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East TN Historical Society President Warren Dockter presents Ray Hill, author, historian and Focus columnist, an Award of Excellence for his biography of Senator Kenneth McKellar, which was published by the University of TN Press.

Ray Hill's McKellar Book Wins ETHS Award

By Focus Staff

Ray Hill's biography of Tennessee's first popularly elected and longest serving United States senator, Kenneth McKellar, was recognized by the East Tennessee Historical Society with an Award of Excellence in the field of publication. The book, "Senator Kenneth McKellar: Feudin' Son of Tennessee," was published last summer by the University of Tennessee Press.

The ETHS annually bestows Awards of Excellence in different categories for those projects that promote and preserve our region's history.

Hill received the Award of Excellence at a banquet at the ETHS last Tuesday, May 5, and amused guests by denying that he was an exhibit. Ray Hill and other winners of the ETHS's Award of Excellence were honored at the dinner.

"It was a very great honor to win an Award of Excellence from the East Tennessee Historical Society," Hill said. "I am very grateful to the folks at the East Tennessee Historical Society, as it is a very meaningful award."

Knoxville Focus publisher Steve Hunley and his wife Kim hosted a

table at the ETHS banquet and senior staff writer Mike Steely was present among many other guests, including Hill's youngest sister and her husband.

The East TN Historical Society described Hill's book about Senator McKellar as "a comprehensive biography of one of the most influential figures in Tennessee history."

"Drawing on decades of meticulous research, including archival work, personal correspondence, and interviews, Hill provides a definitive account of McKellar's life and career."

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BOE renews Rysewyk's contract

By Pete Gawda

At their meeting on Thursday, May 7, the Knox County Board of Education unanimously approved a new contract for superintendent Jon Rysewyk and recognized outgoing student representative Albert Liu.

Rysewyk's new contract, which begins June 1, 2026, and expires May 31, 2030, includes a base salary of \$266,000, which is the same as the superintendent's base salary for the 2025/2026 school year. The contract also allows for a salary increase of up to \$10,000 a year based on the board's determination that the superintendent has met specific performance objectives. A new provision in this contract calls for the board to carry liability insurance against lawsuits brought against the board and/or director.

In order to evaluate the superintendent annually to determine if he meets the criteria for a raise, the board also approved an evaluation system for the superintendent. The single no vote on the evaluation system was cast

by Steve Triplett. While Triplett said he had nothing against the superintendent, he thought the evaluation system should be based more on data rather than strategies. He felt the system could be more data-driven.

The board also recognized outgoing student representative Albert Liu. In addition to serving as the board's student representative, Liu achieved a number of other accomplishments during the school year, including serving as president of Farragut's Honor Society and Director of Outreach for the Farragut Astronomy Club. Liu had over 400 service hours in various projects and was named a National Merit Scholar Semi-finalist and an AP Scholar with Distinction.

During the public forum time, several speakers, including parents and teachers, expressed concern that the school system not overuse electronic media in teaching elementary students, as they said that in some cases, students were better served by interaction with a teacher.

City seeks \$11 million in federal funds for safer streets

By Mike Steely

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With the proposed Knoxville budget set for a vote later this month, the city council meeting tomorrow will consider approving some major zoning requests, amending some contracts and applying to the federal government for \$11 million for safer streets.

Mayor Indya Kincannon may be authorized to apply to the U.S. Transportation Department's Safe Streets and Roads for All grant for \$11 million in funds that would come with a \$2.2 million local match. The funding would go to the city's Vision Zero goal to eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries on city streets.

The North Cherry Street Stormwater Improvements Project may get

an additional \$51,615 to bring the contract with Adams Construction LLC to \$2.8 million. The project is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act Grant.

The Baum Drive Stormwater Improvements Project may get the addition of \$33,380 as part of the American Rescue Plan Act, upping the contract with APAC-Atlantic Inc. to \$652,988.

Nourish Knoxville may be contracted for \$25,000 to operate a farmers market on Market Square. And \$100,000 from the state may go to the Community Action Committee's Tech Smart Knox Seniors program.

Zoning change requests before the city council include changing three properties on Nora Road from RN-1, single-family

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Republicans celebrate primary wins on election night

By Ken Lay

Local candidates celebrated primary victories Tuesday night, but Knox County Republican Party Chairman Martin Daniel knows the race is not over.

"We start campaigning tomorrow for the general election," Daniel said as attendees were heading to the exits after the watch party at the Crowne Plaza late Tuesday night. "Tomorrow we start campaigning for the general election on Aug. 6."

Work may lie ahead, but Tuesday was a night for celebration as the winners showed gratitude.

Register of Deeds Nick McBride will be the Republican nominee for Knox County Trustee as he won the primary, ousting incumbent Justin Biggs. McBride already has big plans for the office.

"I want to bring trust back to the trustee's office," McBride said. "I don't think we need a fleet of pickup trucks. I look forward to

working with the mayor-elect and the commission.

"I believe that we represent the people of Knox County. I carefully watch my own dollars, and I will be even more careful with the taxpayers' money."

Richie Beeler won the nomination for Knox County Clerk as he defeated former Knox County Property Assessor John Whitehead, John Duncan III and Rodney Lane.

"I want to be the best county clerk that Knox County has ever had," Beeler said. "I worked in the courthouse for 35 years and that will help. I know how a fee office works."

"I worked in the clerk's office for 31 years, so I know how a bigger fee office works. I've had great mentors in Steve Hall, Sherry Witt and Nick McBride. I'm thankful to the Lord. It's been a tough campaign, and I want to thank the candidates for running a clean race."

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Garrett Holt accepts the Republican nomination for Knox County Commission At-Large Seat 11. Holt, who defeated Liz Tombras in Tuesday's primary, will face Democrat Vivian Underwood Shipe in the general election in August.

Henderson wins Republican primary for Knox County Mayor

By Mike Steely
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Betsy Henderson, a former chair of the Knox County Board of Education

and favorite of conservatives in the Republican Party, defeated At-large Commissioners Larsen Jay and Kim Frazier to capture

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The American Dialect

There is no distinctly American criminal class - except Congress
Mark Twain

Perhaps the reason I became an internist is because I notice details, differences or a divergence from the typical or standard.

Some years ago, I became interested in the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) developed by the daughter-mother duo, Isabel Briggs Myers and Katharine Briggs. These 19th-century women researchers extended the observations of Carl Jung into a system for analyzing personality. I used the type indicator in counseling patients, helping them understand how they observe the world and how they interact with others. The Japanese use the MBTI with millions of workers to find the best fit in job situations.

I have tested myself and discovered that I am an ISTJ. Without getting lost in the psychological weeds, these letters demonstrate that I notice details. For example, I notice when a picture on the wall is a bit askew. And I operate from a baseline of logic more than emotion, and I am able to make decisions. The beauty of the Myers-Briggs typology is that it demonstrates your strengths as well as reveals areas where you are less adept and can be developed to make you a more well-rounded person. As an example, although I am right-handed, I can develop my left hand and become more ambidextrous. If you are intrigued and want to learn more about the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, you can Google it or read the book "Gifts Differing" by Isabel Briggs Myers.

A dialect is a variety of language used by the

members of a group (Webster). For instance, the Irish end sentences on an up note, giving their speech a lilting quality. Because many of our ancestors were from England, Americans end sentences on a down note like the English. Interestingly, Americans speak English, although we have never formalized this designation. For our 250th anniversary, I read that President Trump plans to make English the official language of America.

There are many regional dialects of American English. It is obvious that Southerners speak English differently than New Englanders. But the Southern drawl is more than the use of y'all since English does not differentiate between the singular and plural "you." We Southerners like to be specific when describing a person or groups of persons. Professor Higgins in "My Fair Lady" insulted Eliza Doolittle's London cockney and averred that "Americans hardly speak English at all." But what got this ISTJ internist's attention was the so-called "fried voice" or vocal fry.

I noticed this different speech a few years ago. However, this peculiar manner of speech actually began in the early 2000s and has become popular with young women.

Interestingly, vocal fry has become a hallmark of millennial speech, especially in America. Pop singers like Katy Perry and Britney Spears and celebrities like Kim Kardashian, have made it their trait in music and communication, apparently influencing others. Supposedly, using vocal fry's husky, shaky speech connotes a more relaxed, everyday speech.

I could try to describe such speech, which seemingly comes from the back of the throat with a throaty rattle described as the "opening of a rusty gate." But it is better to watch The Five on Fox and listen to liberal, progressive Democrat and millennial Jessica Tarlov's contrived, trendy vocalizations. You can also find examples on YouTube.

I'm not a botanist, but I like to identify trees and wild flowers. My grandkids don't share this penchant, but after showing them the distinctive white trunks of sycamore trees, they never forgot the lesson. Likewise, once you hear vocal fry, you will hear it everywhere. It's that obvious.

Vocal fry may be trendy and hip among the younger crowd, but critics argue that vocal fry undermines the speaker's credibility and I'd agree, because I find Tarlov insufferable. If you want more information

on this quirky American dialect, I recommend you Google an excellent article from August 2024 by Melissa Girimonte.

I've lived long enough to know there are exceptions to almost any rule or absolute. One of my Oregon granddaughters will turn eight this year, but when she was two and a half and beginning to speak more fluently, we noted her cute, husky and throaty voice. No one in the family had similar elocution and she had never been exposed to the internet, Katy Perry or Tarlov. Retrospectively, I now know that she was displaying vocal fry, apparently spontaneously!

Although I pay attention and read widely, my observational skills failed me in 2016 because I did not appreciate how the world would change when Donald Trump came down the elevator of Trump Tower to announce his run for the presidency. In 2016, I did not recognize the significance of Trump, perhaps because I was retired from traditional medical practice at the time and going through significant health issues. But I was not the only one who overlooked the signs because most "experts" thought the man from Queens was not a serious political candidate, let alone the transformative

agent for America and the world, which President Trump has become. How wrong we all were.

The status quo of Congress and Washington, D.C., has not changed since the time of Mark Twain or perhaps even longer. Historians debate whether events occur and leaders rise to meet the circumstances or whether leaders arise to shape the events of the world. In my opinion, Abraham Lincoln was an example of a leader arising in the crucible of America's Civil War. Alexander the Great shaped world events. It is too early for history to define President Trump, but I predict he will be placed in the historic transformative class.

Of course, I am an average-sized fish in an average-sized pond, so my predictions will have little impact except on the occasional progressive Democrat who might stumble on this column and become infuriated by my words. But that won't change my opinion and doesn't matter because libs are mad all the time about anything or anyone who challenges their groupthink or speaks the patriot dialect.

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City seeks \$11 million for safer streets

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industrial; 4601 and 4605 Western Avenue from RN-1 to highway commercial; 1019 East Emerald Avenue from office to institutional, and 2011 and 2013 Highland Avenue from RN-5 and office to RN-7 multi-family residential neighborhood.

A property at 1119 Dutch Valley Drive may be changed from an office zoning to RN-3, general residential neighborhood.

Several zoning change requests are on the consent list and include Zero Richmond Avenue from general industrial to RN-2 residential; 2035 Sutherland Avenue and Zero Ailor Avenue from general industrial to heavy

industrial; 4601 and 4605 Western Avenue from RN-1 to highway commercial; 1019 East Emerald Avenue from office to institutional, and 2011 and 2013 Highland Avenue from RN-5 and office to RN-7 multi-family residential neighborhood.

