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"We all know what this is about," Stacey Smith told the Knox County Election Commission. Smith was permitted to stay on the August ballot as an Independent over challenges to his petition.

Stacey Smith remains on ballot

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Three names will remain on the August 1st ballot for the 9th District Knox County Commission seat. The Election Commission heard a complaint filed by Martin Ammons Friday evening that challenged the signatures on the petition submitted by Stacey Bryan Smith.

Ammons, a supporter of the Republican Party nominee

Andy Fox, told the election commission that Smith not only submitted a campaign petition with questionable signatures and addresses but that Smith also violated finance statement deadlines, misled voters with the wrong election date, and signatures on the petition did not match those signatures on file with the election commission.

"He has been misleading voters and has disregarded

Tennessee law," Ammons told the hearing.

The only actionable matter among the charges was Ammons questioning the petition signatures. Each of the commission members asked both Ammons and Smith several questions and Smith brought several residents who swore they had legally signed his petition.

Knox County Election Administrator Chris Davis said

the signatures were looked at closely and 26 were accepted. He said address changes occur from original voter registrations and signatures change over time. He and the commission members, Chairwoman Hannah Hooper, Secretary Julie Gautreau, Bob Bowman, Eddie Smith and Adronicus Thomas went over several signatures and addresses to confirm the

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Charlie Pratt addresses customers and community members on Friday at a party celebrating the 100th anniversary of Pratt's Country Store, a staple in Fountain City. Pictured with Pratt are Tim Burchett, Michele Carringer, Kellie and Perry Pratt and Becky Duncan Massey.

Pratt's Country Store celebrates 100 years in Fountain City

By Ken Lay

Pratt's Country Store celebrated a milestone over the weekend.

The store, a fixture in Fountain City, located at 3100 Tazewell Pike, turned 100 and marked its centennial anniversary with two days of parties.

On a clear Friday afternoon, the

family-owned corner store owners, Perry and Kellie Pratt, thanked its loyal customers for years of patronage.

"We're here today to mark the 100th anniversary of Perry's family coming here," Kellie Pratt said. "They came here in 1924. It is special."

The family-owned corner store has been around for generations and has always put God, family, customer service and community first. It's known primarily for its produce. But to the Pratts, the customers have always been more than just mere trading

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School board fails to pass book review process

By Ken Leinart

The Knox County Board of Education has been grappling with policy and what's appropriate and what's not appropriate concerning books available within the school system since October of last year.

During Thursday night's board meeting, a policy proposal banning all books with sexual images failed to pass – even though a new state law that goes into effect July 1 says such material will not be allowed in schools.

Susan Horn, who formed the policy proposal, explained the policy she hoped would pass during a lengthy board of education workshop session Monday night noting that board policy requires policy changes – the "policy policy" – go through the Policy Review Board before being brought to

the full board for a vote.

But, she said, since the board of education had been talking about this for several months, and because the newly amended state law goes into effect July 1, the board should "address it sooner rather than later."

Horn said in April a review process for books that may be graphic in content (words) but without graphics and images, was also outlined (though not passed), but such a process was needed.

The new proposal would also address books with content only and would be in line with Tennessee State standards.

Horn, Steve Triplett, Kristi Kristy, and Travis Wright voted "Yes" for the proposal. Jennifer Owen and Katherine Bike voted "No," while John Butler

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Rezoning for additional housing on council agenda

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In addition to voting to issue \$91 million in Electric System Revenue Bonds and \$20 million in Water System Revenue Bonds, the Knoxville City Council tomorrow will consider many zoning change requests, most of those dealing with increasing housing.

Homestead Land Holdings LLC is asking that property at Zero Broome Road and 7700 and 7708 Middlebrook Pike be changed from RN-2 to RN-5, upping the zone there to permit multi-residential dwellings.

Stephen Goodson is asking the zoning for 606 Heins Court

be changed from RN-2 to RN-4, again to increase the number of housing units.

Scott Smith is asking that Zero and 1476 Lyons Bend Road and Zero South Northshore Drive be increased from RN-1 to RN-3. The lot at 1405 Rickard Drive may go from office zoning to RN-1 residential if Manuel Cardoza's request is approved. The property located at 618 Hollywood Road may go from RN-1 to RN-2 and a lot at 810 Clinch Avenue is asking to add a historic overlay to its zoning.

Non-residential zoning requests include a property on Old Broadway to change from industrial mixed-use to general commercial.

A property at 2635 Western Avenue might be changed from light industrial to heavy industrial.

In other action the council may allot \$94,917 to Volunteer Ministry Center for emergency shelter services for 205 individuals. The center may also get \$175,008 for its staff of two street outreach social workers for the homeless. Catholic Charities may get \$30,000 for the provision of emergency shelter and services.

YMCA of Knoxville may get \$45,000 for transitional housing through its Keys of Hope Program.

The council may also issue a quitclaim deed for property at 716 Fern Street to DCS Realty

LLC for a price of \$3,000 under the city's Homemakers Project.

The mayor may be authorized to approve an agreement with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation to increase funding by \$20,000 for the training conferences and additional training for the police department. The council will also vote to amend the city code dealing with self-service beer permit requirements.

Just over \$18,000 may be approved from the Community Improvement Funds and donated to various community agencies and organizations in a motion from Vice Mayor Tommy Smith and supported by six council members.

Mayor Indya Kincannon is placing Karyn Adams and Nick Gill on the planning commission and Andrea Kupfer may be reappointed to the Public Property Naming Committee. A \$150,000 African American Equity Restoration Task Force grant may be approved to support 18 community-based originations.

PRI of East Tennessee may be hired for \$ 117,747 to do the 2024 Citywide Facilities Paving Project in a request from the Engineering Department and Ecosystem Planning and Restoration, LLC may be funded an additional \$ 56,129 for additional engineering service for the Mary Vestal Park Stream-bank Restoration program

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Alvin Bragg: World Champion Fundraiser

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr.
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If Donald Trump is able to win the 2024 presidential race, Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg will deserve a significant part of the credit.

The Democrats have been the party of the super-wealthy for many years, and Trump was running far behind Biden in fundraising.

However, there was such a reaction against Trump's conviction in the "Stormy Daniels" (fake name) case, the former president raised \$53 million in the next 24 hours.

This brought his total

for May to \$141 million, because he was also helped by the ridiculously excessive fine leveled against Trump by the publicity-loving Judge Arthur Engoron.

The earlier case was for civil fraud and was brought by the New York Attorney General, Letitia James. She said the fine plus interest would amount to \$450 million, an amount which the Associated Press described as "staggering".

It was especially ridiculous considering that the "fraud" was victimless. The banks and companies supposedly defrauded wanted to do business with Trump and his companies and did not lose money by doing so.

Both Bragg and James ran campaigns pledging to "get Trump" and to use their offices and the New York legal system to do so. This is, or should be, very improper and unethical.

If you google the Lady of Justice statue, it says

"the blindfold represents the impartiality and objectivity of the law and that it doesn't let outside factors, such as politics, wealth, or fame, influence its decisions."

This description of "Justice" would be a cruel joke now to Trump and his family, at least in New York.

Just before the verdict in the Bragg case was announced, the former New York Times reporter, Alex Berenson, said in his online publication, Unreported Truths, that the trial was a "show trial" and said the "outcome.... seems pre-ordained."

He wrote that a guilty verdict would do nothing "except to further undermine confidence in the legal system." When the jury came back, Berenson wrote that it was "the least surprising verdict ever."

In addition to the more than \$70 million Trump raised in the three days after this latest verdict,

he received pledges of \$130 million more. Trump raised just \$700 million in his entire 2020 campaign, while Biden raised \$1.7 billion, and Mark Zuckerberg, the founder of Facebook, spent \$400 million more in an independent expenditure to get out the Democratic vote.

When Mitt Romney ran against Barack Obama, Obama received four times more than Romney from Fortune 500 executives.

Democrat J. B. Pritzker spent \$323 million in his two winning races for governor of Illinois, and his Republican opponents had only a fraction of that much. Pritzker is worth at least \$3.6 billion as one of the heirs to the Hyatt fortune.

Jon Corzine, a Goldman Sachs executive, spent over \$60 million to be elected governor of New Jersey in 2004. His Republican opponent, Congressman Bob Franks, was able to

raise only about \$3 million.

In a race last year for the Supreme Court in Wisconsin, the Democrat won after raising \$14 million to the Republican candidate's \$2 million. I could give many, many more examples like these, and unfortunately about 95% of elections are won by the candidate with the most money.

Going back to Alvin Bragg – he went to such an extreme to get Trump that he did something never done before. To turn a false business records case into a felony, he had to allege that Trump broke a federal campaign finance law that the Federal Election Commission had already ruled Trump did not break.

This caused such a reaction in Trump's favor that the Capitol Hill newspaper, The Hill, reported that most Trump critics like Senators Mitch McConnell, Susan Collins, Lisa Murkowski and others were not getting behind Trump.

So, unwittingly, in their blind partisanship and hatred for Donald Trump, Bragg and James have helped him unify the Republican Party, raise many millions, and may have helped him be re-elected as president.

Many people are saying that if the election was held today, Trump would win by a very large margin. However, that is the biggest IF in the world.

The election is still five months away, and I have seen many elections turn in the last week or two.

Trump has said or done things that his strongest supporters wish he had not said or done. But the issues are much more important than the personalities. And on all the big things – the things that really matter – Trump was a very good president and could be once again.

Has the American Medical Association Lost its Collective Mind?

AMA: Straight white Christian male doctors are responsible for inequities in health outcomes. Who knew?

Remember "Rocky and His Friends" when Boris Badenov and Natasha Fatale were turning smart people into idiots by spraying them with goof gas? Well it is apparent that the American Medical Association has been one of their victims. How else to explain their stances on social issues? Like many universities and other institutions infected by wokeness, the AMA has produced a guide in which they try to change standard language into woke speak. George Orwell would be proud.

The "Advancing Health Equity: A Guide to Language,



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Narrative and Concepts" should be an embarrassment to all physicians. The guide juxtaposes conventional statements to revised ones. Consider "Native Americans have the highest mortality rates in the United States." The revision is "Dispossessed by the government of their land and culture, Native Americans have the highest mortality rates in the United States." Really? Is the "dispossession" of land responsible for mortality rates? Then I guess all those who have their land grabbed by the government under eminent domain must also have higher mortality rates. Or how about "Low income people have the highest level of coronary artery disease in the

United States"? The revision is "People underpaid and forced into poverty as a result of banking policies, real estate developers gentrifying neighborhoods and corporations weakening the power of labor movements, among others, have the highest level of coronary artery disease in the United States." Who wrote this stuff Saul Alinsky? Consider the assertion that health equity is impossible unless there is "explicit recognition and reconciliation of our country's twin, fundamental injustices of genocide and forced labor." In the AMA's own words: "The dominant narratives in American medicine and society reflect the values and interests of the historically more privileged socioeconomic groups—white, heterosexual, able-bodied, cisgendered, male, wealthy, English-speaking, Christian, U.S.-born."

Egads! I guess I should find a queer, nonbinary, poor, non-English speaking crippled, Third World heathen doctor! Understand that the ones who are condemning the above are most likely white males damning themselves. Being an empiricist, I want the AMA to produce evidence that a change in language positively affects medical outcomes. It's a pretty safe bet that no such evidence exists. Moreover telling the majority of doctors that they are racists and are not colorblind in their practice of medicine does not engender better medicine.

The wokeness of the AMA has spilled down to our medical schools which now ask applicants about their views on racism, diversity, equity, inclusion, sexual orientation and gender identity. I bet that 100 percent of the applicants lie. Not only is wokeness on the application but has also been incorporated into medical education. The AMA says

that "we believe this topic deserves just as much attention from learners and educators at every stage of their careers as the latest scientific breakthroughs." Huh? Boris Badenov strikes again! There have been virtually no studies that have shown that teaching of Critical Race Theory and the woke glossary have produced better outcomes. Rather the research shows that instead of enlightenment, such teaching builds resentment and racial/class strife. I guess toney educations don't prevent one from being a fool.

