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McNabb Center expands Centerpointe facility

By Ken Lay

The Helen Ross McNabb Center hosted a ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony at its Centerpoint location, located at 5310 Ball Camp Pike, early last week.

The sweltering temperatures couldn't temper the celebration marking the expansion of the facility on Monday, June 29.

The McNabb Center, the region's leading non-profit provider of mental health

services, expanded its Centerpoint location by adding 26 beds and can now serve 72 patients at its 24/7 residential facility.

The expansion also included the addition of a kitchen, more living areas,

a nurses' station, offices and counseling spaces.

"This is a super special day," said Helen Ross McNabb Center Chief Executive Officer Mona Blanton-Kitts. "This is a project that

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs and state Senator Becky Duncan Massey join Helen Ross McNabb Center CEO Mona Blanton-Kitts and her staff at a ribbon-cutting marking the renovation of the Centerpoint facility in Northwest Knoxville.

Data centers, Western Heights on city council agenda

By Mike Steely
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Knoxville may take the first step to prohibit large data centers from locating inside its boundaries when the city council meets Tuesday.

Mayor Indya Kincannon and the administration are asking the council members to pass, on the first of two readings, an ordinance against any new centers requiring 10 megawatts or more in power.

The Housing and Neighborhood Development Department will ask the council to approve a \$4.5 million contract with the Community Development Corporation for Phase V improvements at the Western Heights redevelopment.

In other action before the council, two zoning change requests are on the consent agenda to change from RN-1 to RN-2, single-family residential: 3225 Joyce

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Three of a kind!



Webb Coach George Quarles (left) with his dad Bill and brother Taylor playing Harbour Golf Links in Hilton Head. Please see the vacation story in Sports & Recreation, Section C.

Humble bivalve honored at 2nd annual festival

Seven Islands hosts Tennessee River Watershed Mussel Fest

By Ken Lay

Kodak --- Freshwater mussels took center stage recently at the second annual Tennessee River Watershed Mussel Fest.

The event, which was held at Seven Islands State Birding Park on Saturday, June 27, gave the park's visitors the opportunity to snorkel with a scientist as the professionals tracked the recently released mussels from Keep the Tennessee River Beautiful's Adopt-a-Mussel program.

The Mussel Fest also provided visitors the opportunity to learn about mussels and their ecological role in cleaning the Tennessee River on an educational trail.

Visitors were treated to classic rock music that played over a public address system as they entered the park, and they could enjoy food from a pair of local food trucks.

Amanda Edmondson, the assistant manager of Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies, was at a table for Ripley's and discussed the importance of mussels to water filtration and keeping water clean.

She often hosts school field trips. And while there were plenty of activities



PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies Assistant Manager of Education Amanda Edmondson with a stuffed octopus at the recent Mussel Fest in Kodak. Edmondson noted that the octopus is the closest relative to the mussel on display at the aquarium.

for children, she said that there was plenty to keep adults interested at the event that began during

the midmorning hours and concluded during the early afternoon.

"We don't have any

mussels at the aquarium right now," Edmondson said. "We have in the past but

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Early voters to face long ballot

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Early voting for the Knox County general election begins on Friday, July 17, and will offer a hefty ballot, even with several contests already decided. The early voting ends on August 1, and Election Day is August 6.

Not only will local voters choose county leaders, but they will also cast ballots in the federal and state primary elections. Depending on what district you live in, you could see the following offices on your primary ballot: governor, U.S. House, U.S. Senate, state Senate, state House, and executive committee members for the Democratic and Republican parties.

Several Knox County races were decided in the primary because some Republican candidates face no opposition in the general election. Those candidates include Emily Abbott as criminal court

judge, Brent Gibson as sheriff, Charlie Susano as circuit, civil sessions and juvenile court clerk, Mike Hammond as criminal court clerk, Richie Beeler as county clerk, and Sherry Witt as register of deeds.

Voters in Farragut will choose a mayor and two aldermen.

The race for Knox County Mayor is drawing most of the attention as Republican Betsy Henderson faces Democrat Beau Hawk.