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Commission May Agenda: New juvenile advisory board, appointments, merit rules

By Mike Steely
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The Knox County Commission has a long agenda to review today that includes approving the appointments for the new East Tennessee Regional Juvenile Center Advisory Board, naming four people to Knoxville-Knox County Planning, revising the rules of membership for the Knox County Sheriff's

Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors and deciding how county funds are awarded to non-profits.

The agenda review meeting will determine the agenda for the commission's May 18 regular meeting.

The new Juvenile Service Center Advisory Board comes after months of meetings by the commissioners appointed to an interim oversight committee, which decided that the embattled Richard L. Bean Juvenile Service Center should be headed by Juvenile Judge Timothy E. Irwin and that a new advisory board should be selected.

The new board, if approved, would include Ashley Ellis of the health department; April Snell, a juvenile mental health expert; Teresa Parker, a juvenile social services expert; Katheryn Ogle, an expert in juvenile legal

systems; and Adam Moncier, a citizen. The commission chair may also select a commissioner to serve on the seven-member board.

Bean was forced to retire following issues of improper solitary confinement, unsafe medication management, and the lack of an active state license. Mayor Glenn Jacobs asked for Bean's resignation after Bean fired two employees who had reported issues at the facility.

Bean has filed a \$5 million lawsuit against Jacobs and Juvenile Judge Timothy Irwin, charging them with age discrimination and unlawful forced resignation. The lawsuit is asking for \$3 million from Knox County, \$1 million from Jacobs and \$1 million from Irwin.

The planning commission is asking the county commissioners to approve Mayor Jacobs' nominees to Knoxville-Knox County

Planning. The three re-appointed members are John Huber, Nancy Barger and Richard Levenson. One slot is yet to be named to fill the term of Katie Overton.

The commission may also discuss revising the rules for who may serve on the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board. Currently, no previous sheriff's office employee may serve for 10 years after that employment. The new rule would set the limit at 5 years. The rule change would also remove the rule that no one can serve if a relative is employed by the Knoxville Police Department.

District 1 Commissioner Damon Rawls has an ordinance on first reading prohibiting large institutional investors from purchasing single-family homes for rental purposes.

District 9 Commissioner Andy Fox and District 5 Commissioner Angela Russell have several items on the agenda, including setting requirements and limitations on data centers, changing how county funds are requested and disbursed in defined service contracts, outlining how Hotel Occupancy Taxes are awarded, and regarding licensed gun carriers entering county-owned facilities.



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Publisher's Positions



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Tennessee General Assembly Approves New Legislative Districts In Special-Called Meeting

Last Thursday, the Tennessee General Assembly redistricted the last remaining Democratic congressional district in the state. Naturally, the Democrat-Socialists squealed, squalled, shot off air horns and sniveled about "democracy," something they've truly not cared about since Bill Clinton. While some Democrat-Socialists in the legislature squealed about the death of democracy, none uttered

a peep about a gasping democracy when the Democrat-Socialists, egged on by Barack Obama, cited paring down five GOP districts in Virginia to only one as an exercise in democracy. If so, then the Tennessee General Assembly just completed its own exercise in democracy. Those folks who hate our flag, our country and our way of life and everything about the United States hold no moral high ground of any kind. The folks who think criminals are the real victims and can't applaud a teenager struggling with terminal cancer or utter the name of a young woman raped and murdered because her assailant and murderer was an illegal alien have no moral superiority of any kind. People who applaud political violence and openly call for the killing of their political opponents are not even moral people. Nor do they seem to know the difference anymore.

When the Supreme Court of our country issues a decision they like, the Democrat-Socialists squeal, "It's

the law of the land!" If they don't like it, the court is illegitimate. The Democrat-Socialists are well beyond reason. Obviously, anybody who thinks a man in a dress is a "real" woman or that a man can breastfeed has lost touch with reality some time ago and no longer has the ability to reason.

Let's just call it what it is: nakedly partisan politics, and if it was right in Virginia, it's right in Tennessee. You Democrat-Socialists got the same heaping helping of democracy you fed Republicans in Virginia. Yum, yum!

Obama Hypocrisy

Speaking of Barack Obama, the former president made an interesting and astonishing statement in an interview with CBS, saying, "The White House shouldn't be able to direct the attorney general to go around prosecuting whoever the president wants prosecuted."

"The awesome power of the state, you can't have a situation where whoever is in charge of the

government starts using that to go after their political enemies or reward their friends."

Really? That after evidence was uncovered that Obama directed the creation of a false intelligence report to launch what became known as the Russia hoax.

Obama told that world-renowned journalist Stephen Colbert, "The idea is that the attorney general is the people's lawyer and not the president's consigliere." That from a former president whose own attorney general, Eric Holder, described himself as Obama's "wingman." So much for the people's lawyer.

Obama did say one thing that is most certainly true. "We can survive a lot, bad policy, funky elections, there's a bunch of stuff that we can overcome, we can't overcome the politicization of the criminal justice system." That is the first step into an authoritarian government and the death knell of freedom and liberty. Unfortunately, Obama did it and so did

Joe Biden. There is good reason to wonder if Obama means what he says or if he just doesn't like it under a Republican president. Obama never was worried about lawfare under Biden, so it might be like his promise that you can keep your own doctor under Obamacare, which was a great big fat lie.

Go, Marsha, Go!

US Senator Marsha Blackburn seems to be building her lead in the Republican race for governor to succeed Bill Lee, who is term-limited in office. A new poll shows Blackburn up to 63% while Congressman John Rose has 10%, followed by Monty Fritts, a state representative, with 5%. Only 22% of GOP voters say they are undecided.

State Senator Brent Taylor has announced his candidacy for the GOP nomination for the 9th Congressional District. Taylor has been an outspoken advocate for the victims of crime and a critic of Democratic-Socialist inaction in Shelby County in prosecuting criminals.

Taylor has put up \$1 million dollars of his own money to help kick off his congressional race.

Low Turnout In Local Primary Election

Voters went to the polls last week to select their preferences for most local offices, including most of the offices in the courthouse, as well as county commissioners and school board members. Even with the usually hotly contested offices of county mayor and sheriff on the ballot, the "people" were conspicuous by their absence. Under 16% of the eligible voters actually cast their ballots to select the nominees of the Republican and Democratic parties for important local offices.

The general election will be held in August when the state primaries will occur. There will be a contested primary for the Republican nomination for governor, which should draw voters to the polls. We hope people will cast a ballot and let their voice be heard.

Ray Hill's McKellar Book Wins ETHS Award

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The book highlights McKellar's significant impact on East Tennessee, particularly his role in the creation of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), the development of Norris Dam, and his behind-the-scenes influence in bringing the Manhattan Project to Oak Ridge. Hill also explores McKellar's political relationships, regional influence, and ability to work across party lines in a predominantly Republican East Tennessee. This work offers readers a fuller understanding of McKellar's legacy, making it an important contribution to the preservation and interpretation of Tennessee's political and regional history.

Ray Hill has been writing one of the most popular columns in The Knoxville Focus for about 15 years, focusing on political history.

Hill was once told by one prominent Knoxvilleian, "I always read your column but I've never heard of most of the people you write about."

"That's the point," Hill

replied. "Finding out something you didn't know. Something like hidden history."

Hill's column has featured a host of historical political figures and is recognized as being somewhat singular in nature as there is nothing like it being published on a regular basis anywhere else. He covers an individual's history start to finish.

Senator McKellar was a very colorful character and one of the most influential and politically powerful figures in Tennessee's long history, which is populated with a wide array of fascinating subjects. McKellar is also the longest-serving member of Congress from Tennessee, serving a total of 42 years as a congressman and US senator.

The University of Tennessee Press is due to publish another of Ray Hill's biographical books later this fall. The subject of that biography is Cordell Hull, a congressman and US senator from Tennessee and the longest serving US secretary of state in our country's history. McKellar and Hull are two

prominent public figures in Tennessee's long history, and fans of Tennessee's political history are sure to enjoy the new book.

Hill is excited about the publication of his second book, noting Kenneth McKellar and Cordell Hull were contemporaries for decades.

"They were very different in many respects," Hill said. "McKellar was plain spoken, to the point of being quite blunt. Hull was much more cautious in taking a position, while nobody had to guess where McKellar stood on any issue."

"Of the two, McKellar became more powerful in Congress, although Hull achieved national acclaim and a level of respect that always eluded the senator."

Hill readily acknowledged that Kenneth McKellar and Cordell Hull had some similarities as well.

"Perhaps being Tennesseans, both were accomplished feudists, McKellar more openly so, but Cordell Hull was an accomplished and rather lethal feudist when provoked by those

who were unfortunate enough to underestimate him.

"Hull guarded his public image very carefully, and his reputation did not suffer for it," Hill said. "Senator McKellar let the chips fall where they may,

and his reputation suffered for it."

When asked about something he had learned through the writing and publication of his books, Hill offered up the example of two readers who had perused his Hull

manuscript. One reader said the work was "wanting more" while the other thought the book was "too long."

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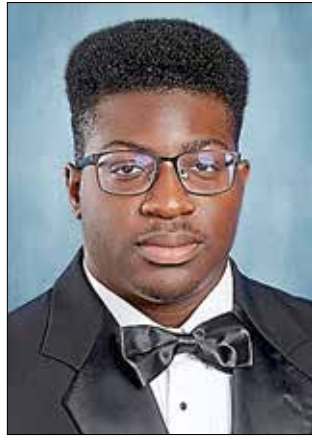
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Republicans celebrate primary wins on election night

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Garrett Holt is seeking public office for the third time after previously making unsuccessful bids for city council and county commission. Last week, he won the Republican nomination for county commission at-large Seat 11 as he defeated Liz Trombas in the primary. He'll face Democrat Vivian Underwood Shipe in the general election.

"The third time's the charm," Holt said. "That's the story. It's exciting."

Andrea Kline will be the party's nominee for Knox County Division 4 Judge as she defeated Rhonda Lee. She'll face Democrat Ben Houston, who ran unopposed in his party's primary.

"It's an honor, and I'm super excited," Kline said.

Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs kicked off the festivities Tuesday night, and he called for unity after the primary.

"This is a first step, and you can fight like cats and dogs during the primary, but once the primary is over, we must support Republican candidates," Jacobs said.

Henderson wins Republican primary for Knox County Mayor

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The Republican primary saw more than 44,867 voters cast absentee, early and Election Day ballots. Henderson's candidacy received 20,070 votes to Jay's 13,975 and Frazier's 10,822. Henderson now faces Democrat Beau Hawk in the August general election.

Jay, who announced more than a year ago, was seen as the frontrunner going into the primary. The race to replace Jay on county commission went to Justin D. Cofer, who bested Kimberly Glenn in the Republican primary by about 1,000 votes, 16,884 to 15,899. Ronnie Rochelle came in third with 6,144 votes. Cofer will face Democrat Katina Sharp in the general election.

Frazier's seat on commission saw Garrett Holt victorious over Liz Tombras, 25,431 to 13,897 votes. Holt now faces Democrat Vivian Underwood Shipe in August.