Next there is the AMA's position on transgenders and transgender "care." The AMA vigorously supports the use of one's chosen pronouns and has filed several amici briefs in cases where such pronoun use has been at issue. The AMA is all in stating "Gender-affirming care is medically-necessary, evidence-based care that improves the physical and mental

health of transgender and gender-diverse people." Excuse me? The evidence is to the contrary. Several European countries recognize that gender dysphoria by the young is often the product of mental strife and that most grow out of it. They urge caution in performing surgeries such as the removal of breasts and castration. A recent study in Great Britain showed that the country's national health service was "failing thousands of children, and prescribing puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones despite "remarkably weak evidence."

The British study is a rebuke of the gender-industrial complex. Recall that Vanderbilt University was revealed as one that performed these surgeries and that they were highly profitable – never mind the harm they were inflicting on the children. There has got to be a special place in Hell for the doctors who perform these surgeries.



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Stacey Smith

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necessary signatures were acceptable.

"We all know what this is

about," Smith told the hearing. The former Republican said he didn't feel at home with either main political party and chose to run as an Independent. Some Fox supporters fear that Smith's candidacy will draw votes from Fox. Democrat challenger Matthew Park watched the hearing from

the audience.

"There's a fox in the hen house in District Nine," he said.

Of the race for the commission seat Smith said he wanted to "back out" several times but did not.


"I'm not hiding anything, there's a better way to govern than either side," he said of the Republican and Democratic parties.

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The election commission members then voted unanimously that Smith is qualified to seek the office with Bowman saying he is "deeply troubled" by Smith's failure to file campaign financial statements on time.



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Publisher’s Positions



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Liberal Lies

The crisis at our country’s southern border is the handiwork of one man: Joe Biden. There was NO crisis at the border when he moved into the White House on January 20, 2021. With the sweep of his pen, he rolled back the closure of our southern border and the orders put in place by Donald Trump. Biden refused to complete the border wall and sold off materials that were to be used for the wall.

For the last three and a half years, every member of the Biden administration from Biden to Alejandro Mayorkas to Karine Jean-Pierre has insisted

the southern border was secure. Only within the last few months did Biden admit there might be a problem at the southern border. Also keep in mind, Biden has insisted he could not do what he just did through Executive Order. Of course, Biden’s Executive Order is meaningless. It allows almost 2 million illegals into the country annually. We are already on track to spend \$1 TRILLION to pay for the Social Security and Medicare costs of the illegals who have poured across our “secure” border at Joe Biden’s invitation. Both are in poor financial shape and were teetering on the edge of fiscal ruin well before the strain of 15 million illegal aliens was added. That doesn’t even begin to address the cost of housing the illegals by municipal and state governments and the increasing strain on our infrastructure.

The same people who have insisted for 3 ½ years that our southern borders are secure are the very same people who have been dead silent since an illegal alien from Venezuela, a member of a gang, shot two New York City

policemen. Not vetting the people we let across our border has already caused needless loss of life.

Biden did what he always insisted he couldn’t do with his bogus Executive Order because he’s down in the polls and the American people are deeply unhappy about the mess he’s created.

Even the pinheads at CNN have just recently acknowledged the border crisis is a real threat to Biden’s reelection. Duh. CNBC and the Marquette University Law School, no right-wing polling outfit, show Trump enjoys a 27 point advantage among voters who trust him to deal with the border issues rather than Biden. Trump also has a 3-point lead among immigrant voters over Biden.

Nobody ever accused the CNN folks of being smart. They were clearly shocked by the results of the poll. What do they expect? Remember how inflation was transitory? Yep, they told us that as it sat down beside us and moved in with no sign of leaving like a mother-in-law. What they expect is all of us to drink the Kool-Aid because they

told us to.

They think everybody is jumping up and down and clapping their hands for story-time with drag queens, being told they have to get rid of their gas stoves and lawnmowers, and get ready for a fleet of electric vehicles the average American can’t afford without the necessary recharging stations and a super dependency upon China to supply us with the batteries. Nor have they figured out how to dispose of the batteries once they have expired.

These people are idiots, and they only lie when their lips move and, yes, most of us have noticed it.

More Liberal Lies

Lying brings us to our next topic.

“Americans were aggressively bullied, shamed and silenced for merely questioning or debating issues such as social distancing, masks, vaccines, or the origins of COVID. And it should not have been the case that Americans were forced to comply with oppressive mandates, when those who chose to illegally cross over our southern border were

not.” That’s part of a statement made by Congressman Brad Wenstrup of Ohio at a hearing last week featuring Mr. Science himself, Anthony Fauci.

Anthony Fauci, who clearly sees himself as the embodiment of science, testified at a hearing last week and drew fire from skeptical Republican congressmen. Democrats generally did what they could to protect Fauci. There were a few interesting things to come from the hearing. Wenstrup, who is a doctor, said the federal government during the pandemic was one of “the most invasive regimes of domestic policy the U. S. has ever seen.” Fauci was picking his words very carefully and insists there was no funding of gain-of-function research funded by the NIH through the Wuhan lab. That was already contradicted by Fauci’s former boss and an underling who admitted he did everything he could to skirt the Freedom of Information Act regulations.

Nobody can be surprised to hear Fauci’s admission that the six-foot distancing, which was accepted as the holy-of-holies by the

left, was not based in science, nor was masking children. Turns out there was a heck of a lot of guessing going on, although they stomped on anyone or anything that questioned their edicts. Turns out a lot of these folks at the NIH were the same kind of doctor as Granny Clampett and they cyphered less well than Jethro.

Spiders And Snakes

Then comes the exciting news flying spiders as big as the palm of a man’s hand are coming to the East Coast. They are venomous and even better, they can fly by spinning webs like parachutes. They are coming from China.

I heard about that after hearing there is a snake-like fish that can breathe air and remain out of the water for hours. It’s aggressive, too and a predator. They are native to Asia and now there have been four of the critters caught in Missouri.

Apparently, these varmints must have got loose with the bat Tony Fauci thinks invented Covid.

Parents question Private Practitioner Policy

By Ken Leinart

An update to a Knox County Schools policy concerning private practitioner recommendations for students in their care is causing concern for one parent, and therapy access for students with autism is raising questions from other parents.

The policy update, CJ359 Private Practitioner Policy, allows KCS administration, health care supervisors, and even a school principal to override a medical doctor’s treatment plan, according to one parent.

Jennifer Rose of Knox County addressed the Knox County Board of Education during its open forum session and said she would like to know how that came about.

“Is it because KCS administration and a health service supervisor know more than a child’s medical doctor?” Rose asked.

Alexis Rose, another Knox County parent, had another question concerning a Knox County medical policy.

She said she has a son with autism. “He doesn’t struggle with it, he’s quite good at it,” she said.

She said her son has ABA therapy, which has been clinically proven to help students with autism make great strides, especially regarding pragmatic language, sensory processing, language acquisition, social and personal care skills, self-injury and self-stimulatory skills.

She said in March it was acknowledged during a KCS meeting that 42 students were receiving ABA access in the Knox County system but that access was stopped. She also said KCS knew ABA therapy and access did not violate any laws.

She said nine of those students – 21 percent of those students – were affected by that lack of access. That impact lasted

33 percent of the school year.

And, she stated, access was stopped by the complaint of one parent of one student – .0008 percent of the (60,000) students in the KCS system.

“Those numbers seem wildly disproportionate,” she said.

She said KCS did agree to a policy that would allow remote observations but unrequested revisions further restrict the benefits of these treatments.

“The revisions are poorly written and the only thing it clearly outlines is the lack of knowledge KCS has about nurse practitioner services and the combative relationship they intend to have with nurse practitioners,” she said.

She said she would like the board to draw up an “educated” policy that addresses the students’ needs and “not .0008 percent of the parents’ needs.”

Allison Casternack thanked the board for its nurse practitioner and ABA policy. She said her son flourished during his eighth-grade year at Farragut Middle School.

“I would like to say, ‘Thank you and goodnight,’ unfortunately nothing is that simple,” she said.

She said the policy worked out great for her and her son, but she was disheartened to learn that other parents did not have the good experience she did.

She said the policy is written so that there is too much discretion placed in the hands of those who are not familiar enough with autism.

“I would request that written and transparent guidelines be made for all parties to follow,” she said.

She said her son will go to high school in August and that she hoped he would continue to have good experiences.

“But with a new administration ...who knows?” she asked.

Another question before the board was the treatment of school nurses.

Jessica Turnbull, a nurse

in the KCS system, had a question about the KCS school nursing situation.

Specifically, pay.

“With the new system, five years of (work) credit have been taken away,”


she said.

She said school nurses who also serve as health science teachers will receive the same pay raise as teachers.

The school nurse and the

school nurse who teaches health sciences have the same degree, she said.

School nurses who do not teach health sciences will receive a two percent raise.



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partners. They've always been treated like family.

"We put down roots and we have a little community store. We're a small business," Kellie said. "For us, it's about the relationships."

Pratt's Country Store has given many residents their first jobs. Perry and Kellie have also given five family members their first work experience.

"One of the things that Perry does best is teaching life skills," Kellie said. "He's given kids in the community their first job and Perry always works with them and teaches life skills."

"We've had our three kids work here and my sister had two kids work here."

State and national leaders were in attendance at Friday afternoon's celebration and they had memories of Pratt's.

State Representative Michele Carringer, a lifelong resident of Fountain City, recalled her early memories of the store.

"Pratt's Country Store was our bank and when we needed money for gas, our parents would write us a \$5 check and they would

cash it," Carringer said. "They would cash it and we could get a little bit of gas."

"Of course \$5 worth of gas went a lot further back then. It might've lasted you a month or so."

Former Knox County Mayor and current United States Representative Tim Burchett was also in attendance Friday afternoon. He did as he promised and kept his remarks short.

"It's an election year and politicians could be up here for two hours," Burchett said. "I had a speech, but then I heard them talk about Jesus, so I decided not to give the speech."

"I'm honored to serve the people of Knoxville, but I'm even more honored to be here today for a great family."

Burchett noted that his mother also shopped at Pratt's.

State Senator Becky Duncan Massey was on hand. Like Carringer and Burchett, she shared a memory of the store.

"There's actually a picture of me in the store," she said. "I was a little girl in a dress and I was with my father."

The store has meant so much

to Fountain City and residents from surrounding areas, and Kellie Pratt said that it must do what it does well.

"We can't compete with the big box stores. We have to do what we do and we have to do it well," she said. "It's like Perry says, if you follow the principles in the Bible and you're honest and you treat people well, the rest will take care of itself."

The couple's son, Charlie, was the master of ceremonies for Friday afternoon's festivities and he honored his parents.

"I've often thought if I could be half the man that my dad is, then I would be doing pretty good," Charlie Pratt said. "One day, he told me that he was proud to be my dad. And I said, 'You're not retiring, are you?'"

"I'm proud to be his son."

Perry, usually a man of few words, thanked the customers for years of patronage.

"You all have made this possible and it's all about praise and thanksgiving for our Lord Jesus Christ," he said.

The festivities concluded and the attendees were treated to watermelon and ice cream.



PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Perry and Kellie Pratt celebrated the 100th Birthday of Pratt's Country Store at a party Friday afternoon in Fountain City.

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and Daniel Watson passed. Betsy Henderson was not in attendance. The proposal failed without an agreement from a majority of the board (five "Yes" votes).

The subject of what is appropriate and what is not appropriate in the libraries of Knox County schools has been debated for some nine months. It will probably continue to be debated. Under the state law that goes into action July 1, books with graphic images will not be allowed in public schools.

Exactly what is considered inappropriate content has been an issue discussed without satisfaction.

Lance McCold of Knox County addressed the board during the open forum portion of the discussion.

"You recognize what's going on here. It's about politics," he said.

"Brought forth by Moms For Liberty and they are not moms and liberty is the last thing they want. They want their perspective to dominate over everybody else's."

Two audience members spoke in favor of Horn's proposal, one parent saying she wanted "invasive and harmful" books removed from school libraries. She said "these" books were sexually targeting children and that by not removing

them the board was "Unworthy of the trust of citizens in Knox County."

Another citizen said anyone in opposition to the removal of books advocating sexual experimentation and sexual identity, "were making excuses," and the school board needs to "draw lines based on the will of the people and follow the law." He also added the books in question were available elsewhere and didn't "need to be in our school libraries."

Three members of the Knoxville Chapter of Moms For Liberty also addressed the board.

President of the Knoxville Chapter Sheri Super said the amended law was, "Pretty clear. By law these inappropriate materials must be removed."

