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Stephanie Cook honored at retirement reception



By Ken Lay

Stephanie Cook has spent nearly three decades as the City of Knoxville's ADA coordinator, but she's not going away.

"I've been here a long time, 29 years," said Cook, who was hired by former Mayor Victor Ashe. "I'm going to take the summer off and then I will do some consulting and I have a couple of projects that I'm

working on.

"Just because I'm retiring doesn't mean that I'm going far away. Just because I'm leaving the city doesn't mean the city is no longer interested in keeping this work going."

She'll retire from the City of Knoxville on June 30, but her career and accomplishments were honored at a retirement celebration on Wednesday afternoon at the Knoxville City

Public Works Service Center.

Knoxville Mayor Indya Kincannon issued a proclamation declaring June 17, 2026, Stephanie Brewer Cook Day.

"Stephanie is a passionate champion for accessibility for all," Kincannon said. "For three decades, she's been the city's leading advocate as we've worked community-wide, collaboratively

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Knox County ADA coordinator Carly Pearson (right) discusses her time working with City of Knoxville ADA coordinator Stephanie Cook at Cook's retirement celebration. Photo by Ken Lay.

Council may increase funds for Northwest Greenway, Liberty Street projects

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The Northwest Greenway Connector Phase II project may get additional funding from the city council tomorrow, expanding its budget to \$7.2 million. The council will also consider upping the Liberty Street Multimodal Project to \$2.3 million. Both projects may be granted extended dates of completion.

Two firms may be contracted for on-call service for traffic signal detector loops, both for \$60,000 per year with two one-year options. The firms are Davis H. Elliot Construction and Integrated Response Systems.

The city's homeless effort may see \$65,000 in Homeless General Funds going to the Salvation Army, \$30,000 to Catholic

Charities, \$94,720 to the Volunteer Ministry Center, \$65,000 to the Community Action Committee, \$25,000 to the Community Mediation Center, and a separate \$25,000 to Catholic Ministries for an updated security system for Samaritan Place.

Legends Global may be hired to manage the Knoxville Convention Center, World's Fair Exhibition Hall and the Civic Auditorium and Coliseum for \$905,000 a year.

The council may also approve the 2027-2032 Capital Improvements Program.

Scott Albrecht will appeal a setback ruling by the Board of Zoning Appeals for 1503 Southgate Road, and a city council representative may be chosen to chair the African American Equity Restoration Task Force.



PHOTO BY JAMIE SCHNELL

Morning Pointe resident Peggy Lee enjoys a sit down in her husband Harold's classic car at last week's Classic Car Show.

Nostalgic Car Show Ignites Memories at Morning Pointe

By Jamie Schnell
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Morning Pointe Hardin Valley recently hosted a Father's Day Classic Car Show, transforming its campus into a nostalgic celebration

honoring fathers and father figures. Residents, families, car enthusiasts, and neighbors gathered to enjoy classic cars from decades past, each with its own story. Guests enjoyed lunch as a parade of vintage vehicles

passed by, including a special cruise through the memory care area at The Lantern at Morning Pointe, bringing smiles to many.

Life Enrichment Director Hope

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Knox 911 board passes budget, puts hold on hiring lobbyist

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Members of the Knox County Emergency Communications District Board voted Wednesday to approve a \$21.5 million operating budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, but after some discussion and a presentation, voted not to hire a Nashville lobbyist.

Will Denami of Denami Government Affairs spoke to the board about his efforts and clients in Nashville and praised Knox 911's director, Brad

Anders, who chaired the Tennessee Emergency Communication Board. Anders is leaving that position, and Denami said that's a loss of a Knox County voice. Among his clients, the lobbyist mentioned TN911, an association of 911 operators across the state.

Knoxville Mayor Indya Kincannon, who shares the chair position with Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, led the meeting and questioned Denami on the need for a separate lobbyist since Knox

County belongs to TN911. He replied that the local system is the third largest in the state and does not have its own person advocating for it in the Tennessee Legislature.

Executive Director Brad Anders noted a new legislature, governor and senator will take office soon, and Knox County would be "having access to Will in the hallways" in Nashville were it to hire Denami. Anders and Denami also referenced Governor Bill Lee's veto of a state House and Senate bill to increase

the 911 surcharge from \$1.50 to \$1.86 to help fund 911 service agencies. Anders said the veto killed about \$1 million in additional revenue for the local dispatch agency.

Kincannon said she wants to continue membership in TN911 and rely on local delegation members in the legislature, and moved to approve the budget but hold off on hiring a lobbyist.

The new budget includes a cost-of-living increase for employees, a new retirement health benefit, and

splitting the current finance director's office into two separate functions. The motion passed 5-4.

Anders commented that the meeting will be the last

for Finance Director Kim White, who is retiring after 33 years of service. He said that in her many years of service, there has not been

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a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Winners and Losers

America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedom, it will be because we destroyed ourselves.

Abraham Lincoln

I am a collector of quotations. I suspect pithy observations of reality have been around since language began, long before the written word to record them.

We have transitioned from our ancient aural roots to a visual reality where the written word is often embellished with pictures and memes. A friend observed that we think in pictures. We often use the metaphor, "picture this." And now we seem to be on the cusp of transitioning to a virtual reality shaped by AI.

Memes have become popular by utilizing clever combinations of pictures and words. Interestingly, Paleolithic man used pictures long before there was

writing. In the 1960s, my parents took me to Europe and memorably we toured the 20,000-year-old cave art in Lascaux, France.

I often use quotes as headers for this column. Like the titles of my essays, I shamelessly use both as "hooks" to entice readers and to serve as a clue for the essay's direction.

Recently, I used John Adams' quote about The Constitution, religion and morality, which deserves repeating, "Our Constitution was made only for a religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

Polaris is the North Star, which has guided mariners for centuries. In my column of June 8, entitled "North Stars," I proclaimed that the Bible is the guide for my ship on the sea of life, supplemented by the guiding principles of the Constitution.

Apparently, the chief writer of the Constitution,

James Madison, imagined the same hierarchy: "The future and success of America is not in this Constitution, but in the laws of God upon which this Constitution is founded." And George Washington, the father of our country, held that, "It is impossible to govern the world without God."

I am a Christian, and in my small way, I strive to be an evangelist for the Gospel in my columns. However, how you live is more important. Jesus said, "Let your light shine before men so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven (Matthew 5:16)."

I am less fundamentalist than some, but I agree with John Adams that "The Bible contains the most profound philosophy, the most perfect morality, and the most refined policy that ever was conceived on earth."

We should be careful of judging people outside of the times in which they lived. Thomas Jefferson was a brilliant but complicated man. As the chief writer of the Declaration of Independence, Jefferson penned the noble ideals of Enlightenment thought. However, he was also a lifelong slaveholder. And perhaps because of his dislike of Alexander Hamilton and his opposition to George Washington and John

Adams' Federalism, Jefferson began what we now see as our current poisonous political parties. Jefferson even rewrote the Gospels, omitting the miracles of Jesus while extolling The Master: "The doctrines of Jesus are simple, and tend to the happiness of man... Had the doctrines of Jesus been preached always as pure as they come from his lips, the whole civilized world would now have been Christian."

Thomas Jefferson and John Jay assisted James Madison in drafting the Constitution. However, it would not become the law of the land until 9 of the 13 original states accepted (ratified) the document. Madison, Hamilton and Jay wrote "The Federalist Papers" under the pseudonym "Publius" to educate Americans and to promote passage of the Constitution, accomplished a year later in 1788.

One of the big issues for ratification was the absence of a Bill of Rights. George Mason of Virginia championed this cause, which was accomplished with the passage of the first ten amendments to the Constitution. Our Bill of Rights was patterned after the Magna Carta, the English Bill of Rights and the Virginia Declaration of Rights, the latter written by George Mason.

These fundamental rights are integral to Americanism, but I want to focus on the first two rights within the First Amendment. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." We hear much about the "establishment clause," but liberals and progressives seem unaware of the rest of the sentence, which restricts the government from "prohibiting the free exercise of religion."

When Thomas Jefferson became president in 1800, he wrote a letter to Baptists in Danbury, Connecticut, assuring them that the new government was not going to establish a state religion as existed in England. Confusion arose in 1947 when liberal Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black revived a previously obscure metaphor from Jefferson's letter. In the letter to the Baptists, Jefferson quoted the First Amendment and used the metaphor of "building a wall of separation between Church and State." That phrase is not in the Constitution nor any original documents, but has subsequently been used as an anti-religious cudgel.

Obama called the Constitution a "set of negative liberties." This is one instance that I'll agree with

him. The Tenth Amendment states that "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." This means that any powers not explicitly granted to the federal government are retained by the states or the people. Progressive socialist Democrats are either too stupid to understand this or would rather just lie about the wording.

June 14 was Flag Day, President Trump's birthday and the announcement that all sides have agreed to end the Iranian war and open the Straits of Hormuz. We are told that the enriched uranium dust under the buried rubble of Fordow will be recovered and removed. I have hope that the peace deal will be signed and the factions within Iran will keep the deal. We'll see.

If this happens, the winners will be America, the world and President Trump. But there will also be losers: the fanatical Iranian leadership, their terrorist proxies and progressive socialist Democrats.

America has seen 250 years of perseverance and winning. I'm still not tired of it.

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any problem found in her audits. He also noted that Sheriff Tom Spangler and Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will also be leaving the board. Both were terminated in their offices.

The board also heard reports from the Personnel Committee, Tech Committee, and attorney Donald Howell.



Knox 911 Chair Mayor Indya Kincannon and Emergency Communications Executive Director Brad Anders discuss the idea of hiring a lobbyist in Nashville.

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to remove physical barriers and change perceptions.

"Because of Stephanie, Knoxville is a more welcoming, inviting and accessible city."

Cook spoke briefly and recounted her experience helping make Knoxville Area Transit's buses accessible.

"I was just helping KAT comply with federal (regulations)," she said. "And I noticed that when I was strapped in to the seat, that you didn't have anything to hold on to."

"If you were in a regular seat, you could hold on to the top of the seat in front of you, and if you're in your personal vehicle, you have the bar above your seat, and we all know what that's called. I have this prop that KAT gave me, the Oh (Crap) Bar."

Cook went to work for the city in the late 1990s and has been an advocate for accessibility.

Her accomplishments are numerous, and Kincannon vowed that the city would continue the work that Cook began.

"You can't replace Stephanie, but we will continue to do her work," Kincannon said.

Knox County ADA Coordinator Carly Pearson regards Cook as a mentor.



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

City of Knoxville ADA coordinator Stephanie Cook addresses the audience at her retirement reception Wednesday. Cook is retiring June 30 after nearly three decades with the city.

"I've been the ADA Coordinator for six years, and I'll miss Stephanie and miss us rolling around the City-County Building. She's always been willing to roll up there when she was

needed.

"I've learned a lot from Stephanie."

Cook will also be honored at Tuesday's city council meeting.



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Obama Presidential Library Hurts Minority Businesses

Just how much Democrat/Socialist love minorities can be summed up in the Tower of Obama being built in Chicago. Officially, it is the presidential library of Barack Obama, although it more closely resembles a modern-day Tower of Babel. By 2021, the cost of Obama's monument to himself had exceeded \$830 million. The grand opening was to occur last Friday, and the cost has almost certainly surpassed a billion dollars. Minority contractors were used to construct the Tower of Obama, and news reports indicate some of them have been left holding the financial bag. The massive tower and its nearly 20-acre campus on the south side of Chicago were to have their opening, while subcontractors have yet to be paid. In fact, some of the subcontractors, who are minority-owned businesses, are owed so much

money that they face financial ruin without being paid soon. Several construction firms have claimed they have suffered financial losses ranging from hundreds of thousands of dollars to tens of millions. One small business, Adams Plumbing, is well in the red, being owed more than \$4 million. Local taxpayers, in a city increasingly teetering on the edge of bankruptcy under a mayor more Marxist than socialist, will be stuck with millions of dollars in costs associated with the Tower of Obama, which some critics are already labeling "the ugliest building in Chicago." Is anybody surprised?