Only 11 votes separated the winner, Sheri Super, from incumbent Gina Oster for the District 3 commission seat. Super got 2,008 votes to Oster's 1,997. The winner now faces Democrat Brandon Huckaby in the general election.

In the race for Knox County Commission District 7, Barry Beeler won with 3,205 Republican primary votes. Justin Mash got 1,872 votes, and Buddy Burkhardt received 891 votes in that contest. Beeler will face Democrat William Cooper in the general election.

With no Democrat on the ballot, Knox County's

next sheriff will be Brent Gibson, who received 44.14% of the Republican votes in the primary. He defeated David Amburn, Mike Davis and former Sheriff J.J. Jones in early, absentee and election day totals.

In the primary race for General Sessions Judge Division IV, Andrea Kline, chosen by the Knox County Commission to complete the term of retired Judge Andrew Jackson, defeated Rhonda Lee, 21,215 to 18,766. Lee, the District 7 commissioner, challenged Kline after being overlooked by the commission for the interim appointment. Kline now faces Ben H. Houston II in the general election.

The Republican primary for county trustee saw incumbent Justin Biggs defeated by Nick McBride, 19,790 to

14,228. Barry Hawkins came in third with 7,056 votes. McBride now faces Democrat Stephen Hood in August.

In the race for Knox County Clerk, Richie Beeler won with 43.25% of the vote in a four-person race, defeating John J. Duncan III, John R. Whitehead, and Rodney Lane. Beeler has no Democrat opponent.

Republicans running with no opposition in their primary and general elections and who, except for possible write-in candidates, will assume an office include Sherry Witt as Knox County Register of Deeds, Mike Hammond as Criminal Court Clerk, and Charlie Susano as Circuit, Civil Session and Juvenile Court Clerk.

In the race for a board of education seat in the Republican primary, Charles Frazier was

not challenged for District 1, Ashley Sartelle in District 4, and Steven Triplett in District 7. The contest for the District 6 BOE seat saw Lee Ann Eaves defeat Kevin Crateau and Thierry Sommer with 56.3% of the vote. It was a close race in the District 9 school board race with Bill Sofield narrowly defeating incumbent Kristi Kristy, 2,026 to 1,961 votes.

The Democrat challengers in August will be Breyana Holloway, who beat John Butler and O'Tavis "OT" Harris in the District 1 BOE race. Incumbent Katherine Bike was not challenged in the primary and faces Sartelle. Cadence Collins is the sole Democrat seeking the District 6 seat, as is Amy Fenner in District 7 and Brandy Jenkins in District 9.

What is Quilts of Valor?

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Marsha Reep was working at Mobile Meals in Knoxville when someone heard that she was also a quilter and invited her to join a chapter of Quilts of Valor. Eight years later, Reep is now the group leader and continues to make patriotic quilts by hand and present them to individual military veterans or active-duty men and women.

"I don't have any difficulty in getting volunteers," she told The Focus, noting that about 20 other people are involved locally in the group that serves Knox, Blount, Union, Claiborne and sometimes other counties in our area.

She said it takes up to a year or more after someone is suggested as deserving the honor, depending on the number of requests.

"Those who qualify do so because they had a tragedy of war. They either served actively in a conflict or were touched by a conflict that took place while they served," she explained, adding, "We don't investigate each person."

Reep said that while sometimes a veteran requests a quilt, more often a relative, friend, or an institution makes the suggestion.

"We go to Ben Atchley Veterans Home, veterans' groups, assisted living centers and make presentations at lots of churches," she said.

"We have really great volunteers in our chapter, which is North Knoxville Chapter 567. The Smoky Mountain Quilt Guild helps



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Martha Baker, founder of CareCuts, watches as her husband, Archie, is presented a quilt by Marilyn Childress of the Veteran Heritage Site Foundation and Marsha Reep of Quilts of Valor. The hand-made quilts recognize and honor veterans for their military service. The surprise presentation took place recently at CareCuts on Clinton Highway as it was hosting a free medical clinic for Remote Area Medical. Archie Baker is a U.S. Marine veteran.

Other volunteers include Susie Cox, Donna Buswell, Anne Click, Sandy Brock, Vickie Fox, Suzanne Lynch, Judy and Sandy Kendrick, Dennis and Doyleen Taylor and many more.

"We have sewings twice a year at the Karns Senior Center. And we present quilts on many Saturdays at the free veteran breakfasts around the area. At this time, there are 17 veterans' breakfasts each month."

The Quilts of Valor Foundation was founded in 2003 by Catherine

Roberts, whose son was deployed to Iraq. Roberts dreamed that her son was wrapped in a quilt that protected and soothed him. "His whole demeanor changed from one of despair to one of hope and well-being. The quilt had made this dramatic change. The message of my dream was: Quilts = Healing."

Roberts began seeking volunteers to help design and make quilts to be given to veterans and active-duty service men and women, and she required the

quilts to be quality-made, not "charity quilts." They were to be quilted by hand and awarded for service, sacrifice and valor in serving the country.

More than 350,000 quilts have been created and awarded. Any service member or veteran's family may request a quilt and there's an online nomination form available at www.qovf.org/nominate_qov_tbw_certify/

Marsha Reep can be reached at 865-206-5479.

9th Annual Cattywampus Parade & Block Party takes to Suttree Landing Park on Sunday, May 17

Join Cattywampus Puppet Council on Sunday, May 17, 2026, for an inspiring display of community and creativity at the 9th annual Cattywampus Parade & Block Party. This year's event explores the theme "Where the Waters Meet." It will be hosted along the river at Suttree Landing Park (1001 Waterfront Dr.).

Parade lineup: 2 p.m. at Suttree Landing Pavilion

Parade kickoff: 3 p.m.

Block Party: 2 - 6 p.m. on the Suttree Landing Festival Lawn

This New Orleans-style walking parade is free and open to all. Participants of all ages are encouraged to create and bring to life their own giant puppets, masks, costumes and other art that reflect their visions of a community-focused Knoxville.

"Each parade has a theme around which we invite the community to create giant art," said Rachel Milford, Executive & Artistic Director of Cattywampus Puppet Council.

"This year is a celebration of water and a commitment to protect our waterways and all of the life they support."

In the lead-up to the parade, Cattywampus has been engaging youth through partnerships with organizations such as the Boys & Girls Club, Centro Hispano, and the Wesley House.

"Over the past three months, we've been working with K-8th students at these after-school sites to design and create their own big puppets and other art around the parade theme.

"As a culmination of this program, they then get to bring their original art to the parade and show it off to the entire community."

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Knox County RFC, Berry Funeral Homes Laid to Rest Three Unclaimed Vets

It was poignant and somber, and yet it was also uplifting.

On Wednesday, three unclaimed veterans received full military honors as they were laid to rest at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery before a crowd of local residents, elected officials and representatives from each of the branches they served.

"There is a popular saying that no one is dead as long as their name is spoken," said Chaplain John Justice, who is currently chaplain of the Vietnam Veterans of America. "Why do we honor them today? Because each of them is now a part of us."

Justice, who is a Vietnam veteran, added that during basic training he was taught "never to leave anyone behind" – even if the person died. He noted that power rests in a name and that the three unclaimed veterans

each deserved his name spoken aloud.

Then he said: TSG Brian Neil Forbes, US Air Force, (1971-1987), PFC Robert James Vargo; US Army (1978), SP4 George Edwin Day, Jr., US Army (1970-1972).

The service is part of a collaboration between Berry Funeral Home/Dignity Memorial, the Knox County RFC and the cemetery.

"It's always an honor to be able to pay final respect to these men and women who served our country with distinction," said Chris Thomas, director and chief administrative officer of the Knox County RFC. "Regardless of the circumstances prior to their death, they served our country and deserve our utmost respect and this honor."

The RFC first cremates the decedents and Berry Funeral Home/Dignity Memorial

provides free urns and works with the East Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery to plan and organize the service.

From there, each urn is placed in its own hearse and driven slowly to its grave, escorted by members of the military branch in which they served and members of local bike chapters. A flag is then folded and presented to the next of kin. In the case of the unclaimed, the next of kin are the staff of the Knox County Regional Forensic Center.

There are a number of reasons the veterans go unclaimed. Sometimes law enforcement cannot find the next of kin and sometimes no next of kin exists. Others time, the KCRFC finds a friend or family member, but they are unable or unwilling to make arrangements.

As it stands, roughly 60 veterans during the past 15 years fit one of these reasons.

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Part of the family is retiring

A couple of years ago, Mark Evans called it a career and retired from his dental practice. My family, and hundreds of others, visited him at least twice a year for check-ups and



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other dental work. When the left, I was confounded. A new dentist was needed, but I wanted to find one who would accept my insurance. After a search, I found Hardin Valley Family Dentistry. Abby Roach is a young dentist with a gentle touch and friendly "chair-side manner." Her staff is also kind, patient, and helpful. Slowly, I'm teaching them what spots are sensitive and how nervous I am when a procedure is in progress. I miss Mark and his crew because I'd already broken them in.

Cathy Mathes took on my mother as a patient in the 1990s. I'm sure Dr. Mathes was just out of school and getting her career started. Before long, the entire Rector clan was calling her our family doctor. For all these years, Dr. Mathes has looked out for the health and well-being of three generations. That's why the letter from her that came last week was so painful to read. Dr. Mathes is retiring in June, and that means that we'll have to search for

a new family physician. It's scary. Cathy Mathes helped my mother through kidney stones, one that was so large that it had to be removed from her kidney. She protected Mother during episodes

with mini-strokes. When years of smoking finally caught up to Mama, it was Dr. Mathes, who worked with other specialists to find the best source of treatment for a terminal illness. That doctor, who had no family ties to us, made an in-home visit during the last few days that Mother lived. Then, the doctor walked to the backyard and sobbed. She officially became one of us that day.

Many people might not like Dr. Mathes. She is plain-spoken and believes in being honest with her patients. She fussed at me about smoking, and when I told her that I was afraid of gaining weight if I gave up the habit, she looked me eye-to-eye and said, "I've seen lots of skinny cancer patients." That comment was the one that led me to give up smoking.

I was filled with embarrassment and anxiety about my first prostate exam and who was administering it. I asked Dr. Mathes if she had ever had men who felt the same as I did. She shook

her head and added, "I've told them that I have an associate who can come to do the exam if they are uneasy with my doing it." She added that the doctor was a large man with big hands. I turned around, dropped my "drawers," and bent over the table. We had an understanding from that point on.

I've suffered with restless leg syndrome for about thirty years. During that time, the good doctor sent me to specialists to see if something could be done. All through the years, she's listened to me and changed medications that give me the best chance of sleeping at night instead of walking up and down the driveway to ease the effect of the problem.

When our son Dallas passed, she made sure that both Amy and I were okay. About a year after his death, I talked to her about the situation. Although others had offered help, simply telling her about my condition and the reason for those feelings eased the burden from my heavy heart. I can cope with the loss now.

Cathy Mathes is a wonderful person. No, I'm not sure whether or not

she's a touchy-feely individual, although I highly doubt it. What I know for certain is that she cares for her patients and has always provided the best possible care for them. Appointments sometimes run behind because the doctor takes time with every individual and sometimes sits down and talks with those who need to hear things or who want to hear things.

Dr. Cathy Mathes is a wonderful doctor who has made my life a better one than if I'd never met her. As I said earlier, she is family to all of us Rectors. We can never say anything to express the words of appreciation for her care and concern. The next time I see her, I might just try hugging her. Whether she accepts it or slugs me is an unknown.