Four new Knox County Commissioners will be seated this fall because of current members reaching term limits or losing in the primary.

District 3 sees Republican Sheri Super facing Democrat Brandon Huckaby. Super defeated Commission Chairwoman Gina Oster in the primary.

District 7 has Republican Barry Beeler and Democrat William Cooper

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God Bless America

Socialists and communists don't make things; they take things.
Greg Gutfeld

By the time you read this essay, the 250th anniversary of America's founding will have passed, but the Ferguson clan remains proud to be Americans. To commemorate our country's founding and the sacrifices that made this country the GOAT (greatest of all time), Becky and I reread the Declaration of Independence and the preamble to the Constitution and sang "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless America," which Becky thinks would be a great national anthem. We cooked hamburgers on the grill with friends, had sides of french fries, watermelon and homemade ice cream and apple pie. Real Americana. We finished the celebration with the fireworks above the Tennessee River.

How pathetic that so many Democrats hate

our country and say they are not proud to be Americans. I have never read of anyone trying to get into North Korea, China or Russia. However, the world keeps trying to come here. Why don't the leftists of The View and those who hate America just leave?

The Founders of our country studied history and avoided the abuses of ancient democracies by constructing a representative republic founded upon the rule of law. Unfortunately, like all other facets of our country, the rule of law is under attack by anarchists and the dysfunctional judicial system.

History offers many comparisons between the American Revolution and others, notably China's communist revolution. The signers of the Declaration of Independence spoke of liberty. The Chinese espoused liberation. Both promised a new order and succeeded. However, in America,

men became free, whereas in China, men became enslaved to the state. Why?

I believe the answer is that our revolution championed the notion that rights come from God, not from man. Our "unalienable rights" derived from biblical principles rather than Marxist ideology.

What's wrong with Democrats? But the question presupposes that the Democratic Party still exists. Historically, there was the party of FDR and JFK. There was once a group of "moderate and conservative Democrats" in the People's House who called themselves Blue Dog Democrats, but I wonder if these still exist. If so, their silence is deafening.

Harold Ford Jr. and John Fetterman are perhaps Democrats in the traditional sense, but they seem like remnants of another time. They and others still march under the Democrat ensign, but they do so without power. The real power and energy are with the Democrat Socialists who use the Democratic Party's money and structure like a parasite and will eventually destroy the host. Even progressives are cowed by these radical socialists.

So-called traditionalist Democrat politicians dare not speak against the leftist radicals, or they will be primaried as happened in New

York. Fetterman is already ostracized and will be primaried. Democrat Socialists are threatening House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries and Cheeseburger Schumer of the Senate. The Democrats created this monster to take TDS to the streets, and now it's going nationwide and coming for them. Watch out, Harold!

History teaches us about the radical Jacobins whose mob rule in the French Revolution produced the guillotine and the perversions of Robespierre's "reign of terror," until the mob turned on him and took off his head. More recently, Martin Niemoller, a Lutheran minister of the German Nazi era, warned about radicals in his pensive and reflective First They Came discourse. Look it up and consider our present-day Jacobins.

It has been 250 years since the Declaration of Independence espoused the acme of Enlightenment thought. And after eight years of bloody war, there were truly "no kings" in America. Have we forgotten the lessons of history? Perhaps they were never taught to our children in recent decades.

As I listen to the cries of younglings voicing support for socialism, I think of Vladimir Lenin, who said: "The goal of socialism is communism." I wonder how many could give a succinct

definition of socialism, communism or capitalism?

George Orwell understood socialism/communism. In his seminal book "1984," he said, "It was always the women, and above all the young ones, who were the most bigoted adherents of the Party, the swallows of slogans, the amateur spies and nosers-out of unorthodoxy." Our modern-day equivalents are the "AWFULS," the affluent, white, female, urban liberals.