Susan Groenke, a professor of English education at the University of Tennessee and director for Children's and Young Adult Literature said, "One of the arguments we continue to hear from would-be book banners is that books that contain description or depictions of sexual content are dangerous and harmful to young people."

"Research shows reading such books is a safe way for young people to explore topics they will not discuss with adults."

She also said research showed it helped in the

prevention of young people dabbling in unsafe practices.

Dr. Stacey Reese, an English teacher at West High School, said she wanted the board to clarify its position.

She said school policies are determined by the students and/or employees of the school.

"It is the students' school," she said.

She said challenges to books and other material are supposed to only be made by parents with students attending the school in question.

"We have a challenge at West High School, but the person making the challenge doesn't have a student in our school. We just want some clarity."

For the board members who did not vote "Yes" on the proposal there were several factors.

Jennifer Owen said the board had a system in place, a "policy policy" that by not using it the board was breaking its own rules.

She also said any policy revision should be "consistent with the education mission of the school."

She said those education policies were based on making material accessible to students and that by removing them they become inaccessible.

"I've had parents reach out to me about school security, about food and

meal accessibility," Katherine Bike said. "I've had maybe one parent reach out about an inappropriate book and it was a math book."

Bike was referencing an e-mail she received that said something about the large number of people reaching out to someone not associated with the school board.

"It's offensive to say that our teachers and our librarians are grooming children. And I take offense to the

idea that I would want to harm children. We have a system in place and we have gone over and over the system in place."

Daniel Watson said he understood the board wanted to make a statement with the new law coming July 1.

"I'm sure Susan made the change because she thought it was the right thing to do and we do not want to be dictated to by the state," he said.

"But I don't think rushing

to 'make a statement' is the right move."

Steve Triplett encouraged all board members to pass the proposal though.

"We've been trying since October and haven't gotten anywhere," he said. "We have been at this a long time and haven't gotten anywhere."

He said passing the proposal was, "Setting a clear standard," and with the state mandate looming, "It is pretty clear now."

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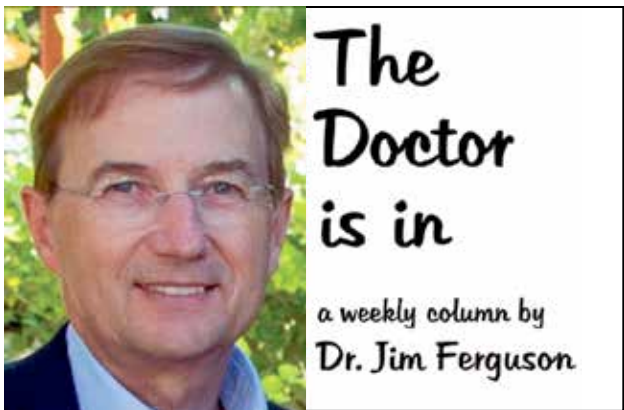
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Gotham

Hatred is the mindset of a soul twisted by evil.
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If a demonstrably corrupt system condemns you, are you guilty? Jesus threatened the elitist ruling class in Jerusalem and was convicted in a midnight kangaroo court on the testimony of lying witnesses. Similarly, Democrats are perverting the legal system with their political lawfare to destroy President Trump, hoping to jail him or even kill him through Congressman Bennie Thompson's legislation. And remember, Epstein died in federal custody.

The kangaroo court in Gotham convicted President Trump of a crime that wasn't a crime. All it took was a vile district attorney, a chief prosecutor from Biden's Department of Justice, a corrupt Democrat judge, the testimony of a disbarred, serial liar, conman and thief

along with the unprovable recollections of a prostitute to convince 12 denizens of New York City, that President Trump was guilty of opposing Democrats and the ruling class. The Joker would be proud to claim these reprobates as members of his criminal gang.

I have come to distrust the legal system and its lawfare as much as I distrust the legacy media and the corrupted institutions of our government and culture.

In 1787 a woman asked Benjamin Franklin what type of government he and the Founders had given the country at the Constitutional Convention. He answered, "A republic, if you can keep it."

A republic is a system of government built upon the rule of law. The lawfare in New York is evidence that the third branch of our government has been corrupted by Democrats, Trump haters and the Washington

establishment that Trump threatens. If this injustice is allowed to stand, our republic no longer exists because its foundational rule of law has been destroyed.

It was the head of Joseph Stalin's secret police who infamously said, "Show me the man and I'll show you the crime." Alvin Bragg and Joe Biden's Justice Department found the man and the denizens of Gotham proved that the rule of law no longer exists in New York City and the police state has come to America. It would be naïve and foolish to have anything to do with Gotham, but unfortunately the police state has spread beyond New York City and threatens Main Street, USA.

I practiced medicine for 50 years and was never sued for malpractice. That is unusual. In our litigious and victim conscious society, malpractice lawsuits are relatively common. Perhaps I was lucky. Perhaps I practiced good medicine, was thorough and honest with my patients.

My one and only interaction with the legal system was a civil suit. After exhausting all avenues, I resorted to suing a pool construction company for shoddy work. Our supposedly expert attorney was a courtroom disaster, but the jury, nonetheless, sided with us. Then, I learned

about the legal system. The corrupt Knoxville judge overturned the jury's verdict. That was the day I became a legal system denier, just as I questioned the 2020 election results.

I suspect most have heard the biblical story of the woman caught in adultery and brought by lawyers and elites to Jesus for judgment. Their goal was to trap Jesus and ultimately destroy him (John 8). Essentially, Jesus refused to accept their false premise of law and adultery, where a woman was guilty, but not a man. Jesus challenged their injustice, and destroyed their indictment by remaining silent while scribbling in the dirt, perhaps writing the names of townsmen who had "dated" the woman. After the scoundrels had slunk away in defeat, Jesus forgave the woman and told her to "sin no more."

These days conspiracy theories abound. However, we may need a new term because so-called conspiracy theories are repeatedly being proven true. A newsworthy example is the Hunter Biden laptop story now proven legitimate. The New York Post story was suppressed by the intelligence agencies, Democrats, the major news media, as well as social media like Twitter and FakeBook and I could go on. Reportedly, 17%

of registered Democrats would have voted differently in the 2020 election if the New York Post story had not been suppressed. This was election interference and our country has paid a terrible price.

We must wise up and stand up if America is to survive the current civil war. Democrats have learned an effective strategy: accuse others of doing what they are already engaged in. What better way to misdirect people's attention and put Republicans on the defensive? The media goons then label us as "deniers."

I could cite a dozen other examples, but I'll just mention a few. The Russian collusion hoax was engineered by Hillary Clinton with the Steele Dossier, aka "pee-pee tape." (If you're puzzled by the crass descriptor, look it up.)

Another actual conspiracy, first labeled as a conspiracy theory, sprang from the Biden family's illicit business dealings in Ukraine. The "leaked phone call" of President Trump, asking Zelenskyy about these dealings led to the Ukraine hoax and Trump's impeachment.

Lastly, the Covid conspiracy theory claims have been silenced with the revelation of Covid lies told by Fauci et al. Fauci and our government did, in fact, financially support

gain-of-function research in Wuhan, China. Fauci et al made millions of dollars on the deals and worldwide, millions died. The Chinese wet market and the pangolin ruse were classic Democrat misdirections.

We must rise up and not allow Gotham to spread and Washington to be America's Panem (Hunger Games). A friend recently asked me what he can do. I had multiple suggestions. Call your congressional representatives and ask their staff for the representative's stance on issues and voice your own (Becky and I are on speed dial to our representatives). Hold our elected officials accountable at the ballot box. Volunteer for candidates who support your conservative and American values. Write letters to the editor of your local paper. TALK to people about your beliefs. But like Jesus, decline to simply accept a false premise in discussions. And boycott DEI and woke businesses and travel destinations (I have dozens on my list).

I have a voice in this opinion column. But of far greater importance is that all of us VOTE in this critical November election. And then the rebuilding of America can begin.

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Catching Up With

Kim Trent

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You may know Kim Trent from her work as director of Knox Heritage or her history of historic preservation in our region. What brought the Georgia native to Knoxville and what's she doing now?

The Knoxville Focus caught up with the always busy and involved lady and asked a few questions:

What got you interested in preservation?

I grew up in Mobile, Alabama, surrounded by incredible historic architecture and a rich history. Even though we lived in a

suburban house built in 1975, I was naturally drawn to downtown and the surrounding historic neighborhoods and spent a lot of time exploring them while I was in high school. In college at the University of Alabama, my apartment was in the ballrooms of an Antebellum mansion in a historic neighborhood near campus and when I moved to Atlanta after college, I lived in an old bakery building in the Highland Neighborhood that had been converted into lofts. Soon after I moved to Knoxville in 1991, we bought an 1893 house in the Parkridge Neighborhood designed by George Barber and restored it.

My grandparents also had an



Kim Trent

influence. We've had a family farm in the small town of Molena, Georgia, for generations. In 1965, the railroad announced it was planning to demolish the town's small train station. My grandmother wasn't going to stand for that, so she and my grandfather moved the train depot to our farm overlooking the lake

my grandfather had built several years before. They restored the depot as their home and even bought a train caboose they turned into a guest house. Summer vacations were spent in that magical place, and we still have the farm today.

As the former Knox Heritage director what would you say were some of the major successes?

I'm very proud of the work we did to save most of the buildings in the 500 block of Gay Street where the Regal Riviera movie theater is located today. The original plan was to demolish everything between the Farragut Hotel and the Fidelity Building. We were able to work with Mayor Haslam to come up with a plan to save most of the buildings while incorporating the new theater and we played a role in identifying sources of funding for the new theater building and

the remaining historic buildings. That was a watershed project for Knox Heritage because it showed the important role we could play in spurring new investment downtown while preserving our historic architecture.

I'm also very proud of the work we did through our Vintage Properties program to purchase blighted residential properties and rehabilitate them for new residents. It made a big impact on the neighborhoods we focused on and helped encourage others to invest in improving the housing stock in those neighborhoods. Those investments are paying off today.

I think our biggest impact was showing that historic preservation is a basic value in our community and educating the public about the positive economic and community impact it can have in building a more vibrant

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community for everyone. I think the results speak for themselves when you look at downtown and the surrounding historic neighborhoods today. They are thriving and people are clamoring to live, work and play in those areas.

What brought you to Knoxville?

I moved here in 1991 from Atlanta where I worked for a magazine publisher after graduating from college. My husband at the time was from Knoxville and the city was very appealing to us because we couldn't afford to buy a house in Atlanta but knew we could in Knoxville. When I visited Market Square and downtown for the first time I fell in love and knew I wanted to be a part of bringing life back to the area.

You attended college in Alabama. Where are you originally from?

I was born in Georgia while my father was in school at Georgia Tech, but I grew up in Mobile, Alabama. My family spent five years in Camden, Arkansas, when I was a young child and my father was working for International Paper, but I will always call Mobile home.

Tell us about your family.

I have two wonderful children and I'm very proud of both of them. My son, Spencer, is a head script writer for Jupiter Entertainment. My daughter, Kate, is a student at Pellissippi State Community College. I'm lucky they have both chosen to stay in Knoxville.

Were there conflicts between being a realtor and being in preservation?

Actually, no. Ultimately, preservation is about real estate. You

have to use real estate tools to save historic places. In the majority of cases, if the economics don't work, you lose historic places.

What is Preservation Strategies?

This is my consulting firm that I started six years ago when I stepped down from being the executive director of Knox Heritage. I work with developers across the country who are redeveloping historic buildings and need to utilize the local, state and federal financial incentives to make the numbers work. I currently have projects in Georgia, California, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, Kentucky, Missouri and Wisconsin. I also work with nonprofit preservation organizations to build their capacity to save more places. My recent clients are in Louisiana and Indiana and Nevada.

You are now executive director of the National Preservation Partners Network. Can you explain?

The NPPN is an independent, membership-based nonprofit dedicated to advancing the growth and effectiveness of the nonprofit historic preservation movement. We are a community of, and for, professionals who work at national, regional, statewide, and local nonprofit preservation organizations. It started as a program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and I chaired the group and served on the National Trust board from 2010 until 2012. It spun off as an independent nonprofit organization in 2018 and currently has over 100 member organizations across the country, including in Hawaii and Guam.

I'm thrilled about working with colleagues across the country

again. I'm passionate about helping others learn how to save historic places to strengthen their communities and preserve the diverse history of our nation. I'm very lucky that I will be remaining in Knoxville and the organization will now be based here.

