Elliott, Araya Browning, Ella Riggs. Back Row: Yeye Morgan, Campbell Moore, Ariana Daugherty, Lily Meyers, Kenzli Lambert, Kellie Whiteley, Kennedy Byrd, Kiersten Sheppard.



CHS cheerleaders get together for a group shot at the Fantasy of Trees. Left to right: Mackinzie Lynn, Kylee Lynn, Aubrey Collins, Maddie Lynch, Mary Mcswain, Laiken Lawson, Iasia Cline, Harper Rossini.

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Powell seniors sign softball scholarships

By Steve Williams

Pitcher Kayleigh Smith and catcher Leslie Hensley, battery mates throughout their high school softball careers at Powell, recently signed college scholarship

Hensley signed with Roane State Community College on Friday, Dec. 8, and Smith with Bryan College on Monday, Dec.

As for being battery mates, PHS Coach Jeff Inman said: "They've been together even before they got here. It's like sisters out there; they know each other

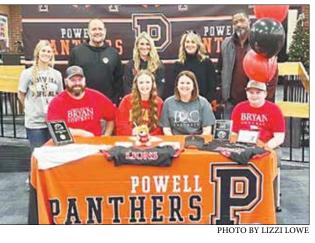
"It (going to the same college) was close to happening."

Hensley, who has a 3.75 GPA, had an offer from Bryan College, but she chose RSCC and said she will major in Nursing. Her mom and sister are in the Nursing field, according to Coach Inman.

"Leslie was looking for a school with a good Nursing program and Roane State fit that bill for her," said

Smith plans to major has been a two-time Allin Exercise and Health Science at Bryan, a fouryear school, and has a 4.25 grade point average.

"Both of them are great



Powell High pitcher Kayleigh Smith sits in between parents JT and Jenny Smith with brother Parker at far right during her signing with Bryan College on Monday, Dec. 11. The back row, from L-R, are Powell Assistant Coach Brittney Franse, Powell Head Coach Jeff Inman, Bryan College Head Coach Leah Thompson, pitching coach/does pitching lessons Holly Vance and Heat 18U travel coach Courtland Styles.

Rianne Boone. A highlight

of Smith's junior year was

pitching a no-hitter in a

10-0 win over Karns. She

District honoree and was

named to the district All-

Tournament team as a

"Kayleigh is a pretty good

sophomore.

kids," said Inman. "You hitter," said Inman. "She never have to worry about played some first base them in the classroom or for us last year when she their behavior in school. wasn't pitching. She also Just all-around good girls." has played a little bit at On the field, Kayleigh second for us. But primarsplit time in the circle last ily in college, she will be a season with freshman

> hit with power and for average and has been an excellent catcher behind the plate with a strong arm. She has been an All-District honoree as well as making the district All-Tournament

"She can play a few



Dec. 8. Top, Emersyn Mayes, Alivia Collins, Jaylan Heatherly and Maddie Crawley. Bottom, Lizzi Lowe, Leslie, and Kayleigh Smith. The Powell catcher signed with Roane State Community College.

different positions, which makes her more valuable," he added. "She's hit in the No. 3 or 4 hole for us pretty much the majority of her career here."

Hensley also is considering the possibility of being Inman said Hensley can a utility player at Roane

Leslie's main reason for choosing Roane State was it is "closer to home." Another reason was it provides a "better opportunity to go to a four-year school" and play softball.

Smith said she "liked how

small the school (Bryan) is, the coaches."

Leah Thompson is head coach of the BC Lions, are coached by Marty McDaniel.

ed in Harriman and Bryan 40 miles away.

Inman noted: "We're really blessed for Leslie to the district behind chamstill be playing. A little over a year ago, she was in a bad car wreck after a Friday night football game.

"She battled through that being close to home and and didn't have to miss any of the season."

Hensley and Smith are the only two seniors on the while the RSCC Raiders Lady Panthers' team for the upcoming season.

"Our numbers are down," Roane State is locat- said Inman. "We are very young. We've got three College is in Dayton, about upperclassmen and 10 underclassmen."

Powell finished second in pion Karns last season and lost at Farragut in the region semifinals.

Army's Fortner fulfills 'request' from 2020

By Steve Williams

As Central High School's Kalib and Liam Fortner began signing their National Letter of Intent papers with Army in December of 2020, "Go Army, Beat Navy" was shouted from the crowd.

It's been three years since that moment, but well worth the wait for those that were at the signing at the Armory on Sutherland

Kalib made two huge plays on Saturday, Dec. 9, just a little over a week ago, to give and protect Army's 17-11 victory over Navy.