Newsoms Under Federal Investigation

Journalist Susan Crabtree has done some terrific reporting, as usual. An excellent reporter on all things California, Crabtree has published a new article on the brewing trouble of Governor Gavin Newsom and his wife, Jennifer Seibel Newsom. Dana Williamson, Governor Newsom's ex-chief of staff, pleaded guilty a month ago to three felonies involving campaign finance as well as evasion of federal income taxes. Crabtree reported Newsom announced, "We've all got to be held to the letter of the law."

Newsom has apparently changed his mind and is singing a different tune these days when agents began making inquiries to his friends and associates,

asking some very difficult questions. Governor Newsom quickly posted a video to social media, bawling that he was the victim of the weaponization of the law by President Trump. Of course, the most notable victim of the weaponization of lawfare in the United States is Donald Trump. People like Gavin Newsom would repeat the same mantra over and over again: "No one is above the law." Except, of course, themselves. As Susan Crabtree's well-researched article indicates, there are some very curious things occurring in California aside from the fact that they've legalized what would be considered voter fraud in their system. California has also legalized what in many states would be either considered or very close to "pay to play," a BIG no-no in politics and government.

According to Newsom, Trump is "coming after" him because he's "thinking about" running for president. Wow, and nobody thought Trump was running for president between 2020 and 2024! Yet, Newsom ignores the fact that the investigation apparently began under the Biden administration. It was Joe Biden's Department of Justice that began the probe, which concluded with the felony pleas by his former chief of staff. The investigation into Mrs. Newsom's taxes began in California, not Washington, D.C.

Susan Crabtree is the co-author of the book "Fool's

Gold," which documents the flow of money into the coffers of Jennifer Seibel Newsom's non-profit ventures, which are pretty profitable for her personally. According to "Fool's Gold," Mrs. Newsom's non-profit Representation Project paid her \$1.5 million in salary between the years 2013 - 2021, as well as pouring \$1.6 million into the California First Lady's personal production company, Girls Club Entertainment, since 2012. Crabtree and her co-author documented several corporations and businesses that either won contracts with the state or were pursuing state business which donated "five and six-figure" sums to Mrs. Newsom's charity. Jen Newsom's production company has made a total of four films, which have played in some 5,000 classrooms across the country. All of them "discuss social privilege, oppression and gender equality." Some of the footage naturally includes her husband, the governor, and some critics have been unkind enough to say it resembles campaign ads rather than documentary films.

One especially generous entity providing cash for Mrs. Newsom's projects is Pacific Gas & Electric, the corporate giant and utility company which was so giving that it was listed as an associate producer on two of Newsom's films.

After squalling his defiance of Trump, Gavin Newsom immediately sent out a fundraising appeal.

Hypocrisy Rampant In Democratic Party

In this topsy-turvy world, it is interesting to note that the people who call everyone else a Nazi are also those who support a guy for the US Senate who, until he was caught, proudly wore the "Totenkopf" tattoo, the "death's head" favored by the dreaded Nazi SS. The same people who once cried women must be believed now ignore the growing list of women who have accused Graham Platner of abuse.

The Southern Poverty Law Center is currently being accused by the DOJ of cooking its books and funneling \$3 million to groups and individuals, such as an affiliate of the Aryan Nation; to the former chairman of the National Alliance; a \$73,000 payment to members of the Ku Klux Klan; \$270,000 to a "Unite the Right" member, and more. Evidently, the SPLC - which thrives off of and raises millions of dollars off of its claim that racism is everywhere - was apparently lavishing its proceeds on extremist organizations to gin up racism.

Then there are the questions about the mighty strange fundraising practices utilized by ActBlue, which has become a financial engine for Democrat/Socialist candidates. The leader of ActBlue, Regina Wallace-Jones, called before a congressional committee, invoked the Fifth Amendment, the right not to incriminate oneself,

to the point where she just about wore it out. There are real questions about fake donations being made under the names of ordinary Americans who gave \$5 here and \$10 there, totaling an astonishing amount of money. Ms. Wallace-Jones refused to answer any questions about the flow of foreign money into American elections. The very same people who cooked up and cried about the "Russia-collusion" now aren't at all worried about campaign cash being pumped into the coffers of Democrat/Socialists from communist China.

ActBlue has raised approximately \$19 billion for Democrat/Socialist candidates and far-left-wing groups since its creation in 2004. ActBlue insists it most certainly does not allow or receive donations from "undisclosed sources" or foreign groups, for that matter. But according to the New York Times, ActBlue has been accepting contributions from abroad "even when donor identities cannot be verified."

ActBlue also claimed it would not accept anonymous monetary gift cards, but there's reason to believe that, too, was a lie. Iran, China, Russia and every other foreign power with an axe to grind against America very well may be trying to influence our elections. Is it any wonder the "America Last" numbers keep growing?

Blue States Are Inviting Voter Fraud - Here's How Congress Can Stop It

America has been a free country for 250 years thanks to our representative system of government. We the People are in charge of our destiny because we choose our



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mayors, council members, lawmakers, governors, and presidents. At the foundation of it all is a simple principle: one citizen, one vote. It's what gives legitimacy to election outcomes. It's what empowers elected leaders to serve their constituents. And it's what ensures we can safeguard our liberties as free and equal citizens.

Yet for years, we have watched this principle come under attack. Across the country, blue states have practically invited fraud by taking few precautions to secure their

elections—including by failing to verify the citizenship of the people on their voter rolls.

It is against the law for non-citizens to vote in state or federal elections. One

of the best ways for states to enforce that restriction is to compare their voter rolls with the Department of Homeland Security's SAVE database. This registry allows local, state, and federal agencies to quickly verify the immigration status of anyone in their jurisdiction. Across the country, 26 states—overwhelmingly red—are working with DHS to use the SAVE database and clean up their voter rolls. In Tennessee, we have led the way on voter verification for years and rank number one

in the nation for election integrity, according to the Heritage Foundation.

Thanks to President Trump, this process is easier than ever. Under his leadership, states can now use the registry for free, eliminating millions of dollars in charges that had been planned under the Biden administration. Agencies can also verify the citizenship of a voter using the last four digits of a Social Security number, rather than all nine. Under President Trump, state voting agencies have submitted more than 46 million verification requests through the database.

While Democrats call voter fraud a myth, the states that use the SAVE database have discovered thousands of noncitizens on their voter rolls. When Texas checked its voter rolls against SAVE, the state's

secretary of state identified more than 2,700 potential noncitizens. Ohio found more than 1,000 potential noncitizens on its voter rolls, including 160 who had cast ballots since 2018. Louisiana discovered more than 400 potential noncitizens registered to vote, dozens of whom had already voted.

With many recent races decided by just hundreds of votes, such fraud has the potential to decide election outcomes. Yet nearly half the states—especially blue ones—do not take the basic step of checking their voter rolls against the SAVE database. That includes California and New York, home to more than 3.5 million illegal aliens combined. We can only imagine how many noncitizens sit on their voter rolls because they take little to no measures to verify voters' citizenship.

New Jersey is another

blue state that refuses to use the SAVE database. Just last week, public records requests revealed that there have been hundreds of cases of noncitizens placed on the state's voter rolls. Many had no idea they were registered to vote. Some had cast ballots in elections as far back as the year 2000.

This failure to uphold our election laws is inexcusable. The American people do not want voter fraud. They want to have confidence in election outcomes. They want to make it easier to vote and harder to cheat—which is why Congress should do everything possible to encourage states to use the SAVE database to secure our elections.

Alongside Senator Graham, I recently introduced the Election Security Partnership Act, which would provide increased

grant funding to states that submit their voter registration lists to DHS to identify ineligible registrations, including those of noncitizens. The bill would also strengthen election administration, technology, and security. Without enforcement, our election laws are a dead letter. Our legislation would give states more reason to enforce the rule of law and secure their elections.

Every member of Congress should support this legislation. Instead of enabling fraud, Democrats should stand with Republicans to clean up voter rolls, back election integrity measures, and make certain that only American citizens can vote. As we approach America's 250th anniversary, it's one of the most important things we can do to remain a free people and a free nation.

Commission rejects cuts to 2026-27 budget

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The Knox County Commission's Budget Session Monday evening saw Mayor Glenn Jacobs' proposed 2026-27 \$1.145 billion budget approved, but not without several attempts to trim it back by three commission members.

District 5 Commissioner Angela Russell aimed to cut \$64 million from the school board's request for new schools when student enrollment in the public schools is decreasing. Finance Director Chris Caldwell said that the \$50,000 starting salaries for teachers are mandated and

supported by increased state funding.

Russell's proposed cuts were countered by District 6 Commissioner Terry Hill. Russell said the overcrowding in some schools could be solved by rezoning instead of building new schools. She moved to reallocate some of the school budget to Engineering and Public Works for road paving. Engineering Director Jim Snowden agreed that additional funds could increase the planned paving of 40 to 45 miles of roads to 75 miles.

Russell said that the school budget is up 44% over last year,

more than double of other county departments' budgets.

District 1 Commissioner Damon Rawls countered that the new schools were designated for his district and noted that one existing school will be closed and the property returned to the county.

The Russell-proposed school budget failed in a 7-3-1 vote. At-large Commissioner Kim Frazier was absent, and Commissioners Rhonda Lee, Andy Fox and Russell voted for the change.

Gina Oster, District 3 commissioner and chairwoman, then moved to increase Knox County

employees' pay from a 3% raise to a 6% increase, noting the county has \$71 million in reserve funds, the money coming from excess school funds.

The increase passed with Russell, Fox and Lee abstaining from the vote.

The commission also approved a no-increase property tax rate of \$1.5540.

In setting a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Russell again objected to \$64 million for new schools. Fox seconded the motion but it failed, with only Russell and Fox voting "Yes." The original motion for the 5-Year

Plan then passed with Russell, Lee and Fox voting "No."

The county's contributions to nonprofit organizations, \$8 million, saw Fox attempt to pull all but \$457,000 and not fund those groups. He moved to take some of the money and give it to Bridge to Safety. Only Fox, Lee and Russell voted "Yes," so the motion failed.

In effect, the budget session saw the proposed budget pass, with funds reallocated to increase county employees' salaries by 6%.



PHOTOS BY JAMIE SCHNELL.

Community members, residents and staff delight in the parade of classic and vintage cars from the shade.

Nostalgic Car Show Ignites Memories

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Anderson, along with Maegan Headrick and Brooke Baxter, organized the event with care and creativity, even joining the parade themselves. Maegan shared, "We had a great turnout today for both Morning Pointe and The Lantern at Morning Pointe. The event sparked many memories for our residents, and it was wonderful to see the community come together in support. Morning Pointe hosts events like this to create a 'slice of home' for residents, giving them something to look forward to and enjoy in a welcoming space."

Hope shared how much the fathers in the community mean to everyone, expressing that the event stirred up fond, nostalgic memories and gave residents a wonderful chance to connect with others. "We enjoy watching the



The Father's Day Classic Car Show held Tuesday, June 16 at Morning Pointe Hardin Valley featured a variety of classic cars, vintage and modern, for residents and car enthusiasts to enjoy.

residents smile and seeing everyone come together to admire the cars," she said.

Participating car clubs included the East Tennessee Corvette Club, Smoky Mountain Model A Club, and English Auto Society. These groups have visited Morning Pointe multiple times, delighting residents and guests. In addition to organizing car shows, they support additional Tennessee charities such as the Boys and Girls Club, Dolly

Parton Children's Hospital, U.T. School of Nursing, Second Harvest, and Atchley Veterans' Home.

