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CareCuts homeless day center approved by council

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A three-day-a-week center for the homeless in North Knoxville will open along Clinton Highway near Merchant Drive as approved in an 8-1 vote by city council on Tuesday. The councilmembers denied the appeal filed by a neighborhood

group and local business owners to overturn a planning commission approval. CareCuts now may move its headquarters from the downtown Mission District to the empty bank building in front of the Clinton Plaza Shopping Center. Those objecting to the planners' approval, led by attorney

David Hamilton, spoke of the violations they claimed a homeless center would bring to the community there.

Hamilton said CareCuts is not the building's owner and did not present a lease for the building, calling the nonprofit's location there "spot zoning." He spoke

of the growing number of homeless in the area and the increased thefts.

The opponents were appealing the special use granted to CareCuts for the property at 5200 Clinton Highway.

Hamilton's words were countered by Mary

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Judge Chuck Cerny spoke passionately in favor of CareCuts' use of the Clinton Highway facility as a daytime homeless center, noting that the homeless are already in that area and the facility would help.

Photo by Mike Steely.

Juvenile service center before commission for final vote

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The future of the Knox County Juvenile Service Center is before the Knox County Commission today, with a resolution that would turn the controversial facility over to the juvenile judge and create an advisory board.

For several months, the five commissioners on the Knox County Juvenile Service Center board have weighed ideas on how to best run and maintain the facility, including moving control of the detention center over to the sheriff's office. The board ultimately decided to give control to Juvenile Judge Timothy

E. Irwin, who will name an advisory board. The resolution to eliminate the special board and create the new leadership change faces its second, and final, vote.

The commission has some 48 items on its agenda, most of which will appear together on the consent calendar and be passed with one vote. While the agenda was still being set at last week's agenda review meeting, several of the possible agenda items were discussed.

At-Large Commissioner Larsen Jay and Mayor Glenn Jacobs have a proposal to eliminate the county's wheel tax on vehicles over a five-year period.

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March Madness in preps, too!



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

Fulton junior standout Nick Steen drives for a shot against Upperman as Falcons' Coach Jody Wright observes the play from the bench. Fulton eliminated the defending state champion Bees in the semifinal round. Please see other stories and pictures from the 2026 TSSAA Boys State Basketball Tournament that was played last week at MTSU in this week's Knoxville Focus in Section C.



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Joe Sutter, HonorAir's Flight Commander, was joined by other staffers of the notable organization and Knoxville City Council members last week. The founder, Eddie Mannis, could not attend the presentation which saluted 38 HonorAir flights to Washington, D.C., carrying more than 4,700 men and women veterans. April 8 will be the final flight by the organization.

Council's selection of nonprofits for grants questioned

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Although the Knoxville City Council's session Tuesday evening saw many local nonprofit groups granted city funds, some council members continue to question how those groups were chosen above other nonprofits.

C.O.N.N.E.C.T Ministries, for instance, was granted \$186,100, and Councilman Denzel Grant said he was disappointed and called the funding a "double investment." He said the grant duplicated efforts already underway that fund community-based violence prevention. Councilwoman Amelia Parker echoed Grant's concern about city grants. The funding passed in a

6-2-1 vote with Grant and Doug Lloyd voting "No" and Charles Thomas abstaining.

Another nonprofit funding resolution, dispersing \$213,499 to 13 different community groups, was questioned by Grant, but the vote passed 8-1 with his lone opposing vote.

A grant to Helen Ross McNabb Center of \$121,000, for violence

outreach and coaching, passed with a 6-3 vote with Grant, Lloyd and Parker voting against.

In other action, the city's Parks and Recreation Master Plan passed with Grant saying that the full plan of action for Chilhowee Park should have been included in the multi-page proposal. He also said the

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Commission to look at changing rules on presentations

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The Knox County Commission's Rules Committee may change the rules on presentations given during commission meetings. Second District Commissioner Courtney Durrett made suggestions during last week's meeting to limit what can be heard when citizens address the full commission.

While the topics and who can speak discussion was postponed until the April meeting, the discussion centered around the

"elephant in the room," the District 9 Commissioner Andy Fox presentation given in February's meeting on his opinion on Christianity and undocumented immigrants.

Several committee members and non-committee commissioners in attendance commented on the topic, including District 6 Commissioner Terry Hill, who questioned the commission chairperson's enforcement of time limits during presentations. Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers said any

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The Doctor is in
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Jigsaw Puzzles

The way out of this is through it.
Jessie Waters.

I have several friends who love to do jigsaw puzzles. I do not. However, I see analogies between thinking and jigsaw puzzles.

It is estimated that the human brain has 100 billion cells, which are interconnected by extensions of their neural tissue. Picture an octopus with a body and eight legs. Now imagine billions of nerve cells, each with dozens if not hundreds of cellular extensions reaching out and touching the "legs" of neighboring cells. And when these brain cells send out electrochemical signals that reverberate through the network, the thought process occurs allowing humans to write essays, books, poetry and to interact with billions of other humans on this planet. As the Psalmist wrote, "I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm

139:14).

We hear much these days about AI (artificial intelligence), yet the human brain is the pinnacle of creation on planet Earth. Some areas of this complicated organ control basal functions like digestion, circulation and breathing. Other areas conceptualize (praxis) and then initiate motor/muscular functions, while other areas make movements fluid and control balance. And in the area above your ears, there is a repository of the stored data, which we call memories. However, the frontal cortex of the brain above your eyebrows is where the pieces of the jigsaw puzzle are connected to produce thought.

Have you ever observed that cats do not have as high a forehead as a dog and certainly less than humans? Cats and dogs are good at being cats and dogs, but don't expect them to think deep thoughts

because the frontal lobes of their brains are much smaller than ours. It is in the frontal lobe that abstract (general) concepts like love, freedom and justice are conceived. My dog thinks in concrete terms (particulars) about the food in her bowl, whereas I can consider her nutrition.

And it goes further. Some weeks ago, I wrote about the difference between the brain organ and the mind. The brain can be seen and touched. The mind is a composite of our thoughts and is elusive. While considering the differences, 17th century scientist and philosopher René Descartes went into a darkened room alone to limit external influences and concluded, "Cogito ergo sum," (I think therefore I am). This difference between the brain and mind is known as Cartesian dualism. Our mind, our essence, our soul transcends the organ and body.

I was drinking coffee with a friend recently when the notion of jigsaw puzzles as a metaphor of thought came to mind. We were actually discussing my essays and the writing process. He was surprised to learn that my writing avocation began with daily spiritual journaling after 9/11.

Since I was a science guy, writing was only what I had to do to get to the next educational level. (My English

teachers would attest to that.) Although early in my medical career, I had published a half dozen medical articles, everything changed when I began organizing my thoughts in written conversations with the Lord. I began to have insights that I had never had before. Clarity of thought might be another description. Additionally, writing my thoughts/prayers helps me to stay focused.

I don't read what I've written over the years. I don't even know where my old journals are. I think they may be in the attic somewhere. When I'm dead, my kids may run across them and have to throw my musings away. Times have changed since 2001, and I now use my iPhone and the notes application as a digital journal, which will be a lot easier to delete! It doesn't matter. The Lord knows my thoughts, whether they are ever recorded. Writing my thoughts brings me clarity and focus. You should try it.

I've read a number of books by the celebrated Christian author Philip Yancey. I'll share two of his many insights which have been helpful in journaling. Intrusive thoughts, like grocery items, can be dealt with by jotting them down. Secondly, don't chide yourself when your mind wanders because, like a trapeze

artist, there is a safety net of grace under each of us.

As a writer, I've come to believe that you can write about something only if you have more than a passing knowledge of the topic. An example is Walter Isaacson. I've read his books about Elon Musk, Benjamin Franklin and innovators of the computer age. His prose reflects a gauge of his understanding. Perhaps an even better example is helping children with homework or homeschooling them. You cannot help someone or teach until you have more than a basic understanding of the topic. In medicine, we said, "Watch one, do one, then teach one."

Perhaps this is what's wrong with TV pundits and Congress. They seem divorced from the real world of experience and common sense and are instead motivated by prestige, power, politics, party and money. Take, for instance, the United Nations. United by what? Certainly not by anything common-sensical or measurably worthwhile for America or the world.

Or consider NATO, whose members refuse to help us protect Persian Gulf shipping, which supplies their oil and LNG (liquefied natural gas). I guess they would rather buy energy from Putin, whom they apparently despise less than

President Trump.

Like the UN, NATO is useless. You cannot depend on frenemies who take your money and snicker behind your back. They are feckless and untrustworthy. America's foreign policy should be to secure the western hemisphere, declaw Iran, stop funding the UN and withdraw from NATO. Since the Euros are so wise and despise us, let them fight Putin.

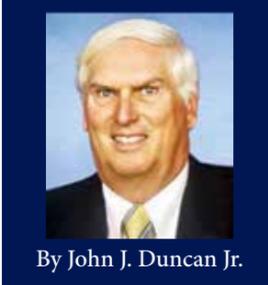
After all, we've got enough on our plate fighting the apocalyptic mad mullahs of Iran and our deranged Democrats who won't even fund the Department of Homeland Security during a time of war and terrorist attacks in the homeland. And how can affordability have any relevance if you're dead? Like the deranged Captain Ahab who pursued the great white whale, Democrats will get us killed with their obsession to destroy the great orange man.

Perhaps the Trumpster should educate the Euros and our Dembos about Iran's Shia Mullahs' belief in the Mahdi, the "occulted" 12th Imam of the 9th century AD, who can be brought back by their chaos to lead worldwide jihad. Look it up or ask Grok if you doubt me.

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Even Trump Haters Admit He Is Never Boring

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr.

I am still very grateful to the people of East Tennessee for giving me the privilege of serving them for 30 years in the U.S. House.

During each of those years, I attended the State of the Union Address by the president.

I also have attended the ones by President Trump since I left office, and was there for his most recent one on Feb. 24. I must say I have never enjoyed one quite as much as this last one.

Some of the others have been dull or boring in comparison. Love him or hate him, one thing you can say about Trump is that he is

definitely not boring.

J. D. Vance said in a speech in North Carolina last week that he had a special vantage point sitting right behind the president, looking at all the Democrats who were there.

He said when Trump asked everyone to stand who believed the first obligation of Congress was to the American people and not illegal immigrants, the Democrats were looking around with worried faces, trying to figure out what to

do. Most remained in their seats.

Many years ago, Richard Nixon was often described as the most hated man in American politics. But the hatred for Nixon pales in comparison to the hatred for Trump all over the world.

And Nixon never had to deal with the 24-hour news cycle, the large number of stations and channels, the internet, and the constant drumbeat of hatred that Trump faces every day.

Every once in a while, there will be some psychiatrist or psychologist, or even an unqualified but partisan lay person, who will say in a holier-than-thou way that Trump is a narcissist. Well, he would have to have some narcissism to be able to withstand all the hatred.

And after the way Trump's political opponents misused the legal system against him and his family, I couldn't blame him (and I had a big laugh) when he looked over at the Congressional Democrats and said: "You people are crazy." They have said things just as bad or worse about him.

There is an old saying that the truth hurts, and some of the big city Democrats had to be squirming when Trump looked at them and said, "The only way you win is by cheating."

That is why the Democrats are so strongly opposed to the Save America Act, which would require

voting rules that over 80% of the American people are in favor of, like picture IDs to vote and proof of citizenship to register to vote for the first time.