What is the largest threat to preserving our important places?

A lack of knowledge is the biggest threat. That is why education is so important. It is possible for communities to grow and thrive economically while preserving the historic places that matter to their citizens – and turn them into assets. Just look at our thriving downtown for proof. It just requires looking at development through a different lens and utilizing the resources that are available to make preservation projects viable. The 500 block of Gay Street is a perfect example of how working together can save historic places and spur economic success.

What are your hobbies or interests outside your profession?

My profession and my hobbies mostly overlap -history, architecture, urban planning, downtowns, historic neighborhoods, travel, and restoring houses. Cooking and hosting parties are two of my other favorite things to do and I even do those in my historic home on Magnolia Avenue.

How would you like to be remembered?

I would like to be remembered as someone who spoke up for what she believed in, was brave in the face of challenges and worked very hard to help preserve and create great places to live for people across our country.

Commission meets for zoning on a new day and time next Monday

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The Knox County Commission meets on zoning change requests next Monday at 5 p.m. Until now the zoning sessions have followed the regular meetings on the fourth Monday of each week but recently it was changed to the third Monday. The change is meant to free up county officials and employees who often have had to sit through a regular meeting waiting for the then 7 p.m. zoning sessions.

Prior to the new zoning meeting, a public hearing will be held at 4:30 p.m. on changing the general business (CA) and business and manufacturing (CB) zones to allow clinics, medical and dental offices and multi-housing developments with up to 12 units per acre. The housing would be permitted on review. Upper-level dwellings may also be permitted in the two zones.

The proposed change to the Knox County Code is the last item on the agenda in a second and final reading during the zoning session following its public hearing.

Within the zoning meeting the commissioners will look at a request from Brad Anders, executive director

of Knox County Emergency Communications (Knox 911), seeking to name an unnamed easement between West Beaver Creek Drive and Powell Drive to "Debusk Lane."

Anders said that dispatching emergency calls to like-named road and streets is a problem to be dealt with as 911 wrestles with dispatching all emergency calls now.

He said that other street and road names are being reviewed to help end the confusion on dispatching fire, rescue, EMTs and law enforcement to the correct address.

The commissioners are also being asked to approve a change on Shipetown Road from agricultural (A) to low density residential, a Millertown Pike property from A to planned residential with 12 dwelling per acre, and a Woody Drive lot from A to RA (Low Density).

A Trout Road property is being requested to change from the A zoning to RA and another agricultural zoned lot on Cooper Meadows Lane seeks similar action.

A Harvey Road lot and a property on Pickens Gap Road is before the commission for a similar change, as is one on Blacks Ferry Road.

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Buncombe Bob

Sen. Robert Reynolds of North Carolina

Pages from the Past



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Robert Rice Reynolds was the most unlikely of United States senators. Oft-married and openly for the repeal of prohibition in a dry state, this near perennial candidate had lost every election he had contested save for the one Senate seat. Successful candidates are a product of their own times and that was certainly true of Bob Reynolds. Had he not first sought election to the United States Senate during the early years of the Great Depression, Reynolds probably wouldn't have been elected. Fate also provided the perfect foil for Reynolds in the Democratic primary. Senator Cameron Morrison was a distinguished former governor who had started North Carolina's "good roads" program and made them the finest hard-surfaced roads in the Southland. Morrison looked the part, possessing a head of white hair and a stately appearance. The former governor had married Sarah Watts, widow of George Washington Watts, who had been the business partner of the Duke brothers and together they had built the American Tobacco Company.

The senatorial campaign of Robert Reynolds in 1932 became one of the more famous for the North Carolinian's brilliant, albeit ruthless, use of class warfare, ridicule and sheer demagoguery. Bob Reynolds portrayed Cameron Morrison as a chauffeur-driven millionaire who daily consumed the entire breakfast, luncheon and dinner menu of Washington's elegant Mayflower Hotel. Reynolds regaled rural audiences, carrying a red carper under one arm so that he could unroll it with a flourish to imitate Morrison strutting down its length after the senator's "footman" had unfurled it so that Morrison's feet would not tread upon the vulgar concrete of mere mortals. Most famously of all, Reynolds declared that good old hen eggs were not good enough for Cameron Morrison, who preferred caviar. Reynolds asked his audiences if they knew what caviar was and explained it was nothing but fish eggs from "Red Rooshia."

Cameron Morrison was hit with the impact of a high-speed train; he hardly knew what hit him. Bob Reynolds, to the surprise of nearly everyone, buried Senator Morrison on Election Day beneath an avalanche of votes. North Carolina has never seen before or since anything like Bob Reynolds and his 1932 campaign for the Senate. Historian Elmer L. Puryear once said Bob Reynolds had literally laughed his opponent out

of office.

The year before Bob Reynolds left the U.S. Senate, TIME magazine described the North Carolina senator: "Buncombe Bob' who is 59 and looks 45, has been something to see: his blond hair, worn actor's length, combed casually over the back of a Barrymore-ish collar, his gay bow tie propped at an insouciant angle, striding merrily and importantly through the Senate at the noontime opening of a session. He gives a backslap here, a glad hand there, pausing to drop a witticism at this Senator's desk, an encouraging word of counsel at another's, to confer now gravely, now casually—dynamic, carefree, yet occasionally sober under the solemn responsibilities of statesmanship. Here, it seems from the gallery, is the very picture of a wise and charming legislator, beloved of his colleagues, happily resuming his burden." The correspondent for TIME noted, "The performance lasts some 15 minutes, perhaps half an hour if the noontime gallery is crowded..." Reynolds would ask for unanimous consent to place an editorial from a North Carolina newspaper into the Congressional Record, causing the correspondent to muse, "No Senator in a generation has been able to put such dramatic flair into such routine." Dryly, the TIME correspondent wrote, "Then, his presence elsewhere obviously demanded by the pressure of world events, the Senator hastens out of the chamber, leaving his dull-appearing colleagues to carry on with whatever small chores remain. He is usually seen no more that day, to the concern of the galleries."

When Bob Reynolds died, the Winston-Salem Journal editorialized that the former senator "was one of those people who give substance to the notion that if a man is colorful enough and runs for public office often enough, he's sure to get elected."

Like his contemporary Huey Long, Robert Reynolds was more showman than a politician. Reynolds was also unusual for his views on foreign policy, at least in the South, which was a bedrock of support for internationalism as the Second World War approached. Senator Reynolds embraced the isolationism prevalent throughout much of the American Midwest. Throughout his first term in the Senate, Reynolds faithfully supported Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal. Bob Reynolds was not so callous as to ignore the hardships faced by most of the people he represented



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Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts (left) talks with Senator Robert Rice Reynolds of North Carolina, 1937.

and he genuinely believed the programs pushed by President Roosevelt would help to alleviate much of the suffering caused by the Depression and its deprivations.

With war clouds gathering over Europe as well as the Far East due to the imperialistic designs of the Japanese Empire, Reynolds became one of the more strident voices of isolationism inside the Senate. When the Roosevelt Administration and Secretary of State Cordell Hull attempted to revise the restrictive Neutrality Act, every Southern senator voted for revision except for two; Bob Reynolds and Louisiana's John Overton.

Senator Reynolds had never been a favorite of the North Carolina political establishment. Every official and politician of any note had backed Senator Morrison in 1932. When Reynolds ran for reelection in 1938, he was challenged inside the Democratic primary by Congressman Franklin W. Hancock Jr. Reynolds won easily, garnering better than 60% of the vote. Senator Reynolds won by an even larger margin in the general election against GOP nominee, former Congressman Charles A. Jonas.

Now expensively attired, Reynolds was affable, courtly and expansive and cultivated a reputation as something of a playboy. While the news media of the time enjoyed Bob Reynolds and his antics, few journalists took the North Carolina senator seriously. For some, Bob Reynolds was a sorry joke. Reynolds allowed himself to be photographed kissing movie goddess Jean Harlow in the Capitol and unabashedly earned a hefty fee for endorsing Lucky Strike cigarettes. Even with his penchant for the kind of publicity that would have ended the political career of another, Reynolds had won reelection due to his support for the New Deal and his attention to the folks back home.

The senator's second term saw the issues change from less domestic challenges to foreign policy with a world troubled and on the brink of war. Senator Reynolds, upset because

of patronage squabbles with the White House and his disagreement with FDR over foreign affairs, broke with the New Deal.

The joke turned sour when Reynolds got a seat on the Senate's prestigious Foreign Relations Committee. TIME magazine reported South Carolina's political magician James F. Byrnes arranged for Reynolds to get the coveted seat on Foreign Relations by bartering with the North Carolinian to vote against a higher appropriation for the Works Progress Administration. Probably no member of the United States Senate enjoyed publicity more than Bob Reynolds and one must wonder if he especially cared whether it was good or bad. Increasingly, the attention Reynolds received from the news media was negative. Reynolds focused on the problem of immigration. It was frequently a hallmark of Bob Reynolds' career. The senator took a junket to Germany and advised his colleagues the United States should, as noted by TIME, "stop hating the Nazis." Reynolds's pronouncements became more suspect as to being antisemitic. The news magazine reported, "No living Senator can draw a more appalling picture of the Yellow, Black and Brown Perils." Bob Reynolds also chaired the Senate's Military Affairs Committee through most of World War II.

Reynolds certainly commanded intense national attention for his fifth and final marriage when the 57-year-old senator married 19-year-old Evalyn Washington McLean. Miss McLean was an heiress, the daughter of Edward B. McLean, former owner of the Washington Post and Evalyn Walsh McLean, owner of the fabulous Hope Diamond. The couple had a daughter, Mamie. The couple seemed happy, but less than six years later Evalyn McLean Reynolds was discovered dead by her mother. The 24-year-old heiress was dead from what was reported to be an "accidental" overdose of sleeping pills, leaving Bob Reynolds to raise their young daughter. Evie's

mother died a year later and Evalyn Walsh McLean's estate, "Friendship," was left to the use of Robert Reynolds. According to Mrs. McLean's will, if the house were to be sold, the proceeds were to go to the former senator.

By 1943, Senator Bob Reynolds' isolationism and outlandish behavior had comprised his once formidable popularity in the Tarheel State. Clyde Hoey, a former congressman and governor, was gearing up to run against the senator in the 1944 Democratic primary. Hoey was one of the most popular political figures in the state. Reynolds was not so far gone that he miscalculated his own appeal having seriously diminished; the senator also was fully cognizant of how strong a challenger Hoey would be in a primary. Reynolds finally announced he would retire from the U.S. Senate at the conclusion of his term. Hoey faced Congressman Cameron Morrison, the same Morrison who had lost his Senate seat to Bob Reynolds twelve years earlier. Clyde Hoey won easily and served until his own death.

After leaving the Senate, Bob Reynolds opened a law practice in the Capitol while living in Maryland with his wife and daughter. Following the death of Evie McLean Reynolds, the former senator moved back home to Asheville, North Carolina. From atop his home on Reynolds Mountain, "Buncombe Bob" supervised the raising of his daughter while maintaining the appearance of practicing law.

By 1950, Bob Reynolds ached for the limelight of public office once again. Bored in retirement, the former senator thought he saw a political opportunity with the death of Senator Melville Broughton. Governor W. Kerr Scott appointed Frank Porter Graham, the highly liberal president of the University of North Carolina, to fill the vacancy caused by Broughton's death. Reynolds, after six years out of the Senate, thought the time was ripe for him to make a political comeback. Graham was considered by much of North

Carolina's political establishment to be too liberal to merit a seat in the Senate. Willis Smith, a highly conservative attorney, entered the Democratic primary; his campaign was run by a young radio executive named Jesse Helms. Bob Reynolds' time had come and gone. The former senator was never a real factor in the election. The only role left for Bob Reynolds left to play was that of spoiler. At some point in the primary campaign, Reynolds realized his effort wasn't going anywhere. The former senator ceased to campaign actively. Reynolds failed to win 10% of the ballots cast inside the Democratic primary and ran a poor third in a field of four candidates. What Bob Reynolds did manage to accomplish was keeping Senator Graham from winning the necessary majority to avoid a run-off election. Willis Smith called for a second primary and beat Graham decisively.