Peggy Lee and her husband, Harold, are residents of Morning Pointe and brought their cherished car for the occasion. It was the first time in some time the car had been driven, making the day especially meaningful. Peggy shared that her husband "loves to drive it" and was thrilled to participate,

as the event brought back fond memories for both.

Roger and Linda Lippelmann, also residents, will celebrate their 46th wedding anniversary in November. Roger reflected on his family's car dealership, Rickabaugh Motors, which has operated since 1925 across three generations. He shared that the event helped them "live in the moment again" and reminded everyone that each person has a story about their first car. Roger fondly recalled his own first car, a green '51 Plymouth, and noted that automobiles often reflect a person's life story.

The event highlighted the power of community and connection, as residents shared stories and laughter. This sense of belonging continues to bring residents, families, and staff closer together each day.

Tiny homes being staged on Hero's Hill

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It's a project initiated by Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs and, as 20 tiny homes are already being transported and placed, will house area homeless veterans.

Operation Hero's Hill is transforming the brownfield hillside just off Liberty Street near the Public Defender's Office to provide safe and dignified housing. The complex will also have a community center. The homes, constructed by students from the Knox County Schools Career and Technical Education programs, are being trucked to the site.

The project is a cooperation between the schools, the Skilled Trades Academy Regional Center and the Associated General Contractors of the Knoxville Region. Once all the homes are placed onsite, utilities will be connected, interior work completed and homes furnished and landscaped. Mayor Jacobs said the community center will include office space, a

meeting room, a computer lab, a fitness center and a laundry facility. Supportive services for the veterans will also be available.

A ribbon-cutting is planned for August, and then the homeless veterans will start moving into the facility.

How will veterans be chosen to live there? Rylie McClurg, communications director for Mayor Jacobs, replied: "Hero's Hill will utilize the HUD-VASH voucher program. This program provides vouchers that allow homeless veterans to obtain safe, affordable, and permanent residence with wrap around services provided by VA social workers. The VA Homeless Team will refer residents to reside at Hero's Hill."

McClurg also said that each tiny home will house one veteran and added, "We are still actively raising funds for the community center and to furnish the homes. Our goal is to raise \$1,200,000, and we are officially 47% of the way there. However, we have some additional pledges to be fulfilled."



The first of Operation Hero's Hill's tiny homes are arriving at the Liberty Street complex. Twenty homes and a community center will welcome homeless veterans when the project is completed in August.

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How Many of Each Kind of Animal Did Noah Take on the Ark?

By Ken Swiger, Pastor

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If your immediate answer to the question was "TWO" – you may be surprised to see a different answer in the pages of your own Bible. Notice God's specific instructions to Noah:

Genesis 7:2-3 (NKJV)

² You shall take with you **seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female;** two each of animals that are unclean, a male and his female;

³ also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth.

So, the Bible tells us that Noah was commanded to take seven pairs of the clean animals onto the ark. It was only the unclean animals that were taken in single pairs. Why bring this point out? Why did God command seven pairs of clean animals? So, what difference does it make to know this information?

Most people assume that the notion of some animals being unclean began with the giving of the Law of God to the Israelites at Mount Sinai. But here we see clear evidence that God had already differentiated between clean and unclean about 1,000 years before the Law of God was codified and accepted by the Israelites. So, Noah and his family did not have to ask God "What do you mean by clean animals"? They already knew.

OK, but why **seven** pairs? Because there was already a distinction between clean and unclean, and because God only permitted clean animals to be sacrificed in His worship, He was preparing the survivors to be able to make sacrifices. Additionally, because God told His people that unclean animals were not food, but rather an abomination [LEV 11], He provided enough clean animals to continue repopulate the earth and still account for the arks survivors to sacrifice and eat of their flesh.

Why should this information matter to believers today? Malachi 3:6 and Hebrews 13:8 reveal that God does not change. He is consistent in all His ways. What He declared as clean and unclean never changed. In fact, prophecy reveals that the returning Christ, our Messiah, will actually kill people (during His millennial reign) who rebel against Him and sneak to eat unclean things [see Isaiah 66:15-17].

NEXT TIME: But what about Peter's Vision? Didn't God change His mind and permit us to eat anything we choose? The clear answer may very well surprise many believers.

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Graystone Presbyterian Church holding shoe drive fundraiser to raise money for Arts for All

Graystone Presbyterian Church is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser through June 30 to raise funds for Arts for All. Graystone Presbyterian will earn funds based on the total weight of the pairs of gently worn, used and new shoes collected, as Funds2Orgs will issue a check for the collected shoes. Those dollars will benefit Arts for All. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used

and new shoes at Graystone Presbyterian Church.

All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of micro-enterprise (small business) partners globally. Funds2Orgs works with micro-entrepreneurs in helping them create, maintain and grow small businesses in developing countries where economic opportunity and jobs are limited.

Proceeds from the sales of the shoes collected in shoe drive fundraisers are used to feed, clothe and house their families. One budding entrepreneur in Haiti even earned enough to send her son to law school.

"We are excited about our shoe drive," said Pastor Mary Overstreet. "We know that most people have extra shoes in their closets they would like to donate

to us. By doing so, we raise money for Arts for All to make accessible and inclusive theater and art experiences possible, and we have the chance to help families in developing nations who need economic opportunities. It also helps keep these shoes out of landfills. It's a win-win for everyone."

By donating gently worn, used and new shoes to the Graystone

Presbyterian, the shoes will be given a second chance and make a difference in people's lives around the world.

Donors can drop off shoes at the church, located at 139 Woodlawn Pike, on Wednesday and Thursday 9-2, Sunday 9-12 or call the office at 865-577-0287 to set up a drop off or pick up day and time.

Revisiting Cavett Station PART TWO

More Than A Day Away



By Mike Steely



A modern subdivision now occupies the site of the original Cavett Station settlement. Appropriately, an intersection of two streets there are called Alexander Cavett Drive and Doublehead Lane. Photo by Mike Steely.

Following the Cavett Station incident, Gen. Sevier led a large force, most of whom were Holston Valley volunteers, to the old Lower Cherokee towns of northern Georgia.

Chief Doublehead, with a force that reportedly continued to include Chief John Watts and "Captain" Bob Benge, apparently drew the enemy militia into Georgia to preserve the Chickamauga towns from being destroyed yet again. The ploy resulted, however, in the destruction by the white force of several old Lower Cherokee villages.

Sevier's force reached the old towns and set up camp at Ustanali, a peaceful village at the junction of the Conasauga and Coosawattee Rivers, near present-day Resaca, Georgia.

Prisoners taken from nearby Cherokee towns gladly gave information about the troublesome Chickamauga, who were

said to include several renegade Creek warriors in their war party. The local Cherokee told Sevier that Doublehead was moving toward Hightower village, where the Etowah, Coosa, and Oostanaula merge, near today's Rome, Georgia.

Sevier took the information but burned the village, marching off toward Hightower. Before he reached the large village, he found that Doublehead had a surprise waiting for him.

When the militia reached an old ford of the Etowah River, they suddenly discovered that the Chickamauga had thrown up earthworks on the far side and were waiting there in ambush. Sevier ordered Col. Kelly

to get across the river, and the colonel obeyed, going a bit downstream and crossing below the enemy. When the Indians discovered that the whites had crossed below them, they ran from behind their earth banks toward Kelly's force and, when they did, Sevier's main force crossed at the original ford and caught the Indians between his forces.

Chief Kingfisher commanded the warriors, and they resisted heatedly, but were bitterly defeated. Many of the warriors escaped, taking to the mountains between Georgia and Tennessee, and although Sevier wanted to follow, his scouts strongly advised against doing so.

It was to be Sevier's last campaign against the Chickamauga. Before returning, Sevier's force destroyed the nearby Chickamauga village and allowed most of the women and children to live.

Benge continued to raid what is now East Tennessee, Western Virginia and Kentucky for several years.

He was killed on April 9, 1794, in an ambush by a local militia in Wise County, Virginia, while escorting some white captives. Following a raid on a white settlement, militia leader Vincent Hobbs Jr. tracked Benge's party to the foot of Stone Mountain, fatally shooting Benge at Little Stone Gap.

Want to know more about Cavett Station?

While some call it "Cavitt Station," the group that oversees the historic site off Broome Road in West Knoxville prefers "Cavett Station."

Friends of Cavett Station is a historical society that was founded in 2023. The group honors the memory of the Cavett family, early pioneers of the area, and maintains the preservation of the Mars Hill Cemetery, where the Cavett family was buried following the Chickamauga Cherokee attack.

"We always have Cavett Station Day in September, the Saturday before or on September 25. This year it will be on Saturday, September 19, at Mars Hill Cemetery," said Amy Mays Emert, president of the Friends of Cavett Station. She said that Olivia Cawood is the new president and starts her term on July 1.

"Friends of Cavett Station has no events planned for this summer. We will be spending that time preparing for Cavett Station Day on September 19, 2026. We are looking forward to it!" Cawood told The Focus.

"As a historian, I appreciate you writing stories about the historical events in our local community. I focused my studies on Cherokee history, so I am always glad to see stories like these being discussed in a public forum. There are always several sides to every story, so we should do our best to make sure every voice is heard," she said

More information about Mars Hill Cemetery and Cavett Station is available online at <https://friendsofcavettstation.org/>

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By Justin Pratt,
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few weeks, I seem to have become enamored of the life of George Washington, considered our nation's founding father. When Washington was just eleven years old, his father, Augustine Washington, died. The loss profoundly shaped his life. Though deprived of a father's guidance during his formative years, Washington spent much of his adulthood seeking to embody

the virtues he believed a man should possess: discipline, integrity, self-control, sacrifice and duty. Years later, after leading the Continental Army through the American Revolution, Washington

became the first president of the United States. Yet perhaps his greatest contribution was not winning a war or occupying an office. It was modeling responsible leadership for future generations. At a time when many expected him to become a king, Washington willingly surrendered power. He understood that leadership was not about what he could gain, but about what he

could give and eventually leave behind. His example established a precedent that shaped the nation's future long after he was gone.

That is the essence of fatherhood and being a man. Great fathers understand that their most important work is not measured by what they accomplish for themselves but by what they build into those who come after them. The Bible teaches this same principle. In Psalm 78, fathers are instructed to tell the coming generation about the works of God "that the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born." The Bible presents fatherhood as stewardship. Men are called to think beyond the present moment and invest in future

generations. The influence of a father extends far beyond his own lifetime. It is as one Canadian explorer once said, "Influence is the planting of trees; those who shade you will never sit under."

A father teaches his children what responsibility looks like. He models how to respond to adversity. He demonstrates how to treat others with dignity and respect. Through countless ordinary moments, he shapes the character of those who will one day shape the world.

When fathers lead well, families become stronger. Strong families build strong churches, and in turn, they build communities. Strong communities will help sustain healthy nations.

Conversely, when men abandon their

responsibilities, the consequences ripple across generations. Children often struggle without guidance. Communities bear the burden. Society spends decades trying to repair what should have been cultivated at home. This is why the conversation about masculinity and fatherhood matters so much.

The future of our culture will not be determined solely by policies, technologies, or economic trends. It will largely be shaped around dinner tables, in living rooms, on ballfields and during ordinary conversations between fathers and their children.

The world does not need perfect fathers. It never has. It needs fathers who show up. Fathers who keep their word. Fathers who accept responsibility.

Fathers who lead with courage and humility. Fathers who understand that the greatest legacy they can leave is not wealth, success or recognition, but children who know how to love God, serve others and carry forward values worth preserving.

Every man needs to remember that what we leave for our children is much less important than what we leave in our children. Long after monuments crumble and headlines fade, the investment of a faithful father continues to bear fruit. Future generations are depending on the men of today to embrace that calling. The question is not whether men will leave a legacy. The deeper question is what kind of legacy it will be.