Also, the Democrats have been losing more and more among native born Americans, so they know they have to depend more on foreign-born voters. Thus they have to oppose anything that makes it even a tiny bit harder to get immigrants, legal or illegal, registered to vote.

President Trump has been speaking out on an almost daily basis against the use of mail-in ballots, and he is right. In 2005, former President Jimmy Carter co-chaired a commission on federal election reform with former Secretary of State James Baker.

The Carter-Baker Commission said "Absentee ballots remain the largest source of potential voter fraud" and that voting by mail is "likely to increase the risks of fraud and of contested elections."

Democrats in some cities have made an art form of what is called "harvesting votes." Also, they have many of what Rush Limbaugh called "low-information voters." It is simply too easy for them to take loads of ballots to union halls, senior centers and churches or other places with large numbers of immigrants and make sure that only votes

for Democrats are actually mailed.

While I got a kick out of Trump's State of the Union message, I did not think I should handle my job in the same way. I remember one day when a member of my Washington staff said a caller had said I needed to forget being a judge (as I was before coming to Congress), and be more of a prosecutor.

I know it disappointed some that I was not always on the attack. I expressed my conservative views often in committees and on the floor of the House. I also wrote many articles and newsletters and made thousands of speeches in Tennessee and even around the country.

But I always felt I could express my views without being hateful or personally attacking anyone. The Democrats controlled the House during 16 of my 30 years there, and I knew I could get more done for my district and my constituents by trying to get along with everyone.

While I agree with President Trump on almost all the big issues, our styles are very different. And I do think he made a big mistake in allowing this country to be led into war in Iran. Rapidly rising gas prices and a rapidly falling stock market are proving that, and the sooner we get back to America First, the better.

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Publisher's Positions



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single person who registers a car in Knox County has paid that tax on every vehicle every year since, which was then - and remains now - a double tax, meaning you are taxed twice for exactly nothing.

Some of the proceeds from the Wheel Tax were siphoned off by the two best-funded entities in all of Knox County government: the school system and the sheriff's department. Most Knox Countians are not aware that nearly 75 cents of every tax dollar raised in Knox County is spent on schools and the sheriff's department. Every other aspect of local county government - courts, parks, libraries, roads and the like - is funded from the remaining 25 cents.

The promised improvements never happened, but the Wheel Tax continues to this day in Knox County.

The Wheel Tax wasn't needed 23 years ago, and it's not needed today. The

county commission should repeal the tax as quickly as possible. Commissioner Larsen Jay is sponsoring, along with County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, an ordinance to repeal the Wheel Tax in Knox County. Let your voice be heard!

The Terrorist Regime In Iran Needs To Be Wiped Out Forever

Could anybody really be surprised that the mainstream corporate media is either not reporting on the war in Iran or misreporting it. For those paying attention to the corporate media in this country, you'd think you were watching Al Jazeera. They aren't reporting any of our country's successes and seem to be sympathetic to the same people who just hung a 19-year-old wrestler for having protested. The Democrat-Socialists haven't decried that

atrocities, nor have their compatriots in the mainstream media. We're being given the impression by the corporate media that the US is losing the war.

Iran's Air Force has been decimated; most of their Navy lies at the bottom of the ocean; the Republican Guard has been under constant barrage. Many of the leaders of Iran have been killed. Iran has wished death for America and Americans for the better part of 50 years. That is no exaggeration. They've told us time and time again and have taken to the streets whenever they thought we needed to be reminded.

For decades, they have exported terrorism, dealing death and destruction, killing innocents with impunity. Allowing the mullahs and a country that savagely mistreats women and hangs gay people from construction cranes as a warning to have nuclear weapons would be sheer madness.

We have socialists, Marxists and illegal aliens masquerading as students here who have protested on behalf of Iran, Hamas and Hezbollah terrorists. The protesters here haven't said a word about the Islamic Republic of Iran hanging Saleh Mohammadi for protesting. Two other young protesters, Mehdi Ghasemi and Saeed Davoudi, were murdered by the Iranian government along with Saleh Mohammadi. The reports coming from Iran indicate the three were tortured to get forced confessions of guilt to justify their murders. They had no lawyers, nor was there any real legal progress, just the same kind of show trials that have been the standard in dictatorships for years. Their true crime was raising their voices and protesting. Iran's leadership has dealt in blood and death since the beginning of the Islamic Republic.

For the morons who refer

to their opponents here as "Nazis," what the Iranians did to the young champion wrestler is exactly what the Nazis did to their own political opponents.

And just so you know, the Islamic Republic would not tolerate for a moment the protesting of those doing it here, even on behalf of Iran. The morons, like the Iranian leadership, do not believe in free speech.

The pages of history are full of those who have died for freedom and keeping others free. Americans have fought for and died for freedom and free speech. Saleh Mohammadi just gave his own life for the same privilege.

The tyranny of authoritarians and those who enable them allows no dissent whatsoever. It was evil and disgusting then, and it's evil and disgusting today.

It's Finally Time to Repeal the Wheel Tax

Should you be taxed twice for the same service?



By Larsen Jay
Knox County Commissioner

I don't think so either, but it's exactly what Knox County has been doing for 23 years. In 2003, voters were asked to approve a new annual "wheel tax" on every registered vehicle with a commitment to build a new downtown library and fund

other civic projects. However, there is still no new downtown library, and, depending on who was promised what, many of those ambitious endeavors haven't come to fruition. I believe if your government asks you to approve a special tax, it should deliver on promises - or stop taxing you. That's why I'm trying to repeal the wheel tax once and for all.

Section 58-1 of the Knox County Code says, "For the privilege of using the public roads and highways in the county, there is levied upon motor-driven vehicles... a special privilege tax..."

You read that correctly: for the "privilege" of using the roads you've already paid for with your tax dollars, Knox County has the honor of taxing you again. That's double taxation at its finest, and it should finally come to an end.

Six neighboring counties (Grainger, Anderson, Roane, Loudon, Blount and Sevier) do not have a local wheel tax, and Knox County shouldn't either, especially if taxpayers didn't get everything they were promised.

Finally, the wheel tax is regressive and disproportionately harms families

already struggling to pay the rent, buy a home, or even put food on their table. Whether you are driving a brand-new vehicle or one that is 20 years old, the wheel tax is the same (\$36 annually).

In August 2025, I introduced an ordinance to repeal the wheel tax without cutting the services it funds (Libraries & Engineering/Public Works). Instead of paying for those services with a wheel tax, I proposed funding them from Knox County's General Fund. Many have asked, "But can we afford it?" Absolutely. The wheel tax generates

approximately \$15.5M annually and is designated to fund three areas: our libraries (\$13.05M), a portion of Engineering & Public Works (\$1.83M), and the remainder goes into the General Fund (\$620K). My ordinance proposes a five-year phase-out of the wheel tax. Starting in the FY2027 budget and ending in FY2031, eliminating the wheel tax would reduce our annual revenues by less than 1% each year, and just 0.15%, or \$1.7M, in the first year of the phase-out.

When I recently presented the repeal plan, I pointed out that, according to

the Knox County Finance Department, current revenue is already \$7.8M higher than projected, and we still have nearly half the fiscal year to go. We can afford to repeal this tax and still meet the current needs of Knox County.

Whenever there's an opportunity to put money back in the pockets of Knox County residents, we should do so, and the repeal of the wheel tax is a good first step. Who knows? We might even restore a little faith in government.

Juvenile service center

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Ninth District Commissioner Andy Fox quizzed Jay over the proposal, noting the large payments on past bonds facing the county in 2027. Jay responded that the county is in good financial shape, and he wants to drop "double taxing" during vehicle registration. He also said a future commission can pause or repeal the change.

Fox asked why Jay waited eight years into his term to propose dropping the wheel tax and said Jay would not

have to "deal with the fallout" because he is term-limited. Jay responded that the commission often votes to pass legislation that outlives the terms of a commissioner.

District 6's Terry Hill said the county may have to face a tax increase to deal with the upcoming bond payments and suggested waiting until next year's budget to consider the wheel tax question.

At-large Commissioner Kim Frazier, who faces Jay and school board member

Betsy Henderson in the upcoming Republican primary for Knox County Mayor, noted future road projects will need funding.

"I'm open to the will of the body," Jay said, adding that the wheel tax elimination is already part of the proposed fiscal year county budget.

The commissioners may also vote to approve a one-year extension of the agreement with Pugh and Associates as the county's outside auditor. Finance Director Chris Caldwell said the

county's association with Pugh has resulted in a "clean audit for a number of years."

In other agenda discussions last week, the body voted to add all commissioners as sponsors to Commissioner Rhonda Lee's salute to the U.S. Post Office 250th Anniversary honors. All but three commissioners joined District 1 Commissioner Damon Rawls to honor the late Knox County Commissioner Diane Jordan.

Council's selection of nonprofits

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proposal was received only two weeks before the deadline for state and federal funding.

Attorney Charles Swanson said the full plan couldn't be attached to the paperwork sent to the council, but that there were links to it in the message.

The membership of the new advisory group for Chilhowee Park, which begins meeting in the Jacob Building on Tuesday, was also questioned. Mayor Indya Kincaannon replied that she, Grant and Councilwoman Debbie Helsley chose the members. Councilman Charles Thomas had some

concerns that the group did not include people who represent some residents.

Most councilmembers, like Nathan Honeycutt, praised the work going into the master plan which he called "a fantastic job."

The vote to approve the plan was 8-1, with Parker voting "No."

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Commission to look at changing rules on presentations

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 ruling by the chair can be appealed and overturned with a simple majority vote.
 Durrett suggested that presentations and honorary resolutions should deal with Knox County-related topics only and said new rules would not prohibit opinion, but move such topics from the honorary resolutions and presentations portion of the agenda to general debate. District 8 Commissioner Adam Thompson said the idea "seems a little restrictive," and District 1 Damon Rawls said if the commission doesn't have

rules, then something like the Fox presentation could happen again.
 "I could do a presentation on why I love cats," Rawls said.
 "We don't have a pattern of that behavior," Thompson said, adding, "One occasion does not mean we're slipping down a slippery slope."
 Fox told the meeting he "would not mind moving it to a discussion item," but said the discussion on changing the rules is "problematic."
 Hill suggested leaving the topics and length of a presentation up to the chair.

Fifth District's Angela Russell wondered if the changes are "far too strict."
 "I don't want to hear from just one side; our job is to represent all the people, not just one side," Durrett said, and moved to resume the rules discussion in April.
 "Good, I'll vote against it at the next meeting," Russell said.
 The Rules Committee also discussed how to place a placeholder properly on the agenda so that it indicates at least the name of the topic to be discussed.

CareCuts homeless day center approved by council

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 Katherine Wormsley, Judge Chuck Cerny and attorney Ben Mullins. Wormsley, a founder of the organization, said the facility would become a hub for the homeless to transition back into society.
 "They are out there already," Cerny said, adding that the facility "will make this area safer."
 Mullins noted the former bank building owner was not opposed and said the day center would not affect the nearby businesses.
 Fifth District Councilman Charles Thomas, who represents the neighborhood, spoke highly of CareCuts but

favoring the appeal, saying that the neighborhood was overflowing with the homeless. Should the center be approved, Thomas said the area would need the help of more law enforcement and the homeless would be better served in the Broadway Mission District.