The door to return to politics closed firmly shut by the people of North Carolina, the former senator returned to his home atop Reynolds Mountain. For the next thirteen years, Bob Reynolds dabbled in the law and lived in semi-retirement. Stricken with cancer, Bob Reynolds died on February 13, 1963.

The former senator's passing drew the notice of the news media once again. The Winston-Salem Journal wrote following the "wild political binge" that was Bob Reynolds' twelve years in the U.S. Senate: "politician, lawyer, cowboy, actor, ranch operator and soldier of fortune" and that the people of North Carolina had finally "come back to earth." The newspaper archly noted, "It was well that they did."

The Charlotte News noted that Senator Reynolds had done many a personal kindness through the years but had, like "so many good politicians," ruined his career by having "wrapped his light in a bumpkin's cloth." The sometimes-prescient predictions of Bob Reynolds were oftentimes ignored the newspaper sadly concluded, because too many dismissed him as a clown.

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they can," and this is allowed by a law that has been in effect since way before the pandemic.

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Week 2 of shining light on our local Student-Athletes

The Knoxville Focus requested athletic directors from the 25 high schools in our circulation area to start the process of submitting their school's female and male Student-Athletes of the Year back in May.

Teachers, coaches and administrators contribute to the selections and send in information and pictures of the student-athletes.

We proudly ran the first week of honorees in our June 3 issue and shine the spotlight on six more schools in this issue – Austin-East, Carter, Knoxville Catholic, Powell, The King's Academy and West.

This 13th annual series of recognizing some of our high schools' finest will continue June 17.

We hope you will join us this week in learning about the honorees' accomplishments and applauding each one!

HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS IN 2023-24 A-E honorees known for aerial flips and TD plays

By Steve Williams

Austin-East Athletics' Female and Male Athletes of the Year are multi-sport athletes that excel in the sports they play, show character in their play, and are leaders by their actions on and off the field, said A-E Athletic Director Jeff Black.

The 2023-24 recipients of these awards are cheerleader Justice Jones and

Demarcus Allen, a four-year starter in football, who also played basketball and ran in the TSSAA state track meet at this year's Spring Fling.

Jones was a four-year letterman on the cheer team and a captain as well.

Black commented that Justice "was known for her aerial flips" and making the A-E cheer team "one of the

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Austin-East wide receiver Demarcus Allen looks to the sideline of official with a thumb's up to make sure he's lined up correctly. Allen was one of the Roadrunners' top touchdown guys.

Mains made her mark at Knoxville Catholic

Speedy Harmon is male honoree

By Steve Williams

Sydney Mains wasn't just a shooter in her final season at Knoxville Catholic. She was a marksman.

And she displayed her accuracy despite an array of injuries.

"Sydney has had a back and hip injury this year along with the (bandaged) thumb and overcoming the ACL, MCL and PCL injury (from 2023)," pointed out her dad and Head Coach Travis Mains at the end of the regular season.

The blonde bomber averaged 18.5 points and was voted The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' Knox County Player of the Year.



Braylon Harmon is Knoxville Catholic's male Student-Athlete of the Year.

By season's end, the 5-10 combo guard had led the Lady Irish to their second straight Division II-AA state championship and was polishing off 39 percent accuracy from 3-point range.

In addition to her talents on the court, Mains is Catholic's female Student-Athlete of the Year.

She led the Lady Irish to a second straight state title in March and was announced as Miss Basketball in that division.

The Knoxville News Sentinel and 5Star Preps each chose Mains as their Player of the Year.

Sydney also stood out in the classroom with a 3.7 grade point average and will be going to Florida Atlantic University on a basketball scholarship.

A two-time state tournament MVP and McDonald's All-American nominee, Mains finished sixth all-time in Tennessee high school girls basketball for her 356 three-point baskets. She also ended her prep career as

the all-time leading scorer (2,325 points) at Knoxville Catholic for both boys and girls.

While known for her shooting, Sydney was all over the court and averaged six rebounds, three assists and three steals per game during the 2023-24 regular season.

"Tireless work ethic and high basketball IQ allowed her to be an outstanding teammate and leader for the Knoxville Catholic Lady Irish," said Coach Mains.

Braylon Harmon (football and track) is the KCHS male honoree. Speed is his forte.

The Catholic standout decommitted from Wofford and signed with the University of Tennessee on National Signing Day.

Harmon returned four kickoffs and two punts for touchdowns

his senior season and was the nation's leader in return yards. He also was an excellent receiver and totaled 2,413 all-purpose yards.

No. 25's honors included being the Division II-AAA Region Player of the Year and All-State. The Knoxville News Sentinel and 5Star Preps tabbed him Player of the Year. He also landed a first-team spot on The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' All-Knox County team as the kick return specialist.

Braylon sparkled in academics too with a 3.8 GPA.

"There couldn't be more deserving winners for Athletes of the Year for our school," stated Knoxville Catholic Athletic Director Jason Surlas to Mains and Harmon in an email.



With her right thumb visibly bandaged, Knoxville Catholic's Sydney Mains lets a shot fly during her senior season that saw the Lady Irish repeat as state champions.

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HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS IN 2023-24

West honorees to compete at Georgia and Tennessee

By Steve Williams

West High School's female and male Student-Athletes of the Year had some impressive accomplishments over the past four years and most likely they are already building on those foundations; even if it's just dreaming about what lies ahead.

Both Kate Robinson and Ryan Scott signed Feb. 7 on National Signing Day four months ago. Kate will be going to the University of Georgia to run cross country and the distance events in track. Ryan will be going to the University of Tennessee to play football.

Coming back from an injury in her junior year, Robinson pulled an upset and won the KIL cross country meet last fall and went on to become the Region 2-AAA champion and finished sixth at state to earn All-State honors. 5-Star Preps recognized her as their Runner of the Year.

Scott was an All-State linebacker for the second time and helped lead the West Rebels to a second straight Class 5A state championship last fall. Both the Knoxville News Sentinel and 5Star Preps chose him as their Defensive Player of the Year.

Rollins and McKinney make TKA proud

Harrison Rollins, The King's Academy's male Student-Athlete of the Year,



The King's Academy named Harrison Rollins and Lilly Kate McKinney Student-Athletes of the Year.



Kate Robinson and Ryan Scott are West High's Student-Athletes of the Year.

became only the second basketball player in the school's history to reach the 1,000-point level.

In his prep career, the 6-4 power forward / shooting guard also collected 500 rebounds in leading the Lions to back-to-back district tournament championships.

He was a TSWA All-State honoree in 2023 and a two-time District MVP.

Lilly Kate McKinney, TKA's female honoree, was the Salutatorian for the Class of 2023-2024.

In athletics, golf was her game and she was an All-State selection last fall and qualified for the state tournament.



Carter's 4x100 relay team came in first place at the KIL meet this year. Left to right: Joseph Armenta, Lawson Branch, Andre Thomas and Spencer Russell, who is still holding the baton.

Carter's Hooks and Russell have standout senior years

By Steve Williams

Ava Hooks, Carter High School's female Student-Athlete of the Year, played soccer, basketball and tennis for the Lady Hornets and signed to play soccer at Bryan College.

Academically, she was in the Top 10 percent of the senior class and the recipient of several awards and scholarships.

"Ava received the Brandy Maples Scholarship, which is a coveted scholarship among Carter High

seniors," said Jessie Bell, the school's College and Career Counselor. "She graduated with honors & distinction and decorated with several cords at graduation for her industry certifications and other accomplishments."

By the way, Ava played tennis for the first time this year and advanced to the district semifinals.

Her career plans are to work in healthcare.

Spencer Russell, Carter's male honoree, also was a three-sport

student-athlete, participating in football, track and tennis for the first time. He has signed to play football at Tusculum University in Greeneville.

A standout as a wide receiver and running back, Russell earned many football awards, including several nominations for "Player of the Week." He also made the EFCA Football All-State team in 2023.

Near the end of the school year, he made the trip to Murfreesboro for



Ava Hooks is Carter High School's female Student-Athlete of the Year.

the Spring Fling and was part of the Hornets' swift 4x100 relay team. He and his teammates placed fourth in the state with a time of 43.41 seconds, becoming the fastest four-some to ever come through Carter High.

A-E honorees known for aerial flips and TD plays

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most exciting to watch." In addition to being a four-year letterman in football, Allen lettered three years in basketball and this year in track.

"Marco," said Black, "was one of the most electrifying athletes in the area."

In football last fall, Allen was listed as a 6-foot, 175-pound wide receiver and cornerback.

"He had touchdown

runs, catches, interceptions, kickoff returns, punt returns, and about any way you could get the ball into his hands," added Black. "He was a crucial part of the Austin-East football team making it to the second round of the TSSAA football playoffs, as well as playing a huge role in getting the Roadrunner basketball team and track relay teams to the TSSAA State Championships in Murfreesboro this year."

Austin-East's female Student-Athlete of the Year Justice Jones is all smiles.



Powell's Walker earned respect on basketball court

Hensley to continue softball and pursue Nursing at RSCC

By Steve Williams

The most impressive award Kaleb Walker received in basketball during the 2023-24 season was being selected the District 3-4A Most Valuable Player. That honor usually goes to a player on the district's regular season championship team.

Powell (6-4, 21-6) had a good team, but the Panthers weren't the champions. Oak Ridge had that title. So, that says a lot about Kaleb and the number of votes he received.

Walker, Powell's male Student-Athlete of the Year, also was one of the 12 players named to The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' 2023-24 All-Knox County team. The 6-2 combo guard averaged 16.7 points, 4.4 rebounds and 2.5 assists through the regular season.

A standout too in the class

room, Kaleb had a 3.5 GPA and received a full basketball scholarship to Alice Lloyd College in Kentucky.

Walker played basketball all four years in high school and scored over 1,000 points in his prep career. He was All-District in 2023 and 2024.

He also was a Careacter Star Athlete and picked PHS's "most athletic boy" in 2024.

Senior classmate Leslie Hensley is Powell's female Student-Athlete of the Year.

Softball is Hensley's sport. A four-year starter, she was the Lady Panthers' catcher and earned All-District 3-4A honors plus made the District All-Tournament team

Hensley, who had a 3.75 GPA, signed with Roane State and will continue her softball career in college.

Powell Coach Jeff Inman said Leslie can hit with power and for average and has been an excellent catcher behind the plate with a strong arm.

"She can play a few different



Softball starter Leslie Hensley is Powell's female Student-Athlete of the Year.

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."

Powell Athletic Director Adam Seymore noted Hensley had been named the school's Female Athlete of the Year and is a "very



Powell senior guard Kaleb Walker goes up for a shot against Campbell County in the District 3-4A tournament at Central High in March.

gifted athlete who is pursuing a career in Nursing. Big personality with a big heart to serve others.

Look for big things from Leslie on the softball field and in her career after softball."

Significant memories from an earlier life

AUTHOR'S PREFACE: Last week's story on the 1998 national championship book from Pediment Publishing brought back some significant memories.

More than a few years ago, I remember calling Susan Alexander at the News Sentinel more than once, offering to review recently published books, sometimes, but not always, about sports. More often than not, she would say "yes," and off I went. It wasn't too long before the reviews ended up in the paper, and the books ended up on the shelf in my home office. There was also a regular paycheck.

One thing about our relationship with the News Sentinel is important. She and I don't live there anymore.

That was then. This is now. I remember looking at my "professional biography" the other day and found this entry.

"He has reviewed books written by Fountain City historian James C. (Jim) Tumblin ('Fountain City: People Who Made a Difference'), former Vol basketball player Dane Bradshaw ('Vertical Leap: Inside the Rise of Tennessee Basketball'), Clay Travis ('On Rocky Top:

A Front Row Seat to the End of an Era'), Gary Myers ('Brady vs. Manning: The Untold Story of the Rivalry That Transformed the NFL'), Jeff Goldberg ('Unrivaled: UConn, Tennessee, and the Twelve Years that Transcended Women's Basketball'), Howard Frank Moshier ('Walking to Gatlinburg'), Randall Norris ('Mississippi Delta Stories'), and Ron Bliss ('Ray Mears' Big Orange Memories')."

Here is one example, as submitted for the News Sentinel's consideration and ultimate publication, sometime in 2015. Here's my take on Jeff Goldberg's book about the Tennessee-UConn rivalry.

"Unrivaled: UConn, Tennessee, and the Twelve Years that Transcended Women's Basketball" (©2015 Jeff Goldberg, 212 pages, with a 22-page appendix, \$27.95)

At first glance, any semblance of balance appears illusory.