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The WordPlayers is thrilled to present "Hairspray: The Musical," a high-energy Broadway musical packed with unforgettable songs, vibrant characters, and non-stop dancing, celebrating

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Tickets are \$32 for adults, \$28 for seniors and students, and \$24 for children under 12 (not including Ticketmaster fees). Please note: this production is not recommended for children under the age of 12. For more information and tickets, visit The WordPlayers or call (865)539-2490.

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Governor Harold Hoffman of New Jersey

Pages from the Past



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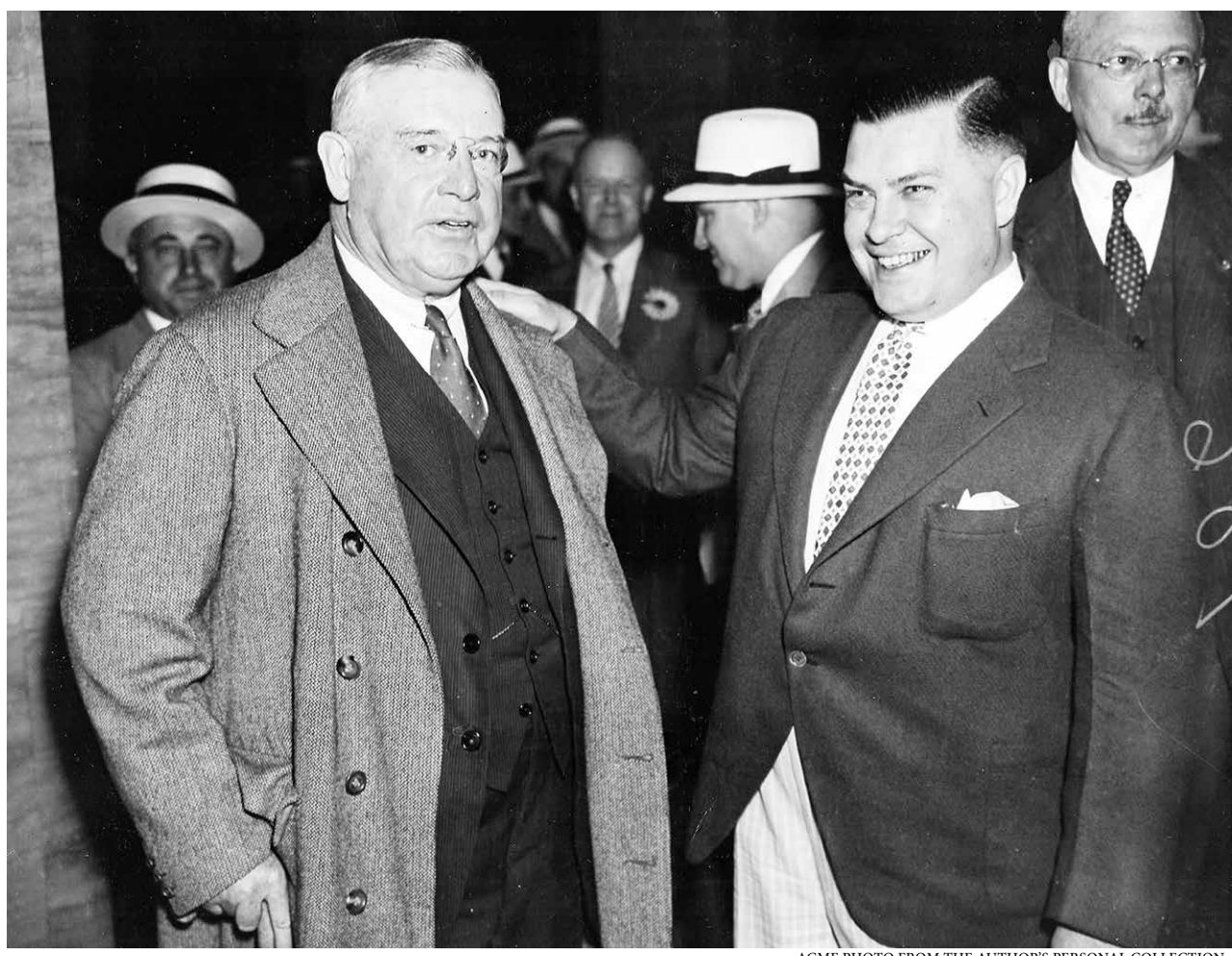
Harold G. Hoffman was a young man in a hurry, climbing the ladder of both the business and political worlds simultaneously. Hoffman was successful, walking the halls of the mighty in the U.S. House of Representatives and being elected to a three-year term as governor of New Jersey at age 38. Following his term as governor, Hoffman continued to hold state office for 15 years as director of New Jersey's Division of Employment and Security while continuing his career as a banker. No one knew there was a darker side to Hoffman's success and there would be some blots on his record, and there would be a terrific and full-blown scandal following his sudden death, which followed an investigation into the Department of Employment and Security.

Never averse to hard work, Harold Hoffman was employed as a newspaper reporter while still in high school. As a politician, Hoffman had a flair for attracting attention, both good and bad. Hoffman attracted some unfavorable publicity when he inserted himself into the tragedy of perhaps the most famous kidnapping case in American history, that of the baby son of Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. Governor Hoffman was openly critical of the handling of the Lindbergh baby kidnapping, which caused a serious controversy at the time. Short and stocky with his glossy hair combed back, the governor dressed well and was something of a sleek figure.

From high school student and reporter, Hoffman eventually rose to become city editor at the newspaper where he worked before being elected to the New Jersey General Assembly. During the First World War, Harold Hoffman demonstrated the same ability to rise within the ranks, going from a private to holding the rank of captain when he was discharged from the service. Upon his return to New Jersey, Hoffman began his career in the banking business and served for two years as the city treasurer for his home of South Amboy. Hoffman was elected mayor of South Amboy in 1925 and his popularity was such that he won by a write-in campaign, winning by the largest margin ever given a candidate for the mayoralty to that time. In 1926, Harold G. Hoffman became a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives and proved to be a potent vote-getter, winning his first term with better than 60% of the ballots cast. Hoffman was easily reelected in 1928, crushing his opposition

inside the primary and winning by an even bigger margin in what was a good year for Republicans. Hoffman was not a candidate for a third term in Congress as he had been appointed as New Jersey's Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, holding both offices until his term in the House of Representatives expired on March 3, 1931. Hoffman shrewdly used the vast patronage powers of his post while, at the same time, adroitly utilizing the commissioner's office to promote safety on roads and highways, as well as himself. At the time, it was a relatively new concept, and the campaign for motor vehicle safety brought Harold Hoffman plenty of good coverage from the press. That added to the already formidable personal popularity Hoffman had earned throughout his public career.

In 1934, Harold Hoffman swept past three other competitors to win the GOP nomination for governor of New Jersey. Hoffman's personal popularity helped him to buck the tide of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal and defeat Democrat William Dill for the governorship. The entire nation had been horrified and gripped by the story of the kidnapping of the Lindbergh baby. Well before the Second World War, Charles Lindbergh was something of a national hero, married to the daughter of a wealthy businessman and former ambassador who had been elected to the United States Senate. The case brought national attention to New Jersey, where the Lindbergh family lived. Bruno Richard Hauptmann was tried, convicted and executed in the electric chair for the kidnapping and murder of Charles Lindbergh Jr. Years later, Hauptmann's conviction would be controversial, but Governor Harold Hoffman's public questioning of the investigation shocked a good many Americans and people in New Jersey. Hoffman's statement that the conviction of Hauptmann did not entirely solve the mystery of who kidnapped and killed the Lindbergh child shocked a goodly number of people. Governor Hoffman rubbed salt in the wounds of a majority of the public who were certain of Bruno Richard Hauptmann's guilt when he visited the convicted murderer in prison. Many were outraged when Governor Hoffman granted Hauptmann a 30-day reprieve before being executed. Eventually, Hoffman allowed the execution to proceed, and Hauptmann died in the electric chair. Hoffman insisted on what many others later believed: that one man alone had not



Senator Walter Edge of New Jersey (left) and Gov. Harold Hoffman of New Jersey at the 1936 Republican National Convention.

committed the crime. The governor continued to insist the investigation had been bungled, and he later fired Norman Schwartzkopf, chief of the New Jersey State Police. Some 19 years later, Schwartzkopf was appointed to head the probe into Hoffman as head of the state's Employment and Security division.

Always a colorful figure, Governor Harold G. Hoffman ignited a bitter fight and controversy when he urged the New Jersey General Assembly to institute a two percent sales tax. Many Republicans in the state legislature rebelled, and it took 20 Democrats, all adherents of Frank Hague, the boss of Hudson County and the mayor of Jersey City, to pass the bill. The fight did not end there, as the law was repealed four months later by the legislature.

Harold Hoffman had most certainly not given up his hope for an electoral comeback. Forbidden by state law from seeking a second consecutive three-year term as governor, Hoffman sought to replace his successor, A. Harry Moore, in the 1940 election. The controversies and the sales tax came back to haunt Hoffman and had, at the very least, dented his once considerable popularity with Republican voters. Hoffman lost the GOP gubernatorial nomination to Robert Hendrickson, a state senator who in turn lost to the Democratic nominee, Charles Edison, son of the famed inventor. The race was relatively close, with Hoffman polling more than 200,000 votes and losing with roughly 47% of the vote.

During the Second World War, Hoffman entered the Army, taking a leave from his post as director of New Jersey's Department of Employment and Security while his wife, Lillie, went to work in a factory manufacturing war material. After leaving the Army, Hoffman came out with the rank of colonel and a Legion of Merit medal.

Undeterred by his loss in 1940, Harold Hoffman once again entered the Republican primary in 1946 to reclaim the governor's office and succeed Walter Edge. Hoffman

returned to his post at the Department of Employment and Security under Governor Driscoll. Hoffman and his wife were the parents of three daughters, and sadly, one of whom died in 1950. Hoffman was still serving as director of New Jersey's Employment and Security division when Democrat Robert Meyner succeeded Alfred Driscoll, who was the first governor to be able to run for a second consecutive term. It was during Governor Meyner's administration that "widespread irregularities" were discovered in the Employment and Security Division's purchasing accounts. Harold Hoffman was suspended by Governor Robert Meyner as director of the New Jersey Division of Employment and Security. Meyner met with New Jersey's state attorney general, Grover C. Richman and Harry Green, the long-time personal attorney for Harold Hoffman, for two hours in his office. At the time, none of them knew Hoffman lay dead in a suite in a New York City hotel. Hoffman was only 58 years old at the time, but later events revealed just how much pressure the former governor had been under. Shortly before his death, the former governor had shared a secret with his daughter, Ada Hoffman Leonard, 33 years old and the mother of six children. That secret was that he had embezzled \$300,000 (over \$3.5 million today) from the South Amboy Trust Company. Hoffman confided in a letter to his daughter about a month prior to his death that he had used the money to finance his political campaigns from 1926 through 1938 and had paid \$150,000 to someone in whom he had trusted with his secret, who promptly blackmailed him. The letter had come in a sealed

envelope which noted: "to be opened only in the event of my death." Also printed on the envelope was the admonition: "To be read, considered, and destroyed." A second letter was received, which contained a copy of the original confession, and Mrs. Leonard placed both envelopes in a safety deposit box. An obedient daughter, Ada Leonard did not open either envelope until after her father's burial. Mrs. Leonard shared the secret told to her by her father with Governor Robert Meyner in a letter delivered by special messenger. Mrs. Leonard also apologized for having demanded that Meyner clear her father's name in Hoffman's capacity as director of the New Jersey Division of Employment Security. At the time of Hoffman's death, there had been an investigation into "alleged irregularities in division purchases of supplies and equipment." Ada Leonard had made that demand of Governor Meyner shortly after her father died of a heart attack in New York City. Mrs. Leonard insisted the Hoffman family would repay "to the final cent" the money stolen by her father. The former governor's daughter told a reporter that Hoffman had more life insurance "than anybody figured on." "I guess every time someone wanted to sell him life insurance, he'd say okay," Mrs. Leonard told the newspaper. Ada Leonard did not reveal just how much life insurance her father had carried, but did say that all monies received would go to reimburse the bank shortage.