Here's the report from The Associated Press soon after it happened:

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — Army linebacker Kalib Fortner scored on a fourth-quarter strip sack and then stuffed quarterback Tai Lavatai six inches from the goal line with 3 seconds left to help the Black Knights beat Navy 17-11 on Saturday and win the 124th meeting of the nation's oldest service academies.

The next night on "The Nation," a weekly radio show that airs on The Sports Animal in Knoxville (990 AM), Kalib was interviewed by ESPN's Chris Low, who hosts



Former Central High players at their signing ceremony with Army in 2020. L-R, Liam Fortner, Coach Nick Craney and Kalib Fortner. Kalib made two huge plays this season in Army's 17-11 win over Navy on Dec.

was insane."

The Fortner twin brothers helped lead Central to back-toback Class 5A state championships in 2018 and 2019 before playing their senior season in 2020.

In their last season playing "It was an unbelievable for the Bobcats, Kalib was a Mr.

experience," said Kalib. "That Football finalist and The Knoxville It's not like Auburn vs. Alabama. Year, while Liam stood out as a in." wide receiver and strong safety and ran a lot out of the Wildcat team all last year.

until my junior year," Kalib told

"That game is all about service. he pointed out.

Focus / Coaches Player of the You got to be there to take it all

Kalib said he was on the scout

"I took advantage of my "I didn't know about West Point opportunity around Week 4 (this season) when we played Syracuse. It was my first start,"

Getting back to his touchdown run after his strip sack, "Honestly, it truly was all a blur," said Fortner. "I don't remember running into the end zone. I got

mugged on the sideline." Later in the show, Low asked Fortner to describe what a day was like for an Army cadet.

"At 6:42, we have morning formation," began Kalib.

The first class starts at 7:40 and the last class starts at noon.

"Practice starts at 2:40 and ends at 7," he said.

Later, more time hitting the

"We (he and his brother Liam) are really glued at the hip," he said. "We do homework together. We watch film together."

Low asked Fortner, who still has two more years to play for the Black Knights, where's his 'place to go' eat when he's back in Knoxville.

"Dead End Barbecue," answered Kalib, which is just right down the road from where that guy shouted "Go Army, Beat Navy" that December day three

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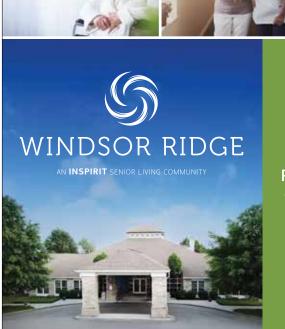
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Who might be among the According to a brief story most fascinating people



That ques-Mattingly tion has been raised more than once in a number of forums. Col. Tom Elam, the selfdescribed "shade tree attorney" from Union City, was a "one question interview" in June 1988 about his time with Gen. Neyland in his days as a student on the Hill and his lifetime of involvement with the University of Tennessee and its athletic program.

That interview went on for hours on a Friday morning and afternoon and really could have lasted longer. He settled two legal cases over the phone while we were talking.

Knoxville's Worden was the president of the U.T. Pep Club in 1953 and led the search for a school mascot that year, the one known as Smokey I. A Blue Tick Coon Hound was selected at a contest at halftime of the season opener against Mississippi State on Sept. 26 and was formally introduced at the Duke game a week later.

in the Knoxville News-Sentinel the next day, the dog would be known as

on the sidelines ever since. That whole process led to a Smokey bio published in 2012, "Smokey: The True Stories behind the University of Tennessee's Beloved Mascot," with coauthor Dr. Earl C. Hudson, Smokey's owner at the

Marvin West is a treasure trove of information about Vol athletics and a good friend. He has a seemingly unlimited supply of stories at the ready from years of sports coverage.

He was present under the

upper deck at Candlestick Park in San Francisco in an auxiliary press box during the 1989 World Series earthquake (Oct. 17, 1989, at 5:04 p.m.). That experi-Stuart ence led to a column ("an unusual one," he termed it) titled, "What a Man Thinks When He Thinks He Is Going to Die."

> John Ward was equally delightful. That famed voice was always in full flower. Over the years, listeners heard Ward's calls of the great plays in Tennessee football and basketball, peppered by such famous

phrases as "Bottom!" "Give left side. Left to right, you it to him!" "Did he make it?" [Pause for effect] "He made it!" and "Give him six!"