At-Large Councilwoman Debbie Helsley countered, "There are homeless people all over the city."
 Thomas was the sole "No" vote on the motion to reject the appeal after his motion to approve the appeal failed to receive a second.

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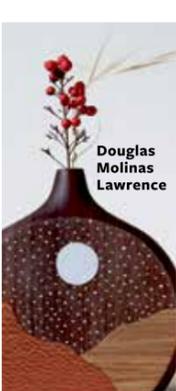
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Fountain City Town Hall was honored at the 2026 Neighborhood Awards Dinner on March 5 with a Neighborhood Achievement Award presented by Mayor Kincannon for actively engaging with neighbors, businesses and municipal agencies and organizing fun and free events that reflect the neighborhood's unique history and character.

In 2025, Fountain City Town Hall hosted Honor Fountain City Day with a Veterans Memorial Service, Christmas in the Park and a Bobby Wilson Free Fishing Day at Fountain City Lake.

FCTH is currently working on this year's Honor Fountain City Day in the Park and is accepting booth applications for crafters, artists, vendors, community organizations, candidates for political office and elected officials and food trucks.

The application, fee information and rules can be found online at www.fountaincity-townhall.org/fountain-city-day-booth-application. The



Joyce Lee and Scotty Crigger accepted the Neighborhood Achievement Award for Fountain City Town Hall from Mayor Indya Kincannon.

deadline for booth applications is Friday, May 15.

The deadline for Fountain City award nominations is April 1, 2026. Individuals

can submit nominations for any or all of the awards at www.fountaincitytownhall.org/fountain-city-day-award-nominations.

This year's annual event will be held Memorial Day, May 25, from 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

A Yard for Playing

My sister-in-law and her friend Don came around the corner of the house and shouted at Jim and me. We walked over to them, shook hands and hugged each



By Joe Rector
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other, and spent the next half hour talking. Most of our conversation centered around the fact that we just didn't understand the world. We shared an equal disgust for the shape of our country and world. Yep, just four 70+ folks doing what folks for years have done: worrying about things in a world that has passed us by. The only thing that hasn't changed is the two twin brothers being together.

For all of our lives, we've stood in that same yard. A three-acre lot with woods in the back and a yard in the front and side of the house. That green space had served for baseball and football games for years. Before then, Jim and I roamed the homeplace as we played plenty of games

and make-believe scenarios. As little guys, we wore cowboy outfits and rode stick ponies. One of us was "Hank," and the other was "Tex." We spent time shooting

bank robbers and warding off bands of Apache warriors. The fun ended when Mother called us to the house for something to eat and naptime.

One year we received leather jackets with fringe down the arms. In a snap, we became Davy Crockett and Daniel Boone. We played in the woods and pretended to be pioneers resetting the territory where Nicholas Ball had set up camp more than 200 years ago. The spring was cool, and shiny streaks formed when we wiped our coat arms across runny noses.

Our elementary school friends in the neighborhood gathered in the yard for games of whatever sport was in season. Two things always happened

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Spirit Lifters Serve Families in Need

At Wallace Memorial Baptist Church, a group of women is redefining what it means to find purpose in life's most difficult seasons. The Spirit Lifters, a widows ministry formed in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, continues to grow as a source of strength, connection and outreach.

"Our goal has always been to help these women not just survive, but truly thrive," said Chelsea Murphy, Love Community director. "They still have purpose, and we want to help them live that out."

Guided by their mission to be "women with a compass in their heads and a magnet in their hearts," the Spirit Lifters focus not only on supporting one another but also on serving the broader community.

On March 17, that mission took shape in a meaningful way as the group hosted a baby shower for Hope Resource Center, a local nonprofit dedicated to providing life-affirming medical and educational services. The event, held at the church, brought together more than 40 women eager to give back.

"We joked with the ladies that we didn't expect any of them to be having baby showers anytime soon," Murphy said. "So, it felt especially fitting to celebrate and support others in this way."



During the event, Spirit Lifters participants donated and wrapped hundreds of essential baby items that will be gifted to mothers who have completed parenting classes through Hope's mentorship program. Each completed class is celebrated with a baby shower, offering encouragement and practical support as new mothers begin their journey.

Beyond the gifts, the gathering also included time for prayer, with participants lifting up the families who will receive the donations.

For the Spirit Lifters, the day reflected a deeper commitment—to look beyond their own circumstances and invest in the lives of others.

Their guiding scripture, Ephesians

3:20 (NIV) states: "Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

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Imperfect Faith and Honesty: Where Our Greatest Help Begins

What if God wasn't necessarily looking for polished belief, but just sheer honesty in the real and raw human need? In Mark 9, we are privileged to relive the story of a father who stands in a crowd, watching



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his son suffer in ways he cannot stop. This is not a theoretical struggle or a distant concern; it is daily, it's painful, and it's personal. He has exhausted every available option. Nothing has worked. By the time he reaches Jesus, hope is not completely gone, but it is worn thin. Even the disciples, the men closest to Jesus, had tried and failed to help. That failure matters. Undoubtedly, it had added another layer of hesitation. If they couldn't do anything, why would this time be any different?

Still, Jesus speaks: "Bring him to me." Now the desperate father must decide. Does he give up because he has tried this since the boy was a child? Or in one last-ditch effort, does he cast his faith in

Jesus to do what no other person has ever been able to do? It's a tough moment because on one hand, he desperately wants his son to be healed, and on the other hand, reality has revealed that it is

not possible.

"Bring him to me." It is a simple command, but it shifts everything. The father responds, not because his faith is strong, but because his need is greater than his doubt. He brings his son.

As the boy convulses in front of everyone, the situation becomes more intense, not less. This is often how faith feels in real life. Coming to Jesus does not always mean immediate calm; sometimes it means bringing the chaos fully into the open.

Jesus asks, "How long has this been happening?" Not for information, but for an invitation. The father is given space to speak honestly, to tell the truth about the burden he has been carrying. Then

comes his request: "If you can do anything, have compassion on us. Please help us." Notice that this is not a confident declaration. It is a conditional plea; "if you can." Many would hesitate to call that faith at all. But Jesus does not reject him. Instead, He redirects him: "If thou canst believe, all things are possible."

What follows is one of the most honest statements in Scripture: "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief." That sentence captures the tension many experience but rarely admit. Faith and doubt are not always opposites; sometimes they coexist. The father is not pretending to be certain. He is not offering polished words or fancy rhetoric. The man does resort to elaborate church terminology. In honesty, he is simply telling the truth and asking for help.

And that is enough.

Jesus responds, not to perfect faith, but to present faith. The kind that shows up. The kind that asks. The kind that refuses to walk away, even when uncertainty remains. This account offers a corrective to a common misconception:

that faith must be strong, unwavering, and complete before it is acceptable to God. In reality, the emphasis is not on the strength of faith, but on the object of it. The father's trust is incomplete, but it is directed toward the right place.

For modern readers, the application is straightforward and challenging. Faith is not measured by emotional certainty or theological precision. It is demonstrated by action. It's coming to Jesus, speaking honestly, and asking for help. There is no requirement to clean up doubt before our approach. No expectation to resolve every internal conflict first. The invitation remains the same: bring what you have. Imperfect faith, when placed in the right hands, is sufficient.

The father's story is not ultimately about the size of his belief, but about the willingness to bring his need to Jesus anyway. That is the kind of faith that honors Him, not flawless, but present; not certain, but sincere. And often, that is where our greatest help begins.

A Yard for Playing

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when those games were played. One was that boys lined up during timeouts to drink from the water hose that lay beside the house. The other was that at least one fight broke out at some point in the game. Sometimes we returned to the contests, but if dusk were settling in, the boys left for home and supper.

Mother and Daddy were terrified of letting us mow the yard. Not until Daddy was sick and we were 13 did we mow. That space covered more than an acre, and thick Bermuda grass made pushing a mower difficult. Our first riding mower kept throwing a drive belt, and we never made it more than half the length of the yard before having to get off the mower and reattach the belt.

We hunted Easter eggs as children and then walked with our own children as they hunted the eggs. Try as hard as we could, not all of the chicken bullets were found, at least until the middle of summer.

Our older brother Dal, Jim, and I stood in the front yard and smoked

our cigarettes after returning from the funerals of both parents. The evils of smoking had been revealed by the time we began the habit, but ending addictions to nicotine was the hardest thing we'd done

Brenda's sister lives in our old home place now; I live up the street from it. For several years, Jim and I have practiced our golf skills in that side yard. The first year I hit balls, I managed to break a window in our old house. Only occasionally now does a stray ball bounce against the side of the house. We usually stop hitting balls when a car is driving on the street, which runs beside the house and on which I now live.

After Brenda and Don went inside and Jim drove to his house, I thought about that meeting. We were our parents' ages that day. The funny thing is that at nearly 74 years of age, Jim and I are still playing in the same yard as we had done at the age of 3. We're still best buddies, too. It's another example of how some things in this life never change. I like that.

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By Ken Swiger, Pastor

People often refer to this saying: "What Would Jesus Do?" Fortunately, we don't have to guess about the answer. The Bible provides distinct examples of exactly the things that Jesus did. And since His holy Word tells us that He never changes.

Hebrews 13:8 (NKJV)

⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

We can expect He still thinks and reacts the same way today, and will continue to do so tomorrow. Here is an example of what He did:

Luke 4:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read.

So, Jesus assembled with God's people to worship the Heavenly Father on the weekly Sabbath. That was His personal practice and the example He set for believers. Does that mean we should also do what He did, and assemble for worship on the seventh day Sabbath?

Some might think that the Sabbath was done away. But those who believe that the Messiah is returning to earth again (and will reign as King of kings and Lord of lords) will note the scriptures that indicate that when He rules on the throne of David in Jerusalem, the weekly Sabbath will still be in effect for mankind. Note the scripture:

Isaiah 66:22-23 (NKJV)

²²"For as the new heavens and the new earth Which I will make shall remain before Me," says the LORD, "So shall your descendants and your name remain.

²³And it shall come to pass That from one New Moon to another, And from one Sabbath to another, All flesh shall come to worship before Me," says the LORD.

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The Gentleman From West Virginia

Harley M. Kilgore

Pages from the Past



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The route to high public office is different for every person. For Harley Martin Kilgore, it was like a rocket ship to outer space, rising from an obscure local judge of the criminal court to the United States Senate in a matter of months. Few states have the same kind of rough and tumble politics that West Virginia experienced decades ago; it more closely resembled the feud between the Hatfields and McCoys. It was hard fought and deadly serious.

Harley M. Kilgore looked very much like a small-town judge, which is exactly what he was before being elected to the United States Senate. Balding, well-fed, neatly and conservatively dressed, Harley M. Kilgore was a kindly man who enjoyed both a cigarette and a drink. Senator Kilgore was deeply interested in social legislation, as well as legislation affecting labor, as befitting an elected official representing West Virginia. Kilgore was an all-out supporter of both the Roosevelt and Truman administrations. Indeed, Kilgore was a personal friend of Harry Truman's from their time in the Senate together, where they served on the investigating committee that uncovered waste and fraud during America's war effort in the early 1940s. Kilgore took his duties in the Senate seriously and was the first person ever to be elected to three consecutive terms from West Virginia. During the fifteen years Harley Kilgore served the Mountain State in the U.S. Senate, he wrote legislation expanding Social Security, unemployment compensation and mine safety. Senator Kilgore also carried bills to eradicate adult illiteracy, help small businesses and fight monopolies.