Harold Hoffman's letter stated he had first had financial difficulties when he sought a seat in Congress as a "young man and a very poor man." Hoffman wrote that he had secured what he thought was a pledge from a wealthy older candidate to finance his campaign if he would also speak on that fellow's behalf in his own race. Hoffman kept his end of the bargain and promptly submitted a bill of his campaign expenses, which totaled \$17,000. The other candidate gave Hoffman only \$2,500,

which led the young candidate to draw from inactive accounts at the South Amboy Trust Company. Like everybody else, Ada Leonard was stunned by her father's revelations. The Central New Jersey Home News remembered Harold Hoffman in a special editorial following the former governor's death, noting he had "died as he lived, dramatically." The editorial said he was well known to many New Jerseyans who "mourn him sincerely." "A man of great vitality, of exuberant spirits, a soldier in two wars and a 'boy wonder' in politics - - - we expected him to be around longer," the editorial noted. Preferring to remember the positive aspects of Harold Hoffman, the Central New Jersey Home News recalled the man who was a "genial after-dinner speaker who made thousands laugh," and the former governor's departure took some of the "sunshine of life" with him when he died. Yet the editorial did not ignore the fact that the former governor was being investigated at the time of his death.

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Wellpoint Tennessee, City of Knoxville host Summer C.A.R.E. Fair at Safety City

As part of an ongoing effort to support healthier, safer communities, Wellpoint Tennessee, in partnership with the City of Knoxville, hosted the Summer C.A.R.E. (Caution, Awareness, Responsibility, Everyone) Fair on Saturday, June 6, at Safety City in Knoxville.

More than 400 families attended the community event, which was designed to promote summer safety, injury prevention, and overall wellness for children and families in the Knoxville area. Safety City's interactive setting gave children the opportunity to engage in real-world safety scenarios in a controlled environment, with hands-on activities focused on bike and pedestrian safety, fire prevention, and healthy living.

"Every child deserves the opportunity to enjoy a safe, healthy summer," said Rachel Chinetti, president of Wellpoint Tennessee. "By bringing safety education and trusted community resources together in one place, we are helping



A family collects Wellpoint Tennessee tote bags, resource boxes, and a bike helmet at the Summer C.A.R.E. Fair held at Safety City in Knoxville on June 6, where more than 400 families engaged in real-world safety scenarios and hands-on activities promoting summer safety and injury prevention. Wellpoint Tennessee and the City of Knoxville hosted the event.

Knoxville families build the habits and confidence they need to stay safe and healthy all year long."

Wellpoint Tennessee distributed 600 children's bike safety helmets at no cost during the event, along with bicycle bells donated through community partnership. Families also enjoyed face painting, a live DJ, a photo booth, and local food trucks.

According to the Tennessee Department of Health's 2024 Child Fatality Report, Tennessee's fire/burn-related death rate is 50 percent higher than the national average, and 86 percent of fire/burn deaths in the state are deemed probably preventable. Events like the Summer C.A.R.E. Fair directly address these risks by putting safety education and

life-saving resources into the hands of Tennessee families.

"We're proud to partner with Wellpoint Tennessee to bring meaningful resources directly to Knoxville families," said Joyce Phillips-Minter M.S. CRMJ, training specialist with Safety City. "Events like the Summer C.A.R.E. Fair create opportunities for children to learn important safety skills in an engaging environment while connecting families with the support they need to stay healthy and protected throughout the year."

Wellpoint Tennessee also hosted the Summer Safety & Health Fair in Chattanooga on June 6, continuing its commitment to bringing health and safety resources to communities across the state.

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SALUTING THE 2025-26 STUDENT-ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

Green and Luton watch their prep careers end with a salute!

By Steve Williams

From Egypt to the Webb School campus in West Knoxville, this year's last group of top local high school Student-Athletes celebrated their honorable school year last week.

The recognition in Week 1 included Ahmed Shahin, who moved here from Egypt for his senior year at West High, after ranking second in Greco-Roman wrestling in his home country. He quickly adapted in the West program and placed fifth in the state.

Meeyah Green was Webb's female honoree and definitely put an exclamation point on the fourth and final week. Green was the TSSAA's Miss Basketball in Division II-AA her senior and junior years and also the MVP in Webb's state championship win this past season. She has



signed with the University of South Carolina.

In that title game, a 48-47 nailbiter, Green led the way as the Lady Spartans overcame a 10-point deficit in the final quarter.

Webb male honoree Wilson Luton, also a senior, was tops among

the Spartans and stood out in two sports - basketball and baseball.

Dan Gill, the Webb athletic director, announced their awards.

Ricky Norris was Luton's basketball coach and Jordan Wormsley was his

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Congratulations to Webb School's Wilson Luton and Meeyah Green (24 above) for being named Student-Athletes of the Year!

KNOX FOCUS ALL-COUNTY BOYS BASEBALL TEAM

Copeland, Brummitt Jr. lead All-County Baseball Team

By Ken Lay

The recently completed 2026 high school baseball season packed plenty of excitement as fans were treated to some top team and individual performances throughout the area.

Once again, Farragut High School won the Class 4A state championship, increasing its streak to five consecutive state titles. The Admirals have won every Class 4A state title in the history of the TSSAA.

Gibbs also closed out the season on the grand stage at the Spring Fling in Murfreesboro.

The Knoxville Focus honors some of the high

school baseball players on its 2026 All-County Team.

Coach of the Year: Garrett Copeland: Farragut High School: A longtime assistant for Farragut, Copeland guided the Admirals to their fifth consecutive state title in his second season as head coach.

Player of the Year: Travis Brummitt Jr.: Farragut High School: A two-way player for the Admirals, Brummitt Jr. clubbed five home runs. He drove in 56 runs. He came with nine doubles, while hitting .411.

On the mound, Brummitt Jr. went 10-0 with a 2.05 ERA, while recording 70 strikeouts. He was also

a Class 4A Mr. Baseball Finalist.

He is joined on the team by:

Wyatt Jones: Christian Academy of Knoxville: Jones batted .509 for the Warriors and recorded 26 extra-base hits. He belted eight home runs. Jones also had 13 doubles and five triples.

Colten Collier: Webb School of Knoxville: Collier hit .435 for the Spartans in 2026. He recorded five doubles, two triples and two home runs.

Mason Shelton: Farragut High School: Shelton was named First-Team All-State by the Tennessee Baseball

Coaches Association.

Jake Harris: Farragut High School: A Second-Team All-State selection by the TBCA, Harris was instrumental in the Admirals winning their fifth straight state title.

Will Price: Gibbs High School: A left-handed pitcher, outfielder and first baseman, Price helped the Eagles make a state tournament appearance. Gibbs won the District 4-3A Tournament and the Region 2-3A Tournament.

Justin Pruitt: Austin-East High School: A senior outfielder for the Roadrunners, Pruitt hit .310 with 12 runs

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Concord Christian to play first TV game to begin 2026 season

By Ken Lay

Concord Christian School's high school football program has taken some giant steps forward under third-year head coach Steve Matthews.

In their first full varsity season in nearly a decade, the Lions made the playoffs for the first time in program history. Now, they'll play their first regionally televised game when they host Christian Academy of Knoxville on Saturday, Aug. 22, on CCS's field, located behind the school.

The Lions won six games

last season and opened the 2025 campaign against CAK at Warrior Stadium.

The Warriors won, 24-7, in a game that was suspended and resumed the following day. Concord, despite the loss, had some positive moments.

"We played last year over there, and we had some momentum, and then we had the rain delay," Matthews said. "Most teams just canceled and declared their games a no-contest. But we came back

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skipper in baseball.

Wormsley said Wilson was a “fantastic leader that led by the example and standard set for the program. He has been a two-time All-Region player and a three-year starter for Webb baseball at shortstop, second base, first base and pitcher.

“We are very proud of all that Wilson accomplished in his high school baseball career, but more than that we were proud of the way he represented our program and with character and a passion for doing things the right way.”

The right-hander was All-Region in Division II-AA. He also received the coveted Johnny Mauer Award from the Knoxville Optimist Club and was a two-sport star in basketball.

In baseball, Luton was All-Region with a .392 batting average and a 94 fielding percentage.

Norris added: “In 30 years of coaching, Wilson’s improvement



PHOTOS BY LUTHER SIMMONS.

Meeyah Green and Wilson Luton of Webb School of Knoxville.

as a basketball player over his four-year career was the most drastic we ever had. Production on the floor is one thing, but what separates Wilson is his ability to put his teammates above himself and his competitive spirit. He was respected at the highest level by everyone in our program!”

Luton was a three-year letterman in basketball, a two-year starter, a state champion and All-Region.

TSD and CMA also had top Student-Athletes of the Year

Also honored were Will McKinney, senior, and Gabby Black, junior, from Tennessee School for the Deaf, along with Timothy Oyler from Career Magnet Academy.

In all, 21 of 25 schools in The Focus’ coverage area shined a spotlight on their best.



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and finished, and we did some good things. We’re still getting things started, and CAK has an established program.”

This year, the Warriors and the Lions will play before a regional television audience. The contest will be aired on WBIR, and Mark Packer’s Rivalry

Thursday and Rivalry Friday crew will be on the call.

The Lions and Warriors will have to answer an early wake-up call as kickoff is slated for 11 a.m.

“It’s going to be on our home field, and it’s going to be on a Saturday, which will be great because college football hasn’t started yet,” said Matthews, who

will begin his third season at the school. “It’s going to be on our field behind the school, and it’s going to be a great environment.”

Matthews said that he hopes that the Lions and the Warriors will play a long-standing series and forge a healthy rivalry.

Registration open for Run Dollywood Harvest Half Marathon Weekend

Run Dollywood is going the extra mile with an expanded three-day race weekend that lets runners “fall” in love with the beauty of Dollywood and

the Smoky Mountains during the award-winning Harvest Festival presented by Humana. The race weekend takes place Sept. 25-27, and participant registration is now open.

The fall event features three days of racing, beginning with an exciting Friday night 5k on Sept. 25 that takes place through the illuminating glow of Dollywood’s popular Great Pumpkin LumiNights. A 10k and 1-mile Kids Fun Run take place on Saturday, Sept. 26, with the headline Half Marathon slated for Sunday, Sept. 27.

Following a successful sell-out during the inaugural Run Dollywood weekend in April, the fall events create even more excitement for participants thanks to a completely different race atmosphere featuring the unforgettable sights and sounds of the Harvest Festival and Great Pumpkin LumiNights.

“We had an incredible response to our inaugural Run Dollywood event,” said Eugene Naughton, President of Dollywood Parks & Resorts. “We learned a lot during that first weekend and we’re applying those learnings to the fall event. The addition of the Friday night race

and the expanded three-day event schedule provide our runners and their families with the perfect reason to come experience fall in the Smokies. I think it will be a race-cation they will never forget.”

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A classic Southern football rivalry

This season's clash between Tennessee and Georgia Tech is not that far away, set for Sept. 12 in Atlanta at historic Grant



By Tom Mattingly

Field. Having that game on the Tech campus is a major salute to the tradition of the series.

There was a time when Tennessee and Georgia Tech clashing on the gridiron was a classic Southern football rivalry - even years played in Atlanta, odd years in Knoxville. Tennessee fans savored the trip to Atlanta and helped the game become an instant sellout.

These games always seemed to have a special "feel" to them, with Tennessee's orange and white matched against Tech's white and old gold.

