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Candidate for Knox County Sheriff David Amburn (red tie) greets supporters at his successful Meet & Greet at the Bearden Calhoun's last week. Amburn currently serves as Chief of Detectives for the Knox County Sheriff's Office under Sheriff Tom Spangler and has 34 consecutive years in law enforcement.

Strong community support on display at Amburn Meet & Greet

A large and enthusiastic crowd gathered at Calhoun's on Bearden Hill last week to meet Knox County Sheriff candidate David Amburn.

Supporters filled the venue to hear directly from Amburn, who currently serves as Chief of Detectives with the Knox County Sheriff's Office. Attendees had the opportunity to speak one-on-one with the candidate, ask questions, and learn more about his vision for the future of the department.

The strong turnout reflects what many are calling a rapidly expanding grassroots effort. Since announcing his candidacy on January 5, 2026, Amburn has assembled a volunteer team that now stands at approximately 75 members. The campaign's

structure and enthusiasm have drawn comparisons to the successful 2018 effort led by term-limited Knox County Sheriff Tom Spangler, who won his election in a decisive landslide.

In 2021, Spangler promoted Amburn to Chief of Detectives, a move that underscores the professional trust and working relationship between the two. It is perhaps no surprise, then, that the campaigns mirror one another in both organization and energy, with several of Spangler's key team members once again on the campaign trail—this time working to help propel Amburn to victory.

Like that earlier effort, Amburn's campaign is rooted in direct voter engagement. While he continues to

host meet and greets across Knox County, a dedicated group of volunteers is simultaneously canvassing neighborhoods, knocking on doors, and connecting with residents throughout the community.

The Knox County Sheriff's race features a four-person ballot, alongside a number of other local contests that have drawn a full slate of candidates. Early voting is set to begin April 15 and will run through April 30, with Election Day scheduled for May 5.

With a growing volunteer base, experienced campaign leadership, and strong public turnout at events like this one, Amburn's campaign appears to be gaining significant traction as voters prepare to head to the polls.

Juvenile service center reorganized

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The second and final reading of reorganization plans for the East Tennessee Regional Juvenile Service Center passed the Knox County Commission last week.

Juvenile Court Judge Tim Irwin now assumes leadership of the detention center after several months of work by the juvenile center board, made up of five county commissioners. That board, headed by Commissioner Larsen Jay, surveyed other counties and jurisdictions to find better ways to run the facility.

Initially, the idea was to have the Knox County Sheriff's Office operate the beleaguered facility, but the board decided

to ask the juvenile court judge if he would consider running it. Irwin agreed. The passing of administrative duties to the judge also allows him to create an advisory board to help out.

Commissioner Angela Russell had some doubts about how the new advisory members would be selected, with Jay replying that the group is advisory only.

The commission voted 10-1, with Russell casting the lone "No" vote.

In other action, the commission heard Jerry Harnish, Rural Metro's director of operations, report the company is "up to full staff" and thanked Knox County for providing \$2 million last year.

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Girl Scouts celebrate cookie season

Winner of Great Cookie Competition revealed

Girl Scouts of Southern Appalachians announced the winner of the Great Cookie Competition and celebrated the 2026 cookie season with curated beer and signature cookie pairings at Yee-Haw Brewing Co.

The third annual Great Cookie Tasting, a flavorful fundraising event March 24, offered flights of craft beer expertly paired with signature Girl Scout cookies, a vote for the crowd's favorite pairing, and revealed Katherine Strate Smith as the winner of the Great Cookie Competition. Smith, of Strate Insurance Group, represented Samoas® and raised \$3,525. More than \$13,000 was raised by cookie competitors overall.

"We congratulate Katherine Strate Smith and also want to express our sincere gratitude to all of our cookie competitors as well as everyone who donated or purchased cookies," said Lynne Fugate, CEO of the Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians (GSCSA). "All of the proceeds stay local to empower girls and offer experiences that foster



Girl Scouts of Southern Appalachians hosts the third annual "Great Cookie Tasting" at Yee-Haw Brewing Co. on March 24 for an evening of curated craft beer and cookie pairings - and to reveal Katherine Strate Smith as the winner of the 2026 "Great Cookie Competition." Pictured from left, Elisa Trentham, mascot duo Knox and Jackson, Amber Lynn Carroll, Katelyn Biefeldt, Michael Galyean, Leslie Bateman, Don Dare, Kelcey Schenheit and Kaitlyn Walsh. (Not pictured: Katherine Strate Smith).

courage, confidence and character to build tomorrow's leaders."

Smith was among nine local celebrity and business leaders who represented signature Girl Scout cookies and competed to raise money online, through social media and through local business partnerships. Some examples of

unique fundraising efforts included:

Michael Galyean and Amber Lynn Carroll partnered with Ricky's Neighborhood Bar, and a portion of each cookie-inspired cocktail went to the competition.

Knoxville Smokies mascot duo Knox and Jackson partnered with Sugar

Queen Doughnutry to create an Exploremores® doughnut, inspired by the new Exploremores chocolate sandwich cookie.

Kelcey Schenheit with Anakeesta worked with Kendra Scott, and a portion of sales using a special promo code went to her campaign total for Girl **Continue on page 5**



Junior Commissioner Vanae' Brown, a senior at Austin-East High School, joined her First District Commissioner Damon Rawls to read the honors celebrating the late Knox County Commissioner Diane Jordan. The commissioners welcomed the Jordan family in the ceremony.

New merit member named, Wheel Tax repeal vote postponed

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With the resignation of Daniel Herrera from the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board, the Knox County Commission approved, in a split vote, to appoint Adam Cook.

Cook was interviewed recently during a commission agenda meeting, and the other applicant, Jaybee Brennan,

appeared electronically at last week's regular session. She is a 30-year veteran of law enforcement and told the meeting she is "looking to continue my service" to the community.

After the Brennan interview, the commission took a voice vote on the two applicants and Cook's

six votes came from Commissioners Damon Rawls, Courtney Durrett, Gina Oster, Shane Jackson, **Continue on page 3**

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Contrasts

Undocumented immigrants are the people Democrats care about most. Senator Chris Murphy

I've been thinking ... Would it be easier to admit that you were wrong and change your ways or would you deny reality and double down on your mistakes? Democrats continue to choose the latter. The obvious example is the refusal of Democratic senators to fund the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), responsible for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), which does airport screening and security. But the obstinate Democrats have also caused disruptions to Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the Coast Guard. All of these agencies are charged with protecting Americans, especially critical in a time of war and with terrorist cells reportedly operative in the homeland.

According to "luminaries" in the Democrat party, they

shut down the government to oppose ICE. "TSA agents are still not being paid because the Democrats are demanding that ICE be neutralized. Dems say no money unless judicial warrants are issued before undocumented people are taken into custody. That's impossible, as President Biden allowed about ten million foreign nationals into the USA unsupervised. There simply aren't enough judges to satisfy that ridiculous demand" (Bill O'Reilly). Additionally, the despicable Democrats demand ICE agents forgo masks so their deranged base can identify and dox the agents and then threaten the agents' families, as was done by Portland, Oregon, loons - many of whom wear masks.

Someone should tell Chucky Schumer that ICE was funded in the Big Beautiful Bill, so not funding DHS does not affect ICE. The Democrats are playing petty politics and leveraging the safety of Americans and causing travel chaos at airports.

Do you see the analogy of Iran obstructing Gulf shipping and Dems obstructing airports and security agencies? In a sense, Gulf shipping and American travelers are being held hostage by the Mullahs and the Democrats.

In contrast, President Trump has applied common sense to the obstructionist Democrat problem and sent ICE agents to assist with airport screening and security. Reportedly, it is already having success. And an ICE agent at JFK airport saved a choking one-year-old's life by performing the Heimlich maneuver. Common sense is absent among the Democrat leadership. Perhaps Senator John Fetterman is right, and Democrat politicians are just held hostage by their deranged base.

As much as you despise the party of Schumer and their toady, Main Stream Media, you don't despise them enough. The Democrats installed a feeble puppet as president. They knew it and lied about it. And the world saw America as weak and full of self-doubt. You don't tell bad actors in the world, "Don't," and lack the resolve and courage to enforce your "red lines," as Obama and Biden did.

The Democrats want us to vote for their party of open borders, defunding the police, crime, DEI, "men" in women's private spaces, surgery and medication for kids with gender

dysphoria (confusion) and illegal immigration where illegals are more important than citizens. And they are determined to destroy Title IX and women's sports. The Democrat party's principal policy is "I hate Trump." And their base and leadership are more like the deranged James Carville than rational, common-sense people. What a stark contrast to the party of Trump.

Democrats and their media shills now scream "forever war" with Iran, which at this writing is less than one month old. The Ukraine war is in its fifth year. Democrats say the corrupt Ukraine is a noble cause, whereas removing the brutal Iranian terrorist state that endangers the world with its quest for nuclear weapons is not. Where is the outcry of the No Kings protest crowd against the Mullahs who killed 30,000 Iranians, including an Olympian athlete, for protesting the misogynist regime? Perhaps the No Kings loons are busy cavorting at the luxury hotel in Havana, Cuba, to protest the oil embargo against the communist dictatorship.

Last week, President Trump was in Memphis to acknowledge the very successful 50% decrease in crime, which came about through a surge in federal law enforcement working with local police and the Tennessee Highway Patrol. Similar results

occurred in Washington, D.C., again through cooperation between Democratic mayors in both cities and the federal government.

The contrast is obvious between sanctuary cities with rampant crime and cities that take the steps necessary to protect their citizens. The latest tragic example is the university student shot in the sanctuary city of Chicago by a criminal illegal alien. Sheridan Gorman was murdered in the same park where Governor Pritsker pranced and bragged was so safe. He later blamed President Trump because there has not been "comprehensive immigration reform." The odious Democrat mayor of Chicago said the problem was guns being purchased in neighboring states and brought into Chicago. Another Democrat politico quipped that the Loyola student, who was with friends to look for the northern lights, was "just in the wrong place at the wrong time." These statements are in stark contrast to rational thought.

The party of Trump is for secure borders, the rule of law, protecting citizens, legal immigration, national security, energy independence, focus on the western hemisphere and smaller government. As the Democrats continue to flounder with no policies other than hatred for Trump and obstructing all Republican policies, they are looking for a leader. Kamala

Harris is a lot of things, but a leader she is not. Gavin Newsom continues to be mentioned because he fills the recent Democratic criteria of being a "hot candidate!" How utterly vacuous. Pretty boy Newsom has made such a mess of California that people are leaving in droves. Jokingly, Clay Travis and Buck Sexton said voting for a hot candidate would be like dating a bikini model with borderline personality disorder.

Instead of worrying about 2028, I'm laser-focused on the midterms. If voters return power to the Dems, expect impeachments and worse. We have seen what they are capable of. Congress must stay in Washington and find a way to fund DHS before terrorists kill Americans. And they must pass the SAVE Act or we'll return to corrupt ballot harvesting, illegals voting, drop off ballot boxes, etc. If the filibuster must be jettisoned to accomplish passing the SAVE Act, so be it. I'm more concerned about now rather than the future. After all, the Democrats have already repeatedly stated that when they come back to power, they will discard the filibuster, pack the Supreme Court and make Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico states with four Democratic senators. I don't doubt their destructive plans.

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How I Became A Batboy

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr.

One night in the summer of 1958, Joe Seymour, batboy for the visiting team playing against the Knoxville Smokies, fell and broke his arm running to get a stretcher for a player who had been hit in the head by a ball thrown by a Smokies pitcher.

I happened to be at the game that night, wearing a baseball uniform, having come straight from a game I had played in at the Chilhowee Park Little League. When asked if I could

immediately fill in as visiting team batboy, I jumped at the chance.

I did not know it that night, but I would end up spending five and a half seasons as a batboy at Bill Meyer Stadium, the first and last seasons for the visiting teams and the four in between for the home team Knoxville Smokies.

Minor league baseball was such a shoestring operation in those years. I worked for free the first two seasons and \$1.50 a game for the last four. This usually meant five or six hours of work (fun) at each game, and I loved it.

My freshman year at UT, I was the public address announcer at the Smokies games in addition to a part-time job as a salesman at Sears. Once again, my baseball work was free.

In my Focus column of

October 5, 2020, I told the story of how my father, as a young lawyer in 1956, put together a group that bought the baseball team in Montgomery, Alabama, and moved the team to Knoxville to become the Smokies.

That team was in last place because it did not have a working agreement with a major league team. It was independent and just had hand-me-down players from several different teams.

In those years, minor league teams sometimes owned players themselves, and the Smokies acquired the contract of just one player—a second baseman named Earl Weaver.

Daddy was president of the Smokies organization. In order to save money, he decided not to keep the team manager, Dick Bartell, but instead to name Earl Weaver as the playing manager.

That spring, my Dad met with Harry Dalton, the farm (minor league) director for the Baltimore Orioles, on the patio at Holston Hills Country Club. They agreed for Knoxville to become a farm team of the Orioles if Baltimore would take Earl

Weaver, the only player still under contract to the Smokies.