Dr. Cathy Mathes, happy retirement! I hope each day you find joy in being able to fill time with the things you want, or don't want, to do. You've earned your days of rest and relaxation. Just remember that your patients, the Rectors in particular, say "thank you," and we love you forever. You certainly are a big part of our family.

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This year's parade will also include a special pre-parade river flotilla in collaboration with Knoxville Adventure Collective to recreate the confluence of the Tennessee River. Flotillas will travel down the Holston and French Broad Rivers to meet at the Tennessee River, then continue downstream to gather additional paddlers at the McWherter Boat Ramp before heading to Suttree's Landing to join the celebration on land.

The Block Party will feature live performances from DJ Drewskii and DJ Rae, the Knox Honkers & Bangers, Brass Your Heart, Rica Chicha, youth poet laureate Nia Thompson, a special collaboration between local hip-hop artist J.Bu\$h and Cherokee flutist Jarrett Wildcatt, and a giant puppet skit featuring Knox Community Street Dance.

Food vendors include Tarik's North African, South Coast Pizza, Sevier

Ave Burgers, Tesoro Gelato, The Roaming Cactus and Frog Juice Kombucha.

In alignment with this year's parade theme, the Block Party will feature art, play and ecology activities from a variety of amazing local organizations including: Great Smoky Mountains Institute of Tremont, Great Smoky Mountains Park, NAIWA Daughters Cherokee, Ijams Nature Center, Keep Knoxville Beautiful, Museum of Infinite Outcomes, Appalachian Voices, TN Riverline, Conservation Fisheries, Black Girl Environmentalist, Knoxville Arts Center, Knox Community Street Dance, CWET (Clean Water Expected in East TN), the McClung Museum, Centro Hispano, and KnoxFill.

To learn more and register yourself or your group for the parade, visit <https://cattywampuspuppets.org/parade-block-party>.

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John Houston Savage of Tennessee

Pages from the Past



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There was a time when John H. Savage was one of the most prominent men in Tennessee. With his long, wavy locks of hair and a moustache that drooped below his chin, Savage resembled a mix between an outlaw and a Chinese Mandarin, especially with his dark, piercing eyes. At age 87, the former congressman published his memoirs, "The Life of John H. Savage." One newspaperman later wrote that Savage "was one of the most remarkable men this State has ever produced." A man of firm and unshakable convictions, Savage tended to see things in the darkest shades of black and the purest of whites. The preface of his memoirs reveals much about Savage's nature. "John H. Savage has been misrepresented, ridiculed, abused, vilified and slandered in more ways and to a greater extent than any other citizen in the State of Tennessee," it read.

Those were not merely the musings of someone with a serious victim complex, nor that of one who just couldn't accept criticism. The former congressman recounted the various times he had been denounced by newspaper editors as having lost his mind, denounced as quite literally crazy, a demagogue, a perennial office seeker, a "champion repudiator," and even a chimpanzee monkey. Savage wrote his memoirs to give his side of the story and, hopefully, convince readers that what had been written about him previously was not at all true. Certainly, John H. Savage had his own say in his memoirs, and one review noted: "a number of passages in the book are too warm to handle without tongs."

It was certainly true that John H. Savage came along during difficult and unusually perilous times. Whatever might be said of John Houston Savage, he was a man of conviction and never lacked courage, either physical or moral. Savage attended public schools, which were then referred to as the "common schools." Savage volunteered to serve as a private and fought in the war against the Seminoles. Once back home in Tennessee, Savage studied law, passed the Bar exam and began the practice of his profession in Smithville, Tennessee. Savage continued to be active in Tennessee's militia, rising to the rank of colonel, while practicing law. John Savage's entry into public office was when he won a special election as the district attorney general for his judicial district in 1841, a post he occupied through 1847. John Savage was named as an elector for James K. Polk

in 1844 and the suggestion that he run as a presidential elector came from Polk himself. Ironically, it was Henry Clay who carried Tennessee, although he lost the election.

At the same time, Savage was commissioned as a major in the United States Army and quickly promoted to lieutenant colonel, a title he kept his entire life. Savage fought in the Mexican War during the administration of his fellow Tennessean, James K. Polk. In 1848, John Houston Savage was elected as a Democrat to the US House of Representatives. Savage was reelected in 1850 and could likely have won another term in 1852, but he refused to be a candidate because he was tired of Congress. Savage returned to Tennessee and resumed his law practice.

It was while he was serving his first two terms in the House that Savage broke with Andrew Johnson, who was serving as the congressman from the First District in upper East Tennessee. The two remained political enemies.

Democrats were horrified when Savage's successor in the House was William Cullom, a former congressman from the Eighth District who had moved and won election from the Fourth District as a Whig. Democrats were anxious to recapture the seat and they sought out John H. Savage, believing he would beat Congressman Cullom. Grudgingly, Savage finally consented to run and the campaign for the House in Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District by all accounts was a spectacular one.

The canvass for the congressional campaign was a hot one, and Savage and Cullom agreed to a joint debate. Whether true or not, it was said that before the debate began, both candidates placed their pistols and Bowie knives on a table before the speaking began. Savage always denied that it was true, yet never failed to acknowledge the fact that he never campaigned without being armed. At one joint debate, things became so heated that the two candidates began to tussle before Savage drew and cocked his pistol. Congressman Cullom quickly threw up his hands and reminded his opponent he was unarmed.

Savage did indeed win the election of 1854 and returned to Washington, D.C. Colonel Savage had the dubious honor of being considered an expert on "the code of honor," meaning dueling. While serving his third term in Congress, Savage went to a shooting gallery with Congressman Charles J. Faulkner of



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Congressman John Houston Savage of Tennessee.

Virginia, who was astonished to see his colleague from Tennessee demonstrate remarkable accuracy with both pistol and rifle. Savage earned such a reputation as a marksman; he never again fired a gun while in Washington, D.C.

John H. Savage did serve notice to several men in preparation for a duel, one being Preston Brooks of South Carolina, who is remembered today for having nearly beaten Senator Charles Sumner of Massachusetts to death with his cane. Another, John Woodruff of Connecticut, was so rattled by Savage's challenge that he humiliated himself. Congressman Savage withdrew the challenge, telling Woodruff that he was "too low on the scale of humanity to give satisfaction to any gentleman."

Once again, after two terms, Savage refused to run for a third term. When Tennessee seceded from the Union, Savage joined the Confederate Army and was twice wounded. Although he served as a colonel, Savage resigned his commission because of his belief that he was being discriminated against in being promoted. The slaughter of his men at Perryville, where Savage was himself wounded, saw 199 men out of 250 killed, causing the colonel to drop beneath a tree and cry like a child.

The former congressman was especially bitter at the rapid advancement of Isham Green Harris, who had been governor of Tennessee when the Volunteer State joined the Confederacy. What he saw as favoritism with the rapid promotion of Harris, who became a general, rankled John Savage and stoked an intense dislike of the former governor, which lasted even after Harris was dead. In his memoirs, Savage recalls being urged by the controller of Tennessee to try and become friends with Isham G. Harris. "I

consider Harris as a man without truth or honor," Savage snapped. "I should dread his pretended friendship much more than his open enmity. You know as well as I that he has acted the rascal with me and done me all the injury he could. I want nothing to do with him."

Isham G. Harris returned to public life following the Civil War and won election to the United States Senate three times, always over the public and fierce opposition of John H. Savage. The two did meet, but the atmosphere was frosty, albeit it polite. The two men shook hands while Savage informed the senator, "Nothing that you could say would alter my opinion of your conduct in the past." After that, Savage coldly bade Senator Harris "good morning" and departed.

Two of Tennessee's towering political figures during John Savage's time were Andrew Johnson, who served as congressman, US senator, military governor, vice president and president of the United States, and Horace Maynard. Johnson, like Savage, was a Democrat, while Maynard was one of Tennessee's leading Republicans. Maynard was elected to the US House of Representatives from the Second Congressional District several times, defeated Johnson and another Democrat in 1872 to win a statewide election as congressman-at-large, and held several important posts during GOP presidential administrations. Both Andrew Johnson and Horace Maynard were able speakers, and Savage recalled in his memoirs meeting both of them in a joint debate in Sparta, Tennessee. Savage proceeded to "indict" Maynard and Johnson with 23 counts of high political crimes and misdemeanors. Savage said Johnson was the "chief criminal," while Maynard was the

"high accessory before

and after the fact." John Savage was ready for anything, ready for any challenge, especially with his provocative speeches and intemperate tongue, as he always was armed when campaigning or on the stump. Friends and foes both repeated what was often said of the former congressman: "Savage by name and savage by nature."

Although he had chosen not to seek reelection to Congress, John H. Savage was not done with public office. Savage offered himself as a candidate for the Tennessee House of Representatives to represent Warren County and was elected in 1878. Two years later, Savage was elected to the Tennessee State Senate. Savage spent his time in the state legislature working and speaking out on the problems created by Tennessee's ruinous debt, which had become a catastrophe following the Civil War. Savage made an unsuccessful race for the governorship, losing to Albert S. Marks as the choice of Tennessee Democrats.

John H. Savage was named as a member of the first incarnation of Tennessee's Railroad Commission, which was mostly without any real authority. Savage was appointed to the body by Governor William B. Bate. The old fire-eater was widely admired by many in Tennessee and especially so in his own Warren County and McMinnville. Largely because of Savage, Warren County Democrats announced their opposition to giving the Democratic nomination to former President Grover Cleveland, who was making his third run for the White House in 1892.

Without a wife and children and being a man of considerable industry, John Houston Savage managed to accumulate substantial wealth, especially for a largely rural community. Just six

months before his death, the former congressman sold off land in White County to the Cliff Creek Coal Company for \$40,000 (more than \$1.4 million in today). Savage owned other property including a building on the public square in McMinnville which served as both his office and home.

Never marrying, in his later years, John H. Savage was referred to as "the Old Man of the Mountain" in his native McMinnville. Yet there is quite likely a good reason why John Savage chose to remain a bachelor. His closest scrape with matrimony came in the person of Miss Narcissa P. Saunders, a woman whose beauty earned her national attention. At the time of their association, Savage was truly a dashing and compelling figure, but their affair ended in a scandalous lawsuit, which one newspaper described as being as bizarre as it was sensational. The love life and affairs of some of Washington's most distinguished men provided grist for the legal mill and it ground it very fine indeed. The names of congressmen, a member of the Supreme Court, several generals and the president of a railroad, were all mentioned, much to their chagrin and embarrassment.

In his dotage, John Houston Savage was no longer the dashing young man he had once been, but that is likely true of all old men. The long and wavy locks had been shorn and had turned white. The drooping moustache was gone and replaced by a snow-white full beard. The dark eyes had dimmed over the decades, but the spirit remained exactly the same, as fierce as ever.

Knowing his days were truly numbered, John H. Savage wrote a prayer. "To the Great Spirit, ruler of a boundless universe, mysterious, incomprehensible, self-existing, omnipotent and omniscient, of whom men can know nothing except as revealed by the light of the sun, moon and stars, to thee I address this, my humble prayer," it read. "I pray thee to look in mercy on the little good I have tried to do, and pardon the many wrongs I may have committed on the earth, and when this life shall end, I pray thee, accept my spirit, and although it be but an atom in thy boundless universe, let it live immortal and not perish in endless night."