To get a start in life, Kilgore taught school, worked as a principal at the school and finally entered law school, graduating and passing the bar exam in 1916. Harley Kilgore, like so many others of his generation, served in the infantry during the First World War and left the Army with the rank of captain. Back home in West Virginia, he helped to organize the National Guard in the Mountain State and finally retired in 1953 as a colonel. Kilgore made his first political campaign at the age of 21, when he sought to be elected clerk of the circuit court in Monongalia County. Kilgore lost that race but learned from the experience.

It was some years later when West Virginia, once a largely Republican state, experienced a political realignment with the advent of Franklin Roosevelt and

the New Deal. The suffering wrought by the Great Depression in West Virginia was terrible, and the people reached for hope through the New Deal and the Democratic Party. The Mountain State became a solidly Democratic state where GOP candidates faced an uphill climb. When the Democratic ticket carried West Virginia in 1932, it carried Harley M. Kilgore along with it. Kilgore was elected judge of the Criminal Court in Raleigh County.

Kilgore owed his ascent to the United States Senate to the strife between the state and federal factions of West Virginia's feuding Democratic Party, which had come to power with Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal. Governor Guy Kump had built a strong statehouse machine in the state, which competed with the federal faction headed by U.S. Senator Matthew Mansfield Neely. Aligned with neither faction after falling out with Neely was West Virginia's junior United States senator, Rush D. Holt, who was a hellraiser in a category of his own. Neely had sponsored the election of Holt in 1934 only to have his younger colleague turn on him and urge the senior senator's defeat in the 1936 election. The dispute was over New Deal patronage; Holt thought Neely hogged the most of it and became a caustic critic of Harry Hopkins and his administration of the Works Progress Administration. Senator Holt also became a critic of the New Deal, especially Roosevelt's foreign policy. Holt was one of the loudest voices in the Senate against foreign entanglements and urged a policy of neutrality and nonintervention for America.

To destroy the statehouse machine, Senator Neely decided to run for governor himself in 1940. Likewise, the leader of the statehouse machine, former Governor Guy Kump, was running for the United States Senate against Rush Holt, who was seeking reelection. It was Matt Neely who reached down and plucked Judge Harley M. Kilgore from the bench in Beckley, West Virginia, to run for the Democratic nomination for the U.S. Senate. Neely brought with him the support of his own federal faction and that of the politically potent United Mine Workers and organized labor, which was quite powerful in the Mountain State.

Politically speaking, Harley M. Kilgore never enjoyed an easy campaign for the United States Senate. Kump was a conservative Democrat, Holt the voice of nonintervention, and the two were,



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Senator Harley M. Kilgore of West Virginia in a Charleston hotel following his victory in the 1946 election.

at least to some degree, drawing water out of the same well. Harley Kilgore ran as a supporter of Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal. Kilgore managed to poll 11,562 more votes than Kump to win the Democratic nomination. Harley Kilgore won the nomination with a plurality, winning 37% of the vote compared to Kump's 33% and Rush Holt's 24%. In the general election, Kilgore faced Tom Sweeney, a young GOP state senator and heir to a family fortune earned through the insurance business. It was a Democratic year, and the Democratic ticket of Roosevelt, Neely for governor and Kilgore for the U.S. Senate swept West Virginia. Kilgore polled more than 56% of the ballots cast.

Six years later, Tom Sweeney was once again the Republican nominee, but Senator Kilgore was facing a strong headwind as there was a GOP tidal wave nationally during the midterm elections. John L. Lewis, the bushy-browed president of the United Mine Workers, wielded more political influence in West Virginia than perhaps any other state in the nation. Lewis refused to endorse Senator Kilgore during his 1946 reelection campaign, although he did not endorse Tom Sweeney. Republicans won three of West Virginia's five congressional districts, and Kilgore only barely scraped past Sweeney by 3,534 votes out of more than 230,000 cast. For the rest of his life, Tom Sweeney blamed his loss on voter fraud. Sweeney took his challenge of the election results to the Senate, which found for Kilgore despite a GOP majority.

In 1952, Harley Kilgore faced the most successful GOP candidate in West Virginia since the Great Depression. Chapman Revercomb had beaten the formidable Matthew Neely, who, having mastered the statehouse machine and making it his own, sought to return to

the United States Senate in 1942. Revercomb had upset Neely but lost to the irrepressible veteran campaigner in a 1948 rematch. The former senator was trying again in 1952 and waged a hard-hitting campaign, accusing Kilgore of being soft on communism. The tactic seemed to backfire, and Revercomb ran behind both Dwight D. Eisenhower and Rush Holt, who was the Republican candidate for governor. Chapman Revercomb would once again upset the Democratic candidate when he beat Governor William Marland to succeed Harley Kilgore in the Senate in the 1956 special election.

It was Senator Harley Kilgore who fought to create the National Science Foundation and the West Virginian's friendship with Harry Truman proved to be instrumental in both fending off other efforts to create a similar institute and eventually making it a reality. Kilgore objected to other bills due to what he felt were defects; for instance, in one version, Kilgore worried it was less a civilian enterprise than an extension of the military. Warren Magnuson and New Jersey senator H. Alexander Smith sponsored bills of their own, but Kilgore and Smith reached an understanding and together sponsored the legislation that President Harry Truman signed into law in 1950, which created the National Science Foundation.

Harley Kilgore headed the Senate investigation into monopolies in the United States, which he was never able to complete due to his death. Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee took up where Kilgore left off and won plaudits for his efforts.

One of the biggest issues during the decade of the 1950s was the Bricker Amendment, named for its sponsor, the snowy-haired Senator John W. Bricker of Ohio. The vote on the George Substitute stood at exactly 60-30 when

a groggy Senator Harley Kilgore staggered into the Senate chamber. Kilgore had been resting on a sofa in his office for most of the day, and according to news sources of the time, was suffering from a case of influenza; others speculated the senator's condition was alcohol induced. Ordered by his doctor to go home, the senator remained on Capitol Hill to be able to vote. Groggy, Senator Kilgore looked up at the presiding officer of the Senate, Vice President Richard Nixon. Kilgore, who was in need of a new upper plate of dentures, nervously ran his tongue over his gums. Neither Nixon nor Kilgore spoke a word for a few moments as everyone else remained tense in a silent suspense which gripped one and all. Warren Magnuson of Washington State got to his feet and asked, "Mr. President, how am I recorded as voting?" The clerk glanced down at the roll call sheet and stated what everyone already knew - - - Magnuson had voted against the resolution. Kilgore gave a curt nod to Vice President Nixon, who then said, "The Senator from West Virginia."

"Mr. Kilgore," the clerk intoned.

"No," Kilgore replied, slowly making his way to a seat on the front row of desks on the Democratic side of the aisle.

Richard Nixon announced the vote, 60-31, and as the measure needed two-thirds approval, it had failed. Once the vote was declared, Harley Kilgore got up, walked out of the Senate chamber and went home to bed.

When Harley Kilgore became chairman of the Senate's Judiciary Committee, it was described by TIME, the most widely read news magazine in the world, as "a wellspring of power." The committee heard "up to half the legislation submitted to the Senate, passes on all nomination to the federal courts (including the Supreme Court) and all

Justice Department positions requiring Senate confirmation." So, too, did the Judiciary Committee have jurisdiction over issues involving immigration and citizenship. Any amendment to the Constitution went through the Judiciary Committee, as did those bills relating to civil rights. Kilgore also served on the Senate's powerful Appropriations Committee, where he chaired the subcommittee that held the purse strings for the Department of Justice and the federal judiciary.

Senator Kilgore was suffering from extremely high blood pressure and went to Bethesda Naval Hospital for treatment. Newspapers reported the senator had "taken a turn for the worse" when he suffered a minor stroke. A spokesman for Bethesda Naval Hospital later confirmed Kilgore had indeed had a stroke. Harold Miller, the senator's administrative assistant, confirmed Kilgore's condition was "serious," but also noted some improvement. The improvement was slight and did not last. Harley M. Kilgore died of a cerebral hemorrhage on February 28, 1956. Kilgore was only 63 years old.

Senator Matthew Neely lamented the loss of his Senate colleague, saying Kilgore had been "one of the nation's outstanding liberal lawmakers."

The senator's widow, Lois, announced her own candidacy to succeed her husband in the Senate. Mrs. Kilgore paid the \$225 filing fee required by West Virginia state law and the necessary paperwork to become a candidate. "I am filing today because the policies and ideals for which Harley Kilgore stood are at stake," Lois Kilgore said. "I am convinced the people of West Virginia would like these policies continued through the term for which he was duly elected."

Governor William Marland, barred from seeking a second consecutive term as governor, was a candidate in the 1956 special election to succeed Senator Kilgore and never contemplated appointing the widow to fill the vacancy. Marland appointed a placeholder and proceeded with his own campaign. When West Virginia's Attorney General John Fox entered the Democratic primary and Lois Kilgore saw the Democratic Party was not rallying around her candidacy, she wisely withdrew.

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TSSAA BOYS CLASS 3A BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Ending the season in a strange way



Alcoa's comeback is hard to believe

By Steve Williams

When a team has a fairly big lead and not much time is left, it's going to hurt a lot more if the opposition notches the victory.

But remember too, as time goes by the silver will also sparkle in the trophy case.

With four minutes and a few seconds left in the TSSAA Boys Class 3A State Tournament Saturday at MTSU's Murphy Center in Murfreesboro, Alcoa overcame an eight-point deficit and won by nine points for a 57-48 victory over Fulton.

The Tornadoes did it with a 25-7 comeback.

It was almost too hard to believe.

On top of it all, Alcoa finished with four starters having four fouls each.

Condis Cherry led the Tornadoes with 20 points and three others also scored in double digits, with Jamir Dean tallying 14, Jay Kirk 13 and Jibriel Koko 10.



Fulton's basketball team had a 46-38 lead with four minutes left to play, but Alcoa outscored the Falcons 19-2 to win the game 57-48 and the Class 3A state championship Saturday at Murphy Center in Murfreesboro.

Fulton got 19 points and 15 rebounds from Nick Steen and nine points from Chaz Wood on three 3-pointers.

One statistical category shows a difference of nine turnovers between the two teams - 11 by Alcoa and 20 by the Falcons.

The two teams also played each other in a regular season game on Jan. 8 and the Tornadoes won by nine points (75-66).

Alcoa finished the season with a 24-13 record and Fulton ended 26-10.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Halls High's Amari Lethgo delivers a pitch Wednesday at Bob Polston Field against rival Central in the Battle of Black Oak Ridge. Lethgo took the loss as the Bobcats outlasted the Red Devils, 9-6, in Halls.

Black Oak Ridge rivals Halls, Central split district baseball series

By Ken Lay

It happened a little later than expected but Black Oak Ridge rivals Halls and Central renewed acquaintances on the baseball diamond for a two-game District 3-4A series last week.

The series, which opened league play for both the Red Devils and the Bobcats, was slated to take place Monday and Tuesday. It was, however, played Wednesday and Thursday as both began their journey toward what they hope is a district championship.

Halls (7-3 overall, 1-1 in the district) and Central (5-3, 1-1) split the set for Black Oak Ridge bragging rights with each squad winning on the opposing team's home field.

In Wednesday's tilt at Bob Polston Field in Halls, the Bobcats fell behind 4-0 in the bottom of the first inning after Fisher Green clubbed a grand slam home run with one out in the frame.