Mr. Dalton said he could make Weaver the manager of the Orioles rookie league team in Fitzgerald, Georgia. Even most big sports fans in East Tennessee do not know that Weaver's Hall of Fame managerial career started with the Knoxville Smokies.

Part of this story is told in a new book by John Miller entitled "The Last Manager—How Earl Weaver tricked, tormented, and reinvented baseball." Columnist George Will said, "Baseball books don't get any better than this."

The book explains that 1948, Weaver's first year as a professional player, was the high-water mark of minor league baseball with 430 teams. Now there are only 120.

Weaver was signed by the St. Louis Cardinals for \$175 a month and was sent to play for the team in West Frankfort, IL, a town of 15,000. On the first pitch of his first game, he hit a home run.

"Once settled in West Frankfort, Earl rented quarters in a rooming house at a special rate of \$5 a

month because he was a ballplayer. Every day, with his \$1.25-a-day meal money, he ordered two eggs, bacon, toast, grits and coffee for twenty-nine cents at the Little Egypt...." (a diner).

When I worked for the Smokies many years later, minor league baseball teams were still low budget operations, and the players (and the batboys on their once-a-season road trip) were given \$22.50 a week meal money.

Weaver had four great minor league seasons and a really good spring training with the big league Cardinals in 1952, but he was cut from the team because Eddie Stanky, the playing manager, wanted the second base position.

Miller's book says, "Instead of motivating him, the rejection drove him to drink, sent him on a purgatory through the minor leagues....He threw in the towel and would never again play as well as he had those first four seasons in the minor leagues." The chance to manage in Knoxville turned things around for Weaver and may have saved his life.

I don't know how much

Daddy and the group he headed paid for the Montgomery team. Baseball was still popular in the 1950s and early 60s. But by the late 60s and 70s, you couldn't even give away a minor league team.

I went to the baseball winter meetings in San Diego in December of 1985. At one of the meetings, we were told a man had bought the Richmond triple-A team in 1978 for \$25,000 and was given five years to pay for it. Now, AAA teams are worth \$30 million to \$50 million, and a couple of top-tier teams have sold for much more.

CBS bought the New York Yankees in 1964 for \$11.2 million, lost millions, and sold them in 1973 to a group headed by George Steinbrenner for \$8.8 million. Today, that franchise is reportedly worth five billion and is still controlled by Steinbrenner's family.

Baseball was such a big part of my life until the early 90s that I could possibly write a book filled with baseball stories. I don't enjoy it nearly as much now, though, because I think the salaries in all big-time sports are so excessive that it is almost sinful.

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Publisher's Position

Illinois Governor, Chicago Mayor Should Be Recalled And Removed From Office



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the border illegally in 2023 and was released. A month later, he was caught and charged with shoplifting, but never showed up for his court date. Who could have imagined that?

The suspect, who has been in a hospital because he has tuberculosis, did not attend his arraignment hearing, apparently. Of course, Chicago is a "sanctuary city" and Illinois has declared itself a "sanctuary state," although Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza did say allowing the alleged assailant, Jose Medina-Medina, to be back out "has not curtailed his illegal behavior." No, indeed, much to the dismay and horror of Sheridan Gorman's family and friends. Chicago Alderman Ray Lopez made the comment that "individuals who choose to engage in dangerous, criminal behavior, if they are non-citizens, we should not give them welcome. We should not give them sanctuary."

Another point of view, that of Alderwoman Maria Hadden, was that, "It sounds like this might have

been a wrong place, wrong time, running into a person who had a gun." "They might have startled (the shooter) at the end of the pier unintentionally." Too many Democrat Socialists refuse to acknowledge the murder or rape or assault of victims of crimes committed by illegal aliens because it is inconvenient to their narrative and the plain truth is they don't give a fig about the actual victims. For one thing, an illegal alien isn't supposed to have a gun and Maria Hadden's comment that Sheridan Gorman and her friends are somehow at fault for having startled a criminal who was armed are simply ludicrous. Evidently, Hadden's notion is that Jose Medina-Medina was hiding behind the lighthouse, thinking over the cure for cancer or the solution to bring about world peace, when he was startled and came out, gun blazing.

Local and national media always try to soften the horrible details when it doesn't fit their own narrative. One local newspaper cited a

bogus study that insists illegal aliens commit fewer crimes than our own citizens, when the test had already been debunked and was likely done by Edna's Cooking School.

The Democrat-Socialist party policy is all for illegals, and they care little or nothing about working Americans and families. It is simply disgusting to keep blaming the victim and trying to pretend the criminal did nothing wrong.

The Chicago Tribune got it right when it expressed the view that Sheridan Gorman was not in the wrong place at the wrong time but a victim of the system's failure. The Gorman family had naturally objected to the notion that their daughter had recklessly put herself in danger. Sheridan had been with a group of her friends, near her dorm and in an area believed to be safe while hoping to see the Northern lights. So far, nobody knows why Sheridan Gorman was killed. What we do know is that the system failed her and her family. The cold-blooded murder of an

18-year-old girl ought to be met with more than a wall of silence.

Still, the Tribune first referred to Medina as a "Rogers Park man," just as it once described Jose Albrego Garcia as a "Maryland man," and completely omitted Sheridan Gorman's murder in its Sunday edition. Evidently, the Tribune made up for it in the Monday edition of the paper in what has been described as one sentence at the bottom of the front page. Before mainstream media chose narrative over news, there was a time when such a murder would have generated banner headlines with aggressive reporters following leads, ferreting out information, and questioning local officials as to just precisely how such a terrible thing could happen. News and facts don't even get a backseat treatment by the corporate media, as narrative is firmly in the driver's seat. In fact, it seems that the actual details are frequently left by the roadside in the rush to report a narrative. Or the corporate

media simply ignores the inconvenient truths that don't advance their narratives.

The Tribune's editorial did squall that some parents might refuse to allow their children to attend colleges and universities in Chicago if they didn't believe it was safe. Not much has been said by Chicago's media about Sheridan Gorman's murder because it doesn't fit the narrative of the mainstream media, which is an affiliate of the Democrat-Socialists. There was nary an article in Chicago's PBS on Sheridan's murder. So much for reporting.

Blackouts of news stories are becoming more and more common because to report the truth - to report what actually happened - would impair the narrative and the snake oil they are selling. We know it and you know it. They still haven't figured out that we all know it and wonder why we don't believe them.

Subcommittee zeros in on Code of Ethics changes

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Some might see a review and revision of the Knox County Code of Ethics as a grueling and laborious task steeped in detail. But the Knox County Ethics Subcommittee has spent months on the work and seems to be taking lots of care and even some enjoyment in the duties assigned by the full ethics committee and county commission.

Michael Bittel chairs the small group, which includes Steven Goodpaster, Krystal Gibson, Carletta

Rando-Smelcer, Marcus Hilliard, Marcus Kennedy and Greg Stinnett. At the latest meeting, the group looked at the number of meals an official may claim in expenses, how much money is allowed per meal, and settled on \$75 per meal and 60 meals each fiscal year per official.

In other proposed changes, Gibson suggested specific language and grammatical changes. Some of her suggestions drew happy remarks, and she replied, "It's the professor in me."

The subcommittee also

reviewed portions of the code dealing with officials voting when "unduly influenced" by a relative or associate and the four allowable complaint categories.

Goodpaster is creating a flow chart of the complaint process and rules of procedure.

Kennedy is continuing to juggle two copies of the codes, one with the current language and one with the proposed changes highlighted.

The subcommittee has two more months to complete its review, which then goes to the full ethics

committee and then to the Knox County Commission for a vote.

Bittel said the next meeting will deal with a review of the ethics committee's

voting procedures, which currently require 7 of 9 members' votes to confirm a violation. Attorney Dan Sanders said looking at the committee's rules of

procedure may fall outside the duties of the subcommittee.

"They are good with us looking at the procedures," Bittel replied.

New merit member named

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Adam Thompson and Kim Frazier. Brennan got five votes from Terry Hill, Rhonda Lee, Andy Fox, Larsen Jay and Angela Russell.

The appointment of Cook saw a final 8-3 vote with Russell, Lee and Fox voting "No."

The vote to repeal the Wheel Tax was postponed

by the commission in a 9-1-1 vote after much discussion. Commissioner Jay wants to phase out what he calls a "double tax" on vehicle-owning residents over five years and says the county budget can afford it.

Commissioner Russell said dropping the wheel tax now is "premature" and the issue should wait until a new county budget

is proposed. Hill said the matter needs more time to move forward. Thompson mentioned the poor condition of county roads and questioned what would replace the wheel tax in the budget.

Hill then moved to postpone the discussion until August. The vote passed 9-1-1 with Jackson voting "No" and Jay abstaining.



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It's Dogwood Season!

On Wednesday, April 1 from 4:30-7 p.m., Dogwood Arts will host a community celebration and ribbon-cutting to officially open the Dogwood Trails for the 2026 season on the beautiful Lakemoor Hills Dogwood Trail.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony will begin at 5 p.m. with brief remarks from Dogwood Arts, city and county officials, and community volunteers. The Community Celebration will take place from 5:30-7 p.m. Parking is available at Lake Hills Presbyterian Church - 3805 Maloney Rd, Knoxville, TN 37920.

South Knoxville's Lakemoor Hills, Island Home and Chapman Highway are this year's featured Dogwood Trails.

The Dogwood Trails are open annually from April 1-30th, just in time to showcase the beauty of spring in East Tennessee! Knoxville's iconic Dogwood Trails date back to 1955 and today cover more than 90 miles in 13 neighborhoods throughout the city. Take a drive, a walk, or a bike ride and enjoy the scenic natural beauty of our region.

Dogwood Arts Announces Call to Artists for Transformational SoKno Art Trail

Dogwood Arts is excited to announce a call to artists for the highly anticipated SoKno Rail Trail and Art Walk, a dynamic new cultural corridor set to open in Fall 2026 near Knoxville's south waterfront. Legacy Parks Foundation is leading the effort on the transformation of the 3.8-mile rail corridor stretching from Chapman Highway to Ijams Nature Center, in partnership with the City of Knoxville and Gulf & Ohio Railways. The trail will be a soft-surface multi-use trail that includes a 1.5-mile Art Walk, blending outdoor recreation with public art. The Art Walk is funded through a generous donation from the Lawson Family Foundation.

As part of this landmark project, Dogwood Arts is managing the artist selection, coordination, and art installations along the Art Walk. Dogwood is now seeking accomplished muralists to design and execute new

large-scale murals across multiple walls along the trail. In addition, the organization's nationally recognized Art in Public Places Sculpture Exhibition will expand to include four new installations along the corridor, with sculptures slated for installation in mid-September 2026.

Application Details:

- Deadline to Apply: April 27, 2026

- Application Details: www.dogwoodarts.com/applications

Submissions are open to local, regional, and national artists.

The SoKno Rail Trail and Art Walk will transform a former rail line into a vibrant, multi-use destination that blends art, recreation, and connectivity—creating a 3.8-mile pedestrian and bike path stretching from Chapman Highway to Ijams Nature Center.

Designed to serve both commuters and recreational users, the trail will become a vital link within Knoxville's

Urban Wilderness, seamlessly connecting neighborhoods, local businesses, public art, and natural landscapes.

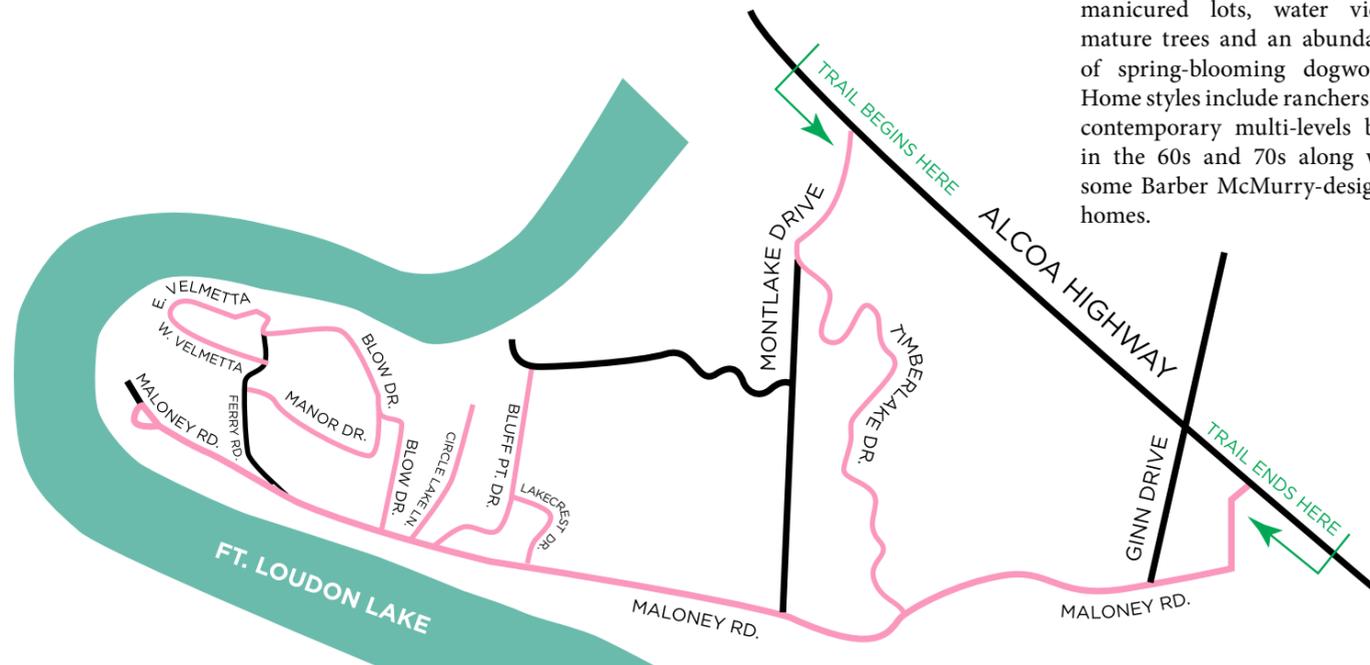
The SoKno Art Walk is envisioned as an immersive, open-air gallery—celebrating the rich artistic, cultural, and ecological identity of the region. Specially commissioned works will highlight exceptional artists from Knoxville and beyond, while integrating art into the everyday experience of the trail.