This is the second book written by Jeff Goldberg, UConn women's beat writer for the Hartford Courant from 2001 to 2006, following on the heels of "Bird at the Buzzer: UConn, Notre Dame, and a Women's Basketball Classic (2011)."

After all, Rebecca Lobo, the legendary 1990s UConn player and ESPN analyst known to call Geno

Auriemma "Coach" during network broadcast interviews, wrote the Foreword. Geno's daughter, Alysa, wrote the Afterword.

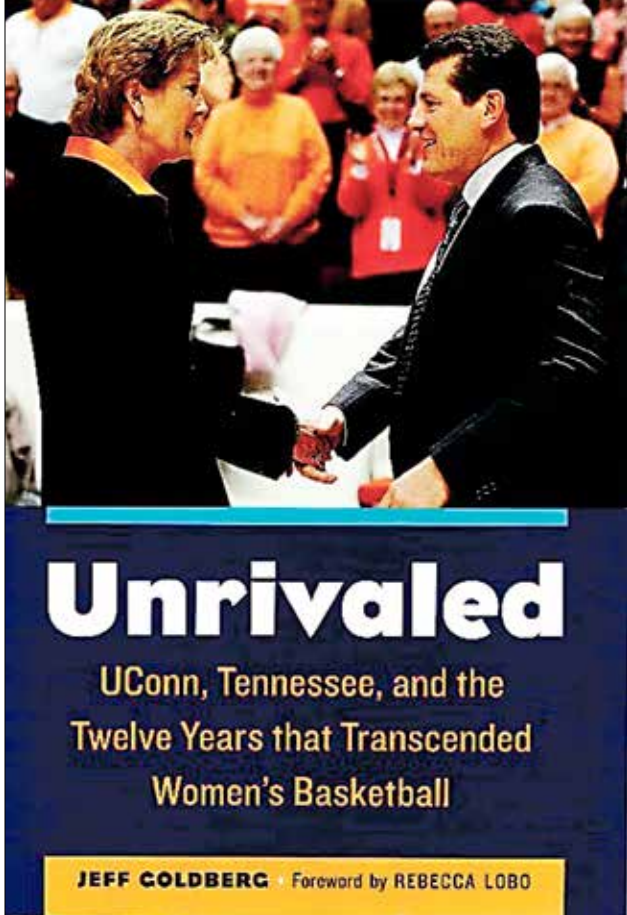
Connecticut media are quoted expansively, particularly when Tennessee's July 2006 letter to the NCAA concerning alleged rules violations comes up, mainly referencing the recruitment of high school phenom Maya Moore.

Semeka Randall and Michelle Marciniak are the most quoted Lady Vols other than Pat Summitt, but they and Candace Parker, Kellie Jolly, and Chamique Holdsclaw are in no way represented as prominently as UConn's Lobo, Sue Bird, Jennifer Rizzotti, and Diana Taurasi.

In the text, Goldberg provides the reader a sense of the excitement—and contentiousness—that surrounded the series. A compendium of the box scores from each game of the series adds flavor to the book.

Goldberg shares a moment where Pat Summitt seemed to have Auriemma flummoxed, even after a decisive UConn win in the 2004 NCAA Championship game. It may have been a classic athletic example of no-good deed going unpunished.

Goldberg recounts that Pat came to the dressing room to congratulate the UConn team on winning the



Any semblance of balance appears illusory.

championship.

'I don't think any of us will ever forget it," center Jessica Moore said. "It was pretty darn cool."

Geno, seemingly pressed to explain it, said he wasn't sure of the "context" of the Summitt visit. (He hadn't been there when it happened.)

"I always wonder when something like that happens. What is the motivation for doing it? Is it for publicity? To gain some kind of

edge? I have no idea. I just thought it was a little odd."

In the book's Acknowledgments, no mention is made of the University of Tennessee or the Southeastern Conference. There may be credence to the idea that there were those close to the Lady Vol program who didn't want to do anything to "help Connecticut" or be part of a "Connecticut book."

There was also no

acknowledgment of the Knoxville News Sentinel's Dan Fleser's considerable contributions to the final product.

Goldberg mentioned Randall, Carol Stiff of ESPN, who led the fight for the games to be played, and Lobo, all of whom were "particularly generous."

Just when you might have thought "Unrivaled" might have been an unabashed UConn promotional piece, Alysa Auriemma penned a tribute in 2012 to Pat Summitt that was literally a masterpiece, harking to the day Pat left Alysa, then age 11, a voicemail message and later met her at the 1997 Dayton Regionals.

Receiving the call ("I'm positive I was so freaked out I never returned her call.") made an impact on her, particularly when news broke on Aug. 23, 2011, that Summitt had been diagnosed with early onset dementia at age 59.

The book may have ended up decidedly pro-UConn overall, but there are enough special moments chronicled therein to get the attention of thoughtful Tennessee and UConn fans.

Finally, the conclusions are inescapable. Doing book reviews is fun, not to mention challenging. That's the way things appeared nearly 10 years ago and remain so today.

The Pain of Sports Fandom

By Mark Nagi

I sit here on a Sunday morning, greatly saddened because of something that happened approximately 840 miles from Knoxville.

It happened on a sheet of ice in Sunrise, Florida, a place where I've never been, and might never go the rest of my life. It happened because of the actions of men on ice skates, most of whom I'll probably never meet, have had a direct effect on my mood.

Oh, and I can barely skate myself. I'm talking about the NHL playoffs, and Game 6 of the Eastern Conference Finals. There's a good chance that you weren't paying attention, have no clue which teams were playing, nor the final result.

But if you are a sports fan... you feel my pain.

The New York Rangers lost to the Florida Panthers 2-1, falling in the series 4-2. This means that the Stanley Cup drought has hit 30 years.

The Rangers were the best team in the league this season, winning the President's Trophy.

But the Florida Panthers... well, they were simply... better.

And now... it's over.

For the past six weeks, I've been living and breathing the hockey playoffs, planning my nights and weekends around the games. The Rangers got off to a great start in the postseason, winning their first seven games, and knocking off the Washington Capitals and the Carolina Hurricanes. They did just enough to make me believe that winning it all was possible.

Now? A few months of sorrow before the run to the 2025 Stanley Cup Final begins.

But why? Why should this matter so much?

I don't know. It just does.

Tennessee fans... you feel my pain.

I'm writing this article while the Tennessee Volunteers baseball team is still fighting for a spot in the College World Series. The Vols are the number one overall seed in this year's college baseball tournament and are favored to win the

national championship for the first time in program history.

Two years ago, the Vols were also the top seed but were upset in the Super Regionals by Notre Dame. It's a loss that still stings. Maybe this will be the year for UT.

Two months ago, it was the Tennessee's men's basketball team that advanced to the Elite 8 in the NCAA tournament for only the second time in program history. But a Regional Final loss to Purdue (and the officials yes, I'm still bitter) ended their season.

Tennessee remains the most successful program to never make it to the Final Four.

In football, Tennessee fans can rattle off the crushing losses like reciting their children's names. The Jabar Gaffney "catch" in the Florida 2000 game. The SEC title game defeat to LSU that cost the Vols a spot in the 2001 Rose Bowl (a loss they've never really recovered from). The 2007 SEC title game loss to LSU in which they led in the 4th quarter. And more pain than any fan base should have to deal with from 2008 to 2021.

Yes, there are positive memories, like the 1985 Sugar Bowl, the 1998 BCS title, the 2016 Dobbsnail Boot win over Georgia and the 2022 win over Alabama. But there are too few of those good moments compared to the anguish, and that's the price we pay for fandom.

Every fan base goes through good and bad times. Alabama has been terrific at football since 2007, but there were a lot of bad times before the Saban era. The New York Yankees have won 27 World Series, but nothing since 2009. The Montreal Canadiens have won 23 Stanley Cups, but winless since 1993.

Only bandwagon fans get to experience constant winning.

In 1994 the New York Rangers won the Stanley Cup. That was the most fun I've ever had as a sports fan. I was 21, and not nearly as jaded.

I'm 51 now and hope to experience the good times again.

Maybe 2025 will be the year. Let's Go Rangers!



PHOTO BY KEN LEINART

Gibbs High School's Maddie Whaley, South-Doyle's Jonah Mitchell, and Hardin Valley Academy's Ella Murphey wait for a question while sitting onstage Tuesday night.

'Night of Champions' celebrates state champs

By Ken Leinart

What's it take to become a champion?

If you know the answer to that question you know how special it is to reach that height in your sport.

Tuesday night Knox County high school champions were honored and recognized at Knoxville Civic Auditorium for their accomplishments as individual champions and as members of championship teams during Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs' "Night of Champions."

Speakers who achieved championship status for their high schools spoke in a forum setting, as did champions from various sports in higher levels of competition.

Before that session began, however, players and coaches of the "by invitation only" event were treated to light refreshments and a party-like atmosphere outside of the venue where cold sodas and music by a DJ made the event feel like party central.

"Considering this is my fourth year and South-Doyle has never won a state championship. I don't know, I just feel blessed to even play in a state championship ... It's very nice that we have supporters out there," South-Doyle High School's Levi Ridge said of Tuesday's event.

The Cherokees won the AA

Tennessee Secondary Athletic Association (TSSAA) AA boy's soccer championship with a 2-1 win over Greeneville High School.

Laughing he said, "It's not as fun as winning the championship, but ..."

Catholic High School's Maggie Frana and her teammates are a little more used to events like Tuesday's.

The Lady Irish won the Div. II AA basketball title, the team's second consecutive state title but being honored never grows old.

"It's pretty amazing, especially since it's our second year of winning state," Catholic's Maggie Frana said. "We worked hard and our team is really tight. It's nice to be appreciated for our hard work."

Other Knox County State champions include:

- Bearden High School Girls and Boys Soccer
- Christian Academy of Knoxville Boys Cross Country Individual Winner (Joshua Cross) and Track and Field Winners (Boys 4x800 Relay; Joshua Cross, 1600 Meter Race and 3200 Meter Race)
- Farragut High School Boys Baseball, Cross Country, Individual Track and Field Winners (Bryce Thompson, Shot Put; Braden Ebbert, 3200 Meter Race)
- Fulton High School Boys Basketball

- Karns High School Girls Individual Wrestler (Krickett Jones)

- Knoxville Catholic Girls Tennis (Singles Champion Lille Murphy) and Track and Field Winners (Maggie Frana, Discus; Chloe Truss, 100 Meter Dash; Girls 4x200 Meter Relay)

- West High School Football

- Gibbs High School Softball and Track and Field Winners (Boys 4x200 Relay and 4x400 Relay)

- Webb School Girls Cross Country (Abby Faith Cheeseman), Girls Track and Field (Lennox Langham, Long Jump and Triple Jump; 4x800 Meter Relay; Carolina Arehart, 1600 Meter Race and 800 Meter Race; Jazzlyn Garmer, 3200 Meter Run) and Boys Cross Country Individual Winner (Colin Eckerman), Boys Individual Track and Field Winner (Colin Eckerman, 1600 Meter Race and 3200 Meter Race)

- Hardin Valley Academy Individual Girls Wrestler (Ella Murphey) and Individual Girls Track and Field Winner (Gracie Wait, Shot Put and Discus)

Tuesday was the third time Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs hosted the event recognizing state champions from the Knox County high schools.

A panel of four

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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE



PHOTOS BY DANNY DUNLAP

Webb lacrosse star Baxter Johnson maneuvers around a University School of Nashville defender for a goal in an 11-0 post-season tournament win. Johnson was Co-MVP in the state title game and led the Spartans in scoring this year.

Silvera’s Spartans complete ‘mission’

Sophomores play big role in state title

By Steve Williams

There were several things for the Webb School boys lacrosse team to celebrate on May 17 when it walked the red carpet at Christ Presbyterian Academy of Nashville 14-5 at Nolensville.

One was the satisfaction of avenging a 9-8 overtime loss to CPA in a 2023 state semifinal game in the Small Private division of the Tennessee Scholastic Lacrosse Association (TSLA).

Rico Silvera, veteran Webb coach, said that was “the first key to our win over CPA” in this season’s title game.

“Because of how the bracket shook out last year, CPA went on to play a team that was 0-4 against both of us and won the 2023 state championship. That was an excruciatingly painful loss. Coming into this season our team was on a mission. The guys wanted to get to state and they wanted to play CPA.”