John Houston Savage's untamed spirit went to his Maker on April 5, 1905, at age 88. No epitaph could outdo that prayer which Savage himself wrote just before his own death.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Shrader's homers help Farragut claim District 4-4A title

By Steve Williams

Farragut leadoff batter Camryn Shrader was a power hitter last week as she helped her team climb out of the losers' bracket and win the District 4-4A tournament championship.

Coach Nick Green's Lady Admirals had their backs put against the wall after losing to Rhea County 8-7 early in the tourney on May 1.

First, Farragut had to get past Lenoir City last Tuesday in the double-elimination tourney hosted by Bearden at Kim Hazelwood Field. The Lady Ads quickly took care of LC with an eight-run first inning enroute to a 14-4 mercy rule win.

That set up a do-or-die contest later that night against the Eagles from Rhea County. And that's when Shrader displayed her big bat. Her solo home run over the centerfield fence with one out in the top of the fifth inning broke a 1-1 tie and Farragut went on to prevail 5-1.

"She's small, but she's strong," Coach Green said.

Farragut totaled 10 hits in the game, with eight of 10 batters getting at least one hit. Taylor Albright had a single to left and a bunt single and Callie Brown had two singles. Others with a

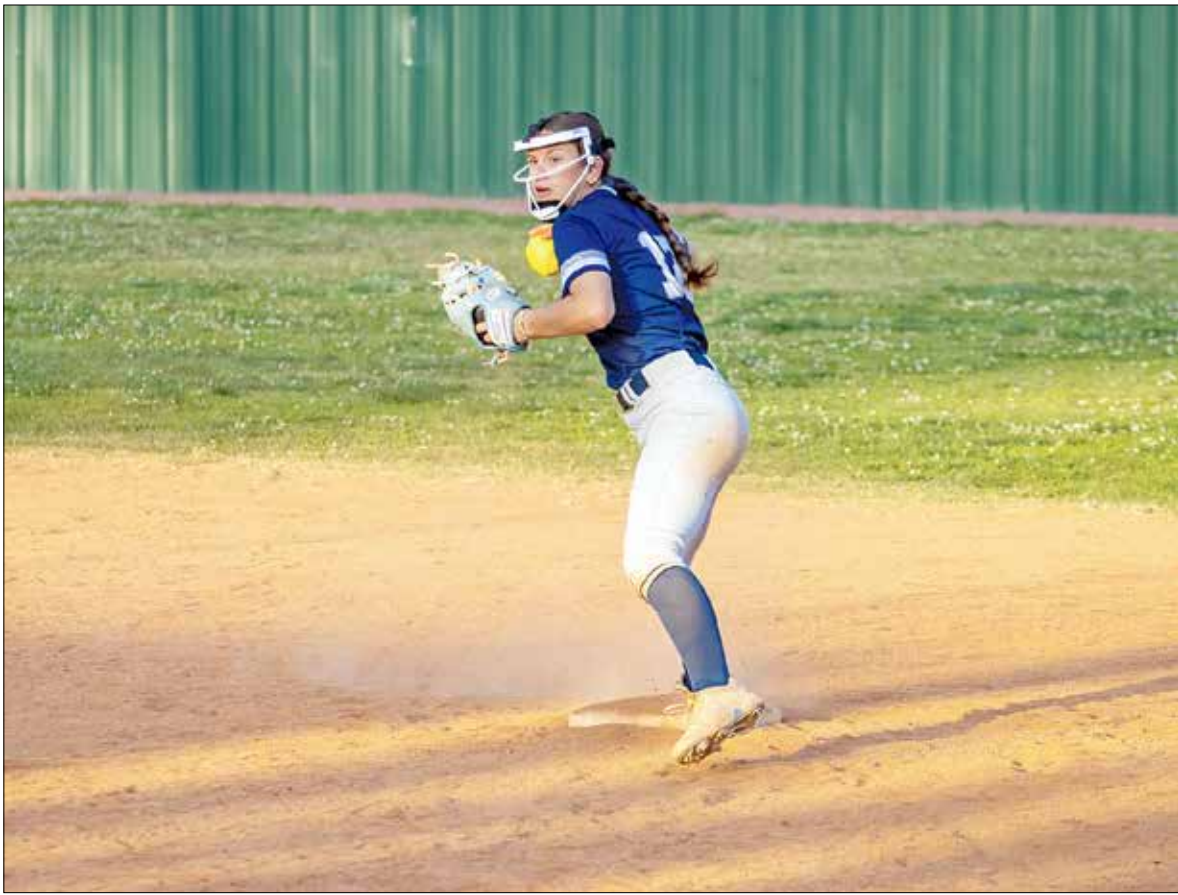


PHOTO BY MARK MUSTARD

Farragut shortstop Camryn Shrader makes a play at second base against Rhea County, but it was two key home runs she hit that really toppled the Eagles and led the Lady Admirals to the District 4-4A championship last week.

hit in the game included Rylee Logan Jamstop. Raby, Hallie Grace Johnson, Jade After Wednesday's rainout, Buckner, Taylor Wolfram and Farragut and Rhea County met

again Thursday to determine the district champion and the host **Continue on page 2**

West downs Powell to reach region softball tournament

By Ken Lay

West High School's softball team is writing a Cinderella story on the diamond and the Lady Rebels still have some pages to be completed.

But their season will continue this week as they have reached the region tournament for the first time in recent memory.

West (19-12) nearly made it to the regionals in 2025 and felt like it had some unfinished business entering the 2026 campaign.

The Lady Rebels have ridden the right arm of senior right-handed pitcher Brooke Weaver and, in the District 3-4A Tournament, the bats have come to life. West scored 26 runs in its first three district tournament games last week. It was set to play for the district title on Friday (with an if-necessary game slated for Saturday). Results were **Continue on page 2**

GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL

Lady Falcons fall to Anderson County

By Steve Williams

Fulton's season in Girls' Flag Football came to a halt Tuesday night when the Lady Falcons lost to Anderson County 26-0 in the Region 1-A semifinals.

Prior to the loss to AC, Fulton defeated Samuel Everett School of Innovation (SESI) 27-6 in the first round.

FHS Coach Trey Sewell's **Continue on page 2**

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Fulton runs past Hornets to defend district title

By Ken Lay

For the second consecutive year, the Fulton High School Falcons are the District 3-2A champions.

The Falcons defended their 2025 title with a 6-0 victory over Carter Thursday night at the Haslam-Sansom Complex in the Lonsdale community.

Fulton junior forward Emanuel Mosquera Gonzalez wasted little time showing those in attendance and the Hornets why he was the District 3-2A Offensive Player of the Year as he scored five

of the Falcons' six goals.

He helped his side establish control early as he found the back of the Carter net in the 14th minute of the match. He would close out the scoring in the opening half when he tallied a marker in the 31st minute, giving the Falcons (10-6-1) the 2-0 advantage they enjoyed at halftime.

Fulton, despite seizing the upper hand early, missed numerous scoring chances and coach Austin Clow wasn't happy at the break.

"We weren't playing this **Continue on page 6**



PHOTO BY KEN LAY

The Fulton High boys soccer team celebrate their second consecutive district championship following the final whistle of a 6-0 victory over Carter Thursday night in Lonsdale.

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Johnson University baseball and softball teams are NAIA bound

By Steve Williams

Johnson University has been having good times on the diamond this spring.

And it's not over.

The Royals' baseball team and the Lady Royals' softball team are NAIA tournament bound with opening rounds this week in Salina, Kansas (baseball) and Columbia, Ky., (softball).

Dave Serrano, former Tennessee head coach, is in his third year with the Johnson baseball program.

"I took over a program that was at the bottom of the barrel to be honest with you," said Serrano. "They were 5-44 the year before I got here. And it's been pretty gratifying with what we've been able to experience."

Johnson finished the regular season with a 37-12 overall record and 20-6 record in the AAC (Appalachian Athletic Conference).

When asked what has been the key factor in the team's success this year, Serrano said:

"It's been the players. We feel we have a talented group of players and they've been consistent throughout the season. The other thing that I don't want

to go unnoticed is the fact that I think these young men have

really bought in and it's a very close team. They have fought and played hard together for the ultimate goal to be successful."

The Royals have four first team All-Conference players, including Colby Reynolds of Knoxville, their top starting pitcher; Travis Hobbensiefken, their 3-hole hitter and right fielder from Chino, CA; Luke Wilson, leadoff batter and centerfielder from Irvine, CA; and Kaleb Townsend, a senior pitcher from Sevierville. Last season was Johnson's



Colby Reynolds, a Carter High product who pitched two years at Walters State, is now at Johnson University.

first trip to the NAIA tourney and this is the first year in school history that the Royals have been a No. 1 seed in their region.

The NAIA Opening Round will be played May 11-14, at Dean Evans Stadium.

The Royals will play their first game against Our Lady of the Lake University. This tournament is part of the NAIA National Championship, where teams aim for a spot in the NAIA World Series later in May.

Lady Royals' softball team is 31-18

Dayna Carter started coaching the Johnson University softball team in 2021.

"It's kind of been a weird season for us," said Coach Carter. "There's been so much talent on this team, and then we kind of hit a spot where we were not playing the kind of ball that we were before."

"We weren't meeting our standards or expectations. But we had a team meeting, a captain meeting and a senior meeting and they came out and completely just clicked and turned this thing around."

The Lady Royals' top players include Megan Armstrong of Oliver Springs, a first baseman, who is hitting .419.

Audrey Moorhouse, a junior outfielder who is graduating in three years, is a product of Daniel Boone High School. She is batting .394 and has 26 stolen bases.

Both Armstrong and

Moorhouse are first team All-Conference players.

Lindy Webber, a four-year player and senior from Fulton, has the most innings pitched this season, a 2.21 ERA, and a 9-3 record. She also just hit 500 strikeouts in her career.

The JU team has earned an at-large bid and will play as the No. 5 seed against No. 4 seed Tennessee Southern Firehawks in the Lindsey Wilson Opening Round bracket in Columbia, Ky.

The Lady Royals also are making their second appearance in the NAIA Tournament this year.



Former Fulton standout Lindy Webber is now a senior at Johnson University.

Shrader's homers help Farragut claim District 4-4A title

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team for tonight's Region 2-4A tournament.

Shrader showed her power again as she belted a solo homer over the centerfield fence to break a scoreless tie in the fourth inning. It was Camryn's 10th home run this season.

The Lady Admirals added three more runs in the inning and went on to win 4-0.

Raleigh Mizer blanked Rhea County the first five innings and

Johnson finished up.

Farragut (31-7) is scheduled to host the District 3-4A runner-up (Karns, Powell or West) in a Region 2-4A elimination game tonight, while the District 3-4A champion (Karns, Powell or West) is scheduled to host Rhea County.

The Region 2-4A championship game is scheduled to be played Wednesday and Class 4A Sectional games are scheduled for Friday.

Lady Falcons fall to Anderson County

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team ended the season with a 10-2 overall record.

"We had some key players missing due to illness," said Sewell.

The biggest loss was Zion Thompson, junior free safety and punt returner. Fulton trailed 21-0 at halftime.