The anchor piece of public art has already been installed along the Trail—on a caboose next to Kern's Bakery. The installation celebrates the rail heritage of the trail with artwork by world-famous muralist Emmanuel Jarus, whose work is inspired by the visual human experience and reimagines how art can exist in public spaces. Over the past decade, Jarus

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LAKEMOOR HILLS

7.8 Miles | Established in 1965 | Trail begins at 3113 Montlake Dr. (37920)



Often referred to as 'the quiet side of the river' in south Knoxville, the Lakemoor Hills trail, est. in 1965, is in a beautiful neighborhood with large manicured lots, water views, mature trees and an abundance of spring-blooming dogwoods. Home styles include ranchers and contemporary multi-levels built in the 60s and 70s along with some Barber McMurry-designed homes.

There is also a mix of newer construction homes, most notably with lovely river frontage.

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

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

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Circle Lake Ln., 37920

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CHAPMAN HIGHWAY

3.6 Miles | Established in 1957 | Trail begins at 101 Colonial Drive (37920)

This trail is a two-part story, with Colonial Village on the West side of Chapman Hwy and Lake Forest on the east.

Colonial Village is a Dogwood Trail community that was once a part of the 200-acre McCall family farm. First listed in the city deed books in 1940, Colonial Village is a post-WWII neighborhood development. Most of the homes here were built during the 1940s and 1950s, so ranchers and cottages abounded with their modest sizes and larger yards, making them perfect for young families. Today, this quaint community is a diverse mix of many age groups, and its large mature flowering trees and shrubs offer a beautiful springtime display. Colonial Village is about four miles south of downtown, just off Chapman Highway across from Lake Forest.

Today, the neighborhood is home to four churches, one elementary school, one city park, and a privately owned body of water known as Butterfly Lake.

Colonial Village residents don't have to go far to enjoy the great outdoors. They can take a stroll on the 0.8-mile Gary Underwood Greenway, located within the neighborhood, or they can settle in for an afternoon of fun at Gary Underwood Park, which has a football field and soccer field in addition to picnic areas and shelters.

Throughout the Lake Forest and Colonial Village neighborhoods are examples of Tennessee Pink Marble used as building materials in the homes. These modest cottage-style houses, reminiscent of the picturesque Neo-Tudor construction in the popular Cotswold style, offer the convenience of easy access to downtown and are a favorite with those who like the feeling of privacy and seclusion. Of special note, on Centerwood Drive, there is a small fenced-in graveyard where relatives of Sam Houston are buried. Sam Houston lived near here in his youth and became the governor of Tennessee in 1827 before moving to Texas to "Remember the Alamo" in 1836.

Across Chapman Highway, the trail continues into the Lake Forest community where examples of Tennessee Pink Marble are found in the architecture of its homes. Once mined by over 35 quarries in the Knoxville area, larger blocks of marble were used in buildings all over the



U.S., including Washington, D.C., and carved into monuments, such as the famous lion statues in front of the New York Public Library. Local builders used the smaller leftover pieces to construct retaining walls, arched doorways, chimneys, patios, and whole houses.

To celebrate the heritage and architecture of the neighborhood, a five-ton pink marble entry sign was added in 2014. East Lake Forest Drive leads to an entrance to The Urban Wilderness Loop, a popular outdoor recreation spot, which connects to the William Hastie Natural Area (3.5 miles of trails) with Ijams Nature Center where you can enjoy early spring wildflower hikes.

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

David & Marcia Doyle
Camera Site
113 Lake Forest Circle, 37920

Berry Funeral Home
Camera Site
3704 Chapman Highway, 37920

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

Girl Scouts

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Scouts.

Kaitlyn Walsh partnered with Art of Cakes, and they created an Adventurefuls®-flavored cupcake.

Leslie Bateman created videos where she crumbled cookies in various creative ways for donations. Videos included cookies dipped in martinis, used to eclipse the Sunsphere and crushed with stiletos.

All proceeds from the competition will go to financial assistance for the Girl Scout experience, including local programming, uniforms and summer camp scholarships. Each year, Girl Scouts of Southern Appalachians provides approximately \$120,000 in financial assistance so that every girl, regardless of family circumstances, can experience Girl Scouting.

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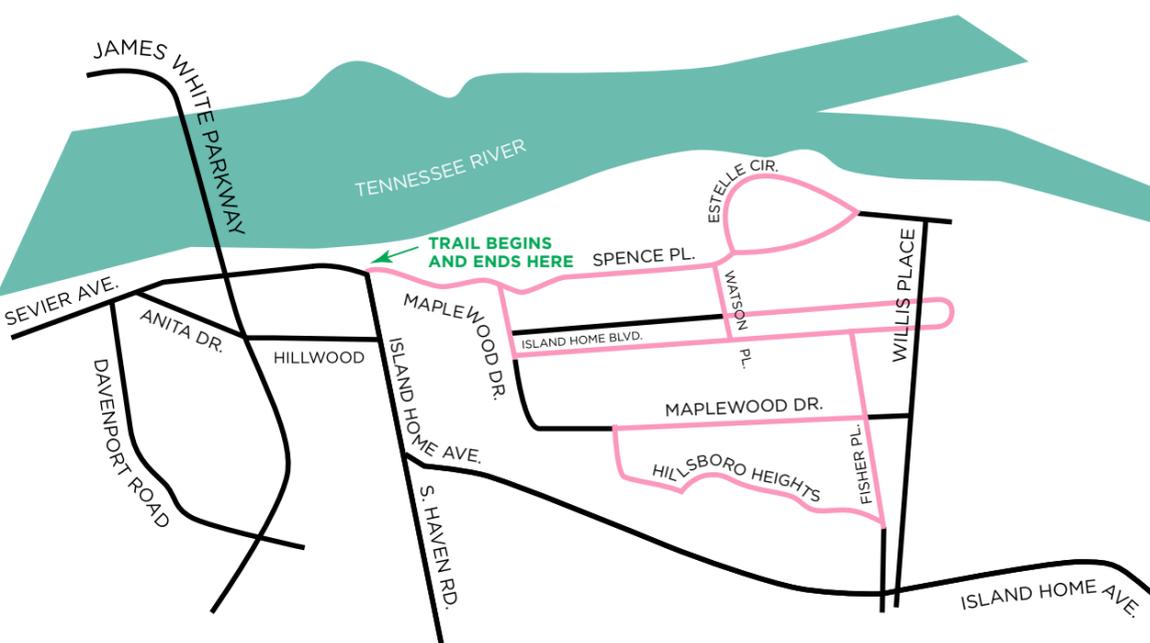
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ISLAND HOME

2.5 Miles | Established in the 1980s | Trail Begins at 1906 Maplewood Drive (37920)



Historic Island Home Park Trail winds through a beautiful riverside neighborhood where abundant dogwood trees fill the boulevards and adorn the many cottage gardens. This early 20th century streetcar suburb was developed on the 19th century farm of wealthy merchant Perez Dickinson.

Many of its charming homes and gardens were built during the first decades of the 20th century. Most of the original houses and streetscapes remain and the area is home to the city's largest concentration of Bungalow-style houses. The use of river stone on piers and porches of classic bungalows is unique to the neighborhood, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Throughout this vibrant neighborhood, stately old trees and newer replacements for dogwoods and hardwoods lost after 100 years create a lovely landscape.

ISLAND HOME OPEN GARDENS & CAMERA SITES

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

Rocky Stanley
Camera Site
2100 Spence Place, 37920

Lisa's Garden & Island Home Park Entry
Camera Site
1900 Block of Maplewood Drive, 37920

Juvenile service center

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Commissioner Kim Frazier sponsored a proclamation for the "Day of Hope in Knox County," which featured the Renew Clinic, which deals with addiction and mental illness. Frazier is a board member of the group, which features group counseling, support and faith-based counseling.

Several notable consent list items on the agenda, requested by the Knox County Parks and Recreation Department, passed with one vote. Among the items

was a memorandum of understanding with the National Recreation and Park Association for the acceptance of \$20,000 and \$89,580 grants as in-kind donations for youth sports activities and programming. The parks department also received a memorial plaque from the Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs Inc., District IV, a contract with TinyMobileRobots and a lease agreement with First Western Equipment Finance for Robotic Line Marking Solutions for county sports fields.

Parks and Recreation accepted a donation from the Halls Community Park Inc. for the installation of French drains at the batting cages at Gibbs Ruritan Park, and an easement was approved with Walker

Enterprises LLC for six tracts for the Mon Richer Unit 3 project. That department also was approved to donate its yield from its Festival of Lights annual fundraiser, \$5,622 and seven barrels of non-perishable food, to the Love Kitchen.

The county engineering department also had a few requests approved on the consent agenda. About 2.76 miles of South Northshore Drive was approved for engineering of widening the road in a joint state-county funded project. Three tracts of land were approved to be acquired in order to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Schaad Road and Johnson Road. A new traffic light was approved for Lovell Road at Gilbert Drive.

Dogwood Arts Announces Call to Artists for SoKno Art Trail

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has collaborated with communities around the world to create large-scale portraits and figures on walls and other surfaces. His artwork on the caboose is especially fitting, as his first foray into art at age 19 was painting graffiti on the side of railroad cars. See more of his work at www.instagram.com/youngjarus.

The caboose originally belonged to B. Ray Thompson, owner of Shamrock Coal Company, and for whom UT's Thompson-Boling Arena is named. The caboose and mural were donated by Pete Claussen and his family. The corridor will feature a diverse range of artistic expression, including murals, sculpture,

and youth-created works.

The SoKno Rail Trail and Art Walk is led by Legacy Parks and made possible through a broad collaboration of community and design partners. MHM is serving as project architect, and Lose Design is leading landscape architecture. Dogwood Arts is managing artist selection, coordination, and art installations of a majority of the art along the corridor. Johnson Architecture, Kern's Bakery, Visit Knoxville, and the Old Sevier District are key community partners, helping enhance the trail and make key connections within South Knoxville's vibrant cultural and business district.

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A Missing Man Table was featured at the National POW/MIA Recognition Event held last September at World's Fair Park. The table is a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by missing or imprisoned servicemen and women.

What is the Missing Man Table?

By Mike Steely
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Often during the various breakfasts for veterans around our area, you'll find military veterans gathering to commune with each other, hear speakers, share a meal, and share stories of their service.

In those meetings, and on other occasions involving veterans, you may see a small round table sitting by itself with a white spread, an inverted glass, a book of

faith, often a Bible, a single candle and a single rose tied with a red or yellow ribbon.

If you're not a veteran, you probably are curious about this table, where no one ever sits and many stop to salute it.

I noticed such a table recently while visiting the William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, located near West Town

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This Missing Man Table sits at the Tallent Veterans Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, a reminder to everyone of those men and women still missing in action. The table is present at many POW/MIA events and is always decorated in an honorable manner. Photo by Mike Steely

Three new places added for early voting

By Mike Steely
 Senior Writer
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Crippen Road.

The Knox County Election Commission has added three new locations for early voting from April 15 through April 30. Any registered voter may choose any of the 11 locations during that period.

The three new locations include the Farragut Community Center at 239 Jamestowne Boulevard in Farragut, the Firestone Building in front of the Expo Center at 5523 Clinton Highway, and Faithway Baptist Church across from the Halls Senior Center at 4402

Other early voting precincts include the City-County Building, Downtown West, Eternal Life Harvest Center at Five Points, Meridian Baptist Church, New Harvest Park, Gibbs Ruritan Club, Carter Senior Center and the Karns Senior Center.