Socialist/communist Bernie Sanders understands what is going on. He just wants to remain one of the elite, as in the communist party's politburo, enjoying his four houses and his millions of dollars he acquired on a congressional salary. Similarly, limousine liberal, beer-sipping Pocahontas depends on the poorly educated and whines about the success of Elon Musk, whose employees became millionaires with SpaceX.

And now the Bernie-bro communists are taking their communism, euphemistically disguised as Democrat Socialism (DS), to Colorado, Wisconsin and Michigan. The DS will burn down the so-called "big tent" of Democrats.

Videographer Ken Burns recently wrote in the NY Post, "We speak constantly about rights and far less

about obligations. We celebrate freedom but often resist the real work that makes freedom sustainable: shared sacrifice, civic participation, the discipline of self-government." I would add adherence to the Constitution.

Like most of us, I get weary of the war against evil in all its forms. But like President Trump, I press on and think about the Apostle Paul on trial for his life, who told his protégé Timothy in 2 Timothy 4:7: "I have fought the good fight, I finished the race, I have kept the faith." I have adopted Paul's thoughts but changed his verbs to the future tense: I will fight the good fight, I will finish the race, I will keep the faith.

So I will close where I began with the stirring lyrics:

God Bless America. Land that I love.

Stand beside her and guide her through the night with the Light from above.

From the mountains, to the prairies,

To the oceans white with foam,

God bless America,
My home sweet home.

May we dedicate ourselves to these noble words and the tasks before us.

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McNabb Center expands Centerpointe

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we've been working on for a long time."

Planning for the renovation began in 2021 as the Boyd Family Foundation, University of Tennessee Medical Center, the City of Knoxville and Knox County formed a partnership, and Blanton-Kitts said that it began with \$3 million in seed money.

That was later followed by a \$13.5 million commitment from Knox County

and the Tennessee Department of Mental Health.

"We have now gone from 46 to 72 beds," Blanton-Kitts said.

Several community and state leaders were in attendance, including Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs and Tennessee State Senator Becky Duncan Massey.

Jacobs, who will soon end his two-term, eight-year tenure in office, spoke about the importance of the McNabb Center, drawing on

his experience as a professional wrestler.

"When I was first running for mayor in 2018, I did a lot of door knocking and when I talked to people, they said that mental health and substance use and abuse were big issues of concern for them," Jacobs said. "Working in the entertainment industry, I've seen the impact that (substance use) has had on my friends and co-workers.

"A place like the Helen

Ross McNabb Center makes people better and by making these people better, it makes Knox County better. I say it all the time, but Knox County is the best place to live, work and raise a family, and these people here are a big reason why Knox County is the best place to live, work and raise a family."

As part of the ribbon-cutting, the Centerpoint facility dedicated the Ben Goodson Hall, a common area space for patients.

"This expansion allows us to provide help for people quicker. We are a 24/7 intensive treatment residence and this will allow us to provide more services to people," said Jennifer Muise-Hill, Senior Director of Adult Substance Treatment Services. "We provide medically managed detoxification, residential treatment, therapy and recovery support.

"This expansion will help us to provide those services more efficiently"

Humble bivalve

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right now, we have some of their relatives. The closest relative that we have to them right now is the octopus.

"We have field trips and (schools) come to us. Today, we're just kind of here to promote the mussels and we're here to give some more information and make it interesting to the adults."

Ijams Nature Center was also on hand at the event to discuss the mussels and their role in nature.

"We're here mostly to talk about mussels and what they provide and the role that they play in water filtration, actively," said Ijams lead teacher naturalist Joey Terlizzi.

Mussels once thrived in the region in both the French Broad and Tennessee Rivers, but their population has dwindled due to dam construction, pollution and historical overharvesting.

The organization released 200 mussels

near Seven Islands in 2025 and on Friday, June 26, scientists conducted a survey of how many of them survived and how those have grown over the last year.

Most of the species of mussels are endangered, according to University of Tennessee Ph.D. candidate Dana Mills.

"We have about 300 species of mussels in the whole Tennessee River Watershed and about 75 percent of them are threatened or endangered," said Mills, who opened the Mussel Fest with a discussion about reproduction. "Dam construction has been a factor, not so much the dam, but the sediment and other things.