There were many magic With few exceptions, moments on the gridthere has been a Smokey iron, such as in the 1985 Alabama game ("Shula back to throw, left-handed, out into the flat... Broken up... Was that intercepted in mid-air? Ladies and gentlemen, what a play by Dale Jones!"), the 1986 Sugar Bowl ("Powell just came roaring down the greensward..."), the 1995 Alabama game ("80 yards, Joey Kent... Touchdown... on Play... No. 1") and many, many others.

One night in early 1977 at Rupp Arena, when Bernard King was at his best, Ward uttered these memorable words: "We don't editorialize much, but this young man can play this game."

It wasn't really part of an interview, but working as a spotter for NBC's Tom Hammond (at Notre Dame in 2001) and Charley Jones (against Penn State in the 1992 Fiesta Bowl) was definitely an education.

Jones was demanding. He was professional. He didn't suffer fools lightly. When you spotted for him, whichever way your team was going was where you sat. If they were going right to left, you sat on his

sat on his right side. That necessitated some scrambling between quarters in a tight booth.

Woe be unto the spotter who blew an identification. The media timeouts were an occasion for review and evaluation. You were expected to know your own team. Period. Once the "lesson" was over, it was

I never met Jim McKay of ABC Sports, but he is deserving of special mention. Seeing him on ABC sports programming over the years elicits memories that span the generations. His legacy begins with

a one-of-a-kind lead-in to memorable Saturday afternoon television programming. "Spanning the globe to bring you the constant variety of sport... the thrill of victory... and the agony of defeat... the human drama of athletic competition... This is ABC's Wide World of Sports!"

Described as "understated, dignified and with a clear eye for detail", McKay none with more historic import than the 1972 Summer Games in Munich.

McKay never embodied those characteristics more than in early September,

Stuart Worden (R) is shown with Smokey I and Miss Tennessee 1953, Ruth Ann Barker (L), near the old cheerleaders' platform on the east side of Shields-Watkins Field, on Sept. 26, 1953.

attacks at the Olympic deaths after a failed rescue Village. Published reports said he had been on the air 14 straight hours.

"It was the loss of whatcovered 12 Olympics, but ever innocence there was in the world," he later wrote.

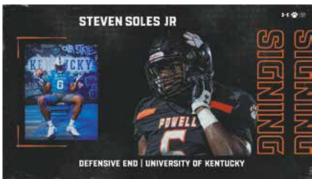
After Black September terrorists had kidnapped 11 Israeli athletes, McKay went into the annals of broadcast journalism covering the terrorist as he announced their

attempt. Never have three words had more power, more emotion.

"They're all gone."

That was Jim McKay (Sept. 24, 1921- June 7,

These were some initial answers to questions posed over the years.



Soles to sign with **Kentucky Tuesday**

By Steve Williams

Defensive end Steven Soles will be signing with Kentucky Tuesday afternoon at 2 at Powell High. Soles was a semifinalist for the Titans' Class 5A Mr. Football award in Tennessee this season and also was voted The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' Knox County Player of the

Eckerman earns All-American honors

Colin Eckerman, a Webb School senior who has had a banner season in cross country, took 12th place in the Foot Locker Nationals' 5-kilometer race to earn All-American honors Dec. 9 in San Diego.

Carter sweeps in District 2 bowling



District 2 titles Wednesday. Runner-up teams in District 2 were Gibbs' girls and Sevier County's boys.

In District 3, Oak Ridge girls and William Blount boys took top honors, while William Blount's and Karns' boys were runnerup.

Knox Stars fall to ET Stars, 42-7

In post-season all-star football games this year, the East Tennessee Stars beat the Knox Stars 42-7 at Sevier County High School on Dec. 9.

In the 16th annual TACA East vs. West All-Star game

Welcome to New York

By Mark Nagi

2015. That's the first time I took my oldest daughter to see my favorite team, the New York Rangers, play a game in person. We had watched them play so many times on television, but getting to walk into a hockey arena was a delight.

It's a sport I grew up watching and, for my money, there is no better sport to watch live in person. The speed, the grace, the aggression... think of a bunch of Al Wilsons. Then think of them skating as effortless as running.

That's hockey. Fast forward to earlier this month. We take an annual holiday trip to New

York City and the journey is scheduled around seeing the Rangers play at Madison Square Garden, the World's Most Famous Arena. Yes, we shop... and see the

sights. We went to the top of the Empire State Building during what felt like a monsoon and yes, it sure is strange being above the clouds. We went ice skating at Wollman Rink in Central Park, and I took a lot of pride in the fact that I didn't fall one time.