Hours for voting on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday are 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Wednesday hours are 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., and Saturday hours are 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Special

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Alternative response plan on city agenda

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For several years, some citizens in Knoxville have been pushing for establishing an Alternative Response Plan to deal with domestic abuse and other crimes without the police department being the first to appear at disturbances.

Currently, the city has a team of police and mental health workers that respond together, but At-large Councilwoman Amelia Parker wants the city council to take the next step.

Parker has a resolution on the council's agenda Tuesday "endorsing implementation of Phase One of the Alternative Response Business and Service Delivery Plan." She wants the council to thank the members of the Alternative Response Task Force and others involved with the effort for their input in developing a plan.

Other notable items

on the city's third March meeting include an agreement with Tartan Oil LLC for various types of fuel for the city fleet services department. The initial agreement is for one year with a two-year option, for a total first-year cost of \$4,152,459.

Three on-call firms may be approved at \$200,000 each for services including Chris Haggard Plumbing LLC, Stooksbury Construction Inc. and Southern Construction Concepts Corporation.

A citywide facility paving project may be awarded to APAC-Atlantic Inc. for \$404,155 in a request from the engineering department.

The Knoxville Utilities Board may be granted an in lieu of tax agreement for one year.

An agreement with SPATCO Energy Solutions for the Public Safety Fuel Island Project may be increased by \$61,773, bringing the contract's

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It Is Finished: The Day Everything Changed

The day that Jesus Christ died, darkness settled across the sky, not as a gentle dimming, but as a suffocating shroud that swallowed the light of day. The air was heavy. The ground groaned



**By Justin Pratt,
Clear Springs Baptist
Church Senior Pastor**

beneath the weight of what was unfolding. At the center of it all hung Jesus Christ, beaten, bloodied, and nailed to a Roman cross. Crucifixion was not merely an execution; it was a slow and painful suffocation. His lungs were filling

with fluid, and He strained for breath; every inhale demanded agony. Each exhale cost Him strength He no longer had. To breathe, He had to push, driving nails deeper into torn flesh, arching His back

against splintered wood. Pain surged with every movement. And yet, He pushed one more time. Undoubtedly, His body trembled, His lips tightened, and heaven and earth seemed to lean in and listen. His last words

would matter.

"Tetelestai." It is finished. Not a whisper of defeat, but a declaration of completion. The word carried the weight of fulfillment, of a mission brought to its perfect end and not just finished but completely complete. With those final words, Jesus exhaled, His spirit departed, and the Son of God hung dead on a tree. But this was far from the end. At the moment of His death, creation itself responded. A violent storm rattled that small Middle Eastern world. The earth quaked. Rocks split apart. In the temple, the veil, thick and sacred, was

torn top to bottom, as if heaven itself had reached down and ripped it open. Access had been granted. Tetelestai did not simply mark the end of His suffering; it marked the completion of the sacrifice required for sinners to come to God. The barrier was gone. The debt was paid in full. Yet beyond what human eyes could see, the story continued.

Jesus Christ did not remain in the grave as a defeated figure, but rose and ascended, returning to the Father. He entered Mount Zion, the city of the living God, where innumerable angels filled its streets, waiting, watching, and longing to behold Him again after thirty-three years on earth. The answer to humanity's deepest

fracture returned to His Father and the city from which He had been sent. He did not arrive empty-handed. He came carrying His own blood. He approaches the throne carrying the cup of wrath once given to Him by the Father. Justice had been satisfied. Mercy was ready to be revealed. In one final act, He entered the heavenly holy place, not a copy, not a symbol or shadow, but the reality itself, and presented His blood. Propitiation at last.

Why do I believe that He literally entered a heavenly temple with His own blood? Because centuries earlier, God warned Moses to see to it that he made everything according to the pattern shown on the mountain (Exodus 25:40).

What Moses built in the wilderness was never the destination; it was a shadow, a copy, a reflection of something far greater. And the writer of Hebrews makes it unmistakably clear that when Christ, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, came, He did not enter an earthly tabernacle made with hands. He entered the greater and more perfect one, not of this creation. Not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. From Golgotha, through the heavens, into the very presence of God, Jesus left a crimson trail that forever changed eternity. It had been a rescue mission, Him for us, and it opened the door for every color, every class, every creed to be freed, ransomed, and redeemed.

Here is what it means for us today: the cross did not just change history; it settled our case before God forever. Because of what Jesus Christ accomplished, sin is no longer your sentence; grace is now our standing. The case against every one of us has been fully paid, fully closed, and forever resolved. That is why we celebrate Easter, not as a ritual, but as a victory.

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Prosecutor in Politics

Edward P. 'Ted' Carville

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill

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Elective political careers frequently have a short expiration date, while others keep going until they literally drop. Much of the longevity depends upon circumstance, timing, luck and ability. Some political careers are the result of careful planning and plodding progress over a period of time. Others blaze across the political horizon like a comet and burn out just as quickly. Some political careers begin almost as an afterthought.

Edward Peter "Ted" Carville served six and a half years as governor of Nevada. Carville's own career in elective politics likely would never have happened had it not been for a setback dealt to him by the most influential member of his own Democratic Party: President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Carville was a man of average or slightly below average height with a stocky build and bald on top. Never especially photogenic, Carville looked like the small-town lawyer he was for many years.

Throughout his career, E. P. Carville had served in some of the highest positions available to an attorney, including serving as a district attorney, district judge and United States Attorney. Carville's elective career began with his running for governor and he served a brief period in the United States Senate.

The child of pioneering parents, Carville attended Notre Dame University, where he graduated from law school. Carville returned home to Elko and commenced the practice of law in 1909. Carville became a deputy district attorney and quickly rose to the top job in the district attorney's office the same year. Carville was elected district attorney in 1912 and held the spot for six years before resuming his private practice. Eight years later, E. P. Carville ran for a district judgeship and was elected. Carville was still serving as a judge when President Roosevelt nominated him to serve as Nevada's U.S. Attorney in 1934. Nevada's two United States senators, Key Pittman and Pat McCarran, did not get along, although both were Democrats. Indeed, Pat McCarran didn't especially get along well with anyone unless they were subordinate to him. Senator McCarran had pushed Carville for U.S. Attorney and he was appointed by Roosevelt and confirmed by the Senate. Many believed, including other lawyers, that Carville was one of the best U.S. Attorneys Nevada ever had.

Senator McCarran had earned the wrath of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1938 for

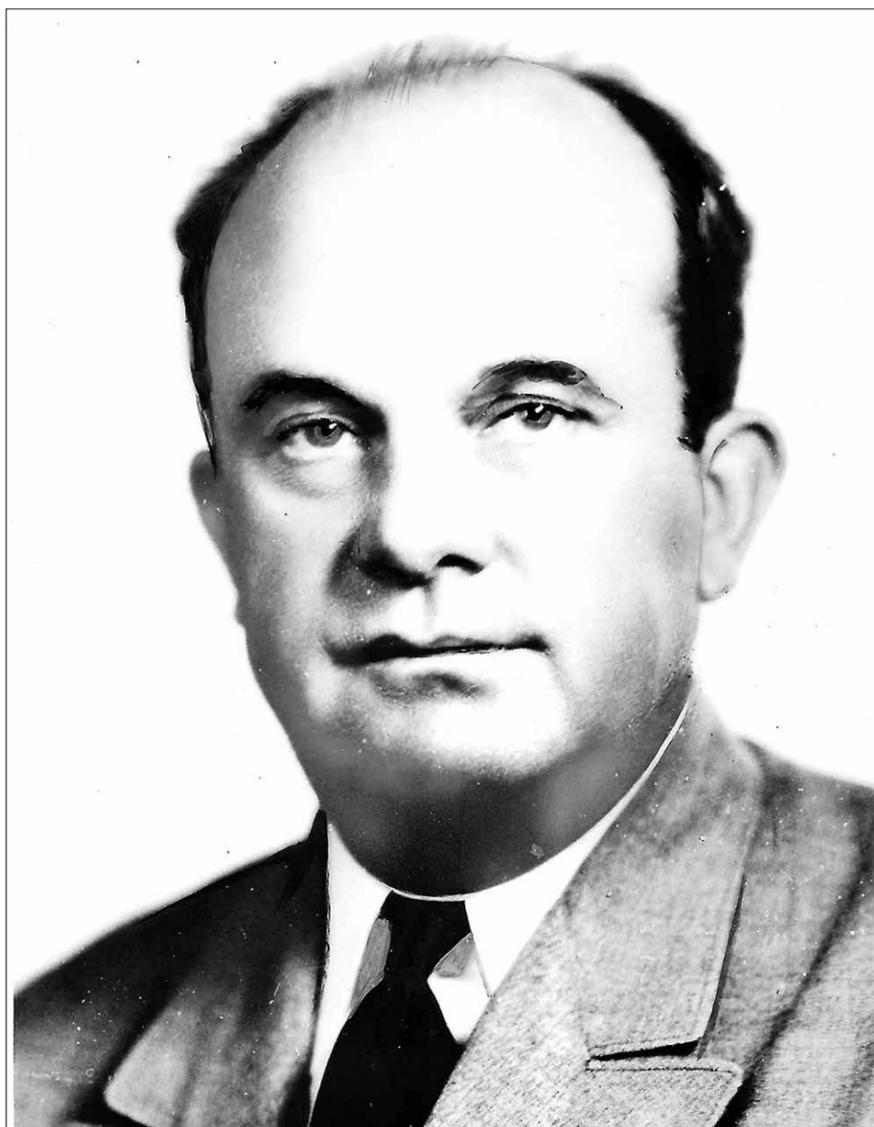
having opposed his effort to pack the U.S. Supreme Court. Roosevelt considered attempting to purge McCarran, who was seeking reelection that year, but the senator was too popular. FDR said a kind word about McCarran's primary opponent and refused to reappoint Carville as U.S. Attorney despite his good record in office.

That started a protest amongst many Democrats in Nevada who urged Carville to become a candidate for governor as incumbent Richard Kirman was not seeking a second term. E. P. Carville became a candidate and won the Democratic primary, aided by the powerful political organization of Pat McCarran. Roosevelt's intransigence had put out a U.S. Attorney, but had elected a governor, which in turn made Pat McCarran even more influential in Nevada.

Throughout his career, both in the judiciary and out, Ted Carville had earned a reputation for integrity and ability.

One of the most difficult tasks any governor can have is filling the seat of a United States senator who dies in office or resigns. There is almost always a host of ambitious politicians hungering for the appointment and navigating that political minefield requires not only good judgment but a light touch. Sometimes the choice is so obvious that few expect anything else; other times, a choice is highly unpopular or perhaps controversial. Then there are those occasions when a governor surprises everybody. That is precisely what Governor E. P. Carville did when he appointed Berkeley Bunker to the United States Senate after the sudden death of Senator Key Pittman. The 35-year-old Bunker had been in the Nevada State House for four years and had served as Speaker for less than two years. "He typically represents the young manhood of Nevada," Carville told newsmen. Nobody was more surprised by the appointment than Berkeley Bunker. A filling station owner and bishop in the Church of Latter-Day Saints, Bunker was the first Mormon to represent Nevada in the United States Senate.

Carville had managed to sidestep the feuding inside his own party, although Vail Pittman, brother of the late senator and lieutenant governor, was outraged he had not been appointed. Pittman apparently considered his brother's seat in the U.S. Senate more of a family keepsake than an elective office. Governor Carville had managed to navigate the rapids of factional politics in his home



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Governor and U.S. senator Edward P. Carville of Nevada, circa 1940.

state and he was easily reelected to a second term as governor.

By the 1940s, gambling had become big business in Nevada and had never been taxed; one only needed a license. In 1945, Nevada's state legislature considered a bill to place a 10% tax on the gross profits of all establishments that allowed gambling. That immediately caused a terrific uproar of protest. Even when the tax was lowered to 1%, the gambling lobby was still yelling. The legislature passed the bill over the protests of the gambling interests, which meant it went to the governor's desk. The arrival of the tax bill made Governor Carville mighty nervous. TIME magazine noted Carville "hemmed, hawed, called for a public hearing" before finally deciding to let the bill become law without his signature, likely making exactly no one happy.

That same year, Carville made another fateful decision. E. P. Carville had been suspected of having senatorial ambitions for a few years and had been reportedly eyeing the seat of ailing U.S. Senator James G. Scrugham. Scrugham died on June 23, 1945, and for a month Nevada only had one U.S. senator. Finally, Carville resigned as governor to accept appointment by Acting Governor Vail Pittman to fill the senatorial vacancy on July 25, 1945. Many Nevadans did not like the way Carville got to the Senate. Governors who, in essence, appoint themselves to the United States Senate have a history of losing the next election.