"We even saw some effects from Hurricane Helene."

The organization had a freshwater mussel release last year but didn't release mussels at its most recent Mussel Fest.

"This is my second year here," Edmonson said. "They had a release last year, but unfortunately, they weren't able to have one this year."

Despite going mostly unnoticed, mussels play a vital role in the river's system.

"One mussel can filter about a liter in an hour and no other animal can do that in our water system," Mills said.



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Publisher's Position

Leftist Hypocrisy Out Of Control



By Steve Hunley, Publisher
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"Many forms of Government have been tried and will be tried in this world of sin and woe. No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all-wise. Indeed it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time. . ."

- Winston Churchill, Nov. 11, 1947

The Focus family hopes you and yours enjoyed a happy and healthy July 4th as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of our great country. That is especially important in the day and age in which we live, where too many of our children and grandchildren wallow in the squalor and ignorance of socialism and communism. The world has seen nothing like it since the rise of Adolf Hitler in the 1930s, and ironically, the people calling more conservative-minded people "Nazis" are those who share the same antisemitism as Hitler himself. Scott Wiener, running for the House seat being vacated by Nancy Pelosi, has been literally pursued by ragged bands of what appear to be groups of communist derelicts shouting and screaming in his face and cursing him. Wiener was told he had stopped being gay when he supported Israel. Support for Israel has become the trigger for those on the extreme left. It's ironic that there's a group of gay people bullying a gay person and squalling about "democracy" and

shouting "free Palestine", when they would all literally be tossed off buildings in every Muslim country in the Middle East (including Palestine), where being gay is outlawed. And, in fact, the only democracy in the Middle East is that of Israel. These actions also speak to their ability to reason and display the level of their intelligence. Clearly, they are morons.

These roving herds of gay communists are spitting, shouting and cursing someone who they acknowledge accomplished much for gay people. The litmus test for those communists and ultra-far-left socialists masquerading as Democrats is now the very same kind of hatred of Jews as practiced by the Nazis. Their love of freedom of speech doesn't even exist, and their references to "democracy" are a shameful mockery of the word, as they love democracy as much as Hitler, Stalin and Mao before them. People are being nominated for Congress in safe "Blue" districts who are young, stupid, venal and bitterly antisemitic.

Most of them never seem to have held down a real job in their life but propose to run the country.

Antonio Gramsci, quoted recently by Mamdani in New York, was the co-founder of the Communist Party in Italy and said the fall of Western civilization would come through the collapse of Western culture, and that is precisely what these people wish to dismantle piece by piece. Every culture is celebrated, but that of our forefathers and our own people.

The visitors from all across the world coming to the United States for the soccer championship have readily expressed their awe and delight in the freedoms we enjoy and our standard of living, which is the greatest in the world. Yet the socialists and communists wish to destroy our country. The hypocrisy of these people knows no bounds and has no ceiling. They denounce billionaires publicly yet are funded by billionaires. Those on the far left who bray about taxing the rich --- Bernie Sanders, Gavin Newsom, Elizabeth

Warren --- are all millionaires.

And don't think it doesn't exist here. Beau Hawk, the Democratic nominee for Knox County mayor, has acknowledged he attended a rally in Caracas, Venezuela, in 2020 in support of Nicolás Maduro. Yes, the same Nicolás Maduro who was a communist dictator and helped to ruin a once prosperous economy to starve and beggar the people he lorded over. Hawk explains he was "young and dumb" at the time and disputes a quote attributed to him in a pro-Maduro publication praising "the working people celebrating their revolution." Hawk is 35 presently and would have been 29 then. Betsy Henderson, the Republican nominee for Knox County mayor, has rightly pointed out that Maduro was a "self-described Marxist and murderous dictator."

Henderson said, "It is hard to believe that someone seeking office in Knox County would support such an evil government that has fueled the drug trade,

violent criminal gangs, and human misery. It's against everything we as Americans stand for."