Fulton had won at Anderson County 14-6 in the regular season.

Bearden defeated Clinton 39-20 Friday night in Region 1-AA Girls' Flag Football.

West downs Powell to reach region softball tournament

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not available at press time.

The Lady Rebels qualified for the regionals Thursday night with a 9-6 win over No. 2 seed Powell at Karns High School. They scored four runs in the top of the sixth inning and Brooklyn Burnett delivered the big blow when she clubbed a three-run home run. Claire Davenport also had three hits (including a double) and scored two runs in the contest.

"We're writing our Cinderella story," West coach Brandy Weaver said. "I'm so excited and I'm so proud of these girls."

"I have a sophomore that can pitch, but Brooke usually has to go out and handle it. She's not the fastest pitcher, but she can change speeds and she does a good job with her location."

The Lady Rebels opened tournament play with an 8-3 victory over Central on Friday, May 1.

They returned to the diamond on Monday, May 4, and notched a 9-8 comeback victory over top-seeded Halls.

West scored five runs in the top of the seventh to erase an 8-4 deficit.

"In the Halls game, the girls were a little down and I just told them, 'One hit at a time and one run at a time,'" Coach Weaver said.

Brooke Weaver contributed with her bat as she went 1-for-4. She doubled, drove in two runs and scored. Davenport was 1-for-3 with two runs scored and one RBI. EB Bibee had a hit and two RBIs. She also scored a run, while Ava Humphreys doubled, scored twice and drove in a run.

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I've been around long enough to see fathers and sons play for the Vols, Steve and Keith DeLong, for example, but not quite long enough to see three generations perform. Yet.

The stadiums where the Vols play are ancient and creaking, built in sections over the years, designed for football and nothing else, and awash with tradition.

These venues are a major reason college football is such a way of life. The moments before kickoff are a major source of excitement, something special, presaging the ancient rivalries, with long-standing grudges and the rivalries of more recent vintage being front and center.

For Vol fans, there is the thrill of seeing the Vols enter Shields-Watkins Field through a giant "T" formed by the "Pride of the Southland Marching Band."

At Alabama, it's Bear Bryant saying, "I ain't never been nothing but a winner" over the public address system at Bryant-Denny Stadium, or the incessant pronouncement, for those fans with short memories,

"This is Alabama football." It's South Carolina coming onto the field at Williams-Brice Stadium in Columbia through smoke and the strains of Richard Strauss's "Also Sprach Zarathustra," the theme from the movie "2001."

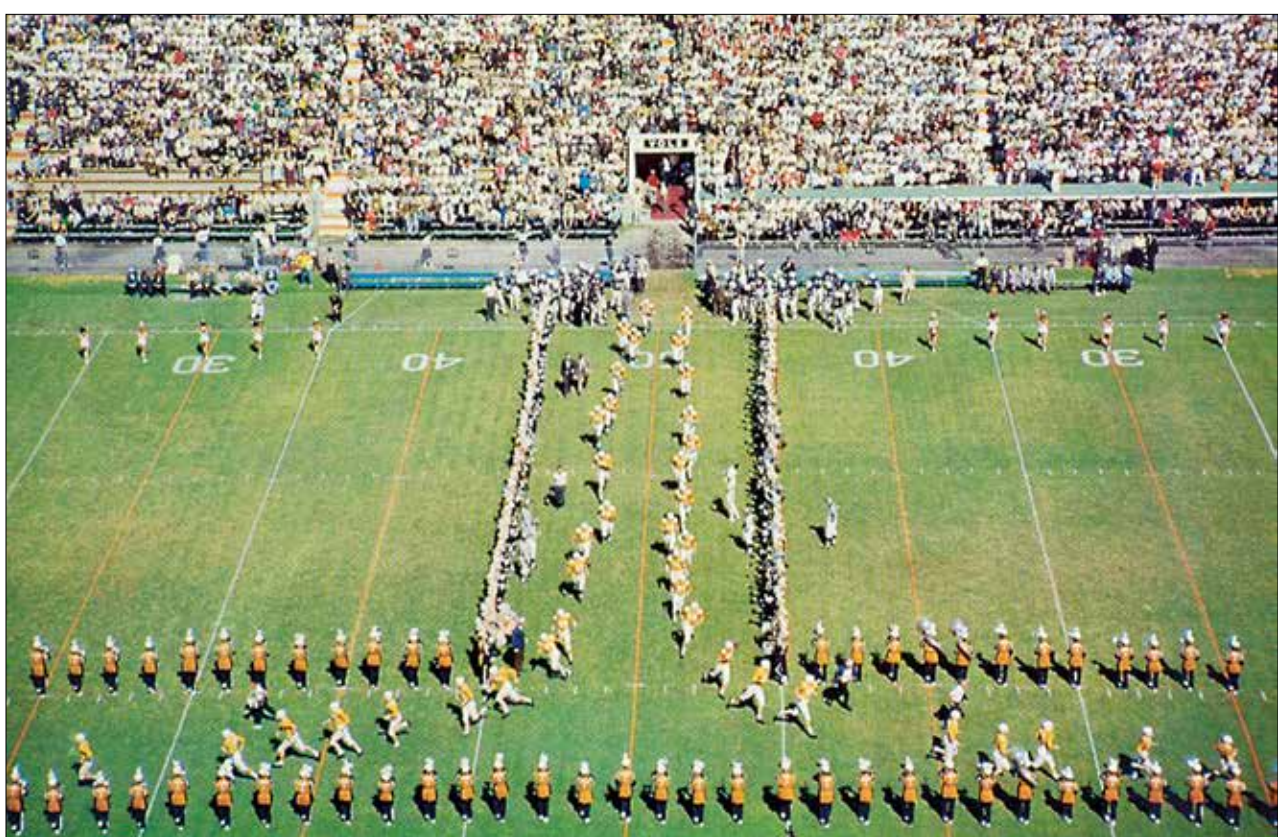
At LSU, there's a real Tiger on the field, albeit in a cage. There are crowds so loud that seismometers have gone off in academic buildings near Tiger Stadium when particularly big plays have happened.

At Ole Miss, there are pre-game activities of all kinds in a place called "The Grove," a not-to-be missed venue in everyone's collegiate football experience.

When it's time for the Vols to play at Kentucky in late November, there's "Senior Day" at either Stoll Field (for us old folks) or, since 1973, at Commonwealth Stadium/Kroger Field. When the UK band strikes up the strains of Stephen Collins Foster's "My Old Kentucky Home," fans on both sides may not know all the words, but when the chorus swells to "Weep no more my lady," it's something special.

At Notre Dame Stadium in South Bend, Ind., there's the spectacular view of "Touchdown Jesus" at the North end and the incredible ambience across campus. In 1991, there was the sight and sound of the Notre Dame student body standing and singing the "Notre Dame Victory March," as Tennesseans celebrated an amazing comeback on the field below.

There are times on the



A special Neyland Stadium moment from September 1965 that has stood the test of time.

field an observer can't hear the person standing next to him because of the noise level, as happened in the 1993 Tennessee-Alabama game at Legion Field. In the final moments, the Tide scored and converted a two-point conversion to steal a 17-17 deadlock.

At Auburn, Georgia, Florida and LSU, for example, fans line the player's entrance to yell "Dawg Food," "Gator Bait" or "Tiger Bait" as the Vols (or any other opposing team) enter the stadium. There are Tennessee fans there as well, cheering on their heroes.

Occasionally, there are times fans on both sides get so agitated that being on the field can be

dangerous.

In 1998, after the Vols won 20-17 against Florida in overtime, Steve Spurrier did his media conference in a small boiler room in the tunnel at the South end of Neyland Stadium. Medics were using the regular media room to treat a broken arm or two and other injuries from the post-game celebration. Spurrier seemed flummoxed by the whole set-up.

There were also all manner of projectiles, small batteries and the like, aimed at the North end just before the end of the 2000 Tennessee-Florida game, when an official's ruling went against the home team.

At Georgia, the Bulldogs broke a 9-game losing

streak to the Vols in 2002, and jubilation reigned supreme into the night, enough so that the legendary Georgia hedges came tumbling down. It didn't help Bulldog head coach Jim Donnan, however, who was sent packing at season's end.

There was a Tennessee player at Arkansas in 1999, who was so caught up in the post-game victory celebration, he was spotted helping hoist a portion of the goalpost amongst the Razorback fandom, before finally being escorted to the Vol dressing room.

There is nothing, however, that matches the feeling of leaving an opposing stadium, particularly after a big win, and hearing the band play the "Tennessee

Waltz," Pee Wee King and Redd Stewart's ode to lost love in the state of Tennessee.

That's one man's version of how the fan impact on college football has evolved through the eyes of someone who has seen nearly all the celebrations mentioned. He has watched developments over the years, first as a fan, then as an insider, and then again as a fan.

He has been able to share his thoughts with readers of VOLUNTEERS Magazine, the Knoxville News Sentinel, The Knoxville Focus, and in the pages of six books. It's been a fascinating way to enjoy the games and create memories for a lifetime.

Neyland Entertainment District is Happening

By Mark Nagi

The only constant... is change. That is certainly the case in the world of collegiate athletics. The way that the NCAA and its member institutions do business looks very different today than it did a decade ago.

Conference realignment. NIL. The most absurd coaching buy-outs you've ever seen. Unlimited transfers. All those changes (and many more) center around one thing: the most.

Money. There's never enough money.

And the University of Tennessee, like every other school, wants and needs more of it.

Last week, the UT System Board of Trustees gave its stamp of approval to the construction of

the new Neyland Entertainment District, clearing the final hurdle for a project that will reshape the UT campus and change the way thousands of fans tailgate before a Tennessee football game. They'll break ground this summer.

This entertainment complex might not completely be the brainchild of Tennessee athletics director Danny White, but its success or failure will be tied to his tenure, perhaps even more than coaching hires and team successes. Nothing to this scale has been attempted in college athletics. UT is trying to give people a reason to visit campus year-round.

Last month, White took part in the Big Orange Caravan stop in Chattanooga. His message for media and Vols fans alike was one of overwhelming positivity.

"It'll just be awesome," he said. "We are really excited about the entertainment district... the hotel, condo, restaurant, and amenities. It's a private development, about a \$280 million development, that will happen on the south end of our stadium. I think it will transform not just gameday but 365 days out of the year for our student body, for our student-athletes, and for the Knoxville community."

The new entertainment district will be built between Neyland Stadium and the Food City Center. To make this happen, most of the popular G-10 parking garage will be torn down and rebuilt to support the new hotel. Commuting students use that garage and will be displaced for a while.

Thousands of fans have used G-10 for tailgating purposes for

decades. It's the perfect location, a 3-wood from the south end of Neyland Stadium. Those on the upper deck get the best views not only of the stadium but also of the Tennessee River. But those days will be no more.

Fans and boosters who purchased parking in that garage will be displaced. Looking ahead to the Fall, UT is still working on a parking plan, one that will move many of those tailgaters far away.

One of the calling cards for this district will be the modernization of the new G-10 (or whatever it will be called). Anyone who has tried to leave G-10, especially after a concert, probably has at least one horror story of being stuck for hours. "The G-10 garage was never built for events, which is why we've had so much trouble getting people in and out of it,"


said White. "The new garage will be much more efficient in that way. And the top of it will be the entertainment district."