Having himself appointed to the Senate immediately caused friction between Carville and former Senator Berkeley Bunker, who was then serving as Nevada's congressman-at-large. Bunker was eager to go back to the U.S. Senate and had been anticipating another race with the sickly Jim Scrugham. Congressman Bunker was

not deterred from seeking his party's nomination for the Senate by the fact it had been Ted Carville who had raised him from obscurity in the first place and appointed him to succeed the deceased Key Pittman in 1941. Bunker's ambition to return to the U.S. Senate by running against his one-time benefactor gave quite a few Democrats pause. Many Carville Democrats never forgave Berkeley Bunker, which would bring him to political grief.

During his year and a half in the U.S. Senate, Edward P. Carville became the champion of ending government subsidies, which he believed were responsible for the burgeoning debt of the United States. "It is time for the state to accept less federal aid and to assume that portion of the burden that they can stand better than the federal government," Carville said. While it might have been a principled conviction, politically it was an unpopular position inside his own party.

As Senator Carville returned home to Nevada to begin a tour of the state, he stepped off the train in Carlin, where he handed reporters a press release announcing he would seek to be elected in his own right to the Senate in 1946. The release stated Carville intended to file his candidacy officially with the Democratic Party of Nevada. Carville noted the importance of seniority in Congress and stated he would have 18 months of service in the United States Senate, something no other candidate could bring to the race. Carville ticked off the various issues of importance to the Silver State, including agriculture, mining and ranching.

Carville made the announcement of his candidacy in Elko County, where he had been born. Throughout his political career, dating back to his first election as district attorney, Carville

had always made his announcement of candidacy in his home county. As he had never lost a primary or general election, the senator thought it had brought him luck. That luck was about to run out.

Just after announcing his own candidacy to run for a full six-year term, Senator E. P. Carville spoke to a gathering in Reno where he said, "If we continue to allow our unalienable rights of self-government to slip away from us, from our counties and states and into the hands of the federal government, the day will come when we no longer will have the ability to govern ourselves, even when we so desire. Our priceless heritage will be gone."

Berkeley Bunker, undeterred by Senator Carville's candidacy, announced his own. Bunker had run at the top of the ticket in winning a seat in the House of Representatives in 1944. While in the Senate, Bunker had been a strong supporter of Franklin Roosevelt and his administration. Considerably younger than Carville, Bunker said he believed he could accomplish more for Nevada in the Senate than in the House. The congressman said he wished to help "Nevada and the west into a greater empire of opportunity."

As usual, Pat McCarran was resentful of his junior colleague, and much of his formidable machine moved in behind Congressman Berkeley Bunker.

Ted Carville and Berkeley Bunker had once upon a time been warm political friends. Governor Carville had helped the young state representative get himself elected as Speaker of the Nevada House of Representatives. Carville, in fact, had appointed Bunker twice to the United States Senate, first for the unexpired term of the late Key Pittman and secondly to the term beginning January 3, 1941, until the next regular election in

1942. To appoint Bunker, Governor Carville ignored the all too obvious senatorial ambitions of Congressman-at-Large James Scrugham, who was very likely the most personally popular politician in Nevada. Many Democrats could not get past the fact Berkeley Bunker's ambition had ended the friendship between the two men.

Still, as the primary approached, Bunker was generally believed to be in the lead, although some believed Senator Carville was gaining on the congressman. Election Day proved Carville could not overcome the stigma of having resigned from the governor's office to accept appointment to the Senate. Charles Gossett of Idaho had done the same thing and had also been defeated inside the Democratic primary. Berkeley Bunker beat Ted Carville decisively, winning with 55% of the vote.

In defeat, Senator E. P. Carville was gracious, congratulating his opponent and thanking his supporters. Bunker's challenge to Carville had been successful and while he won the battle, he lost the war.

In what proved to be a Republican year, GOP senatorial nominee George Malone received considerable support from Carville Democrats who refused to back Bunker. Malone's victory was one of the biggest upsets in a night chock full of election upsets. Berkeley Bunker would never win another general election.

Ted Carville returned to the practice of law in Reno with his son and namesake, who was a Republican. While the former governor and senator indicated he was not going to seek office in 1950, he did not close the door to the idea. "I still haven't said I'm not going to run for office," Carville told a reporter. "I'm not saying anything for the time being. I'm just sitting and watching."

Carville and his wife were devastated when Edward D. Carville, only 38-years-old, died of a massive heart attack in the law office he shared with his father in 1951. Another son, Richard, died the same year.

Carville never did seek elective office again, but instead worked on his lucrative law practice. The 71-year-old former governor began ailing from a heart condition and suffered a heart attack on June 27, 1956. Carville died in the ambulance on the way to the hospital. Ted Carville was laid to rest in Reno.

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Missing Man Table

Cont. from page 1 — Mall. I've been there many times as a patient or accompanying my veteran son on medical appointments, but hadn't noticed the solemn little table sitting on the left of the check-in windows before now.

I remember seeing a similar table at veteran events and breakfasts in Halls and South Knoxville.

The POW/MIA Missing Man Table is a dignified and sad display that appears at formal gatherings and other occasions. It always has a single chair

and sometimes the dress hats of the various military services. The table is set with a slice of lemon and a small amount of salt, a

salute to all the men and women who never returned from action in previous wars and conflicts.

A POW is a person held as a prisoner of war whose fate is unknown. About 80,000 people nationwide are still listed in that category.

More than 83,000 soldiers, sailors, marines and air force personnel are missing in action, or MIA, beginning with World War I. Occasionally, the remains of those missing veterans are returned and reunited with their families for burial.

For instance, the remains of U.S. Army Master Sergeant David Paul Sluder were returned to Knoxville in 2024. He

was reported as missing in action in the Korean War, 76 years ago.

The names of the known deceased POW or MIA Vietnam soldiers are added to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., as they are identified.

When a veteran's remains are returned to our area, it often is noted on local television news and the return marks the completion of that person's history for their loved ones. The burial of remains is a family decision, often followed by a full military funeral at a veterans cemetery or a private graveyard.





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In-person Workshop on Saturday, May 2 at UT Arboretum, Oak Ridge

By Melanie Staten, UT Arboretum

Join us to discover the amazing transformations of indigo, the enchanting natural blue dye that is centuries old! You will learn and create among nature's beauty in the University of Tennessee Arboretum in Oak Ridge, 901 S. Illinois Avenue on Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In this unique and intimate setting, limited to 12 students, fiber artist Jan Quarles will be your guide for an exploration of indigo and basic shibori - Japanese patternmaking techniques.

Students will learn about the history of indigo dye and how it's been used around the world. We will use two kinds of indigo vats, and you will learn how to make a small vat for home use. You'll explore folding and clamping (itajime) and wrapping (arashi), traditional Japanese techniques, and learn other ways to make marks on natural fabrics. The full-day workshop fee of \$185 covers all supplies including a silk scarf, two tea towels, an organic bandana, and sampling fabrics, as well as gloves, notes, a list of resources and extensive practice using provided shibori tools. UT Arboretum Society members receive a 10% discount.

The class will be held at the University of Tennessee Arboretum, 901 S. Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge Tennessee.

Registration is required. We will begin the day inside our auditorium for a history of indigo dying where Jan will share from her collection of textiles from around the world and will bring examples from her own indigo collection to share with our class. We will then move outside to the covered Sharp Program Shelter for the dye portion of the class. Please wear clothes you don't mind getting dye on (indigo can be a messy process). The class is planned from 9am-4pm. Please bring your own lunch, snacks, and drinks for the day. No refunds will be offered unless the class minimum is met or we are able to fill your spot from a waitlist.

Jan Quarles is a long-time fiber artist who works with beauty from the natural world. She has worked for over 30 years with fiber and color as a dyer, knitter, spinner and weaver. For the past 10 years she has focused on indigo in its many forms and on botanical printing. Jan is a former journalist and professor of mass communication having taught both in the U.S. and abroad. She has studied fiber arts from expert teachers at renowned crafts schools such as Arrowmont, Shakerag, Penland, John C. Campell, and Aya Studio. She studied during 2024 and 2025 in Japan and North Carolina with her shibori teacher.

For questions or registration issues please contact Michelle Campanis, UT Arboretum Education Coordinator, at mcampani@utk.edu or 865-483-7222.

Alternative response plan on city agenda

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new total to \$571,773. The police department is requesting an extension of the Victims of Crime Act grant from the state for an additional \$150,535, with no required city match.

The police department is also asking to apply for

several grants: \$1.6M from the state for substance abuse advocacy and prevention, \$35,000 from the state for overtime funding for pedestrian safety campaigns, \$250,000 from the state to support traffic enforcement and safe community programs, and

\$300,000 from the federal government for funding the department's forensic unit on gun crime investigations and prosecutions.

The council may approve \$18,000 in funding to several community agencies and organizations.

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Mabry-Hazen House presents

Dusk in the Dogwoods: A Garden Parlor Party

Join Mabry-Hazen for Dusk in the Dogwoods: A Garden Parlor Party on Thursday, April 9, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for their spring fundraiser!

The museum invites everyone to join Mabry-Hazen House for a celebration of three decades of historic preservation and educational programming and to support their efforts for the future. Treat yourself to a garden parlor and take in the beauty of Mabry's Hill in bloom, while you sip on a little giggle water and dance the evening away.

Dusk in the Dogwoods celebrates Mabry-Hazen House and raises money to support the continuing preservation of this important local history site. Support the museum's efforts to preserve, research and share local history through the lives of Evelyn Hazen, Eliza Franklin, Joseph Mabry and everyone who lived and worked at Mabry-Hazen House. Historic sites are America's open classrooms, nurturing our ability to imagine the lives of everyone who came before us and be inspired by their



Historic Mabry-Hazen House can be seen in the background of a previous year's garden party.

actions and ideals.

The event is a swingin' 1920s garden parlor party and will feature:

- Garden parlors with Victorian-style furniture
- Signature cocktails, local beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages
- Delectable hors d'oeuvres and snacks from Real Good Kitchen
- Live music from the Old City Buskers
- Costume contests for the Most Historically Authentic, Most Creative, and Most Spirited

(costumes are appreciated, but not required!)

- Dancing
 - A silent auction filled with amazing items and experiences from local small businesses, producers, makers, and more
 - Yard Games like croquet, bocce and horseshoes
 - Historic house museum tours
- And more!

What's A Garden Parlor Party?

The museum decorates

the lawn with gorgeous vintage Victorian-era-inspired furniture. Guests may reserve a private outdoor parlor space for a group or choose one of the many seating options across Mabry's Hill. A private parlor reservation includes admission for the corresponding number of people. Upon arrival at the party, you will reserve an available private parlor exclusively for your group, and a sign will be placed with your name.

Trail, Mabry-Hazen House, conserves over 80 dogwood trees. These showy bloomers will be in full force, adorning Mabry's Hill in an array of whites, pinks and greens. The site is also a level 1 arboretum, conserving over 30 tree species, including ancient southern magnolias, oaks, maples and eye-catching Carolina silverbells.

So kick your heels up, sit back in your garden parlor, and come party like it's 1926!

Ticket information

General Admission is \$125 per guest. Children aged 17 & younger attend free with a parent or guardian. Reserve a private parlor for four to ten guests, with parlors starting at \$600.

More information and tickets may be found at www.mabryhazen.com/dusk

Party Details

WHEN: Thursday, April 9, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (rain date of April 16th)

WHERE: Mabry-Hazen House, 1711 Dandridge Ave, Knoxville, TN 37915.

Additional Information

The Mabry-Hazen House Museum, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is located atop Mabry's Hill in Knoxville, Tennessee. Built in 1858, three generations of the same family resided in the Italianate-style home overlooking downtown Knoxville, the Tennessee River, and Great Smoky Mountains. The museum showcases one of the largest original family

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Three new places added for early voting

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hours at the City-County Building include 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. Special hours at Meridian Baptist Church in South Knoxville are 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 23.

Depending on the voter's district, voter ballots will contain 11 to 13 races. Republican and Democratic sample ballots have all 18 races and may be previewed on the commission's website www.knoxvotes.org.

Voter registration is open until Monday, April 6, and eligible voters may register at www.sos.tn.gov/elections.

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Dusk in the Dogwoods: A Garden Parlor Party



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CHARACTER STAR ATHLETES FOR 2025-26

CSA program chooses quality over quantity

By Steve Williams

Like everything else, the costs to honor the Careacter Star Athletes this year have gone up.

Award T-shirts and packages have nearly doubled in price.

When Dave Moore, the director of the CSA program, gave coaches the news, they understood that something had to change.