The Spartans got their



Despite being outnumbered, Webb sophomore Sam Osborne works for a goal against the USN defense.

wish.

“From the opening faceoff, they simply overwhelmed CPA by winning almost every faceoff and hounding them with pressure defense,” recalled Coach Silvera. “CPA only had the ball on offense for five seconds in the first quarter out of 12 minutes. The team executed our game plan perfectly and used a patient but balanced offensive attack to lead 5-0 at the end of the first quarter. By halftime we were up 11-1.”

Under National Federation High School rules, the 10-goal lead started a mandatory running clock (mercy rule) for the remainder of the

one-sided contest.

“That shortened the game and killed almost any chance CPA had of mounting a comeback,” said Silvera.

Webb’s first two playoff wins – 16-2 over CAK and 11-0 over University School of Nashville – also ended with the mercy rule.

More than anything, the Spartans got to win the school’s first state championship in 21 years for Silvera, who has been Webb’s head coach since the inaugural 2004 season. Webb had reached the state finals only once before in 2011.

Beginning in 2025, boys and girls lacrosse will be fully sanctioned and playing

in the TSSAA.

Co-MVPs in Webb’s state championship win were sophomores Baxter Johnson and Noah Garcia. Johnson, a mid-fielder, had three goals and three assists. Garcia won 14 of 19 faceoffs (73 percent) and had one assist.

Sophomore attackers Adam Weston and Bryce Hooker contributed three goals and two assists each. Sophomore attacker Sam Osborne scored three goals and one assist. Brody Taylor, a 10th grade mid-fielder, chipped in one goal, giving the Spartans’ sophomore class 13 of the team’s 14 goals overall!

INDIVIDUAL HONORS: This year’s Webb team had eight players to be named All-State (most-ever for the Spartans): mid-fielder Baxter Johnson, faceoff specialist Noah Garcia, senior defenseman John Thome, senior mid-fielder Colton Williams, sophomore attacker Sam Osborne, sophomore attacker Bryce Hooker, junior defensive mid-fielder Bradyn Hooker and junior goalie Jonah Sharp.

Lacrosse: ‘a mix of basketball and hockey’

By Steve Williams

The TSSAA voted Jan. 19, 2023 to sanction boys’ and girls’ lacrosse beginning in 2025. At that time, Mark Reeves, the Executive Director of the TSSAA, said boys lacrosse was divided into Small and Large Classes among Public and Private schools.

Under the TSSAA, the classifications will become Division I AAA and AA/A and Division II AAA and AA/A.

Some facts and figures on the upcoming new sport:

- Lacrosse is played in the spring.
- Farragut was the first Knox County high school to have a boys lacrosse team in 2000. There are now seven teams in Knox County, with Gibbs being the latest to field a team. Besides Farragut and Webb, the others are CAK, Hardin Valley, Knoxville Catholic and West. Currently, the Middle Tennessee area has the most lacrosse teams in the state.
- Boys’ and girls’ lacrosse are “very different,” said veteran Webb Coach Rico Silvera. “They have more differences than baseball and softball have.”
- In lacrosse, a team can have a maximum of 10 players on the field, “and like hockey, teams can sub on the fly,” said Silvera. “A typical boys team has 25 to 40 players.”
- “Lacrosse is a mix of basketball and hockey,” said Silvera. “The strategy in lacrosse is similar to basketball. It’s basketball on a 120-yard field.”
- The lacrosse stick has a head with a mesh pocket.
- The scoring system is one goal equals one point.
- A shot ball can travel 80 miles per hour. The ball is a little heavier than a baseball and is made of hard rubber with no seams.
- Skill players in football and basketball make good lacrosse players, said Silvera.
- With TSSAA taking over the administration of the sport, there is now a Tennessee Boys Lacrosse Coaches Association (TBLCA) and Silvera is on the Board of Directors.



Veteran Webb lacrosse coach Rico Silvera addresses his team at halftime in the May 10 game against University School of Nashville. Silvera has been Webb’s coach since its inaugural season in 2004.

Alicia Pittman named boys soccer coach at Carter High

By Ken Lay

When Alicia Pittman moved to Strawberry Plains, her intention was to retire. She had plans to settle down and spend time with her husband and family.

But her plans changed last year.

A Northern California native, Pittman moved to East Tennessee four years ago with her husband and two children.

Not only is Pittman continuing to work, but she’ll make a little history in the spring. She was named the boys soccer coach at Carter High School recently.

She was an assistant coach with the Hornets in 2024 and she was named head coach for the 2025 campaign and becomes the second woman to coach a high school boys team in Knox County.

Burkhart became the first female boys soccer coach in 2021 when she took the reins of the Hardin Valley Academy boys squad in 2021.

Burkhart, who did double duty, also coaching the Lady Hawks, guided the HVA boys to the Class 3A State Tournament in 2023. They reached the semifinals before she departed to become head girls coach at Farragut High School, her alma mater.

Pittman, however, will not coach the Lady Hornets.

“I work closely with the girls coach, but I don’t work with her in soccer on a day-to-day basis,” said Pittman, who serves as a special education teacher’s aide at Carter High School.

She went to work in the classroom at Carter for the 2023-24 school year.

My husband’s family lives here,” Pittman said.

“I didn’t know what I was going to do when I wasn’t coaching, so I got a job at the school and I can hang out with my boys all day.”

She also noted that she and her family have found a home in the Carter community.

“I love the Carter community. They support the school and they’re great people,” Pittman said.

“They’ve opened their arms and they’ve made us feel right at home, and the only regret that we have is that we didn’t do this (move) sooner,” she said.

Pittman, who played softball in high school, became involved with soccer when her son’s team needed a coach.

She’s been involved with the game since her son, Jack, was four years

“I coached all-star teams and traveling teams, and I look forward to coaching at Carter High and rebuilding and rebranding the program.”
- Coach Alicia Pittman

old. He’s now 15 and a sophomore at Carter, where he plays on the team.

She also has a daughter, Josie, who is 13 and attends Berean Christian School.

“When my son was four, his team needed a coach,” Pittman said. “And I just fell in love with the game and the kids.”

“I coached all-star teams and traveling

teams, and I look forward to coaching at Carter High and rebuilding and rebranding the program.”

She has become dedicated to the game, leaving little time for outside interest, but she’s happy to use soccer to make a difference in the lives of young players.

“Our life is soccer and when we travel, it’s usually for soccer,” she said.”

'Night of Champions'

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student-athletes representing four of the county’s high schools took to the stage for the question and answer session. Gibbs High softball player Maddie Whaley, South-Doyle soccer player Jonah Mitchell, Hardin Valley Academy girl’s wrestling champion Ella Murphey, and Webb cross country and field and track champion Colin Eckerman talked about the work put in to be a state champion.

Adult athletes talked about their own successes and gave a glimpse at what it would take to carry on a championship mindset after high school. Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, a WWE Hall of Famer; Johnson University softball coach Dayna Carter; University of Tennessee basketball alum Clarence Swearingen; and Knoxville Ice Bears player Bryan Hince all said going from high school to college would require more effort and more work at their respective sports.

By Mike Steely
Senior Writer
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The Knoxville Girl Scout Museum at Daisy's Place celebrated its 30th anniversary recently and, if you were a Girl Scout or have a daughter or granddaughter who is or wants to be, the museum is waiting for you to visit.

During the recent celebration, Gail Yook was honored for being in the Girl Scouts and involved with the organization for 75 years. Heather Mazzouccolo, director of the Eastern Region of the Southern Appalachians, presented the recognition as co-directors Joni Morgan and Ruth Remmers and others guided visitors through the well-stocked museum.

The Girl Scouts of America was founded by Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low in Savannah, Georgia, and Joyce K. Maienschein started the group in our area and created the museum. Within the building, located at 1567 Downtown West Blvd, is a friendly staff who guides guests through the many exhibits, including collections of vintage uniforms and camping gear, and libraries of games, scrapbooks and newsletters.

The 30-year anniversary drew dozens of young girls, their parents, relatives and grandparents, and lifelong and former Girl Scouts.

Natasha Patchen dressed in a period Girl Scout uniform and portrayed Juliette Low during the event.

Daisy's Place is one of few such museums and is home of the famous Mabel Pain doll, which was exhibited in the Smithsonian Museum and now has permanent residence thanks to Knoxville Frances Van Winkle. Aside from the museum and activity room, the building houses the Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians and serves 46 counties from Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina. Two other offices of the organization are in Chattanooga and Johnson City.


The West Knoxville museum is a safe place for all girls in grades K-12 where they can explore their values, develop an understanding and empathy with others, and improve their community. The collection of historic Girl Scout uniforms is impressive and hands-on games are available. The museum is now displaying hand-made quilts created by girls and one of the quilts took first prize at the Tennessee Valley Fair.

The museum also has a gift shop of various Girl Scout items and scout souvenirs and is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Volunteers and the staff are eager to share their information and guide visitors through the history of the international, national and local Girl Scouts.




Top: The staff guides visitors through the Daisy Museum. Above left: Joni Morgan demonstrates an early cardboard and aluminum foil camping oven, just one of the many objects at the Daisy Museum. Top right: Gail Yook was honored for 75 years as a Girl Scout. Above right: Natasha Patchen dressed as Girl Scout founder Juliette Gordon Low.


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IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN RE: T. D. L.
A child under eighteen (18) years of age
D.O.B. XX/XX/2013
ASHLEY MARIE BATES, Petitioner,
Vs.
EDWIN ARTHUR LAQUAY Respondent.
No. 207345-2

ORDER OF PUBLICATION
Upon Petitioner's filing of a Motion for Service by Publication, and for good cause shown therein, it is therefore:

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED as follows:

1. That the publication of this Order shall be made for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Knoxville Focus or other paper.
2. That Respondent, Edwin Arthur Laquay, be given notice that he is hereby required to answer or otherwise provide a responsive pleading to the Petition for Name Change filed in this case.
3. That if Respondent, Edwin Arthur Laquay, fails to answer or otherwise respond to the pending Petition for Name Change, pursuant to this Order, then he shall be deemed to have received adequate notice, that the matter will be set for hearing ex parte and default may be taken against him.

ENTER this the 17 day of APRIL, 2024.

Richard B. Armstrong Jr.
Chancellor Richard B. Armstrong

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ESTATE OF MARTY D PETTY, RODNEY D ATKINS, LYNETTE J ATKINS, CYNTHIA GAIL WHITTAKER PETTY, WENDELL REED PETTY, and FIRST CLASS RECOVERY d/b/a Clark Recovery

IN RE: CLEAR RECON, LLC V ESTATE OF MARTY D PETTY, RODNEY D ATKINS, LYNETTE J ATKINS, CYNTHIA GAIL WHITTAKER PETTY, WENDELL REED PETTY, and FIRST CLASS RECOVERY d/b/a Clark Recovery

NO. 207501-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ESTATE OF MARTY D PETTY, RODNEY D ATKINS, LYNETTE J ATKINS, CYNTHIA GAIL WHITTAKER PETTY, WENDELL REED PETTY, and FIRST CLASS RECOVERY d/b/a Clark Recovery 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 ESTATE OF MARTY D PETTY, RODNEY D ATKINS, LYNETTE J ATKINS, CYNTHIA GAIL WHITTAKER PETTY, WENDELL REED PETTY, and FIRST CLASS RECOVERY d/b/a Clark Recovery with M. Craig Smith, an Attorneys whose address is, 651 East 4th Street, Suite 200, Chattanooga, TN 37403 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 Richard B. Armstrong Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 17th Day of May, 2024.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY TENNESSEE

IN RE: ESTATE OF PAULA BOOKER
Deceased

STATE OF TENNESSEE
DIVISION OF TENNCARE
Petitioner

JAMEKA KING
WILLIAM TAAVIAN BOOKER
Respondents

No. 85079-1

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

This matter is before the Court upon TennCare's Motion for Service by Publication. Based upon the motion and affidavit of TennCare's counsel, the Court finds that TennCare has diligently attempted to personally serve William Taavian Booker but was unable to because his current address and whereabouts are unknown.

Accordingly, it is therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that service by

Publication shall issue.

Entered this 8TH day of April, 2024.