You could go back to 1956 (Tennessee, 6-0), 1957 (Tennessee, 21-6), 1960 (Georgia Tech, 14-7), 1961 (Tennessee, 10-6), 1964 (Tennessee, 22-14), and 1965 (Tennessee, 21-7) for examples.

Adding to the mystique of the series was the head coaching rivalry between former Vols Bobby Dodd at Tech and Bowden Wyatt at Tennessee in earlier years or later battles between Tennessee head coach Doug Dickey and Dodd, by then a grizzled veteran.

The 1956 game was ranked as the No. 2 game in collegiate history by UPI in 1961, surpassed only by the 1935 Ohio State-Notre Dame game. Vol assistant coach Jim McDonald had played in the 1935 game for Ohio State and was on the Vol sideline in 1956.

The two teams, No. 2 Tech and No. 3 Tennessee, battled intently all day. The only tally came after two passes from All-American tailback John Majors to All-American split end Buddy Cruze, which moved the pigskin just short of the Tech end zone. Tommy Bronson's dive over center put 6 points on the scoreboard a play later. That led to some tense times for fans on both sides of the stadium the rest of the way.

There was a memorable moment highlighting Wyatt's competitive spirit when he met with the media after the game.

When it was fourth-and-4 at the Vol 28 early in the game, Dodd elected to punt.

"Why didn't Dodd go for it?" one media type asked Wyatt afterwards.

"Because he wouldn't have made it," Bowden responded.

In 1957, it was the Vols, ranked No. 9, against No. 18 Tech. Tennessee showed some flashes of T-formation plays that day, perhaps to Wyatt's and everybody else's surprise.

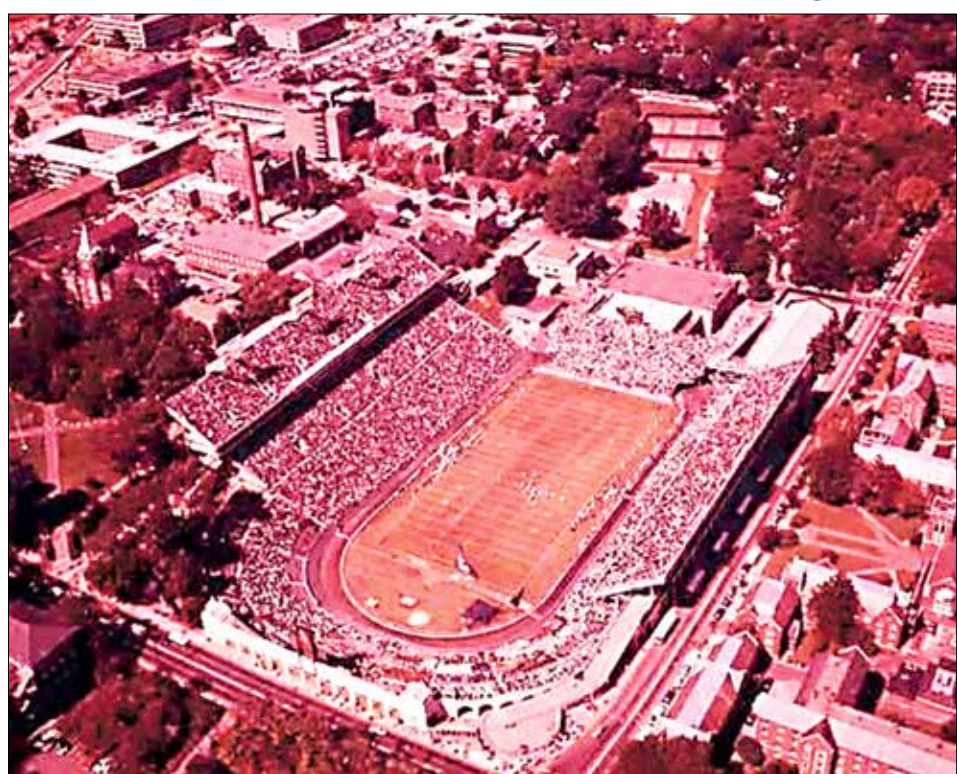
With a minute or so to go in the first half, and the

ball on the Vol 2 just outside the South end zone of Shields-Watkins Field, tailback Bobby Gordon went under center and took a knee three times while being "protected" by wingback Bill Anderson, fullback Bronson and blocking back Stockton Adkins. The Knoxville Journal's Russ Bebb later reported that the play had been rehearsed in Gordon's dorm room.

Anderson was a co-captain that season (with Bill Johnson) and remembered very little about the game. "I had been bothered by a pinched nerve in my neck for some time, and I was almost out cold. They told me I kept on playing and later scored on a 45-yard reverse. I remember taking a shower after the game when I finally regained my senses. I even had to ask the score."

The two teams split decisions in 1960 and 1961, with the 1961 game being a major upset on Dodd's 53rd birthday. Billy Williamson had returned a kickoff 93 yards for a score in 1960 that was a key to Tech's victory. Tailback Mallon Faircloth had a 22-yard TD pass to John Bill Hudson, and Gary Cannon booted a 31-yard field goal, to highlight a defensive struggle in the Vols' favor the next season.

In 1964, Dickey's first season, Tennessee was perceived to be a heavy underdog and trailed 14-3 in the final period before



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An aerial view of Grant Field in Atlanta as Tennessee and Georgia Tech squared off on Oct. 8, 1966.

rallying for the victory with a 19-point fourth quarter. Quarterback David Leake led the comeback, tossing a TD pass to Al Tanara. Leake then led a drive culminating in a Jack Patterson TD run. Doug Archibald had an interception return to establish the final score of 22-14.

That gave the Vols a 4-2-1 record, before the team's offensive inadequacies became glaring in the final three games, all losses to Ole Miss (30-0), Kentucky (12-7), and Vanderbilt (7-0). Things would get better for the Vols in ensuing seasons.

In 1965, the Vols were in the aftermath of the deaths of assistant coaches Charlie Rash, Bill Majors, and Bob Jones in the Cessna Drive train wreck in West Knoxville, but were playing inspired football. Sophomore quarterback Charlie Fulton led a Vol offense that racked up 251 yards rushing, 101 passing.

Harold Stancell had an interception return for the first score, Fulton found Hal Wantland for another, and Stan Mitchell earned a third. That victory helped convince Vol fans that Dickey was building a

program to be reckoned with in the SEC and nationally, one that finished in the Top 10 after a rain-swept Bluebonnet Bowl victory over Tulsa.

Whether at Grant Field or Shields-Watkins, these games against Georgia Tech were always something special, with enough "angles" for the most ardent fan.

It has been a great rivalry over the years.

Was there a concept of "immediate gratification" when those teams squared off?

If so, it was immediate... for Tennessee fans.

Vitello has his back against the wall

By Steve Williams

It's less than halfway through the major league baseball season and the San Francisco Giants' brass already are giving up their hopes that Tony Vitello will remain their skipper.

The former UT coach, who led the Vols to national prominence, had a 29-43 won-loss record and were 16 games out of first place in mid-June. But it's still too early to wave the white flag.

Vitello and the Giants played in Atlanta last week and upped their record to 31-43. There's still some 85 games to play. Give him a break.

Some are looking for a better fit than Vitello's fiery personality. Many think he's much like a modern-day Billy Martin.

Would UT Athletic Director Danny White consider bringing



Tony back to Big Orange Country if he gets run out of the Bay?

I think Vol fans would throw their arms around him if he ever had to return to Knoxville.

But let's give him time and see what happens.

Bertram new head coach at Oak Ridge

There's been a lot of changes in coaches on the high school scene lately.

Denard Bertram left

Austin-East's basketball program after four seasons to take the Oak Ridge job.

"It's closer to home and I can see my kids more," said Bertram, who lives in Harriman.

Dre Mathieu, who was an assistant for Bertram at A-E, has moved up to the Roadrunners' head position.

Mathieu was a great point guard at Minnesota in his college days in the Big Ten.

Bishop looking strong on front cover

The annual Football Time in Tennessee magazine has been on the shelves for a couple of weeks now and has De'Sean Bishop on the front cover with a lot of muscles popping. Bishop,

you probably recall, was a great RB at Karns High. Let's hope he has an injury-free season.

Farragut High seeking new boys soccer coach

Coach Bradley Culbreth decided to step down as the Admirals' soccer coach. He held the position for six seasons and compiled an overall record of 59 wins, 35 losses and 12 ties. His team this past season finished with an outstanding 13-2-2 mark, but lost to West 3-2 in the District semifinals.

FHS Principal Dr. John Bartlett and Athletic Director Donald Dodgen thanked Culbreth for his outstanding work and added that he was a great leader for the program and consistently made

the soccer team one of the most competitive in the state.

"They will be conducting several interviews in July," said Sports Information Director Jack Tate.

THIS AND THAT: JP Peace, grandson of former UT football coach Phillip Fulmer, left West High and is now playing at Maryville as part of a strong linebacker corps ... Cannon Duke is the new head baseball coach at Halls ... Coach Brandy Weaver had one of West's best softball seasons in years this past spring, but surprisingly has stepped down from that post ... Karns' Jordan Sarat also has resigned as the softball coach at Karns ... Marcus Dilligard is leaving Grace Christian Academy for a new athletic director position.

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Copeland, Brummitt Jr. lead All-County Baseball Team

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scored and three triples. He posted a .383 on-base

percentage.
Juelz Houston: Austin-East High School: Houston hit

.317 with 13 RBIs and 12 runs scored. He also had a .429 on-base percentage.

Kaysan Davis: Austin-East High School: A junior for the Roadrunners, Davis

is a pitcher and utility player. He batted .375 and drove in 17 runs. He also had 23 stolen bases and recorded a .576 on-base percentage.

Will Lenczynski: West High School: Lenczynski, a third baseman for the Rebels, batted .342 and recorded 20 extra-base hits, including six home runs. He also had 37 RBIs and 21 stolen bases.

JB Moore: West High School: Moore hit .382 with 43 hits, including nine that went for extra bases. He drove in 18 runs and stole 16 bases.

Brennan Mustard: West High School: Mustard, a two-way player, hit .320. He also has seven wins and one save on the mound while holding opponents to a .200 batting average.

Colby Comparato: Halls High School: Comparato hit .429 for the Red Devils and clubbed 13 home runs. He also had 12 doubles and two triples. He drove in 39 runs.

Nick Riordan: Central High School: A two-way player for the Bobcats, Riordan hit .419 with eight home runs. He was also a key member of Central's pitching staff.

Gavin Bergeron: Gibbs High School: Bergeron hit .427 for the Eagles. He had five home runs and 15 doubles.

Joey Sulish: Christian Academy of Knoxville: Sulish, a two-way player for the Warriors, was a First-Team All-State selection by Tennessee Baseball Report. He hit .445 with 19 extra-base hits.

DJ Lowery: Catholic High School: Lowery hit 12 home runs and had 36 RBIs. He also had nine doubles and four triples.

Easton Housewright: Grace Christian Academy: Housewright hit .418 for the Rams and clubbed 10 home runs. He also had 40 RBIs.

Fisher Green: Halls High School: A sophomore and two-way player for the Red Devils, was one of the area's top pitchers.

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Say hello to Rylie! This little lady has been friendly with staff and loves to go for walks. She has done well with kids in a former home, but would request kids older than 5 in her forever home. She would like to be the queen of her castle as the only pet in the home. But with such a cutie, what else would you need? Meet with Rylie at Division Street today!

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Young-Williams Animal Center 865.433.9922
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Friday, July 10, 2026, 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Knoxville City County Building located at 400 West Main Street in Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, Avery Woods Homeowners' Association, Inc., (the "Association") will sell to the highest and best bidder, on a credit of six (6) months, in bar of any right of redemption, the following described property, which is located in Knoxville, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in the 5th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 43rd Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot No. 17R-1, on the plan of the Resubdivision of Lots 10R-18R & 28R-36R of Avery Woods, Unit 2, which is of record in Instrument No. 200204170086123, Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which record reference is hereby made for a more particular description thereof.