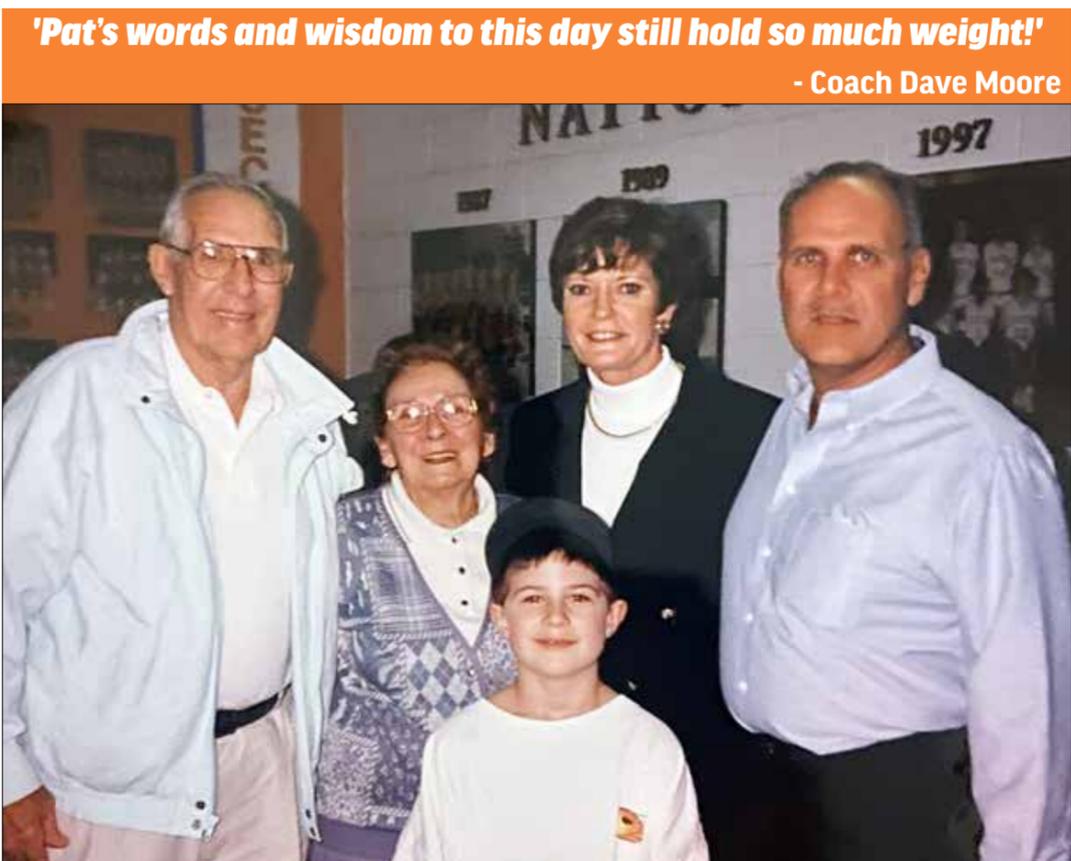
“Only half of the specific loyal sponsors that we’ve had for all these years were continuing to contribute,” said Coach Moore. “Then it hit me – I remembered sitting in Pat Summitt’s office in 2000 proposing the program (CSA) to her and she said, ‘We are all in,’ but she had one suggestion – to recognize less players because it would mean more, and it’s quality over quantity that stuck with me and that’s what we’ve done!”

So this year the number of Careacter Star Athletes will be the Top 5 instead of the Top 10.

“We have to cut back,” said Moore. “But I’ll also say this: We will always have the Careacter Star program, even if we have only one honoree in each sport.”

In addition to the honorees listed this year by each team, four coaches recognized one athlete

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‘Pat’s words and wisdom to this day still hold so much weight!’ - Coach Dave Moore

The above picture was taken in 1998 at the Thompson-Boling Arena two years before Dave Moore started the CAREacter Star Athlete program with Pat Summitt and the Lady Vols and Coach Phil Fulmer with the Tennessee football team. The CSA program, which promotes and recognizes good character, is in its 25th year. In the picture is Dave’s dad Emmett Moore, his mom Virginia Moore, Coach Summitt, Dave’s son Andrew (7 years old then) and Coach Moore. Summitt had invited Coach Moore’s parents as VIPs to a UT home game. “She gave them the royal treatment,” recalled Dave. “We all sat behind the bench. It was a night to remember for my parents and the Lady Vols won naturally!”

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Notes

from the scorecard

Farragut off to 5-0 start in 2026

By Ken Lay

The 2026 high school boys soccer schedule is kicking into high gear and some area teams are off to hot starts out of the gate.

And perhaps no team is off to a hotter start than the Farragut Admirals.

The Admirals had a 6-0 record heading into the weekend and were competing in the Smoky Mountain Cup in Gatlinburg.

Farragut goalkeeper Matthew Burney has posted multiple clean sheets early as the Admirals have shut out Oak Ridge, Catholic, Austin-East and Westminster (Georgia).

Burney had seven saves on Thursday night in a 2-0 victory over Westminster (the defending Class 4A

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Brooke Weaver powers Lady Rebels past Bearden in rivalry game

By Ken Lay

Some timely hitting, solid defense and steady pitching were the ingredients for a winning recipe for the West High School softball in a non-district midweek victory over rival Bearden Wednesday night.

The Lady Rebels (5-5) and Lady Bulldogs (4-6) were embroiled in a 0-0 deadlock Wednesday night at Bearden’s Kim Hazelwood Field through two innings until West senior pitcher Brooke Weaver clubbed a three-run homer over the

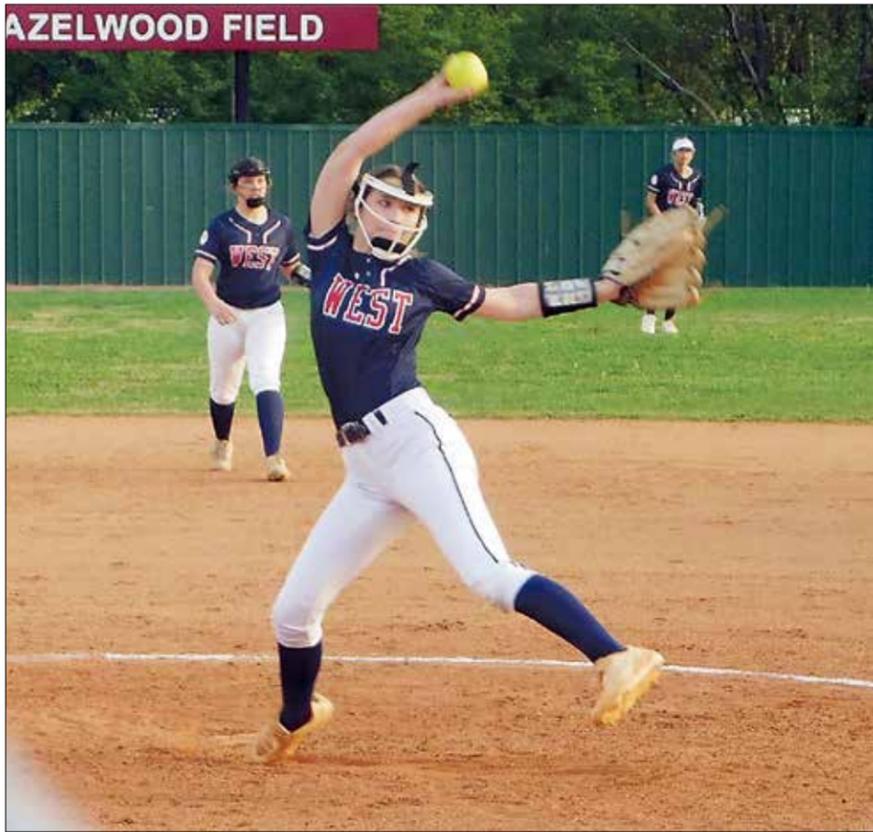
left-field fence with one out in the top of the third frame.

The Lady Rebels extended their advantage to 5-0 at the top of the fourth as Ava Humphreys and Mia Beeler came up with RBI singles. Humphreys’ scoring hit plated Joli Bush, who doubled to lead off the inning.

Beeler’s hit scored Humphreys, who stole second before coming home.

After a slow start at the plate, the Lady

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West High senior Brooke Weaver delivers a pitch Wednesday in the Lady Rebels’ 6-1 victory over Bearden. Weaver earned the win in the circle, allowing five hits and striking out seven. She also hit a three-run home run in the contest. Photo by Ken Lay.

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Knox County basketball coaches 'wrap-up' this year's state tourney

By Steve Williams

Knox County's three representatives at the TSSAA Boys State Basketball tournament this season each saw their play end at a different spot on the bracket.

Fulton won its quarterfinal and semifinal games to make it to the finals in Class 3A and brought home the Silver Ball after falling to Alcoa 57-48 down the stretch.

Bearden prevailed in its Class 4A quarterfinal game with a 55-52 win over Hendersonville Beech but lost in the semis to a sizzling Bartlett team 71-61. The Panthers went on to capture its first Gold Ball.

Farragut, also a Class 4A team, lost its quarterfinal game to Walker Valley 76-58, although the Admirals were in contention when the fourth quarter started.

Here's how the head coaches wrapped it up.

It took a while for Falcons to get rolling this season

"I felt like this team over-achieved in a lot of areas and we had a chance to be a good basketball team when the season started, but it took us a while to figure things out," said Fulton Coach Jody Wright.

"When you get down to Murfreesboro everything changes. The stakes are higher, the lights are brighter and sometimes teams just don't perform like you think they should. This team exceeded all expectations as far as that goes. They went down there and played their butts off for three games. Undersized and outmanned. They fought the whole week and I'm so proud of how they played.

"Saturday's final did not go exactly the way we wanted it to, especially the last four minutes,

but that does not diminish what this team accomplished this season. Their work habits and their mindset were special. And it was fun to watch them grow and develop not only as basketball players, but as young men. I'm super proud of these guys and excited to watch them grow and develop for next season. This team has a chance to be really good. There were four sophomores and a freshman on the floor in the state championship game and they all had Fulton jerseys on. This team has a chance to be really good next year."

Bearden coach shocked by Bartlett's shooting

Jeremy Parrott, Bearden head coach, couldn't believe how good Bartlett shot the ball in their matchup.

"I was floored," he said. The

Memphis team shot 72.7 percent on 2-point field goals and 3-pointers combined. They also hit 82 percent at the line. "I knew they were shooting it well, but I had no idea that it was that well.

"They shot 50 percent I think in the state championship game and if we could have gotten them to shoot 50 percent, we might have had a chance to get them.

"We shot 53 percent and had 11 3s ourselves."

Parrott added "when you're playing a Top 5 or Top 10 team in the country - I think we were ranked 17th or 18th ourselves - and they're shooting like that, it's going to be hard to get a hold of them."

The Bearden coach concluded that it was a well-earned state trip for a good basketball team. "We had a great year."

Parrott also added that winning the state 4A in boys is "a whole different level most seasons. Size

differences and depth compared to the other classes is vast."

Admirals were distracted some just by being at state

"I was extremely proud of our group for the year we had, the results we had and the trip we were fortunate enough to make to Murfreesboro," said Farragut Coach J.P. Burris.

"I think state was such a big accomplishment that it may have also caused a little distraction as far as our actual play which is why we didn't play quite our best.

"But overall it was an unbelievable experience and a historic season for our program led by our five seniors - Parker Lane, Britton Lewis, Dan Lanning, Reid Vining and Aidan Foshie.

CSA program chooses quality over quantity



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from their team who had displayed exceptional 'good character.'

CSA honorees in girls basketball and boys basketball will be announced in The Focus' next two issues.

RECOGNITION OF GOOD CHARACTER

HARDIN VALLEY ACADEMY

"Dylan Umansky was the starting quarterback for us during his junior season. He moved positions to defensive line for his senior year and displayed an unwavering selflessness and high character to lead our team from another position."

Head Coach Tyler Wynn

CONCORD CHRISTIAN

"We have had several youth camps over the last year and Gavin Guinn has been to every one, offering support and

encouragement to the young campers, not only helping them with football instructions but also tips about life in general."

Head Coach Steve Matthews

GIBBS

"Case Daniel is always willing to help with anything on and off the field. He is selfless and leads by example even as a freshman. He is committed to our community and volunteers every chance he gets. He's a great student and has a very bright future in Gibbs football and the Gibbs community."

Head Coach Brad Turner

GRACE CHRISTIAN

"Evan Pritchard was an All-State player for us during his time at Grace and was always positive and brought a joyful attitude to our program."

Head Coach Justin Price

Hardin Valley's Dylan Umansky displayed good character when he switched positions his senior year for the betterment of the team.

Brooke Weaver powers Lady Rebels past Bearden in rivalry game

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Rebels saw their offense kick into overdrive as they collected 10 hits, including two doubles from Bush and Weaver's round-tripper that opened the scoring.

"This was a good solid effort and a big win for us," West coach Brandy Weaver said. "We played good defense, we hit the ball well and the pitching was good, too.

"I'm so proud of these kids."

Brooke Weaver pitched a complete game, going seven innings. She gave up one unearned run in the bottom of the seventh. She also surrendered five hits and two walks, while striking out seven.

West scored its sixth run of the contest in the sixth, making it 6-0, on an RBI single from Claire

Davenport that plated EB Bibee, who reached on an error and stole second earlier in the inning.