There are positives and negatives to this plan. Those without a tailgate spot will have new places to eat, drink, and be merry. Most of the folks who have made G-10 a part of their gameday experiences are upset at the changes.


But Tennessee needs to bring in more revenue. To compete in the current landscape of college sports, you can't do so on a budget.

"I think we've always been in the sports entertainment business," said White. "We've always had concerts in our arena and in our stadium. But we have these big expensive buildings. How do we monetize them more frequently?"





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WHEREAS, City Employees Credit Union, are the owners and holders of the indebtedness due therein, and has appointed A. Nicole Troutt, as Substitute Trustee, whose Appointment of Substitute Trustee is of record as Instrument Number 202604300061671, in Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

THEREFORE, NOTICE is hereby given that default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and said default having existed for more than thirty (30) days, the undersigned Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority vested and having been requested to do so by the owner and holder of said indebtedness, to advertise and sell the property described on: **Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 11:00 am at the Northern most entrance from Main Avenue near the Main Assembly Room on M-Level of the City/County Building in Knoxville, Knox County, Tennessee,** and will proceed to offer for sale at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, in bar of all statutory right and equity of redemption, the following described property; to-wit:

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ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JACQUELINE CARTER, (Deceased), Defendant(s)

CASE NO. 90839-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, PROBATE DIVISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Loin Eldridge, Personal Representative of the Estate of Jacqueline Carter, deceased, has filed a Petition to Sell Real Property of the Estate located at 3401 Arrow Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37914.

The Court has authorized service of process by publication upon all known and unknown heirs of Jacqueline Carter, deceased, whose identities and whereabouts cannot with reasonable diligence be ascertained.

A hearing on the Personal Representative's Petition to Sell Real Property is scheduled for June 11, 2026, at 1:30 P.M., before the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee, Probate Division. Any party wishing to file a response to the Petition to Sell Real Property must do so on or before that date.

Any objection or response not filed on or before the date of the hearing shall be deemed waived, and the Court may proceed to consider and grant the Petition without further notice.

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Chancellor

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: WILLIE JAMES HARPER, III

IN RE: T.A.H., A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 18, DOR 10/04/2013

BY: LATOYA WATSON and KEVIN WATSON, Petitioners

VS.

WILLIE JAMES HARPER, III, Respondent

47JC1-2026-PPP-12

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the respondent, WILLIE JAMES HARPER, III, a resident of Knox County, Tennessee, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon WILLIE JAMES HARPER, III, it is ordered that said respondent, WILLIE JAMES HARPER, III, file an answer with the Juvenile Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Scott B. Hahn, BPR., an Attorney whose address is 5344 N. Broadway, Suite 101, Knoxville, TN 37918, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgement by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before the Honorable Timothy E. Irwin at the Knox County Juvenile Court, 3323 Division Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

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

This 1st day of MAY, 2026.

Honorable Timothy E. Irwin,
Judge

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF STEVE ALDRIDGE
DOCKET NUMBER 92413-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of STEVE ALDRIDGE, who died Nov. 22, 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 first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF STEVE ALDRIDGE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JONATHAN P. LONG

JONATHAN LONG, ATTORNEY
1155 HALLE PARK CIRCLE
COLLIERVILLE, TN 38017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BETTE W. BACON
DOCKET NUMBER 92371-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of APRIL, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of BETTE W. BACON, who died on February 15, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) below, otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(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 27th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF BETTE W. BACON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S):
THE TRUST COMPANY OF TENNESSEE
C/O KATHRYN WADDELL
4823 OLD KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 100
KNOXVILLE, TN 379 19

ROBERT S. MARQUIS
3819 OAKHURST DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LOCKE Y. CARTER
DOCKET NUMBER 92360-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of APRIL, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of LOCKE Y. CARTER, who died on March 7, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 (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 first publication (or posting); or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors if the creditor received the copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (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 21st day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF LOCKE Y. CARTER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JANET C. CARTER
1477 TOURAINE PLACE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

LEVI D. MAULDIN, ATTORNEY
105 LANDMARK LANE
BRISTOL, TN 37620

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DONALD THOMAS CATHEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92389-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DONALD THOMAS CATHEY, who died March 13, 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 prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication described in (1)(A); or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This 22nd day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF DONALD THOMAS CATHEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ANGELA LYNN HOPKINS
7546 WHEATMEADOW ROAD
CORRYTON, TN 37721

KENNETH W. HOLBERT, ATTORNEY
402 CLYDE STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RICHARD ALLAN CHESTEK
DOCKET NUMBER 92351-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RICHARD ALLAN CHESTEK, who died on July 25, 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 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 21 day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF RICHARD ALLAN CHESTEK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LESLEY E. MILHEIM
1112 PINE RUN LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BETTY JEAN DEHART
DOCKET NUMBER 92364-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY JEAN DEHART, who died January 2, 2026, 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 first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This 24 day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF BETTY JEAN DEHART

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JACQUELINE CUNNINGHAM
1516 WANDERING RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

J. WHITSON SMITH, ATTORNEY
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY E. FALLIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92406-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY E. FALLIS, who died Feb. 21, 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 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARY E. FALLIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRANDY M. WILLIAMS
3428 JOHNSON RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM
DOCKET NUMBER 92357-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of APRIL, 2026, letters of testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM, who died March 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 21 day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHAWNNA DAWN GADDIS
7117 THOMAS DEVER ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY ANN FERRARI
DOCKET NUMBER 92375-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANCY ANN FERRARI, who died Feb. 27, 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 24 day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF NANCY ANN FERRARI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JENNIFER M. HOWARD, CO-EXECUTRIX
3453 MAPLE GROVE WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

AMANDA NICOLE WAGNER, CO-EXECUTRIX
108 S. CARBON STREET, APT. C
MARION, IL 62959

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THOMAS B. FORD
DOCKET NUMBER 92398-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS B. FORD, who died June 2, 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 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF THOMAS B. FORD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JULIA ELIZABETH FORD MAYS
502 BERKFORD RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LEE M. GAGLE
DOCKET NUMBER 92358-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters of testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of LEE M. GAGLE, who died March 16, 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 described in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF LEE M. GAGLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DEBORAH ANN KONING
7813 S. SOLITUDE LANE
TRAFALGAR, IN 46181

PAMELA GAGLE WILSON
700 NORRIS SHORES DRIVE
SHARPS CHAPEL, TN 37866

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM
DOCKET NUMBER 92357-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of APRIL, 2026, letters of testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM, who died March 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 21 day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF FRANCES ALLRED GRISSOM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHAWNNA DAWN GADDIS
7117 THOMAS DEVER ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PAUL SCOTT LITTLE
DOCKET NUMBER 92376-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of PAUL SCOTT LITTLE, who died Feb. 6, 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 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF PAUL SCOTT LITTLE

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WANDA SUE OGLE DOCKET NUMBER 92380-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA SUE OGLE, who died Feb. 17, 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 24 day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF WANDA SUE OGLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MAX DALE OGLE, JR., EXECUTOR
1921 HOUSTONIA DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KAY REYNOLDS DOCKET NUMBER 92410-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the Estate of KAY REYNOLDS, who died on the 8th day of February, 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 24th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF KAY REYNOLDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
A. D. LEWIS, III
340 CHAMBERLAIN COVE RD.
KINGSTON, TN 37763

MAURICE W. GERARD, ATTORNEY
1430 ISLAND HOME AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ALVIN BILLY SHERRILL DOCKET NUMBER 92403-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ALVIN BILLY SHERRILL, who died Feb. 13, 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 24th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF ALVIN BILLY SHERRILL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES E. HUNT
390 REMINGTON LANE
MCMINNVILLE, TN 37110

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES A. STREVEL DOCKET NUMBER 92379-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES A. STREVEL, who died Jan. 28, 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 24 day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES A. STREVEL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ASHLEE BROOKE CRAWFORD, EXECUTRIX
110 LEE LANE
CLINTON, TN 37716

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA JOSEPHINE TWEED DOCKET NUMBER 92346-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA JOSEPHINE TWEED, who died on October 22, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee Probate Division. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)A Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 21 day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA JOSEPHINE TWEED

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KYLE RICHARD BOYES
9917 MCCORMICK PL.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

L. ERIC EBBERT, ATTORNEY
BRENT BAXLEY, ATTORNEY
9145 CROSS PARK DR., SUITE 103
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HELEN ELIZABETH VANCE DOCKET NUMBER 92444-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HELEN ELIZABETH VANCE, who died Jan. 6, 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 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 April, 2026.

ESTATE OF HELEN ELIZABETH VANCE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN THIGPEN
3711 GOOSENECK DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MAX ALVIS BELOW DOCKET NUMBER 92434-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of APRIL, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MAX ALVIS BELOW, who died January 22, 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 this first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 30th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF MAX ALVIS BELOW

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DONNA BELOW
8207 SCHROEDER RD.
POWELL, TN 37849

R. SETH OAKES, ATTORNEY
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOY GATLIN BRANDON DOCKET NUMBER 91991-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of JOY GATLIN BRANDON, who died on November 28, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) below, otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of 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 4th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF JOY GATLIN BRANDON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BRIDGET MICHELE CARROLL DOCKET NUMBER 92356-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of APRIL, 2026, letters administration (or letters of testamentary as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of BRIDGET MICHELE CARROLL, who died February 10, 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 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 30th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF BRIDGET MICHELE CARROLL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LEE ANN CARTER
1048 AMBERLY COURT
LENOIR CITY, TN 37772

LYNN TARPY, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF AMANDA GAILE CLAPP DOCKET NUMBER 92394-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of AMANDA GAILE CLAPP, who died February 1, 2026 were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)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 4th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF AMANDA GAILE CLAPP

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM POWELL EDWARDS DOCKET NUMBER 92419-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM POWELL EDWARDS, who died April 6, 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 30th day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM POWELL EDWARDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SONYA L. WHICKER
9916 SHERETZ DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

JORDAN D. DAVIS, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PAUL FOUST FITZGERALD, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 91921-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of APRIL, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of PAUL FOUST FITZGERALD, JR., who died Oct. 12, 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 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 April, 2026.