Being the same property conveyed to **Oscar M. Coward** under Warranty Deed recorded on July 21, 2015, as Instrument Number 201507210004719 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above-described property is: **5329 Avery Woods Lane, Knoxville, TN 37921.**

This sale is being conducted pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, 35-5-101, et seq., and as directed by the Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered against Defendant, Estate of Oscar M. Coward (the "Defendant") in the following case before the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee, to wit: Avery Woods Homeowners' Association, Inc. v. Estate of Oscar M. Coward et al., Docket No. 209736-2. Said Default Judgment and Order of Sale was duly recorded as Instrument No. 202510070020580 with the Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

The sale of the described tract of property will be conducted subject to any unpaid real property taxes and to any other rights, restrictions, reservations, conditions, charges, easements, liens, and encumbrances of whatsoever nature having statutory or lien priority with respect to

the claims of the Association. All proceeds of each said sale shall be applied as directed by the Default Judgment and Order of Sale identified above.

The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the State of Tennessee relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the United States relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The Association and the above-named Defendants have an interest in the described property. **Other interested parties:** Mortgage Investors Group.

Except as otherwise provided in the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale, the sale will be made to the highest and best bidder in bar of any right of redemption in favor of the Defendant or the Defendant's creditors, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 21-1-803 and 66-8-101, for a ten percent (10%) down payment at the close of bidding, and the balance evidenced by a Promissory Note of the purchaser, due and payable six (6) months after the confirmation of said sale, bearing interest at the legal rate from the confirmation date until paid in full. The form of the Promissory Note may be inspected on the date of the sale immediately prior to the sale. The Association may submit a credit bid for the property being sold as set forth in the Order of Sale.

The title to be conveyed at such sale shall be only such title which the Association may convey pursuant to the terms of the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale or at law or in equity, with no further representations or warranties of any nature whatsoever. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of sale to another day certain without further publication and in accordance with applicable law upon announcement of such adjournment on the day and at the time and place set forth above. In the event the high bidder at any sale shall fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Association shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply or re-advertising and selling the property at a second sale.

AVERY WOODS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
By: /s/ Kevin C. Stevens
Kevin C. Stevens
P. O. Box 442
Knoxville, Tennessee 37901
(865) 546-7311

This notice will run for two (2) weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper, run dates June 15 and June 22, 2026 and will be posted online at www.knoxfocus.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning June 15, 2026.

posted online at www.knoxfocus.com, www.trpublicnotice.com and www foreclosurestrn.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning June 15, 2026.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Friday, July 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Knoxville City County Building located at 400 West Main Street in Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, Atlee Fields Homeowners Association, Inc., (the "Association") will sell to the highest and best bidder, on a credit of six (6) months, in bar of any right of redemption, the following described property, which is located in Knoxville, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in the 6th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 60 in Atlee Fields Subdivision, Unit 4, as shown on map of record in Instrument No. 200404300099959, Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which record reference is hereby made for a more particular description thereof.

Being the same property conveyed to **Paula P.K. Booker** under Warranty Deed recorded on April 18, 2007, as Instrument Number 200704180085098 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above-described property is **9348 Ridges Meadow Lane, Knoxville, TN 37931.**

This sale is being conducted pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, 35-5-101, et seq., and as directed by the Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered against Defendant, Paula P.K. Booker (the "Defendant") in the following case before the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee, to wit: Atlee Fields Homeowners Association, Inc. v. Paula P.K. Booker, et al., Docket No. 211056-2. Said Default Judgment and Order of Sale was duly recorded as Instrument No. 202605280068562 with the Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

The sale of the described tract of property will be conducted subject to any unpaid real property taxes and to any other rights, restrictions, reservations, conditions, charges, easements, liens, and encumbrances of whatsoever nature having statutory or lien priority with respect to the claims of the Association. All proceeds of each said sale shall be applied as directed by the

Default Judgment and Order of Sale identified above.

The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the State of Tennessee relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the United States relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The Association and the above-named Defendants have an interest in the described property. **Other interested parties:** U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its Individual Capacity but Solely as Owner Trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust.

Except as otherwise provided in the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale, the sale will be made to the highest and best bidder in bar of any right of redemption in favor of the Defendant or the Defendant's creditors, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 21-1-803 and 66-8-101, for a ten percent (10%) down payment at the close of bidding, and the balance evidenced by a Promissory Note of the purchaser, due and payable six (6) months after the confirmation of said sale, bearing interest at the legal rate from the confirmation date until paid in full. The form of the Promissory Note may be inspected on the date of the sale immediately prior to the sale. The Association may submit a credit bid for the property being sold as set forth in the Order of Sale.

The title to be conveyed at such sale shall be only such title which the Association may convey pursuant to the terms of the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale or at law or in equity, with no further representations or warranties of any nature whatsoever. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of sale to another day certain without further publication and in accordance with applicable law upon announcement of such adjournment on the day and at the time and place set forth above. In the event the high bidder at any sale shall fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Association shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply or re-advertising and selling the property at a second sale.

ATLEE FIELDS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
By: /s/ Kevin C. Stevens
Kevin C. Stevens
P.O. Box 442
Knoxville, Tennessee 37901
(865) 546-7311

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and www foreclosurestrn.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning June 22, 2026.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Friday, July 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance of the Knoxville City County Building located at 400 West Main Street in Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, The Palisades Condominium Association, (the "Association") will sell to the highest and best bidder, on a credit of six (6) months, in bar of any right of redemption, the following described property, which is located in Knoxville, Tennessee, to wit:

Situated in the 6th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and partly within the 46th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Unit 50, within the plat of The Palisades Condominium, which is of record in Map Book 88-L, Pages 62-67, Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which record reference is hereby made for a more particular description thereof.

Being the same property conveyed to **Michael A. Fannon and Robert Fannon** under Warranty Deed recorded on August 4, 2014, as Instrument Number 201408040007100 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above-described property is: **8502 Ankara Court, Knoxville, TN 37923.**

This sale is being conducted pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, 35-5-101, et seq., and as directed by the Default Judgment and Order of Sale entered against Defendants, Michael A. Fannon and Robert Fannon (the "Defendants") in the following case before the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee, to wit: The Palisades Condominium Association v. Michael A. Fannon and Robert Fannon, Docket No. 209728-3. Said Default Judgment and Order of Sale was duly recorded as Instrument No. 202603300054626 with the Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

The sale of the described tract of property will be conducted subject to any unpaid real property taxes and to any other rights, restrictions, reservations, conditions, charges, easements, liens, and encumbrances of whatsoever nature having statutory or lien priority with respect to the claims of the Association. All proceeds of each said sale shall be applied as directed by the Default Judgment and Order of Sale identified

above. The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the State of Tennessee relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The undersigned is aware of no lien claims of the United States relating to the described tract of property required to be identified by T.C.A. § 35-5-104. The Association and the above-named Defendants have an interest in the described property. **Other interested parties:** None

Except as otherwise provided in the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale, the sale will be made to the highest and best bidder in bar of any right of redemption in favor of the Defendant or the Defendant's creditors, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 21-1-803 and 66-8-101, for a ten percent (10%) down payment at the close of bidding, and the balance evidenced by a Promissory Note of the purchaser, due and payable six (6) months after the confirmation of said sale, bearing interest at the legal rate from the confirmation date until paid in full. The form of the Promissory Note may be inspected on the date of the sale immediately prior to the sale. The Association may submit a credit bid for the property being sold as set forth in the Order of Sale.

The title to be conveyed at such sale shall be only such title which the Association may convey pursuant to the terms of the identified Default Judgment and Order of Sale or at law or in equity, with no further representations or warranties of any nature whatsoever. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of sale to another day certain without further publication and in accordance with applicable law upon announcement of such adjournment on the day and at the time and place set forth above. In the event the high bidder at any sale shall fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Association shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply or re-advertising and selling the property at a second sale.

THE PALISADES CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
By: /s/ Kevin C. Stevens
Kevin C. Stevens
P.O. Box 442
Knoxville, Tennessee 37901
(865) 546-7311

This notice will run for two (2) weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper, run dates June 22 and June 29, 2026 and will be posted online at www.knoxfocus.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning June 22, 2026.

COURT NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: MARIA DE JESUS GROTH
IN RE: DANIEL JAMES GROTH, Plaintiff
MARIA DE JESUS GROTH, Defendant

DOCKET NO. 213039-3
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Motion for Service of Publication and the affidavits of the process servers that your whereabouts are unknown to Plaintiff so that ordinary process of law cannot be served, you, MARIA DE JESUS GROTH, Defendant, are hereby notified that you are required to file with the Chancery Court of Knox County at Knoxville, Tennessee, your defense or Answer to the Petition filed against you in said cause.

This the 18th day of May, 2026.
Christopher D. Heagerty
Chancellor

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: EDDIE JONES, CHARLES CHANDLER, DELOISE WELLS, TRACY HERMAN, VINCENT BROWN, JEWELLE CHANDLER, NIGINA C. TURNER, HOWARD L. TURNER, DEON TURNER, CHILDREN OF JAMES CHANDLER, and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IRA GRIMES, SR., (Deceased)

IN RE: GABRIEL B. COLE, Petitioner/Administrator
Vs.
EDDIE JONES, CHARLES CHANDLER, DELOISE WELLS, TRACY HERMAN, VINCENT BROWN, JEWELLE CHANDLER, NIGINA C. TURNER, HOWARD L. TURNER, DEON TURNER, CHILDREN OF JAMES CHANDLER, and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IRA GRIMES, SR., (Deceased), Defendants

No. 86147-1
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, PROBATE DIVISION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gabriel B. Cole, Attorney and Administrator of the Estate of IRA GRIMES, SR., deceased, has filed a Petition to Marshal Assets and Sell the Real Estate of the decedent.

It appearing from the Petition to Marshal Assets and Sell Real Estate filed herein that the whereabouts of Defendants EDDIE JONES, CHARLES CHANDLER, DELOISE WELLS, TRACY HERMAN, VINCENT BROWN, JEWELLE CHANDLER, NIGINA C. TURNER, HOWARD L. TURNER, DEON TURNER, CHILDREN OF JAMES CHANDLER, and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IRA GRIMES, SR. (Deceased), cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon them. It is ordered that said Defendants EDDIE JONES, CHARLES CHANDLER, DELOISE WELLS, TRACY HERMAN, VINCENT BROWN, JEWELLE CHANDLER, NIGINA C. TURNER, HOWARD L. TURNER, DEON TURNER, CHILDREN OF JAMES CHANDLER and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF IRA GRIMES, SR., (Deceased), file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court, Probate Division, at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Gabriel B. Cole, Administrator, whose address is 550 W. Main St., Ste. 750, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37902, Telephone 865-368-8828, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice or a judgement of default will be taken against them and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to them. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. Entered this 20th day of May, 2026.

Hon. J. Scott Griswold
Clerk & Master

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ORANGE

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE, DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

NOTICE OF SAFE SURRENDER PROCESS OF PUBLICATION

IN RE: Baby Doe
Date of Birth: 01/17/2026

CASE NUMBER: 26JT000030-670

TO: Biological father/Father/unknown father and Biological Mother of the above male juvenile born at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Respondents in an action to terminate parental rights.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 17, 2026, a male infant was surrendered by two people claiming to be the infant's mother and father who did not express an intent to return for the infant and that the infant was surrendered to an individual pursuant to N.C.G.S. 7B-521, specifically a health care provider authorized to accept the surrendered infant and UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill, North Carolina on January 17, 2026.