The Lady Bulldogs scored in the seventh when Ada Daniels picked up an RBI on a sacrifice fly.

"We waited too long to make adjustments," Bearden coach Alicia Boris said. "We started making adjustments in the fifth, but we've got to be quicker.

"Sometimes, you try to do too much and you just have to get back to fundamentals."

Things only got worse for the Bulldogs on Thursday as they dropped a 17-0 decision to Lenoir City.

Meanwhile, the Lady Rebels outlasted Central, 17-12, in a slugfest on Tuesday and dropped a narrow 6-5 game to Powell on Thursday.

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Football Trips and Trains

When you think about it, trains have been involved in several memorable moments in the history of Tennessee football, way before the 1972 game at Georgia when Vol fans rode a chartered train from Atlanta to Athens. Three of us—Doug Jones, Jim Gentry, and I—were lucky enough to make that trip and remember it to this day.

In 1925, the start of the Tennessee-Georgia game, a 12-7 Vol win, was delayed nearly an hour because the train carrying the officials was delayed en route. The game actually started with volunteer officials being recruited from the stands. Imagine that happening these days.

The officials finally arrived later on, being let off the train near the South end of the stadium. The game concluded as darkness settled over the field.

In 1957, Tennessee traveled by train to Memphis to play Ole Miss at Crump Stadium. The route of choice was through Chattanooga, through northern Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, back into Tennessee, then onward and upward to Memphis.

“Coach Wyatt had a phobia about flying,” said Bill Johnson, a co-captain and All-American selection that season. “The train went to Chattanooga, and then started west. At about 2 or 3 a.m., we were somewhere in West Tennessee when there was an accident. It stopped the train for 7 or 8 hours. We did not get to Memphis until noon for a 1 p.m. kickoff.”

The Vols lost 14-7.

Then there was the hush-hush way Bob Woodruff brought Doug Dickey to Knoxville on Dec. 2, 1963. Woodruff wanted to keep a proper veil of secrecy over his arrival, telling Dickey to fly from Fayetteville, Ark., to Memphis the night before. He then had Dickey board a train to Knoxville that would arrive in town by 6 a.m. Monday, early enough, Bob thought, to keep him away from all those pesky sportswriters.



Bill Majors was a talented single-wing tailback/defensive back from 1958-60 and later an assistant coach, shown here playing on Shields-Watkins Field against Alabama.

When asked later why he didn't fly all the way to Knoxville from Fayetteville, Dickey had a ready answer: “Coach Woodruff wanted me there in the morning.”

Never a respecter of secrecy, the News-Sentinel's Marvin West was at the train station when Dickey arrived and garnered the first picture of the young coach arriving in Knoxville. The picture made it into that afternoon's News-Sentinel.

In 1965, in one of the saddest chapters in Tennessee gridiron

history, three assistant coaches died in an early morning car-train accident, Cessna at Westland Drive in West Knoxville, on Monday, Oct. 18, two days after the Alabama game, a 7-7 tie Vol fans perceived as a victory.

John Majors' brother, Bill, and Bob Jones were killed instantly, while Charley Rash died the next Thursday.

In 1977, the Tennessee team buses came perilously close to being sideswiped by a train as the team journeyed from Silver

Springs to Gainesville for the Florida game. The team buses were on State Route 315 when they came to an unguarded Seaboard Coast Line crossing.

John Majors, seated on the first bus, remembered it well.

“I was reading at the time and glanced up and saw this train coming lickety-split,” John Majors told Knoxville Journal sportswriter and Vol Network staffer Russ Bebb. “It was right on us. We probably didn't miss getting hit by more than two seconds. I

remember thinking the No. 2 bus had been destroyed. There was no doubt in my mind.”

Bebb reported that buses No. 2 and 3 were able to skid to a stop just a few feet away from the crossing.

He also reported that Majors chewed out the trooper leading the procession when the team arrived at the stadium. “I was absolutely astounded that he would do such a thing, and I let him know it when we got to the stadium,” said John.

When Tennessee played Georgia at a much-smaller Sanford Stadium in Athens on Nov. 4, 1972, many of the Vol partisans in attendance rode to the game on a special Southern Railway train from Atlanta, getting off the train near the stadium's east end zone.

That was really something special. That was the way to go to a game.

Tennessee won, 14-0, and the trip back to Atlanta through the gloaming of the early evening was fun for all concerned. What would it be like, many on the train wondered, to ride a train to other road games?

For Vol fans of that day, it brought back memories of the days Tennessee traveled by train to nearly every venue.

If you don't remember the days passenger trains came into and out of Knoxville on a regular basis, either from the L&N Station in the Lower Second Creek Valley or the Southern Railway Station near Gay Street, you're not alone.

The last passenger trains rolled through Knoxville in the late 1960s, so many of the more youthful fans may be wondering what the fuss was about. In those days, there was a certain mystique, something special about a train trip anywhere, but especially to a football game.

All the elements of history cast aside, would Vol fans ride a train to a game today?

No one really knows, but one thing is a certainty, even after more than 50 years.

The trip home, regardless of the mode of transportation, would be a lot more fun after a win.

The Legacy of Rick Barnes

By Mark Nagi

Back in 2015, Tennessee's men's basketball program was reeling. They had just fired Donnie Tyndall after one season due to potential NCAA rules violations he committed while at Southern Miss. The Vols would now be looking for their third coach in four years.

Then UT Director of Athletics Dave Hart said the vetting of Tyndall was good ... which it obviously was not. Hart needed to hit a home run for Tyndall's replacement, and he did with the hiring of Rick Barnes.

Hart, who made many mistakes during his six years as Tennessee's AD, was extremely fortunate that a Hall of Fame-level coach was on the market.

Barnes had been fired following his 17th season at Texas. He was the program's winningest coach, with a 402-180 record, and led the program to the Final 4 in 2003. But after seven straight years without a Sweet 16 appearance, newly hired Texas AD Steve Patterson demanded that Barnes make changes to his coaching staff. Barnes refused and was dismissed.

Yes, Barnes and Patterson had a poor relationship. And that poor relationship was a lifeline for Hart. In 2025, Barnes recalled his exit from Austin and looked back at it with gratitude. “I made the comment that the athletic director at the time, Steve Patterson, fired me. He didn't really fire me. He just carried out

what God wanted him to do because I truly believe that God brought me to Knoxville for a reason.”

Barnes is from Hickory, NC, and played at Lenoir-Rhyne. This part of the country is home to him. Coming back East was a terrific season for him and for Tennessee. In his first two years, the Vols only went a combined 31-35. But his third season (2018-2019) was the breakthrough. The Vols came out of nowhere to win the SEC regular season championship, and they've been in the mix for conference and national success pretty much every season going forward. In fact, they've finished no lower than 4th in the SEC after that season.

Now in his 11th year in Knoxville, Barnes has

established himself as the best men's basketball coach in the program's history. Heading into last weekend, Barnes had a 256-120 record. That's a winning percentage of 68%.

The Vols have won the SEC regular season title twice and the SEC tournament once. Tennessee has also been to the Sweet 16 five times and twice earned a place in the Elite 8.

(Note: This article was

written before Tennessee's Sweet 16 game against Iowa State late Friday night.)

Better than legendary Ray Mears. Better than Bruce Pearl. Better than Don DeVoe.

Rick Barnes stands at the top of the heap.

To be completely honest, I thought that Barnes was lining up for one more payday when he took the Tennessee job, much like

Jerry Green did after Kevin O'Neill left in 1997. But Barnes, now 71, has given the Vols the stability that they so desperately needed during a very rough time at UT. Barnes could choose to ride off into the sunset following this season. He might coach for another few years. He might never win another game at Tennessee.

No matter. His legacy is complete.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Fulton has mixed results in baseball

By Ken Lay

A busy week on the diamond produced mixed results for the Fulton High School last week.

But a pair of games on Thursday didn't go the way that the Falcons would've liked as they opened the Sports Animal Classic with two losses at Larry Cox Field.

Fulton had a late-afternoon tilt against Trousdale County and fell, 11-3, to the Yellow Jackets.

The Falcons fell behind early before scoring all three of their runs in the bottom of the fifth inning as they struggled to solve Trousdale starter Gavin McGuire, a left-hander, who pitched 5.1 innings.

McGuire allowed three runs (one earned), six hits and one walk. He finished with four strikeouts before giving way to Landyn Soper, who recorded the last two outs of the contest.

McGuire also contributed at the plate, hitting in the leadoff spot. He went 2-for-4 and drove in a run.

Offensively for the Falcons, Noah Lyons, Fulton's leadoff man, went 1-for-3 with a double, while

Joseph Garcia, Manny McNish and Trey Salyer also had hits against the Yellow Jackets (7-1).

In Thursday's nightcap, the Tellico Plains Bears edged the Falcons, 7-5, as Lyons was 2-for-4 with two triples, two RBIs and a run scored. Garcia also had three hits.

On Wednesday, Fulton stunned Gibbs, 6-1, at Morgan Wallen Field in Corryton.

The Falcons got out to a fast start, scoring three runs in the first inning.

Garcia has three hits and scored twice, while Gavin Gant singled and scored. Alex Bailey singled, drove in one run and scored another.

Westin Myers was solid on the mound as he threw a complete game, going seven innings. He allowed one run, four hits and four walks. He finished with two strikeouts.

The Falcons opened the week by splitting a District 3-2A series in Cocke County, winning the opener, 3-2, in Newport on Monday, March 23, and falling, 6-2, in North Knoxville on Tuesday.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE BASEBALL



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

In 1951, Knoxville established its first Little League team for Black children on Payne Avenue. The statue of boys on that team is outside the main entrance to Covenant Health Park, where the Knoxville Smokies will begin their season Friday night against Birmingham.

Smokies play season opener Friday night

By Steve Williams

The Knoxville Smokies will open their second season Friday night at Covenant Health Park with the first pitch scheduled for 7.

The Smokies' season opener will be against the Birmingham Barons, last season's Southern League champions.

As far as entertainment off the diamond, President and CEO Chris Allen said. "We have a lot of classic successful things that we do, like the Margaritaville Night."

The venue is expected to turn into Knox Vegas every Thirsty Thursday.

All You Can Eat Wednesdays, Feel Good Fridays and Weekend Fireworks also have their spots on the schedule of course.

Grateful Dead Night and Elvis Night also will return this season, said Allen.

An Easter Celebration with the Easter Bunny will be this coming Sunday and there will also be a post-game Easter Egg hunt.

On the field last season, the Smokies finished in second place in

the first half and third place in the second half. Their overall season record was 69-67.

Allen mentioned three Smokies that will be returning or making their first appearance in Knoxville this season. They were outfielder Jordan Nwogu, first baseman Haydn McGeary, a popular player, and Ethan Conrad from Wake Forest, who was drafted 17th overall in the first round.

"I expect a fun, enjoyable evening when you come to the ballpark," Allen sincerely said.

The hole is just getting deeper for UT women's basketball

I can see Tennessee Athletic Director Danny White giving Kim Caldwell another year simply because he doesn't want to



By Steve Williams

admit that he was wrong in hiring her in the first place. And all that is going to do is throw the Lady Vols farther back in line.

I still can't believe UT hired someone that had coached on the Division

2 level for all but one season. No offense to Glensville State, but I had never heard of that school.

Caldwell's unusual offensive system is not working and her post-game behavior has been embarrassing. You know, the fly-by handshake at Ole Miss. That was very unsportsmanlike and reflects on the entire university.

Kim should have learned more from Rick Barnes.

I heard Saturday morning that four UT players have now gone into the women's portal.

Can you blame them?

If I had White's position, there is a former Lady Vol I would at least contact to see if she had any interest in returning to Tennessee and that's Kara Lawson. She has excelled everywhere she's been since graduating at UT.

Who wouldn't be

interested in Kara, who is now the head coach at Duke and also the head coach of the U.S. women's national team.

After her college days, Lawson played for years in the WNBA before becoming an expert analyst for ESPN basketball broadcasts.

I would rank Kara right up there with Dawn Staley when it comes to women's basketball.

Sorry Kim, you're way down on my list.

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Farragut off to 5-0 start in 2026

Cont. from page 1 Georgia State Champion) at the Smoky Mountain Cup.

Charlie Sorochan scored a goal and dished out an assist for the Admirals in their last match. Caleb Gahagan also scored off an assist from Hudson Hale.

Farragut opened the week with a 6-0 victory over the Roadrunners on Tuesday night at home.

Cherokees win two: South-Doyle (6-1 overall, 1-0 in District 5-2A) had shut-outs against Heritage on Thursday and Cocke County on Tuesday.

The Cherokees, who are in the midst of a six-game winning streak after opening the season with a loss to Halls, blanked Cocke County, 4-0, as Cameron Harp scored twice. Roger Cruz had a goal and two assists, while Jude Straussfogel also scored in that match.