The Red Devils held that lead until the top of the fourth when Central's bats finally heated up on this cold late afternoon.

The Bobcats scored five runs in the frame and took the lead when Nick Riordan came up with a two-run double. Central was also

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TSSAA BOYS CLASS 4A STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Hot-shooting Bartlett gets past Bearden

By Steve Williams

Bearden led much of the first half against Bartlett in their semifinal battle for a spot in the TSSAA Class 4A championship game Friday, but the score changed when the Panthers' Brayton Williams hit a 3-point shot just before the halftime buzzer.

The Dawgs never led again and fell 71-61.

That one shot alone didn't win the game. It just flipped the score. It was all of the other shots as Briarcrest ended up shooting 72.7 percent on field goals (24 of 33), 62.5 percent on 3-pointers (5 of 8) and 81.8 percent on free throws (18 of 22).

No wonder why Bearden had only 10 rebounds in

the game. The Panthers hardly missed.

Dylan Jones (22 points) and Williams (20) were the 1-2 punch for Bartlett, which made its first trip to the state finals Saturday along with Walker Valley.

Bearden got 17 points from Justin Nordin, 16 from Carson Asbaty and 14 from Sean Capshaw as Coach Jeremy Parrott's team finished with a 37-2 record.

Nordin leads Bearden's win over Hendersonville

Bearden had their hands full with Hendersonville Beech's big man Cutter Sisk, a 6-9, 250-pounder,

in their 55-52 win in the Class 4A quarterfinals.

Sisk scored 33 points, including a free throw in the closing seconds that cut Bearden's lead to two.

A large crowd of fans from Hendersonville, which is only 50 miles away, gave the Buccaneers an advantage, some thought.

Justin Nordin was a key player for Bearden with his 17 points, five assists and three steals. Carson Asbaty and Sean Capshaw chipped in 11 points each.

With Sisk in the middle, the Buccaneers shot 60.6 percent from the field, but made only two of seven 3-pointers and 10 of 20 free throws.

Beech finished the season 32-3.



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

SHOOTING FOR STATE GOLD! Bearden junior guard Brendan Murphy goes in for a shot against Bartlett in Friday's Class 4A semifinals in the TSSAA State Basketball tournament at Murfreesboro. The Panthers handed the Bulldogs a 71-61 loss and would go on to capture the championship in their first trip to the state finals.

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TSSAA BOYS CLASS 4A STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Walker Valley gets away from Farragut

By Steve Williams

Farragut's return to MTSU and the state tournament for the first time since 1983 was a victory in itself. At least its starting five seniors have something to take with them.

Coach J.P. Burris' Admirals battled and were still in the game after three quarters, trailing only by six points, but Walker Valley pulled away for a 76-58 quarterfinal win in Class 4A.

The game matched two older teams as the Mustangs from Cleveland had eight seniors.

Statistically, Walker Valley won by shooting the best from the field (55 to 45 percent) and outrebounding Farragut 34 to 25.

Zach Davis led WV with 21 points. Issac Sausville contributed 15 and Ashton Davis 12.

For the Admirals, Daniel Lanning and Britton Lewis scored 13 and 12 points, respectively. Their balanced attack included Aidan Foshie with nine points and Parker Lane and Matthew Dickens with

eight each. Reid Vining had seven rebounds and four points.

Walker Valley jumped out to a 5-0 lead at the start. A basket by Lane got Farragut on the scoreboard.

Trailing 13-4, the Admirals went on a 7-0 run to cut the gap to 13-11. Lanning triggered it with a basket, Lewis hit a 3-pointer and after a steal, Dickens raced down court for a layup.

A floater by Lanning tied the score at 20 at the midway point of the second period, but a 9-2 run by Walker Valley gave the Mustangs a 34-25 lead at halftime.

Foshie hit a big 3-pointer early in the second half and Farragut stayed in contention throughout the third period.

The backbreaker for the Admirals though was Walker Valley's 9-0 start in the fourth quarter.

A floater by Davis gave the Mustangs a 64-49 lead and his two free throws put Walker Valley in command at 74-54.



Farragut High Coach JP Burris huddles with his basketball team during a timeout in the TSSAA Class 4A State Tournament last week in Murfreesboro. The Admirals were making their first trip to the state since 1983.

PHOTO BY JACK TATE

TSSAA BOYS CLASS 3A STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Cobb scores 33, but Fulton wins with balance

By Steve Williams

It was like Fulton versus Ty Cobb.

Cobb, a 6-2 junior and Mr. Basketball honoree this season, scored 33 points, but eight Falcons combined for a 54-51 win as they erased defending state champion Upperman High in their climb to the Class 3A state finals Friday at MTSU in Murfreesboro.

Rejuan Womble led the Falcons' ultra balanced scoring with 10 points. Nick Steen and Justin Burris followed with eight apiece, Chaz Wood with seven, Jymari Martin and Albert Harris with six, Will Dixon with five and Joe Hairston with four.

Steen, Fulton's 6-3 junior, also raked off 12 rebounds and had four steals.

Cobb, who was named after the baseball Hall of Famer, also was a major part of Upperman's dead-eye free throw shooting

as the Bees from Baxter swished through 21 of 22 foul shots. Here again, Fulton also displayed excellent shooting at the line, sinking 9 of 11. The two teams' combined free throw shooting was 30 of 33 for 90.9 percent.

In addition to their high percent in free throws, the Falcons also had a good night behind the arc as they made 7 of 15 treys.

Cobb's only black mark on his stat sheet was seven turnovers and the Bees as a team had 18 turnovers – twice as many as Fulton – which played a big part in Upperman's loss.

Fulton took a 26-9 record into the finals, while Upperman finished 31-6.

Steen gets off to strong start at state

Nick Steen had a good showing in Fulton's 59-50

quarterfinal win over Portland last Wednesday.

In his third season as a starter, the 6-3 junior made 10 of 16 field goals and had a game-high 23 points. He also pulled down a dozen boards, including five on the offensive end.

Justin Burris also was in double figures for the Falcons with 10 points.

Fulton had a good shooting night at the free throw stripe, sinking eight of nine for 88.9 percent.

The Falcons took a 15-9 lead in the first period, but saw the Panthers trim the deficit to two (32-30) at intermission. Both teams only combined for 16 points in the third period, with Fulton scoring 10 to increase its lead to 42-36. The Maroon and White wrapped up the win with a 17-14 margin in the final eight minutes.

Portland ended its season with a 28-7 record.



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'If it ain't broke, don't fix it'

For many years, News-Sentinel Sports Editor Tom Siler carried on a running battle with the UT Athletic Department leadership concerning kickoff times for Tennessee home football games.

This came in the days when Ayres Hall and the Krystal on Cumberland Avenue were the center of campus. Bobby Langston (pictured) was a well-known figure, plying his trade as a Knoxville News Sentinel paper carrier.

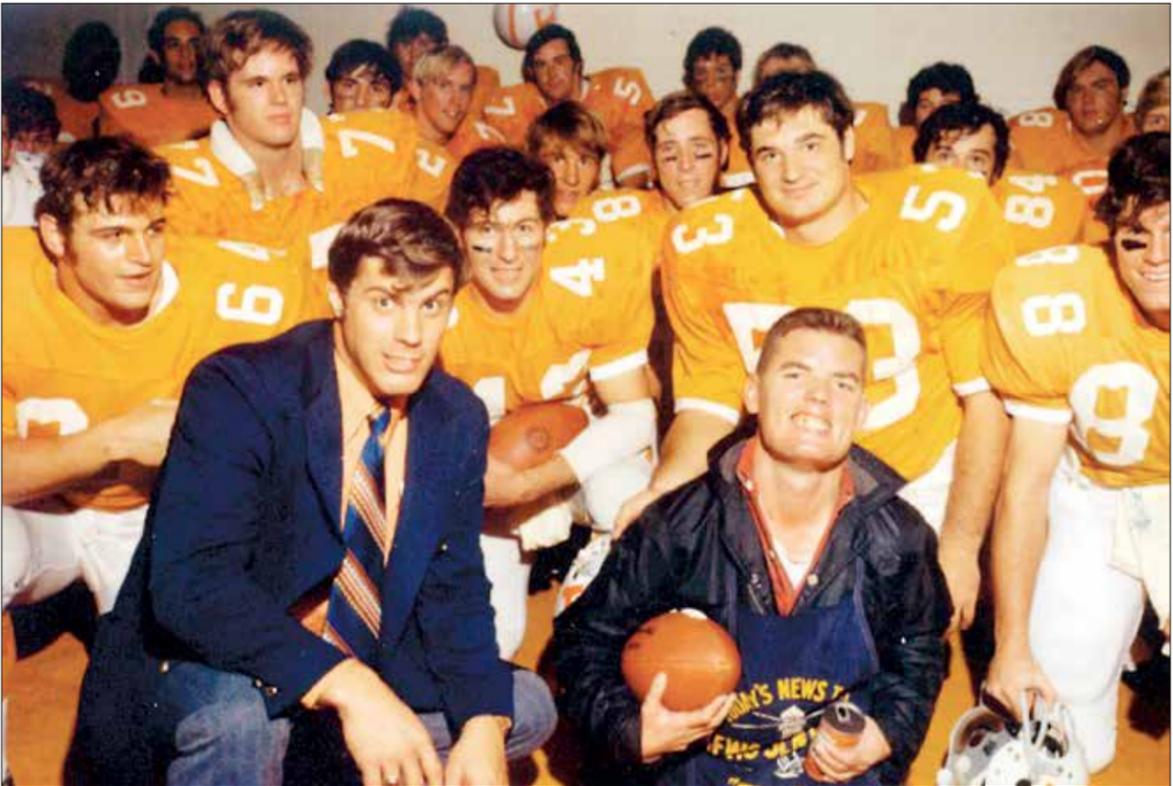
He was all over the campus and the downtown area every day, selling newspapers and his own special brand of optimism to all who would listen.

For his part, Siler had twice been president of the U.T. Alumni Association in the early 1950s and had very likely heard from fans about how hard it was to get into and out of Knoxville for Tennessee football games, even though average attendance never exceeded 40,000 until 1965.

His was a voice in the wilderness, because the 2 p.m. kickoff stayed with us, a vestige of a long-ago day. Kickoff had always been at that time, it seemed with someone in authority likely referencing the adage, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

In this case, the pen was not mightier than the sword. Not even close.

The 2 p.m. kickoff was sacrosanct, perhaps



News Sentinel paper carrier Bobby Langston celebrates a Tennessee victory with some of his best friends, University of Tennessee football players, after a big win in the early 1970s.

handed down to Gen. Bob Neyland by the gods of football through Walter Camp, Gil Dobie, Amos Alonzo Stagg, or other early coaching greats. It was what it was.

Maybe the orders came directly from Neyland himself, designed to give him time to get to other games later that evening if he wished or to begin preparations for the next week's opponent.

QUESTION: Could it have had something to do with getting to dinner and dancing at Cherokee Country Club at a reasonable hour? Friends knew him as an outstanding bridge player and dancer, many describing him as "courtly" and

"gallant." For years, Siler had lobbied for earlier starts, given the pressure of newspaper deadlines and the compilation of the numerous elements of coverage that comprised the sports section in those days.

There were game stories and columns to be written and edited, pictures to be developed and captioned, and the DyerGram to be drawn and placed in its proper place in the Sunday sports section.