Henderson herself is about as American as apple pie. Beau Hawk has said the discussion of his trip to Venezuela is "an unfortunate distraction" from his campaign. Not at all, people need to know something about the people asking for votes and the job of running our local government. Calling yourself a candidate of the working man is one thing; celebrating Maduro and his regime is quite another. Celebrating the revolution that made paupers and slaves out of the Venezuelan people call into question one's good judgment, at the very least. If ever there was a repressed people on this planet, it was the people of Venezuela who were victimized and abused by dictator Maduro and his vicious government. After all, we should have learned by now that you get what you vote for.

Data centers on city council agenda

Cont. from page 1 --- Avenue and eight lots on Hialeah Drive. Scott Albrecht is appealing a decision about a required corner side setback for a detached garage at 1503 Southgate Road.

Pedestrian improvements for Sutherland Avenue use may be funded by the state with \$30,000 from the city. Gresham Smith may get an increase for design services for the South Knoxville Bridge Greenway Project, bringing the contract total up to \$275,670.

Adam Contracting LLC may also get a contract boost for the North Cherry Street Stormwater Project, bringing the total to \$2.9 million.

Housing items on the agenda include contracts for permanent supportive housing, transitional housing and legal services

for low-income residents facing wrongful evictions. Seven community projects may get block grants for design and technical assistance.

Knoxville Area Transit is requesting funds to hire Elite Petroleum Inc. to decommission two underground storage tanks and perform repairs and environmental sampling.

The Community Development Corporation may be asked to create a redevelopment plan for the North Waterfront. The Boys & Girls Club may get \$260,000 to support its youth programs and early workforce readiness.

The council may also approve \$111,195 for a contract with Trane U.S., Inc. for assessments and design proposals for five solar installations at city facilities.

Early voters to face long ballot

Cont. from page 1 --- competing to replace Republican Rhonda Lee, who ran against Andrea Kline for general sessions judge, Division IV.

The at-large Seat 10 commission race has Republican Justin Cofer and Democrat Katina Sharp competing with Independent Ronin Cunningham. The winner replaces Kim Frazier, who ran for Knox County Mayor and lost to Betsy Henderson.

The other at-large commission race, for Seat 11, has Republican Garrett Holt facing Democrat Vivian Underwood Shipe and Independent David Velarde. The successful candidate replaces Republican Larsen Jay, who was also defeated by Henderson in the race for mayor.

In the race for trustee are Republican Nick McBride and Democrat Stephen Hood.

General sessions judge Division IV has Andrea

Kline, the Republican, facing Ben H. Houston II, the Democrat.

Five races for the Knox County Board of Education are contested.

District 1 has Republican Charles Frazier facing Democrat Breauna Holloway. District 4 has Ashley Sartelle opposing Democrat Katherine Bike. District 6 has Republican Lee Ann Eaves against Democrat Cadence Collins. District 7 has Steve Triplett, Republican, against Amy

Fenner, Democrat. District 9 has Republican Bill Sofield versus Democrat Brandy Jenkins.

Farragut's election for mayor pits Alex Cain against Louise Povlin. The contest for Ward 1 alderman is Dian Hall vs. Joey Ruffalo. Ward 2 has Joe LaCroix against Greg Wiberley.

Knox County voters will also be asked whether or not to retain or replace seven judges.

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Looking forward to visiting Head of the Crow State Park

A Day Away



By Mike Steely

As I've shared before, my wife and I have visited most of Tennessee's state parks as well as many parks in our surrounding states and several national parks. A new Tennessee park is now on our bucket list, and it looks very, very interesting.

Head of the Crow State Park was formerly called

Cumberland State Park, which grew to more than 30,000 acres and was divided into three parks: Savage Gulf, Fiery Gizzard and Head of the Crow.

The new park is located in Franklin County and is named because it includes the stream that is the "head" of Crow Creek. The park contains large trees, rare wildlife, caves, arches and sinkholes. The park includes the large Sewanee Natural Bridge, Lost Cave and Buggytop Cave. It's also the home of the rare Painted Tiger Snail.