On Thursday, South-Doyle opened district play with a 5-0 win over Heritage in Maryville.

Cruz and Harp each had two goals and an assist against the Mountaineers.

Finn Straussfogel scored and dished out an assist and Jude Straussfogel also scored for the Cherokees.

Hawks win at William Blount: Hardin Valley Academy opened District 4-3A play Tuesday with a 5-0 victory over the Governors on Tuesday.

With the win, HVA bounced back from a 4-0 loss to Hendersonville at the Bearden Invitational on Saturday, March 21.

Bearden posts victories over Lenoir City and Science Hill: The Bulldogs (6-1 overall, 1-0 in District 4-3A) shut out the Panthers and the Hilltoppers last week.

Bearden opened league play with a 3-0 victory over Lenoir City Tuesday night at Turner-Allender Field.

Goalkeeper Eli Keener not only had a clean sheet, but he also scored in the match. Aidan Ainsworth and Tim Styles also found the back of the net in the match.

In its 4-0 win over Science Hill at home on Thursday, Bearden got goals from Ainsworth, Ahmed Dkhiri, Aidan Zalk and Sonny Tabares.

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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 Jeddiah 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 SESSION 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 judgment 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. 212589-2

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, 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 judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Richard B. Armstrong 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

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TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES EDWARD DUBOSE and O CITYVIEW AVENUE, LOT 28, SUNSET PARK ADDITION, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915

IN RE: PARAGON DEVELOPMENT, L.P., Plaintiff vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES EDWARD DUBOSE and O CITYVIEW AVENUE, LOT 28, SUNSET PARK ADDITION, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915, Defendant

NO. 212809 Part III

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES EDWARD DUBOSE and O CITYVIEW AVENUE, LOT 28, SUNSET PARK ADDITION, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915, 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 UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES EDWARD DUBOSE and O CITYVIEW AVENUE, LOT 28, SUNSET PARK ADDITION, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915, it is ordered that said defendant, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JAMES EDWARD DUBOSE and O CITYVIEW AVENUE, LOT 28, SUNSET PARK ADDITION, KNOXVILLE, TN 37915, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Luke D. Durham, an Attorney whose address is 265 Brookview Centre Way, Suite 604, Knoxville, TN 37919, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher Heagerty 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 23rd day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GEORGE B. HITT

IN RE: MELVIN E. FARMER, Plaintiff vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GEORGE B. HITT, Defendant

NO. 212014-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GEORGE B. HITT, 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 THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GEORGE B. HITT, it is ordered that said defendant, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF GEORGE B. HITT, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Barbara W. Clark, BPR., an Attorney whose address is 2415 E. Magnolia Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37917, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty 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 26th day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: DEE-ANNA JOHNSON, MACIL BROOKS, AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF MACIL BROOKS

IN RE: MITCH WINTERS, Plaintiff vs.

DEE-ANNA JOHNSON, MACIL BROOKS, AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF MACIL BROOKS, Defendants

NO. 176757 Part I

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, DEE-ANNA JOHNSON, MACIL BROOKS, AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF MACIL BROOKS, non-residents 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 DEE-ANNA JOHNSON, MACIL BROOKS, AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF MACIL BROOKS, it is ordered that said defendants, DEE-ANNA JOHNSON, MACIL BROOKS, AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF MACIL BROOKS, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Ryan S. Wortley, an Attorney whose address is 3715 Powers St., Knoxville, TN 37917, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John Weaver, at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 25th day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: AMANDA DAWN KEITH

IN RE: HENRY ALEXANDER KEITH, II, Plaintiff vs. AMANDA DAWN KEITH, Defendant

NO. 212826 Part III

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, AMANDA DAWN KEITH, 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 AMANDA DAWN KEITH, it is ordered that said defendant, AMANDA DAWN KEITH file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Daisey Lovin, an Attorney whose address is 607 W. Summit Hill Dr., Knoxville, TN 37902, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher Heagerty 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 25th day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: SAMANTHA DAWN RIDLEY

IN RE: DEJOHN LAMOUNT RIDLEY, Plaintiff vs. SAMANTHA DAWN RIDLEY, Defendant

NO. 176755 Part III

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, SAMANTHA DAWN RIDLEY, 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 SAMANTHA DAWN RIDLEY, it is ordered that said defendant, SAMANTHA DAWN RIDLEY, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Ryan S. Wortley, an Attorney whose address is 3715 Powers St., Knoxville, TN 37917, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher Heagerty 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 23rd day of MARCH, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: TANYA C. ARNOLD

DOCKET NUMBER 92169-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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 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) LARRY J. COLLINS

9418 LUSK ROAD

STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN 37871

GLEN R. THOMPSON, ATTORNEY

P. O. BOX 6127

KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

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) T. J. CARDWELL

11239 MATTHEWS COVE LANE

FARRAGUT, TN 37934

CATHERINE WARBROD, ATTORNEY

10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200

KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LINDA SNOW COLE

al/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, al/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

al/k/a LINDA GRACE COLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SONYA M. COLE

888 OAKLAND ROAD

SWEETWATER, TN 37874

BEN T. NORRIS, ATTORNEY

P. O. BOX 397

STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN 37871

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 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 RALPH SAMUEL EVANS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) STUART SAMUEL EVANS

6208 APACHE TRAIL

KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

M. SUE WHITE, ATTORNEY

216 PHOENIX CT. SUITE D

SEYMOUR, TN 37865

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 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 27th day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

ESTATE OF NORA JEAN LUMPKIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) CHARLOTTE BYRD

9510 CANNON LANE

STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN 37871

KELSEY R. REILLY, ATTORNEY

800 S. GAY STREET, #1400

KNOXVILLE, TN 37929

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SANDRA LYNN MASTERS

DOCKET NUMBER 91885-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SANDRA LYNN MASTERS, who died Oct. 14, 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.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM WALTER CLARKSON
DOCKET NUMBER 92177-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM WALTER CLARKSON, who died Dec. 27, 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 11th day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM WALTER CLARKSON
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KAREN GALYON
505 RIDGE RD.
MARYVILLE, TN 37803

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BETTY JEAN CLEMONS
DOCKET NUMBER 92253-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of BETTY JEAN CLEMONS, who died on February 3, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates 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 MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF BETTY JEAN CLEMONS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM RAY CLEMONS
6452 SON LIGHT WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

CARIN C. BRIO, ATTORNEY
3217 GARDEN DRIVE, SUITE 1
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RUTH PHILLIPS CROLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 91859-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of RUTH PHILLIPS CROLEY, who died September 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)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 20 day of MARCH, 2026

ESTATE OF RUTH PHILLIPS CROLEY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHARLES DAVID HAMILTON, SR.
11109 ANCHORAGE CIRCLE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

CHRISTOPHER W. MARTIN, ATTORNEY
920 VOLUNTEER LANDING, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37915

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RALPH STEVEN DAVIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92174-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RALPH STEVEN DAVIS, who died Jan. 29, 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 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 11th day of March, 2026.

ESTATE OF RALPH STEVEN DAVIS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DUSTIN LEE DAVIS
6817 SEVIERVILLE PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

SARAH OTT MCDONNELL
4407 CYPRESS LANAE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOSIAH VIRGIL DOAN, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 92283-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JOSIAH VIRGIL DOAN, JR., who died November 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 is the 25th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF JOSIAH VIRGIL DOAN, JR.
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TERRI DOAN GEISER
6819 FLINT GAP ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

M. SAMANTHA PARRIS, ATTORNEY
2908 TAZEWELL PIKE, SUITE G
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES M. FOX
DOCKET NUMBER 92282-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JAMES M. FOX, who died January 26, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Knox County 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)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026.

(2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES M. FOX
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LEIGH A. FOX
800 CEDAR LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

DAVID B. HAMILTON, ATTORNEY
1810 MERCHANT DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GERALD EMIL GOMBERT
DOCKET NUMBER 92124-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of GERALD EMIL GOMBERT, who died on January 14, 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 20 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF GERALD EMIL GOMBERT
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JONATHAN DALE GOMBERT
11851 BLACK ROAD
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GREGORY MAPLES
DOCKET NUMBER 92284-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026, Letters of Testamentary/ Administration in respect to the Estate of GREGORY MAPLES, deceased, who died on February 22, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division for Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured against his/her Estate are required to file the same in triplicate with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the Decedent's date of death.
This the 23rd day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF GREGORY MAPLES
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MIRANDA MAPLES
1500 RAMBLING ROAD
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SANDRA E. MORRIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92143-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 13 day of MARCH, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SANDRA E. MORRIS, who died Aug. 5, 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 13 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF SANDRA E. MORRIS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ANGELA ELLIOTT, ADMINISTRATRIX
7218 JANA CHRIS LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES LOWRY SHOEMAKER
DOCKET NUMBER 92195-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 13 day of MARCH, 2026, Letters Testamentary CTA in respect of the Estate of JAMES LOWRY SHOEMAKER, who died on June 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 six (6) 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 13 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES LOWRY SHOEMAKER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
OLD NORTH STATE TRUST, LLC
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JON R. SIMONS
DOCKET NUMBER 92196-2
Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JON R. SIMONS, who died November 26, 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 5th day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF JON R. SIMONS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GINA BROWN
2708 REAMS PLACE
FRANKLIN, TN 37064

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HOSEA LELAND SKINNER
DOCKET NUMBER 92248-1
Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HOSEA LELAND SKINNER, who died on December 23, 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 20 day of MARCH, 2026.

ESTATE OF HOSEA LELAND SKINNER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
HOSEA DAVID SKINNER
9836 CRESTLINE DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DWAYNE CARLTON WALLS
DOCKET NUMBER 91864-3
Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of MARCH, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DWAYNE CARLTON WALLS, who died Nov. 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 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 24th day of March, 2026

ESTATE OF DWAYNE CARLTON WALLS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DWAYNE J. WALLS
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MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94
Knox County will receive bids for the following items and services:
BID 3724, FIRE ALARM SERVICES, Due 4/22/26
RFP 3726, ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS REDESIGN, Due 4/29/26
For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000

North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/procurement. To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to www.govdeals.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that Your Extra Storage will sell the contents of the units listed at the locations below at a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien (pursuant to Tennessee Code Title 66, Property § 66-31-105). The sale will be held online at StorageTreasures.com on 04/15/26 at approx. 9:00 am. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder; subject to additional terms noted on the website. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted.

- 254 Harry Lane Blvd, Knoxville, TN 37923:**
M26 - James Kipa
- 7144 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37849:**
B15 - Brent Mead; F10 - Ralph Keller, Jr.; G61 - George & Dana Webber / George Webber; H08 - Jason Brewer

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of Chestnut Street Transport & Recovery. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at a public auction held on April 13, 2026, at 2430 Thorngrove Pike Knoxville, TN. Vehicles will be sold "AS IS" and make no warranty as to condition or title.

- 1995 Ford Taurus 1FALP52UXSA283421 (Ann M. Cole)
- 2013 GMC Terrain 2GKALWEK2D6107979 (Kenneth Ray Reisinger Jr. / Sunnyside Auto Sales)
- 2012 Cadillac SRX 3GYFN636C5632769 (Anthony Miller)
- 1999 Ford Expedition 1FMRU17L0XL71544 (Edith Helton)

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owners and/or lienholders of the following vehicles are hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicles being held at the storage lot of Cedar Bluff Towing. Failure to reclaim these vehicles will be deemed a waiver of all rights and titles along with consent to dispose of said vehicles at a public auction held on April 13, 2026, at 623 Simmons Rd., Knoxville, TN. Vehicles will be sold "AS IS" and make no warranty as to condition or title.

- 2011 Nissan Murano JN8AZ1MWWBW176802 (Kai N. Birchall)
- 2007 Toyota Camry 4T1BE46K17U071801 (Chloe Hash)
- 2002 Subaru Outback 4S3B6H5727601309 (Berkley Stombaugh)
- 2011 Subaru Outback 4S4BRBAC0B3372843 (Jerrin Sage Fisher)
- 2013 Ford Explorer 1FM5K8D86D6C62273 (Hugo Rueda / Estefani Martinez / Southern Auto Dealers Inc)
- 2009 Ford Edge 2FMDK38C39BB03934 (Karyn Smith)
- 2010 Dodge Ram 1500 1D7RV16TXAS174927 (Medary Gloribel Rodriguez Moran)
- 2010 Toyota Camry 4T1BF3EK6AU030192 (Romero Camargo, Kairuth Asnielly)
- 2014 Mitsubishi Outlander JA4AD3A31E2006826 (Cassandra Jimenez)
- 2002 Ford F-150 1FTRX18L2NB49141 (Brayden M. Mountain)
- 2013 Toyota Camry 4T1BF1FKXDU687620 (Augusta C. Wheeler)
- 2011 Mini Cooper WMWSU3C53BT098266 (Joy C. Wilson)
- 2013 Volvo C70 YV1672MC7D138165 (William Tilson / Ally Financial)