We saw the Taylor Swift exhibit at the Museum of Modern Design because these days everything revolves around Taylor

We also visited the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. That is sacred American ground. They've done a wonderful job documenting that awful day in our nation's history and keeping the memory of the victims alive.

New York City is a great place to visit but is just so massive. You could be there for weeks and never get to everything you want to see. I grew up three hours north of Manhattan, and we'd visit once or twice a year. I love making modern-day

New York memories with my daughter. Oh, so back to our

story. Game day. The Rangers are one of the best teams in the National Hockey League, and on this night, they'd host San Jose, one of the worst teams in the National Hockey League. On paper, this game was going to be a cakewalk, but as we all know, games are not played on paper.

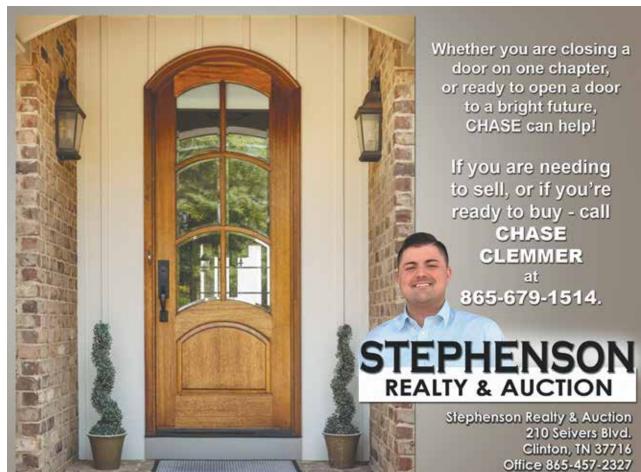
Madison Square Garden is one of my favorite places on this planet. but I've rarely seen the Rangers win a game in that building. But that hasn't stopped me from going to games. Maybe I'm a glutton for punishment. But I first saw the Rangers play there in 1992, and still get chills walking into that structure.

Last year was my daughter's initial game at MSG, and we saw the Rangers get smoked by

Chicago. It was a better experience this time around. On this night Rangers star Artemi Panarin picked up a hat trick, the fans were loud throughout the night, and New York hung on for a

6-5 victory. You know how you hear people say that winning and losing don't really matter and just going to the sporting event is enough? That might be true, but it sure was a better trip back to Tennessee because our

team was victorious. Regular readers of this column know that from time to time I get on my soapbox about travel, and this is one of those times. Make some memories with your loved ones while you can because tomorrow isn't promised. Mix a trip around a sporting event because there are all sorts of games to choose from whenever you like.





Roadrunners notch comeback win at Oak Ridge

Shane Cherry scores 39 points

By Ken Lay

Oak Ridge --- A fourthquarter rally netted a signature road win for the Austin-East High School boys basketball team Friday night.

The Roadrunners overcame a sixth-point deficit to capture an 83-77 win over Oak Ridge in the 5 Star Prep Hoop Jam before a spirited crowd at Wildcat Arena.

"We wanted to come over here and play them so we could find out where we're at," Austin-East secondyear head coach Dernard Bertrum said. "They're always well-coached and this is a great environment for high school basketball."

Bertrum is certainly familiar with the atmosphere at Wildcat Arena, having served as an assistant coach to Oak Ridge coach Aaron Green.

"He's my boss," Bertrum said. "I used to work over here and I knew that Aaron would have his team prepared because he always does."

The Wildcats (10-2) darted out to a fast start and took a 7-0 lead when Ray'Quan Watson knocked down a shot with 5 minutes,48 seconds remaining in the first quarter and Oak Ridge appeared poised to run away with the game. But brothers Shane and

Condis Cherry had other night, and we won this one

Condis, a freshman, scored seven of his 21 points in the opening frame and Shane, a junior who has received NCAA Division I scholarship offers from several schools including Tennessee and East Tennessee State, had seven of his gamehigh 39 points in the inaugural stanza and the Roadrunners narrowed the deficit to 25-22 by first quarter's end.

Then, the game turned into a heavyweight prize fight with the two top area high school basketball powers trading punches. It was also a roller coaster ride with teams matching buckets throughout the

For Austin-East, the week was one of the toughest. The Roadrunners (9-3) had three road games against West High, Central and the Wildcats. They prevailed in all three, knocking off the Rebels, 61-59, on Sutherland Avenue on Tuesday and outlasting the Bobcats, 65-63, in Fountain City Thursday

The Roadrunners have beaten Central twice this season, but their week wasn't over Friday night. They played Chattanooga Howard on Saturday afternoon (results were unavail- grabbed seven rebounds able at press time).