The infant had the following physical characteristics at the time of surrender: Caucasian male born at 6 pounds 10.2 ounces, 19 1/2 inches long. The infant has light brown hair and no visible marks or other defining characteristics. The infant is now in the physical and legal custody of the Orange County Department of Social Services ("ODCSS"), the County in North Carolina where the infant was surrendered.

Petitions to Terminate the Parental Rights of the surrendering mother and father have been filed with the purpose of legally clearing Baby Doe for adoption in accordance with safe surrender statutes, N.C.G.S. § 7B-520 et seq. If a parent is indigent, the parent is entitled to appointed counsel and may contact the Clerk of Court of Orange County immediately to request counsel.

The pretrial hearing pursuant to G.S. 7B-1108.1 is scheduled for July 16, 2026, and the parent(s) are notified that he or she may attend the pretrial hearing.

You have 30 days from June 15, 2026, the first date of publication of this Notice, to respond to said Petitions by filing a written answer to the petition with the Orange County Clerk of Court. Your parental rights to the juvenile may be terminated upon failure to answer the

petitions within the time prescribed and the court determines the ground for termination has been proved and that termination of that parent's rights is in the best interest of the juvenile, that respondent's parental rights to the juvenile will be terminated.

STEPHENSON & FLEMING, L.L.P.
By: /s/ DEANA K. FLEMING
Attorney for Petitioner, ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
109 Conner Dr., Suite 208
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514
Telephone: (919) 869-7795

Published in The Knoxville Focus: 06/15/26, 06/22/26, and 06/29/26.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: THERESA PRIDEMORE TADLOCK

IN RE: JERRY E. TADLOCK, JR., Plaintiff
Vs.
THERESA PRIDEMORE TADLOCK, Defendant

Docket # 163900

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, THERESA PRIDEMORE TADLOCK, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon THERESA PRIDEMORE TADLOCK.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by JERRY E. TADLOCK, JR., Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with SCOTT B. HAHN, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 5344 N. BROADWAY, SUITE 101, KNOXVILLE, TN 37918, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks. This the 8th day of JUNE, 2026.

Mike Hammond
Clerk
Robert A. Clark
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CHARLES ROBERT ALLEN
DOCKET NUMBER 91870-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES ROBERT ALLEN, who died Oct. 30, 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 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 2nd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF CHARLES ROBERT ALLEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BENNY R. ALLEN
7225 HALLBROOK ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PEGGY M. CAMP
DOCKET NUMBER 92539-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PEGGY M. CAMP, who died April 5, 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 to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF PEGGY M. CAMP

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KIMBERLY K. MELTON
1515 EBENEZER RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WANDA E. DENNIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92556-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of WANDA E. DENNIS, who died April 18, 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 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 3 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF WANDA E. DENNIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRIAN HAMPTON
324 EAST QUINCY AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

ADAM J. CARR, ATTORNEY
109 PARKWAY, SUITE 2A
SEVIERVILLE, TN 37862

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BETTYE BABB GILLILAND
DOCKET NUMBER 92560-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTYE BABB GILLILAND, who died Feb. 4, 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 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 3 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BETTYE BABB GILLILAND

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GARILYN L. FRIETSCH, EXECUTOR
1203 VICTORIA HILLS DRIVE N
DELAND, FL 32724

JULIE EISENHOWER, ATTORNEY
217 S. PETERS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NINA FAYE HARRIS
DOCKET NUMBER 92528-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NINA FAYE HARRIS, who died March 29, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF NINA FAYE HARRIS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SIDNEY A. HARRIS
1735 BROWNSBURG TURNPIKE
FAIRFIELD, VA 24435

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES C. HART
DOCKET NUMBER 92594-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JAMES C. HART, who died February 5, 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 abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES C. HART

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JENNIFER MARIE HART
5408 CENTURY OAKS DRIVE
GREENSBORO, NC 27455

JOHN RICHARD HART
1509 GLENRIDGE DRIVE
MURFREESBORO, TN 37128

DAVID H. LUHN, ATTORNEY
310 N. FOREST PARK BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIE D. HUMLEY, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 92602-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of WILLIE D. HUMLEY, JR., who died April 27, 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 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 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 2nd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIE D. HUMLEY, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TERRIE GOOSIE

STUART I. CASSELL, ATTORNEY
707 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. JORDAN
DOCKET NUMBER 92566-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM J. JORDAN, who died April 9, 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 to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. JORDAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TRACY M. CONLEY
746 GRAHAM DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

SHERRY JORDAN
3212 WHELAHAN FARM RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ENGELINA A. KELLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92592-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ENGELINA A. KELLEY, who died April 12, 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 publication of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 5th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ENGELINA A. KELLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ENGELINA A. DUVAL
5516 E. SUNSET RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TERRY ALAN LEATHERWOOD
DOCKET NUMBER 92035-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of TERRY ALAN LEATHERWOOD, who died Nov. 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 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 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 2nd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF TERRY ALAN LEATHERWOOD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KRISTIN MARIE LEATHERWOOD
8620 DOLPH DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY ALENE MILLER
DOCKET NUMBER 92531-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY ALENE MILLER, who died April 2, 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 to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARY ALENE MILLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TAMI LYNNE LEE
4817 ELM VIEW DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LUCILLE MOORE
DOCKET NUMBER 92536-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LUCILLE MOORE, who died March 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 the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3rd day of JUNE, 2026

ESTATE OF LUCILLE MOORE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ELLEN M. CRAWFORD
1716 MERCHANT DR., #2005
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA ROSE PHELPS
DOCKET NUMBER 92382-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA ROSE PHELPS, who died March 3, 2026, 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 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 8th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA ROSE PHELPS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MELISSA S. PHELPS
7003 STOCKTON DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

L. ERIC EBBERT, ATTORNEY
BRENT BAXLEY, ATTORNEY
9145 CROSS PARK DRIVE, STE. 103
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM PRICE
DOCKET NUMBER 92562-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM PRICE, who died April 14, 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 5th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM PRICE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM RANDY PRICE
5209 FAWNWOOD RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOAN SANDBERG RATLEDGE
DOCKET NUMBER 92613-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOAN SANDBERG RATLEDGE, who died on the 11th day of April, 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 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 8th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JOAN SANDBERG RATLEDGE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KRISTI RATLEDGE FRANCAVILLA
3440 ALFRED DRIVE
BARTLETT, TN 38133

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DUPRA JANET SHULAR
DOCKET NUMBER 92583-2

Notice is hereby given that

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM R. VARNER DOCKET NUMBER 92590-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM R. VARNER, who died Dec. 20, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 5th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM R. VARNER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
VIRGIL L. DEFORD
3810 N. BROADWAY ST.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SARAH EMILY WALKER DOCKET NUMBER 92586-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of SARAH EMILY WALKER, who died March 31, 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 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 2nd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SARAH EMILY WALKER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SUSAN ELAINE LOVEDAY
7541 BERKSHIRE BOULEVARD
POWELL, TN 37849

T. SCOTT JONES, ATTORNEY
CHRIS W. BEAVERS, ATTORNEY
KIMBERLY A. TROTTER, ATTORNEY
2125 MIDDLEBROOK PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PATSY GREER WATKINS DOCKET NUMBER 92611-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of PATSY GREER WATKINS, who died on the 14th day of May, 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 8th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF PATSY GREER WATKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL P. WATKINS
5711 HAYNES-STERCH ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROLAND F. WELLES DOCKET NUMBER 92574-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROLAND F. WELLES, who died Sept. 5, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 5th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ROLAND F. WELLES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TIMOTHY M. WELLES
711 BAYSHORE RD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SUSAN INEZ ELIZABETH ALEXANDER DOCKET NUMBER 92627-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 15 day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SUSAN INEZ ELIZABETH ALEXANDER, who died Aug. 26, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 15 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SUSAN INEZ
ELIZABETH ALEXANDER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PIERCE C. ALEXANDER, ADMINISTRATOR
1700 GULL LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

JOHN L. BILLINGS, ATTORNEY
4617 CHAMBLISS AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY MARVALYN ANDREWS DOCKET NUMBER 91742-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SHIRLEY MARVALYN ANDREWS, who died Oct. 11, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 3 day of FEBRUARY, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY MARVALYN ANDREWS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PATRICK R. MCKENRICK,
ADMINISTRATOR PENDENTE LITE
1019 ORCHID DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EDWARD DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR., A/K/A EDDIE DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 92573-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ESTATE OF EDWARD DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR., A/K/A EDDIE DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR., who died Nov. 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 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 12th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ESTATE OF EDWARD
DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR.,
A/K/A EDDIE DEAN ARMSTRONG, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LANA BAKER HUTCHISON-ARMSTRONG
10047 WASHINGTON PIKE
CORRYTON, TN 37721

CAROLYN LEVY GILLMAN, ATTORNEY
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, STE. 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY KAY BASS DOCKET NUMBER 92622-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of NANCY KAY BASS, who died April 4, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Division of the Chancery Court of Tennessee at Knoxville. 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 Probate Division of the Chancery Court of Tennessee at Knoxville on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the Decedent's date of death.
This the 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF NANCY KAY BASS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

TERI LYNN LUPACCHINO
70 OLD ANDOVER ROAD
HEBRON, CT 06248

STEWART M. CRANE, ATTORNEY
577 PICKLE ROAD
LOUDON, TN 37774

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GERALD EDWARD BREEDEN DOCKET NUMBER 92636-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of JUNE, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of GERALD EDWARD BREEDEN, who died April 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 and unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF GERALD EDWARD BREEDEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA NAPIER
6625 ELLESMERE DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

STEVE BREEDEN
6403 GRAPEVINE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

MELISSA WORTLEY LAWING, ATTORNEY
3715 POWERS STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NORMAN DANE ESTEP DOCKET NUMBER 92616-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of NORMAN DANE ESTEP, who died February 3, 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 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF NORMAN DANE ESTEP

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DEBORAH KING ESTEP

STUART I. CASSELL, ATTORNEY
707 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID ALLEN HENRY DOCKET NUMBER 92401-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DAVID ALLEN HENRY, 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 12 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF DAVID ALLEN HENRY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ELIZABETH ANN HENRY, ADMINISTRATRIX
7158 HORSESHOE CIRCLE
CONWAY, SC 29527

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF FRANCES B. JOHNSON DOCKET NUMBER 92581-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of FRANCES B. JOHNSON, who died March 20, 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 the 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 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF FRANCES B. JOHNSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
AMANDA R. BENTLEY,

fl/ka AMANDA TAYLOR, EXECUTRIX
2295 MOUNTAIN DRIVE
LENOIR CITY, TN 37772

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROSEMARIE KUETHMAN DOCKET NUMBER 92599-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROSEMARIE KUETHMAN, who died March 22, 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 17th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ROSEMARIE KUETHMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JERRALD LIMBAUGH DOCKET NUMBER 92601-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JERRALD LIMBAUGH, who died May 16, 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 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JERRALD LIMBAUGH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BRENDA GAIL LITTLE DOCKET NUMBER 92584-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BRENDA GAIL LITTLE, who died March 18, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against 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 the 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 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BRENDA GAIL LITTLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
AUTUMN RENEE ANDERSON, EXECUTRIX
136 LITTLEBROOK CIRCLE
ROCKFORD, TN 37853

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EMMA S. MCAFFEE DOCKET NUMBER 92575-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 8 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of EMMA S. MCAFFEE, who died February 8, 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 8 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF EMMA S. MCAFFEE

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOE MONT MCAFFEE DOCKET NUMBER 92637-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JOE MONT MCAFFEE, who died May 17, 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 12 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JOE MONT MCAFFEE

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EVERETT FRANKLIN PENDERGRASS, SR. DOCKET NUMBER 92674-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EVERETT FRANKLIN PENDERGRASS, SR., who died on June 7, 2026, 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 his or her 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 12th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF EVERETT FRANKLIN
PENDERGRASS, SR.

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