That all had to happen before Pierce Holt Carter could appear near the old KUB offices at Gay and Church ready to sell the early edition of the Sunday newspaper around 11

p.m. on Saturday night. Over the years, he had a tremendously loyal following, stretching from the Coliseum to Gay Street.

An earlier kickoff time, it was reasoned, would also help Vol fans get back home more quickly, especially those heading outside the Greater Knoxville area. That was because in those days the interstate system outside Knoxville was nigh unto non-existent, at least until traffic got to Cookeville or Cleveland, the latter in Bradley County. Nashville and Memphis were far, far away.

There were also "Bloody 11W" leading out of Knoxville to the northeast, U.S. 25W north to Jellico

(Siler's home town) and Lexington, and U.S. 25 and 70 heading toward North Carolina.

Tennessee football brochures from those years carried the kickoff times, even in those rare cases, e.g. when ABC wanted a 1:55 p.m. kickoff for the 1969 Auburn game or a 4 p.m. kickoff for the 1968 Georgia game.

There were concessions made to start the November games at 1:30 p.m., once the time changed, but the 2 p.m. start still ruled the roost otherwise. The lack of lights made things very interesting in November, especially at the southwest corner of the field. That end of the stadium darkened

very quickly. Wonder what Siler would think now, with kickoff times being all over the map, the 2 p.m. start being the exception rather than the rule? How many 2 p.m. starts have there been in the last 20 years or so?

Kickoff times have ranged from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

That contingency was not lost on Knoxville gospel music promoters Rev. J. Bazzel Mull and wife "Lady Mull," both now deceased. He was promoting gospel singings on Saturday nights and called in to be enlightened about the upcoming schedule and kickoff times. In those long-ago and much-beloved days kickoff times were known well in advance.

The call was always the same: "Doc, what time do those football games start this fall?" (He seemed to call everyone "Doc," surname unknown.)

The reason he wanted to know? Without fail, he always said, "I don't want my concerts to hurt the attendance at your football games."

That never happened, but it was a laudable sentiment.

The 2 p.m. kickoff is now consigned to history, but in a far nobler day, it was a source of stability, that all was right with the world. Tennessee kicked off its home games at 2 p.m., and that's the way it was.

That's the way things appeared more than a few years ago.

Who's the starting QB at Tennessee?

By Mark Nagi

The biggest question entering the 2026 season for the Tennessee Volunteers surrounds the quarterback position... as in, "Who will Tennessee's quarterback be to start the 2026 season?"

For weeks, Vols fans hoped that the football gods would smile upon them, and Joey Aguilar would be granted one more season of college eligibility. But that wasn't in the cards.

So that means the gig is up for grabs. It's going to be a three-horse race between redshirt freshman George MacIntyre, true freshman Faizon Brandon, and red-shirt junior Ryan Staub, a Colorado transfer. Spring practice might go a long way towards that decision.

"The biggest thing, and we talked about this before we went into camp, is you can't play tight trying not to make a mistake," said Tennessee offensive coordinator and quarterback coach Joey Halzle. "That's not how a job is won. You have to go cut it loose. You have to play well. You have to play hard and show that you can make plays while taking care of the football."

If experience in this system is a big determining factor, the early advantage would go to MacIntyre, the Brentwood Academy product. MacIntyre has been with the program since last January, the only one of the trio who has played for the Vols. He saw mop-up duty in two games in 2025, completing 7 of 9 passes for 69 yards.

"He's (MacIntyre) gotten

himself a lot physically stronger this offseason," said Halzle. You can see it in the way the ball's coming out of his hand. He's done a great job with that, something that he needs to keep pushing on... you have to treat yourself like the starter because you never know when that opportunity is coming. And it's true, but there's just a different animal when there's no longer a starter sitting in front of you, and it's wide open, like everything that I've worked for up to this

point is now legitimately sitting right in front of my face. So, there's that different intensity, there's that different kind of sense of urgency when he's walking around the building."

Brandon is the 5-star recruit out of North Carolina, one of the top prospects in the country in the Class of 2026. He went 35-1 as a starter at Grimsley HS in Greensboro, leading his team to two state titles.

Halzle believes Brandon could handle the rigors of SEC football immediately.

"The first thing you have to look at is, can the guy (Brandon) physically hold up? You know, a lot of guys get on campus and maybe they're not quite ready yet physically, which is not uncommon. With him, he is physically ready. He's a big, strong kid. He could handle what it would take to go play 17 games in this conference."

Tennessee could have been in a tough position. Aguilar is gone and Jake Merklinger is transferring to UConn. Getting Staub

to jump to Knoxville might end up as one of the key moves of the offseason. If nothing else, he gives UT some experience in the QB room. Staub played in each of the Buffaloes' last three seasons.

"Ryan's a guy that, if you looked at the plays that he made, he did a really good job at extending plays," said Halzle. "He does a good job improving. As far as anticipating, that guy throws windows at a really high level... he has a really good feel for the game. He's a highly

intelligent kid, like you can put the offense on him and let him go, you know what I mean, and he'll be ok in it. He does a great job using his mind, using his quick-twitch ability to get the ball out and get the ball out on timing. He does a good job of that, so he's a guy that we feel very comfortable with as well."

Tennessee head coach Josh Heupel and Halzle have another five and a half months to evaluate these guys before the games count.

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Green joins elite company this year



By Steve Williams

Meeyah Green is one of only three Knox County female players who have been selected as a TSSAA Miss Basketball Player of the Year twice since that honor was first awarded in 1986.

The other two also are special products of Webb School.

Glory Johnson was the first Lady Spartan to receive the award twice, taking Division II-A and Division II-AA honors in 2007 and 2008. Micah Scheetz was the recipient of the Division II-A plaques in 2014 and 2016.

Green was presented with her second Division II-AA award March 10 after leading Webb to its second straight state championship.

Glory went on to play for the Lady Vols after her high school career. Scheetz is currently the head coach

at Knoxville Catholic.

Knox County has six others who have received the Miss Basketball award. Tanika Smith of Central was the first in 1993, followed by Webb's Faith Dupree in 2009, Casey Collier of Webb in 2019, Bearden's Jennifer Sullivan in 2022, Avery Treadwell of Bearden in 2023 and Sydney Mains of Catholic in 2024.



Halls' Harold looking for college home

Gaige Harold, a Halls High basketball standout this past season, was inadvertently left off The Knoxville Focus' All-Knox County Second Team recently and our apologies for that. The 6-5 senior shooting guard averaged 13.5 points and 8.3 rebounds.

Harold is now in the process of choosing a college to continue his basketball career.

"Gaige is going to play college basketball, but we aren't sure where yet," said Halls Head Coach Brian Stewart. "He's in the process of visiting schools and narrowing his choices. He visited Covenant College and has visits set with Johnson University, Tusculum University, and Cleveland State. I expect Walter's State to get in the mix as well. But there will

Webb School's Meeyah Green, a budding sophomore more than in her career in 2024 and a two-time Miss Basketball honoree today. Photo by Luther Simmons.

likely be more.

"His story is unique," added Coach Stewart. "He was not happy with how he played down the stretch last season. As a result, he opted not to play AAU and instead doubled down on skill development and weight training. He knew that might make the recruiting process tougher, but he believed the gamble would benefit our program as well as his future at the next level. I think it says a lot about him that he chose to put Halls ahead of himself."

Carson-Newman to start a flag football program

Carson-Newman University has announced that it will launch a Women's Flag Football program for fall 2026.

Hunter Sales, director of C-N's Intercollegiate Recreational Sports, says the new program, which will have scholarships available, reflects the current trends and interests of students.

"Women's Flag Football aligns perfectly with the Intercollegiate Recreational

Sports mission to provide non-traditional avenues for student-athletes to pursue their passions while receiving a Christian education at C-N," said Sales. "Women's Flag Football has seen rapid growth at both the high school and college levels in recent years and we're excited to offer a pathway for these young women to continue competing."

With newly minted head coach Jessica Cable at the helm, Sales says he's confident that the program is in good hands. Before graduating from C-N in 2018, Cable played goalie for the Women's Eagles soccer team.

Along with drawing on athletic experience gained at the college level, Cable also previously served as assistant flag football coach at Powell High School.

Former Farragut coach and wife are still fans

John Heatherly, former Farragut High baseball coach and his wife Nancy live in the Destin, Fla., area and every spring break

when the Farragut team travels there to play in a tournament, John always comes to watch one of the Admirals' games. He and Nancy were at the March 12th game this year, sitting directly behind home plate.

Farragut defeated The Bennett School of Houston, Tex., 8-5 and Farragut Head Coach Garrett Copeland introduced Coach Heatherly to the team.

Edwards and Vols match won't happen

B.J. Edwards, who played high school basketball at Knoxville Catholic High School, won't be playing against Tennessee after all in March Madness.

The SMU senior's season ended with an 89-79 loss to Miami of Ohio in Wednesday night's First Four. The No. 11 Mustangs would have played the Vols Friday had they won.

During Edwards' time at Catholic, he had an outstanding prep career, averaging 19.3 points, 7.1 rebounds, 5.0 assists, and 2.5 steals per game.

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Notice is hereby given that by authority of a Deed of Trust executed by Khanh Ninh Nguyen, to Matthew W. Graves, Trustee, dated March 14, 2023 and recorded at Instrument Number 202303150049949 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to secure the indebtedness due from Khanh Ninh Nguyen to M & A Funding, LLC, which has become due and payable by virtue of default in the Deed of Trust on the property hereinafter described; and LNB Holdings, LLC, the true and lawful owner and holder of said indebtedness by virtue of assignment from the original holder, having exercised its option to declare the indebtedness due and payable and having made demand for foreclosure pursuant to the Deed of Trust; I, the undersigned, acting under the authority as Trustee for the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, will be at the north entrance of the City-County Building, 400 Main Street,

Knoxville, Tennessee, on the 14th day of April, 2026, at 1:00 P.M., local time to sell to the highest bidder for cash in bar of all rights waived by said Deed of Trust, the following described property to wit:

TRACT ONE:
BEGINNING at an iron pin situated North 35 deg. 40 min. East, 142 feet from a hickory tree, south corner of the old Hubbs property, said iron pin being the southeast corner to Carr's Land; and running North 38 deg. 45 min. East, 137 feet to an iron pin in the west side of a driveway; thence North 22 deg. 10 min. West, 148 feet to an iron pin; thence South 67 deg. 30 min. West, 133.6 feet to an iron pin, north corner to Carr; thence with Carr's line, South 25 deg. 50 min East, 213.6 feet to the BEGINNING containing 0.62 acres, more or less.

TRACT TWO:
BEGINNING on an iron pin set in the north right of way line of Tillery Drive, corner to Hubbs, said pin being located in a southwest direction approximately 85 feet from the intersection of the north right-of-way line of Tillery Drive extended to the center line of Bounds Road; thence with Hubbs, North 33 deg. 12 min. West 141.3 feet to an iron pin in Hubbs property, corner to Roberts; thence with Roberts, South 23 deg. 28 min. East, 151.84 feet to an iron pin in the north right-of-way line of Tillery Drive, corner to Roberts; thence with the north right-of-way line of Tillery Drive,

North 38 deg. 45 min. East, 27 feet to the point of BEGINNING, as shown by survey of Wayne L. Smith & Associates, Inc. Drawing No. 6525-971, dated September 28, 1971.