John J Weaver
Chancellor

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TO: STEPHEN BRANNON,
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JEWELL BRANNON-VARNER

IN RE: RUBIN LUBLIN TN, PLLC,
V.

ERIC VARNER, MARK VARNER, TERESA GARCIA, STEPHEN BRANNON, SHARON THURMAN aka SHARON BRANNON, MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC, ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS WALKER VARNER, and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JEWELL BRANNON-VARNER, NO. 208103-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant STEPHEN BRANNON, AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JEWELL BRANNON-VARNER, 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 STEPHEN BRANNON, AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JEWELL BRANNON-VARNER, it is ordered that said defendant, STEPHEN BRANNON, AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JEWELL BRANNON-VARNER, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with HANNAH DEVENPORT, an Attorney whose address is 3145 AVALON RIDGE PLACE, SUITE 100 PEACHTREE CORNERS, GEORGIA 30071 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: JERMAINE MCGINNISS
IN RE: NADIA NYOKA MCGINNISS
v. JERMAINE MCGINNISS
NO. 208685-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant JERMAINE MCGINNISS, 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 JERMAINE MCGINNISS, it is ordered that said defendant, JERMAINE MCGINNISS, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with JERRY R. GIVENS, an Attorney whose address is 9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 504 KNOXVILLE, TN 37922 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 4th day of JUNE, 2024.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF APRIL DAWN BOARDMAN
DOCKET NUMBER 89449-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 16 day of MAY, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of APRIL DAWN BOARDMAN who died Apr 2, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This 16 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF APRIL DAWN BOARDMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MAY PARKER BOARDMAN;
ADMINISTRATRIX
112 RESERVOIR RD., #1214
NORRIS, TN. 37828

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WANDA L. BOWLING
DOCKET NUMBER 89432-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of WANDA L. BOWLING, who died April 20, 2024, 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 date of death.

This the 23 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF WANDA L. BOWLING

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
STACY R. BOWLING
1545 CLEARMILL DRIVE
LENOIR CITY, TN 37772

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NAOMI TRENT BURNETT
DOCKET NUMBER 89452-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NAOMI TRENT BURNETT who died Mar. 16, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 23 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF NAOMI TRENT BURNETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES DENNIS BURNETT, EXECUTOR
5523 HICKORY VALLEY ROAD
HEISKELL, TN 37754

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KATHLEEN FRANCES CLARK
DOCKET NUMBER 89488-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MAY, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of KATHLEEN FRANCES CLARK who died June 19, 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 date of death.

This the 24 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF KATHLEEN FRANCES CLARK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARY CATHERINE WARBROD, ATTORNEY
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

CAROLYN LEVY GILLIAM, ATTORNEY
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LORI J. CRITTENDEN
DOCKET NUMBER 89438-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LORI J. CRITTENDEN who died Apr 8, 2024, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 17 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF LORI J. CRITTENDEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CRYSTAL BEACHAM; EXECUTRIX
103 THOMAS POINTE LANE
MARYVILLE, TN 37803

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY ANN CHASE GASTON
DOCKET NUMBER 89491-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of MARY ANN CHASE GASTON who died December 29, 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 date of death.

This the 24 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF MARY ANN CHASE GASTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL FREDERICK GASTON
2013 ELIZA GYNNNE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

JONATHAN D. REED, ATTORNEY
KAITLYN A. SELL, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY STREET, 14TH FLOOR
P.O. BOX 2047
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PHYLLIS J. GEORGE
DOCKET NUMBER 89472-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of MAY, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of PHYLLIS J. GEORGE who died April 10, 2024, 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 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 22 day of MAY, 2024

ESTATE OF PHYLLIS J. GEORGE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RENA G. BEELER
7916 GRIFFITH ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

VICTORIA B. TILLMAN, ATTORNEY
1019 ORCHID DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EDWARD CLARK GIBSON
DOCKET NUMBER 89479-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MAY, 2024, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the Estate of EDWARD CLARK GIBSON (the "Decedent") who died April 10, 2024, were issued by the undersigned Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Decedent's 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 paragraph (A); or

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

This the 23 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF EDWARD CLARK GIBSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KATHERINE H. GEASLAND

W. ALLEN MCDONALD, ATTORNEY
249 N. PETERS ROAD, SUITE 101
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PRISCILLA HAMMOCK HANCOCK
DOCKET NUMBER 89481-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PRISCILLA HAMMOCK HANCOCK, who died March 12, 2024, 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 received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or

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

This the 23 day of MAY, 2024

ESTATE OF PRISCILLA HAMMOCK HANCOCK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA M. MILLER
121 TRACY LANE

OAK RIDGE, TN 37830

KATHERINE A. YOUNG, ATTORNEY
9041 EXECUTIVE PARK DRIVE, SUITE 121
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RUBY ANN JETT
DOCKET NUMBER 89465-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MAY, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of RUBY ANN JETT who died Feb 15, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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

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

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

This the 17 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF RUBY ANN JETT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ORLANDER E TATE; ADMINISTRATOR
1508 RIVERSIDE ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MADHAVAN M. MENON
DOCKET NUMBER 89180-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 23 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of MADHAVAN M. MENON who died August 21, 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 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 described in (1)(A); or

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

This the 23 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF MADHAVAN M. MENON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHARLES H. CHILD, ATTORNEY
705 GATE LANE, SUITE 202
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF AURELIA M. MONTGOMERY
DOCKET NUMBER 89490-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of AURELIA M. MONTGOMERY who died April 8, 2024, 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

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Tuesday, June 25th from 2-4PM



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REAL ESTATE | 12:00PM-Noon (ET)

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Single level ranch style home in Fountain City

Located in the Harrill Hills area of Fountain City

Approx. 1659 SF with 3 bedrooms & 1.5 bathrooms

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LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID LEE SMITH
DOCKET NUMBER 89484-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of JUNE, 2024, letters of testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DAVID LEE SMITH who died April 26, 2024 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 described 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 date of death.

This the 4 day of JUNE, 2024.

ESTATE OF DAVID LEE SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PATSY DUNCAN SMITH

ANDREW J. CRAWFORD, ATTORNEY
5344 NORTH BROADWAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT C. SMITH
DOCKET NUMBER 89497-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of JUNE, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT C. SMITH who died April 11, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date this 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 4 day of JUNE, 2024.

ESTATE OF ROBERT C. SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RYAN CHRISTOPHER SMITH
8117 CHESTERFIELD DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

COURTNEY L. COX, ATTORNEY
4931 HOMBERG DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN SNODGRASS
DOCKET NUMBER 89496-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day of MAY, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of JOHN SNODGRASS who died March 28, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Knox Chancery Court, Probate Division. 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 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 31 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF JOHN SNODGRASS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TINA RICHARDS
1208 FARRINGTON DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

BROOKE GIVENS, ATTORNEY
110 COGDILL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HERMAN FRANKLIN STEELE, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 89539-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of JUNE, 2024, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of HERMAN FRANKLIN STEELE, JR., who died on the 1st day of April, 2024 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 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 JUNE, 2024.

ESTATE OF HERMAN FRANKLIN STEELE, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHRISTOPHER B. STEELE
10242 COLT HAVEN DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932

NEVA M. FOUST, ATTORNEY
4641 CHAMBLISS AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES W. THOMAS
DOCKET NUMBER 89463-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of MAY, 2024, letters of administration c.t.a. in respect of the Estate of JAMES W. THOMAS who died Apr 12, 2024, 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 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 28 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF JAMES W. THOMAS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JARED THOMAS, ADMINISTRATOR CTA
2452 CLINGING VINE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARK RANDALL TILLET
DOCKET NUMBER 89514-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of MAY, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of MARK RANDALL TILLET who died Apr 6, 2024, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox

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

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

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

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

This the 28 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF MARK RANDALL TILLET

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
FRANCESE TILLET, ADMINISTRATRIX
2709 HARRIS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ELEANOR ANNE DALTON VANCE
DOCKET NUMBER 89458-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of MAY, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELEANOR ANNE DALTON VANCE who died Mar 19, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 30 day of MAY, 2024.

ESTATE OF ELEANOR ANNE DALTON VANCE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DONNA MCGAHA, EXECUTRIX
1434 PEACH TREE STREET
SEVIERVILLE, TN 37862

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DEBRA ANN WHITAKER
DOCKET NUMBER 89485-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of June, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DEBRA ANN WHITAKER who died April 4, 2024 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 date of death.

This the 4 day of JUNE, 2024

ESTATE OF DEBRA ANN WHITAKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CONNIE DIANNE BUTLER

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MISC. NOTICES

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of Cedar Bluff Towing. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at a public auction held on July 19, 2024, at 623 Simmons Rd Knoxville, TN. Vehicles will be sold "AS IS" and make no warranty as to condition or title.

1992 Honda Accord 1HGB98788NA000926 (M Suzanne RJordan)
1998 Lincoln TownCar 1LNF82W5WY717711 (Anthony Erb)
2002 Toyota Rav4 JTEH20V220132582 (John Howard/TMX Finance of TN)
1995Ford Motorhome 3FCMF536XSA06895 (Randy Nunley Or Wesley Smith)
2009 Cadillac CTS 1G6DG577990118531 (Jack Morton/ Credit Acceptance)
2006 Chevy Cobalt 1G1AK55467629956 (Savanna McAlpine)
2000 Buick Regal 2G4WB55K6Y1129769 (Gregory Gibbons)
2018 Dodge Journey 3C4PDCAB4JT439484 (Jill Smith/ Carmax Business Services)
2004 Ford Explorer 1FM2U73K34UB11508 (Robert Florer)
1997 Honda Civic 2HGEJ6622VH564221 (Ester Francisco Jose)
2019 Ford Fiesta 3FADP4J5KM147254

(Sebastian Francisco)
2005 Nissan Pathfinder 5N1AR18U25C764926 (Sheena Gray/ TN Title Loans)
2004 Dodge Intrepid 2B3HD46R74H592701 (Carrie Fathy)
2006 Nissan Murano JN8AZ08T96W421430 (Penny Hill)
2016 Nissan Sentra 3N1AB7AP5GL682604 (Fidel Rodriguez/Credit Acceptance Corp)
2008 Nissan Sentra 3N1AB61EX8L725229 (Mazilyah Lyde/ TN Quick Cash)
2009 Mazda 6 1YVHP81A895M10852 (Mackinley Hope)
1992 Oldsmobile Ninety-Eight Regency 1G3CW53LXN4334714 (Tim Ayres)
2007 Scion tC JTKDE177870193061 (Rosendo Montoya)
2002 Buick LeSabre 1G4HR54K92U220598 (Robert Flinter/ Titlemax of TN)
1999 Chevy Silverado 1GCEK19T9XE146493 (Clifford Roberts/ Titlemax of SC)
2011 Nissan Sentra 3N1AB6AP5BL624916 (Devin Woody/ TN Title Loans)
1999 Honda Accord 1HGC63151XA020591 (Tanner Swalley)
2005 Nissan Sentra 3N1CB5D135L586194 (Michael Smith/ Titlemax of TN)

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of Chestnut Street Transport & Recovery. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at a public auction held on July 19, 2024, at 2430 Thorngrove Pike Knoxville, TN. Vehicles will be sold "AS IS" and make no warranty as to condition or title.

2014 Toyota Tacoma 5TFTX4CNXE040205 (Rentokil North America Inc)
2013 Nissan Altima 1N4AL3AP1DN460744 (Jerry Or Sherrie Arthur/ Americredit Financial)
2003 Yamaha V Star 650 JYAVM01Y33A008568 (John Simpson)
2011 Toyota Corolla 2T1BU4E0B6C665708 (Francisco Francisco Diego)
1998 Ford Contour 1FALP6537WK164248 (Jerameia Rayborn)
2022 Kia Sorento 5XYRG4LC7NG097392 (Beth Dompier/ Knoxville TVA Empl CU)
2004 Chevy Malibu 1G1ZT54834F127364 (Jennifer Zapotocky)

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

MHTSTN
P 615-602-9288
Sale to be held 15 days from this notice at location listed - 4101 Clinton Hwy
2017 Nissan Altima VIN #1N4AL3AP6HC270178
Anyone with interest in the above listed vehicle must contact Amelia Nash certified at P.O. Box 272, Hermitage, TN 37076 within 10 days of this notice or it will be sold for debit owed. Sale Date: June 25, 2024 @ 8:00 AM.