West Tuesday. We won by two points, and then we al rematch between the beat Central (Thursday) Falcons and the Panthers.

tonight, and I'm not even sure what the final score was, but we won,"

Roadrunners, The despite holding a lead several times in the second stanza, trailed, 43-39, at halftime and were down, 64-58, heading into the final frame.

In the fourth quarter, Shane and Condis Cherry took over. Shane had 26 points after halftime and made four free throws down the stretch to seal the victory and Condis nailed a 3-pointer with 34 seconds left to give Austin-East a 79-77 lead.

Kaden Brightharp scored 24 points for the Wildcats, who led, 71-66, midway through the fourth quarter. Watson, who was saddled with three fouls in the first half and eventually fouled out, had 19 points and Cooper Williams finished with 17.

Fulton 73, Stone Memorial 39: In Friday's other boys game at Wildcat Arena, the Falcons improved to 11-0. Taj Kimber scored 14 points and Derrick Smith added 12. Nick Skeen had 11. Dexter Moulden scored 10. Tyler Lee had eight and Denaj Kimber finished with seven.

Moulden and Lee each for the defending "We had a big win at Class 3A state champions in the 2023 state section-

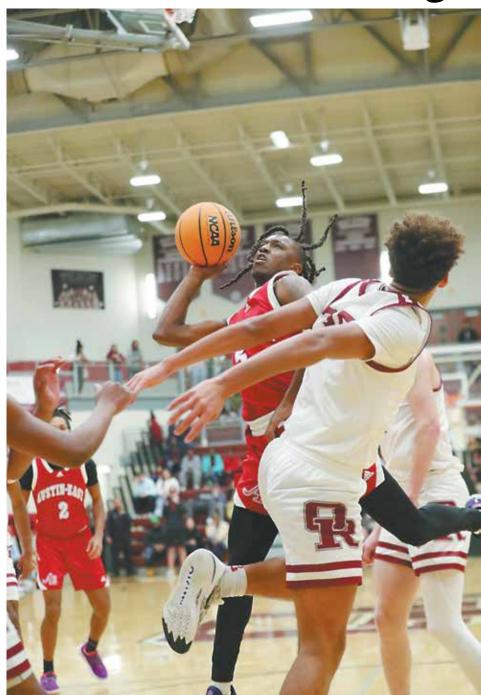


PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS.

Austin-East point guard Shane Cherry drives to the hoops as Oak Ridge's Cooper Williams defends. Cherry scored 39 points to lead the Roadrunners to an 83-77 win over the Wildcats Friday at Wildcat Arena.

Soles to sign with Kentucky Tuesday

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the East 14-7.

Miner steps down at Hardin Valley

Jeff Miner resigned as head football coach at Hardin Valley Academy last week after two years on the job. He had been a was ranked No. 10 in the first longtime defensive coordinator at Tennessee poll of the season, but Oak Ridge prior to filling the HVA dropped to No. 15 in last week's post in 2022.

In other news at Hardin Valley, baseball coach Tyler Roach was poll. placed on paid administrative

32 today, guided the Hawks to meet strength with some conat HVA five years.

Halls matmen drop to No. 15 in state poll

Halls' boys wrestling team

second rankings.

state runner-up behind Farragut sideration to individual tournain Class 4A last spring. He's been ment strength. Votes are cast by a state-wide panel of high school wrestling coaches and are based on a maximum Power Ranking

Swimming as a sanctioned sport denied

Time to sign up for KFOA scholarship

It is time to remind high school students in the Knoxville Football Officials Association's service area that it is time to apply for a college scholarship from the KFOA. The East Tennessee Fund. In a TSSAA Legislative Council who manages the KFOA's scholmeeting in Hermitage earlier arship program, is now accepting Cleveland is No. 1 in the latest this month, a proposal to add 2023 KFOA Scholarship applica-Swimming as a sanctioned sport tions for our annual scholarship Now in its 31st year, The Poll was denied and a proposal to add awards. Scholarship application

Last year the KFOA awarded two - \$2500 scholarships each for two years. There were less than 25 applications last year. The possibilities of receiving an award is very high with so few applications, pointed out Harold Denton, who is on the Scholarship

An applicant must have either played football at his/her school and/or be directly associated with the team (such as cheerleader, dance squad member, football

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