Being the same property conveyed to Khanh Ninh Nguyen from Dung Ngoc Le, unmarried, on March 14, 2023 and recorded at Instrument Number 202303150049948 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

BELIEVED STREET ADDRESS: 303 Tillery Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37912
TAX PARCEL: 068-MD-003
CURRENT OWNER OF RECORD: Khanh Ninh Nguyen
PARTY ENTITLED TO ENFORCE THE DEBT: LNB Holdings, LLC

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: Velocity Investments, LLC, c/o Javitch Block, LLC, 1100 Superior Avenue, 19th Floor, Cleveland, Ohio 44114.

The above-described property will be sold subject to unpaid taxes, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency; any prior liens or encumbrances, including those created by a

fixture filing; the rights of tenants or occupants in possession of said premises, if any; and prior claims, or matters whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The real property will be sold AS-IS, WHERE-IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding the condition of the property or the marketability of title, possession, quiet enjoyment, or fitness for a general or particular use or purpose, and the undersigned will sell and convey only as Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day and time certain, without further publication and in accordance with law, upon announcement of such adjournment on the day and at the time and place of sale as set forth above.

If you purchase the property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to the Trustee. No personal checks will be accepted. As such, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Amounts in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or the trustee. This sale may be rescinded by the Trustee at any time.

The proceeds of the sale will be applied first to discharge the costs and charges of executing this trust, including attorney's fees; next, to all indebtedness remaining unpaid and secured thereby, including all indebtedness owing to LNB Holdings, LLC by the grantor; and next, the balance, if any, shall be paid to those legally entitled thereto.

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

Dated: March 19, 2026.

MATTHEW W. GRAVES
Trustee
Hodges, Doughty & Carson
P. O. Box 869
Knoxville, Tennessee 37901
(865) 292-2307

This notice will run for three (3) weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper, run dates March 23, March 30, and April 6, 2026, and will be posted online at www.knoxfocus.com, www.tpubnotice.com and www foreclosuretn.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning March 23, 2026.

COURT NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: CHRIS DOTY and NETTIE DOTY

IN RE: FARM AT WILLOW CREEK HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff
VS.
CHRIS DOTY and NETTIE DOTY, Defendant(s)

NO. 212209-3
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant(s), CHRIS DOTY and NETTIE DOTY, 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 CHRIS DOTY and NETTIE DOTY, KNOXVILLE, TN 37921, it is ordered that said defendant(s), CHRIS DOTY and NETTIE DOTY, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Melanie E. Davis, an Attorney whose address is 217 E. Broadway Avenue, Maryville, TN 37804, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a Judgement by Default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 30th day of JANUARY, 2026.

Christopher D. Heagerty
Chancellor

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

ORDER OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: JINNEYFER DELGADO

IN RE: KATHLEEN MOROCCO, Plaintiff
V.
JINNEYFER DELGADO, Defendant

DOCKET NO. 212139-2
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Motion for Service of Publication and the affidavit of the process server that your whereabouts are unknown to Plaintiff so that ordinary process of law cannot be served, you, JINNEYFER DELGADO, Defendant, are hereby notified that you are required to file with the Chancery Court of Knox County at Knoxville, Tennessee, your defense or Answer to the Complaint filed against you in said cause. A notice shall be published for four consecutive weeks in the Knoxville Focus in Knoxville, TN. Within 30 days of the fourth publication, a true copy of your defense or Answer to the Complaint filed against you, JINNEYFER DELGADO, Defendant, must be filed in this matter and served on Jedidiah C. McKeenan, of McKeenan Law Group, LLC, whose address is 6705 Albunda Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

In case of your failure to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This the 11th day of February, 2026.
Richard "Bud" Armstrong, Jr.
Chancellor

ORDER OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: DARRELL MOORE, JR.
IN RE: CSILLA MOORE, Plaintiff

VS.
DARRELL MOORE, JR., Defendant
IN THE GENERAL SESSIONS COURT FOR ROANE COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT KINGSTON

CAUSE NO: 25-CV-1555

In this Cause, being a Complaint for Divorce, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, DARRELL MOORE, JR., a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon DARRELL MOORE, JR., it is ordered that said defendant, DARRELL MOORE, JR., file an answer with the General Sessions Court of Roane County, Tennessee at 200 E. Race Street, Suite 16, Kingston, Tennessee 37763, and with Rochelle Oldfield, Esq., and Jason Beddingfield, Esq., Attorneys whose address is 10263 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37922, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice or a judgement by default may be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before a Judge at the Roane County General Sessions Court on the 28th day of April, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper in Knox County, Tennessee for four (4) consecutive weeks, as required by law. This 27th day of February, 2026.

Ann Goldston,
Roane County Circuit Court Clerk

Veronica Schaar,
Deputy Clerk

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: DARLIS LAVADA HURST

IN RE: DANIEL KEITH HURST, Plaintiff
Vs.
DARLIS LAVADA HURST, Defendant

NO. 212569-2
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, DARLIS LAVADA HURST, 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 DARLIS LAVADA HURST, it is ordered that said defendant,

Ann Goldston,
Roane County Circuit Court Clerk

Veronica Schaar,
Deputy Clerk

DARLIS LAVADA HURST, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Misty Kennedy, BPR., an Attorney whose address is PO Box 428, Tazewell, TN 37879, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgement 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 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 19th day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID KYLE BERRY
DOCKET NUMBER 92223-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of DAVID KYLE BERRY, who died on February 18, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) below, otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice if the credit or 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

(2) 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 16 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF DAVID KYLE BERRY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN KYLE BERRY
519 SERENITY LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

O. E. SCHOW, IV
900 SOUTH GAY STREET, 9th FLOOR
P. O. BOX 900
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0900

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JIMMY A. BLAIR
DOCKET NUMBER 92096-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JIMMY A. BLAIR, who died Dec. 9, 2025, 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 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 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

ESTATE OF JIMMY A. BLAIR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHARON EDGAR
643 BLACK FOREST DR.
MARYVILLE, TN 37801

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

KNOX COUNTY
PY 2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

Knox County has prepared its Annual Action Plan for Program Year (PY) 2026. The Action Plan outlines the County's housing and non-housing community development needs and priorities for the period July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027, and describes how the County intends to expend approximately \$1,100,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and approximately \$400,000 Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. These are estimated amounts. Actual allocation amounts, once announced by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), will be included in the final Plan submitted to HUD.

In order to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies, and other interested parties, the County has placed its proposed Annual Action Plan for PY 2026 on public display for 30 days beginning March 24, 2026 through April 24, 2026. The documents will be available at the County's Office of Grants and Community Development 400 Main Street, Suite 364; Knoxville, TN 37902 and on the County's website <https://knox-county.org/communitydevelopment/>. Copies of the document will also be e-mailed or mailed upon request. To request copies of the document or to make a public comment, email grants@knoxcounty.org.

The County will host a public hearing to obtain views and comments of individuals and organizations on the proposed 2026 Annual Action Plan, Wednesday April 8, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at 405 Dante Road; Knoxville, TN 37918. Virtual attendance will also be available through Zoom, those who wish to attend virtually should register in advance at <https://knoxcounty.org/communitydevelopment/>. Persons with special needs should contact Knox County Grants and Community Development at 865-215-5253 at least three days prior to the public hearing with accommodation requests. This location is fully accessible to persons with disabilities.

Knox County Commission is expected to act on the proposed 2026 Annual Action Plan on April 27, 2026, at the regularly scheduled Commission meeting at 5:00 P.M. The meeting is held in Large Assembly Room of the City-County Building 400 Main Street; Knoxville, TN 37902. In accordance with the Final Rule for consolidation of the CDBG and HOME Programs, 24 CFR Part 91, et. al., the County will submit the Annual Plan to HUD around May 15, 2025, or at such other time as directed by HUD.

"Si usted necesitara asistencia para este aviso en otro idioma, por favor llame al 694-8880 para mayor información y mencione del Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Knox."

Publication date: March 23, 2026



HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Late rally falls short for Rebels against McCallie at Bearden Invitational

By Ken Lay

Despite being a bit disappointed in his team's performance Thursday night, West High School boys soccer coach Nick Kim remains convinced that the Rebels can compete with anybody, including heavyweights in District 4-3A. "We came out flat and they jumped on us," Kim said after West suffered its first loss of the 2026 season, falling to Chattanooga McCallie 4-2 Thursday night on the first night of the 2026 Bearden Invitational at Turner-Allender Field. "We just weren't ready to play and they were coming off a 4-0 loss, so they were hungry." "Give credit to McCallie; they scored amazing goals and they earned this." The Blue Tornado set the tone for the match early, taking a 1-0 lead in the third minute on a goal by Finn Arnold. Arnold added a second

marker to give his side a 2-0 lead in the 25th minute. McCallie held a 3-0 advantage after Noah McNabb found the back of the Rebels' net just before halftime, tallying in the 38th minute. West (2-1-1) had a busy work week and still had a pair of matches remaining in the Bearden Invitational on Friday and Saturday. The Rebels played Central on Friday before taking on Gallatin on Saturday. Results from those games were not available at press time. "We play Central and then we play Gallatin, so it's not going to get any easier," Kim said. "Then, you have our district, and that's always tough." "This year will be even tougher because Farragut and Maryville are going to be back up to where they usually are." West will have league tilts against state quarter-finalist Bearden, defending Class 3A state champion

Hardin Valley Academy, Farragut and Maryville, which are all looking to make deep postseason runs in 2026. Lenoir City and William Blount will also be in the district this season. This week will definitely prepare West for the rigors that lie ahead. The Division II-AA state runner-up Blue Tornado went ahead 4-0 when Arnold completed his hat trick in the 52nd minute of Thursday night's match. The Rebels scored on late markers by Thomas Huffaker and Musa Kromah. Huffaker tallied in the 70th minute, with Musa Kromah scoring approximately three minutes later. Kim said that his squad played better at halftime but noted that he still wasn't happy. "Our effort was there for us to come back and make it 4-2," he said. "But this is not what we want for our program." "I think we can play with

any team in the nation." West's early-season results certainly seem to have proven Kim's assertion. The Rebels opened their busy week on the pitch by playing Division II-A state champion Grace Christian Academy to a 4-4 draw after holding a 3-2 lead at halftime. Against the Rams on Tuesday night, Huffaker scored twice and dished out an assist for the Rebels. Kromah and Russel Giam also found the back of the net. Grace picked up a hat trick from Vitor Robazza. Vincenzo Barbosa also scored for the Rams. The Rebels also have wins this season over Powell and Oak Ridge this season. Gavin Jones scored twice in a 4-0 victory over the Panthers. He also had an assist, while Huffaker tallied twice and had an assist in a 5-2 victory over the Wildcats.

Black Oak Ridge rivals Halls, Central split district baseball series

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The game, however, advantageous in the inning as Kaylin Chesney scored on a balk and Drew Shaver crossed the plate when Alex Grossman reached on an error. Taylor Gaboda also drove in a run on a sacrifice fly. Central coach Brandon Roberts was pleased with his team's resilience on the road Wednesday night on the road. "Our kids didn't quit and they didn't give up," Roberts said. "We took a gut-punch when (Green) hit that grand slam in the first. "He's a great player, but I don't they ever thought that we were out of (the game)." After taking the lead in the top of fourth, the Bobcats never trailed again, but the Red Devils answered and tied things, 5-5, in the bottom of the inning when Cooper Faust hit an RBI double that plated courtesy runner Jaxton King, who was inserted into the contest after catcher Ethan Ogle singled to open the frame.