ESTATE OF PAUL FOUST FITZGERALD, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RHONDA S. FITZGERALD
1806 NORTHWOOD DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES FREEZE DOCKET NUMBER 92311-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES FREEZE, who died Aug. 4, 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 27th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES FREEZE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ADRIENNE TRAMMELL-LOVE
7009 LENOX VILLAGE DRIVE, STE. 103
NASHVILLE, TN 37211

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LOIS FAYE GRISHAM DOCKET NUMBER 92414-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of MAY, 2026, Letters Testamentary (or Letters of Administration, as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of LOIS FAYE GRISHAM, who died on September 18, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the 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 prior to 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 7th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF LOIS FAYE GRISHAM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
REBECCA DUNKEL
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

JOHN M. NEAL, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37950

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THOMAS EUGENE HARTMAN DOCKET NUMBER 92418-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS EUGENE HARTMAN, who died March 21, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)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 24th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF THOMAS EUGENE HARTMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHEREE H. JOHNSON
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P. NEWMAN BANKSTON, ATTORNEY
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P. O. BOX 2047
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOSHUA CARL IRICK DOCKET NUMBER 92473-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JOSHUA CARL IRICK, who died on May 10, 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 4th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF JOSHUA CARL IRICK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRITTANY AARON IRICK
9017 LEGENDS LAKE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NABEEL K. ISHAK DOCKET NUMBER 92242-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of MAY, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of NABEEL K. ISHAK, who died December 5, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)A Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 4 day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF NABEEL K. ISHAK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DEVIN N. ISHAK, EXECUTOR
1551 CHERRY LAKE WAY
LAKE MARY, FL 32746

ANDREW M. HALE, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0629

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GLADYS MAE KING DOCKET NUMBER 91897-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GLADYS MAE KING, who died Oct. 10, 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 27th day of April, 2027

ESTATE OF GLADYS MAE KING

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM RICHARD KORAN
14099 CRAWLING STONE DRIVE
LAC-DU-FLAMBEAU, WI 54538

PAUL S. HENSLEY, ATTORNEY
PLAZA TOWER 2035
800 S. GAY STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37929

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TIM KNIGHT DOCKET NUMBER 92314-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of TIM KNIGHT, who died February 10, 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 4th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF TIM KNIGHT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SPENCER JACOB KNIGHT
3115 WHITILE SPRINGS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

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Fulton runs past Hornets to defend district title

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like it was a championship game. We were playing it like it was a regular-season game," Clow said. "And that was why I was upset at halftime."

The coach gave his squad a pep talk at halftime, and apparently, he struck a chord.

"I think they got the message," Clow said. "We have a lot of young kids, and they might've been on the team last year, but they didn't play much. This is new to them."

Clow got the response he wanted as the Falcons scored quickly after halftime, and they would tally early and often. Fulton marked four times over the final 40 minutes as they got a second-half hat trick from Gonzalez, who received his Offensive Player of the Year Award after the match.

Just three minutes into the second half, Fulton extended its lead to 3-0 on a goal by Steven Lopez Rivera, one of just two seniors on the team's roster.

Sophomore goalkeeper Michelangelo Maez kept the Hornets at bay as he



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Fulton High wins its second District 3-2A championship. The Falcons defeated Carter, 6-0, Thursday in the tournament title match.

made seven saves en route to recording a clean sheet.

Gonzalez scored in the 54th, 68th and 73rd minutes to help the Falcons claim their second straight district championship.

These titles didn't come easily. Fulton has emerged as a competitive force three seasons ago. But the Falcons had to endure some painful experiences along the way, losing in the district semifinals three

years ago. "That's what I told them before the game," Clow said. "That we had a lot of heartbreak."

Fulton will next play on Tuesday at home when they host District 4-3A

runner-up Union County. The Hornets (14-6) will play at Gibbs in an elimination region semifinal on Tuesday.

The Eagles outlasted the Union Co. Patriots, 2-1, Thursday night.

In District 5-2A: No. 1 seed South-Doyle won the tournament championship with a 7-0 victory on Thursday. The Cherokees will host a Region 3-2A Tournament match on Tuesday.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EARL WAYNE PRESLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92404-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of EARL WAYNE PRESLEY, who died May 7, 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 first publication; or
 - (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 24 day of April, 2026.

ESTATE OF EARL WAYNE PRESLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WENDY GAYLE KIRCHHOFFER, ADMINISTRATRIX
4417 COSTER ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANNE HARWOOD RALSTON
DOCKET NUMBER 92417-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of MAY, 2026, letters administration (or letters of testamentary as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of ANNE HARWOOD RALSTON, who died March 15, 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 first publication; or
 - (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 6th day of MAY, 2026.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RACHEL P. ROBERTS
DOCKET NUMBER 92396-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of RACHEL P. ROBERTS, who died on March 20, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(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 24th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF RACHEL P. ROBERTS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
N. DAVID ROBERTS, JR.

N. DAVID ROBERTS, JR. ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 2564
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PRESTON SHADIX
DOCKET NUMBER 92373-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PRESTON SHADIX, who died Feb. 15, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
 - (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 27th day of APRIL, 2026

ESTATE OF PRESTON SHADIX

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KRISTIE E. MARTIN
9716 OLD RUTLEDGE PIKE
MASCOT, TN 37806

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM M. THOMAS,
aka BILL THOMAS
DOCKET NUMBER 92412-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM M. THOMAS, aka BILL THOMAS, who died March 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 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 APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM M. THOMAS,

aka BILL THOMAS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
REESE KELLY THOMAS
1719 RAINBOW FALLS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

JONATHAN D. REED, ATTORNEY
KAITLYN A SELL, ATTORNEY
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P. O. BOX 2047
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RODERICK HODGE WALLS
DOCKET NUMBER 92149-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of MAY, 2026, Letters Of Administration in respect of the Estate of RODERICK HODGE WALLS, who died December 30, 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 date of the publication of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice To Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
 - (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice To Creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
 - (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 5 day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF RODERICK HODGE WALLS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JUANITA MACK WALLS, ADMINISTRATRIX
801 BREEZE WAY DRIVE
FARRAGUT, TN 37934

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CHARLOTTE ANN WALSH,
aka CHARLOTTE POE WALSH
DOCKET NUMBER 91892-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of MAY, 2026, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLOTTE ANN WALSH, aka CHARLOTTE POE WALSH, who died on the 12th day of November, 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 5 day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF CHARLOTTE ANN WALSH,
aka CHARLOTTE POE WALSH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TERESA P. RHYNE
8022 HELEN DRIVE
POWELL, TN 37849

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHANA JANEEN WELLS
DOCKET NUMBER 92411-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of MAY, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of SHANA JANEEN WELLS, who died February 1, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(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 4th day of MAY, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHANA JANEEN WELLS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JIMMIE DEAN WELLS, JR.
122 ARCADIA LANE, APT. F
OAK RIDGE, TN 37830

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KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EILEEN POST WILSON
DOCKET NUMBER 92437-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of APRIL, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EILEEN POST WILSON, who died January 2, 2026, 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 30th day of APRIL, 2026.

ESTATE OF EILEEN POST WILSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL KELLEY
550 MAIN STREET, FOURTH FLOOR
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

ADAM B. McDONALD, ATTORNEY
550 MAIN STREET, FOURTH FLOOR
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items and services:
BID 3745, KITCHEN EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, Due 6/9/26
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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Knox County Commission shall receive resumés from candidates seeking an appointment to four (4) vacancies on the Knox County Library Advisory Board for **Commission Districts 1, 2, 5 and 8**, with terms expiring July 1, 2029. **Candidates must reside in the district for which they are applying.** Resumés should be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail, or hand delivered no later than Monday, June 8, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. to:

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

The Knox County Commission shall interview candidates during the Optional Agenda Review Meeting on Monday, June 15, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 West Main Street.
The Commission appointments shall be considered during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Knox County Commission on Monday, June 22, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 West Main Street.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Knox County Commission shall receive letters and resumés/credentials from candidates seeking an appointment to one (1) vacancy on the Knox County Board of Construction Appeals, with a term to expire December 31, 2032. **Candidate must be a registered design professional with structural engineering experience.** Resumés should be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail or hand-delivered no later than **Monday, June 8, 2026 at 4:00 pm** to:

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NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The following described vehicles impounded/ repaired/towed will be sold at public and/or private auction in compliance with the Tennessee Public Acts 1967, Chapter 240, House Bill 379. The sale will be held on May 26, 2026 at Volunteer Towing Vehicle Impoundment Lot located at 5906 Walden Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

These vehicles have been checked through the files of the Commissioner of Revenue, Title Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Revenue, State of Tennessee. In appropriate cases, the vehicles have been checked in other states and the owners and/or lienholders have been notified by certified mail. In those instances where no vehicle identification/serial number or license number was available, this Public Notice in the newspaper will comply with the law.

The failure of the owner/lienholder to exercise their rights to reclaim any vehicle listed below

not bearing a VIN/serial number shall be deemed a waiver of all rights and title and authorization to sell said vehicle.

- 1) '08 CHEVY IMPALA 2G1WT55N589250136
- 2) '85 CHEVY C10 16BJG34WXFV205062
- 3) '15 KIA SOUL KNDJN2A02F793057
- 4) '13 BMW X1 WBAVL1C54DVR83359
- 5) '14 CHEVY IMPALA 2G1155S30E9261337
- 6) '20 CHEVY SONIC 1G1JG6SB6L4109912
- 7) '16 CHEVY EQUINOX 1GNFLEEK0G2100850
- 8) '09 CHEVY HHR 3GNCA23B99S522528
- 9) '14 CHEVY CRUZE 1G1PC58B6E73399358
- 11) '13 DODGE AVENGER 1C3CDZAB5DN536879
- 12) '07 DODGE CARAVAN 1D4GP25R87B228570
- 13) '98 DODGE TRUCK 1B7GL22X9WS618992
- 14) '97 DODGE RAM 1B7HF13ZVJ588993
- 15) '03 DODGE RAM 1D7HU18N43S246853
- 16) '97 FORD F150 1FTDX1727VND040489
- 17) '14 FORD FOCUS 1FADP3K22E265611
- 18) '17 FORD FUSION 3FA6PH75HR404596
- 19) '14 FORD F150 1FTFX1EF4EFA76205
- 20) '08 HONDA ACCORD 1HGCP28080A15803
- 21) '06 HONDA PILOT 2HKFY18136H551443
- 22) '25 HONDA MOTORCYCLE JH2SC871XSK000213
- 23) '17 KIA SOUL KNDJN2A21H7458585
- 24) '03 MERCURY SABLE 1MEFM50U136626908
- 25) '01 NISSAN ALTIMA 1N4DL01D61C197515
- 26) '16 NISSAN SENTRA 3N1AB7AP8E6L656026
- 27) '05 NISSAN ALTIMA 1N4BL11D65E265038
- 28) '13 NISSAN QUEST JN8AE2KP1D9071340
- 29) '07 TOYOTA SIENNA 5TDZK22C775002114
- 30) '13 VW JETTA 3VWDP7A75DM430121
- 31) '20 INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER 3HAUML7L532385
- 32) '23 JEEP WRANGLER 1C4JJP69PW562443

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- 1) '09 HONDA CIVIC 2HGFA16559H369432
- 2) '18 CHEVY EQUINOX 2GN1JF5E1J6204459
- 3) '12 CHEVY CRUZE 1G1PF5C72797614
- 4) '14 FORD FUSION 3FA6PH75HR148452
- 5) '04 FORD MUSTANG 1FAFP4424F194227
- 6) '14 FORD TAURUS 1FAHP2E89E6130520
- 7) '02 HONDA CIVIC 1HGES15552L000623
- 8) '08 INFINITI M35 JNKAY01E88M602431
- 9) '02 JEEP SPR 1J4GL48K2W2324144
- 10) '14 KIA SORENTO 5XYKT3A69E6488967
- 11) '16 KIA SORENTO 5XYP6A4396G128459
- 12) '18 KIA SOUL KNDJP3A55J7566319
- 13) '01 LEXUS LS430 JTHBN30F810025227
- 14) '25 NISSAN ROGUE 5N1BT3AAX8K863510
- 15) '17 NISSAN MAX. 1N4AAGAP7HC436540
- 16) '06 TOYOTA AVALON 4T1BK3686U154979
- 17) '05 DODGE CARAVAN 2D4GP44L5R132818