The game, however, didn't remain knotted for long as Central took advantage of an error and a walk. The Bobcats also successfully executed a double steal before Grossman had a two-run single, making it 7-5. The Bobcats extended their advantage to 9-5 in the top of the seventh with the help of another defensive miscue by the Red Devils and an RBI double by Gaboda. Halls made things interesting when Green hit another home run, a solo shot, with one out in the bottom of the seventh. **In the second game of the series:** Green, a sophomore, took the mound for the Red Devils and pitched a three-hitter, going seven innings and recording nine strikeouts in a 7-1 win to salvage the split at Bud Bales Field at Tommy Schumpert Park. Halls led 1-0 before scoring six more runs in the sixth inning, a frame that featured a grand slam by senior Colby Comparato.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA C. CARR
DOCKET NUMBER 92198-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of BARBARA C. CARR, who died December 5, 2025, 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) 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA C. CARR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JEAN C. WILHOITE
10634 RIVERMIST LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

STEPHEN L. CARPENTER, ATTORNEY
10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CATHERINE F. M. CHELLINO
DOCKET NUMBER 92221-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CATHERINE F. M. CHELLINO, who died on October 18, 2025, 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) 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF CATHERINE F. M. CHELLINO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
THE TRUST COMPANY OF TENNESSEE,
BY AND THROUGH JACOB SPANGLER, LEGAL COUNSEL
4823 OLD KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 100
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

PATRICIA E. CROTTWELL, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 3804
KNOXVILLE, TN 37927-3804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SUSAN CLAIRESSA CORDNER
DOCKET NUMBER 92217-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of MARCH, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of SUSAN CLAIRESSA CORDNER, who died on 02/02/2026, 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 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) 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 9th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF SUSAN CLAIRESSA CORDNER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KIMBERLY JANE DESJARDINS
383 NEW HENDERSON ROAD
CLINTON, TN 37716

DARRICK L. EDMONDSON, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 789
MAYNARDVILLE, TN 37807

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF VIOLET JANE ETTERS-OVERTON
DOCKET NUMBER 92218-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIOLET JANE ETTERS-OVERTON, who died on January 21, 2026, 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) 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF VIOLET JANE ETTERS-OVERTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARK S. ETTERS, EXECUTOR
929 NORTH MEADOW BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

RICHARD T. SCRUGHAM, JR., ATTORNEY
550 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE 500
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BLAS PEDRO FERNANDEZ
DOCKET NUMBER 92140-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of BLAS PEDRO FERNANDEZ, who died on November 11, 2025, 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) 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 this notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

ESTATE OF BLAS PEDRO FERNANDEZ

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARK S. ETTERS, EXECUTOR
929 NORTH MEADOW BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

RICHARD T. SCRUGHAM, JR., ATTORNEY
550 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE 500
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

ESTATE OF BLAS PEDRO FERNANDEZ

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARIA R. FERNANDEZ
7852 CEDARCREST ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

MARK E. TILLERY, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 12257
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GARY WAYNE FOUST
DOCKET NUMBER 92105-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of MARCH, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of GARY WAYNE FOUST, who died Dec. 3, 2025, 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) 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 3rd day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF GARY WAYNE FOUST

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JESSICA RIMMER
2103 KARNSWOOD DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BILLIE RUTH GRAVES
DOCKET NUMBER 91585-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of BILLIE RUTH GRAVES, who died June 22, 2025, 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) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 9th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF BILLIE RUTH GRAVES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
HAROLD WILSON
418 MATTHEWS MILL ROAD
TELFORD, TN 37690

KENNETH CLARK HOOD, ATTORNEY
100 SOUTH MAIN STREET
GREENEVILLE, TN 37743

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CAROLE R. GUTHRIE
DOCKET NUMBER 92191-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CAROLE R. GUTHRIE, who died

January 20, 2026, 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) 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 6th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF CAROLE R. GUTHRIE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JERRY D. GUTHRIE, JR.
1155 PALMINA COVE
CORDOVA, TN 38018

BRADLEY S. LEWIS, ATTORNEY
10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF VERNIE JANE HUEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92210-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of VERNIE JANE HUEY, who died on February 1, 2026, 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) 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 6th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF VERNIE JANE HUEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
NANCY JANE CARDWELL
104 WEST MARINE ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

M. SUE WHITE, ATTORNEY
216 PHOENIX COURT, SUITE D
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY ELAINE G. KING
DOCKET NUMBER 92202-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of NANCY ELAINE G. KING, who died on October 21, 2025, 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) 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 27th day of MARCH, 2026.

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 6th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF NANCY ELAINE G. KING

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN K. KING

ELLE SHIPLEY, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY STREET, SUITE 300
P. O. BOX 2425
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-2425

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NICHOLAS A. LIAKONIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92223-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of NICHOLAS A. LIAKONIS, who died February 4, 2026 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) 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF NICHOLAS A. LIAKONIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
FRANKIE NIXON, CO-EXECUTOR
72 BLUE JAY LANE
BLUFFTON, SC 29909

ANTHONY G. LIAKONIS, CO-EXECUTOR
9211 RIDGES MEADOWS LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

EDWARD A. COX, JR., ATTORNEY
1111 N. NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE N-290
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MICHAEL K. LITTLEJOHN
DOCKET NUMBER 92150-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL K. LITTLEJOHN, who died on December 15, 2025, 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) 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 27th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL K. LITTLEJOHN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TAYLOR B. LYON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL KARL LITTLEJOHN, II
1107 EVELYN MAE WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

EDWARD A. COX, JR., ATTORNEY
1111 N. NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE N-290
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROSINA A. LUCHOWSKI,
aka ROSINA ANNE LUCHOWSKI
DOCKET NUMBER 92208-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of ROSINA A. LUCHOWSKI, aka ROSINA ANNE LUCHOWSKI, who died on December 7, 2025, 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) 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 6th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF ROSINA A. LUCHOWSKI,
aka ROSINA ANNE LUCHOWSKI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
EDWARD RUSSO, ADMINISTRATOR
KIMBERLY NELDON, ADMINISTRATOR
7640 FITCH ROAD
OLMSTED TOWNSHIP, OH 41138

AMANDA M. BUSBY, ATTORNEY
116 AGNES ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BERNIE H. LYON
DOCKET NUMBER 92133-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of BERNIE H. LYON, who died December 22, 2025, 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) 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 6th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF BERNIE H. LYON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TAYLOR B. LYON

ELLE SHIPLEY, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY STREET, SUITE 300
P. O. BOX 2425
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-2425

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TONY A. MAPLES DOCKET NUMBER 92211-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of TONY A. MAPLES, who died January 25, 2026, 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF TONY A. MAPLES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES MOORE, EXECUTOR
1401 MADISON OAKS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

SHANNON COLEMAN EGLE, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 629
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0629

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RICHARD ALLEN MAY DOCKET NUMBER 92263-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RICHARD ALLEN MAY, who died Feb. 18, 2026, 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 the publication; or

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

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

This the 10 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF RICHARD ALLEN MAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SARAH CLARK MAY
2538 MAPLE BRANCH LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TRISTAN JAMES MURRAY DOCKET NUMBER 92213-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of TRISTAN JAMES MURRAY, who died December 26, 2025, 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF TRISTAN JAMES MURRAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
STEPHEN R. MURRAY, CO-
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
KELLEY D. MURRAY, CO-
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
12354 CONNER SPRINGS LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932

REBECCA BELL JENKINS, ATTORNEY
9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 202
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CODY THOMAS MUTH DOCKET NUMBER 92087-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters of administration (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CODY THOMAS MUTH, who died December 6, 2025 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF CODY THOMAS MUTH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ALYSSA INCH
1630 CANAL ROAD EXT.
MANCHESTER, PA 17345

FELICIA F. COALSON, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY ST. SUITE 800
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MITZIE J. PERRY DOCKET NUMBER 92182-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MITZIE J. PERRY, who died June 9, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF MITZIE J. PERRY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES ERNEST PERRY, JR.
270 BYRD FARM LANE
KODAK, TN 37764

MICHAEL TROTTER, ATTORNEY
1148 WAGNER DRIVE, STE. 201
SEVIERVILLE, TN 37862

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH RUTH PIERCE DOCKET NUMBER 92180-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ELIZABETH RUTH PIERCE, who died Jan. 30, 2026, 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 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 3rd day of March, 2026

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH RUTH PIERCE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TAYLOR MICHAEL ROYALTY
3104 ORLANDO STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JULIANNE SCHOOLCRAFT DOCKET NUMBER 78248-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JULIANNE SCHOOLCRAFT, who died on February 9, 2026, 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF JULIANNE SCHOOLCRAFT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN RONALD SCHOOLCRAFT, III
CHARLES H. CHILD, ATTORNEY
116 AGNES ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT J. SIMONS, JR. a/k/a ROBERT J. SIMONS DOCKET NUMBER 92048-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT J. SIMONS, JR., a/k/a ROBERT J. SIMONS, who died on September 14, 2025, 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 6 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF ROBERT J. SIMONS, JR., a/k/a ROBERT J. SIMONS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA KEIR SIMONS
12209 BUTTERNUT CIRCL
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

REBECCA D. ABBOTT, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

ESTATE OF ROBERT J. SIMONS, JR., a/k/a ROBERT J. SIMONS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LARRY J. COLLINS
9418 LUSK ROAD
STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN 37871

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JULIA ELIZABETH NICHOLS WILSON DOCKET NUMBER 92148-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JULIA ELIZABETH NICHOLS WILSON, who died Dec. 29, 2025, 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 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 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

ESTATE OF JULIA ELIZABETH NICHOLS WILSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARGO MARIE WILSON MATHIS
5412 SMOKY TRAIL
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TANYA C. ARNOLD DOCKET NUMBER 92169-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of TANYA C. ARNOLD, who died Dec. 11, 2025, 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 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 10th day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF TANYA C. ARNOLD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PATRICIA L. COX
3828 SELMA AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY JANE BARTON DOCKET NUMBER 92173-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANCY JANE BARTON, who died Dec. 31, 2025, 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 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 12th day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF NANCY JANE BARTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
FAYE B. HALE
CAROL ANN BARTON
11613 GATES MILL DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EVA COLLINS BROOKS DOCKET NUMBER 91891-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EVA COLLINS BROOKS, who died Nov. 24, 2025, 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 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 10th day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF EVA COLLINS BROOKS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THOMAS A. CARDWELL, III DOCKET NUMBER 92201-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS A. CARDWELL, III, who died January 12, 2026, 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 5th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF THOMAS A. CARDWELL, III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LINDA SNOW COLE a/k/a LINDA GRACE COLE DOCKET NUMBER 92134-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of LINDA SNOW COLE, a/k/a LINDA GRACE COLE, who died December 28, 2025 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 5th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF LINDA SNOW COLE a/k/a LINDA GRACE COLE

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RALPH SAMUEL EVANS DOCKET NUMBER 92209-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of RALPH SAMUEL EVANS, who died on January 28, 2026, 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 this first publication; or

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

This the 5th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF RALPH SAMUEL EVANS

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NORA JEAN LUMPKIN DOCKET NUMBER 92188-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of NORA JEAN LUMPKIN, who died DECEMBER 14, 2025, 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 (