The park has four unique areas, including the Sherwood Forest Natural Area, the Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee Carter State Natural Area,

the Natural Bridge State Park Area and the Hawkins Cove Natural Area.

Made possible through agreements with the University of the South, Mountain Goat Trail Alliance, Division of Forestry and Friends of the South Cumberland State Park, the new park has 4,358 acres. There are hiking trails with stairs, bluffs and caves, and areas for birding, hunting, and cave exploration with a ranger.

Getting to the new park from Knoxville may be easier by going south on I-75 to Chattanooga and taking Interstate 26 north to Monteagle. From there, turn south on Highway 41A to Sewanee. The visitors



One of the many attractions at the new Head of the Crow State Park is the Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee State Natural Area and this beautiful cave.

center is on the left near University Avenue.

You can find Head of the

Crow State Park on the internet or call the visitor center at (615)762-5917.

The park's address is 17 Lake O'Donnell Road, Sewanee, Tn. 37375.

Finding known and unknown veteran graves

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Marilyn Childress has made it her mission to support area veteran organizations.

The Navy veteran is a founding member of the Veterans Heritage Site Foundation and was its first president. She has served as vice president of the Veterans Council of East Tennessee and on the board of many groups, including Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1078.

With all that said, she has been working on a very special project to locate the known and unknown

graves of America's military veterans all over our region. She was asked how she got into finding the graves.

"It is part of the mission for Veterans Heritage Site Foundation to honor and maintain veteran heritage sites, which include veteran graves. I was helping Rod Law place flags in Cades Cove and wondered why all the veterans in the Smokies were not being honored," she said.

"I started wondering about the Revolutionary War veterans and why no one was recognizing them. That then led to the War of 1812 veterans and smaller

cemeteries with veterans.

"I want all of our East Tennessee veterans to be remembered no matter where they are buried," Childress told The Focus.

The Focus asked her what the oldest graves she has visited or learned about have been.

She started her reply with the grave of Alexander Cavett, who was killed in 1793, when the Cherokee attacked his cabin and Chief Doublehead killed him and his family. Cavett is buried in what is now the Mars Hill Cemetery in West Knoxville.

Childress then mentioned the 1814 grave of John Alexander,

who is buried in the Forks of the River Cemetery in Sevier County. Former Governor and U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander is a direct descendant.

William Blount, a signer of the U.S. Constitution and governor of the Southwest Territory, died in 1800 and is buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery in downtown Knoxville.

Nicholas Gibbs died in 1817 and is buried in a private cemetery in the Gibbs Cemetery off Emory Road. He fought in the Battle of Kings Mountain during the Revolution.

Joseph Bogle, a Pennsylvania

soldier, died in 1790 and is buried in the Eusebia Presbyterian Cemetery in Blount County.

Robert Cunningham, a Revolutionary War soldier, died in 1799 and is buried in the Cunningham Cemetery in South Knoxville.

Alexander Blackburn, a Revolutionary War soldier, was killed by the Cherokee in 1786 and is buried in the Revolutionary War Cemetery in Dandridge.

"I meant to add Robert Armstrong II. He is buried in the Armstrong Cemetery just off John Sevier. He died in 1796 and was a Revolutionary War veteran," Childress concluded.

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Getting to know Krystal Gibson

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She's more than just the wife of Sheriff-elect Brent Gibson, although she stands behind him and is a fellow law enforcement officer. Krystal Gibson recently stood out on the Knox County Ethics Rules Committee and Subcommittee for her interesting questions and comments as the county updated its rules.

In their final meeting, Gibson indicated she would be leaving the appointed post, and The Focus is curious as to what she now plans. She was a lieutenant with the Knox County Sheriff's Office, a trained investigator, a community leader and served on various other county committees and organizations.

The Focus asked Krystal Gibson a few questions about her journey as a community and county leader.

How were your years at Gibbs High School and Cumberland College?

Man! Those were some of the best days of my life; unlike many, I loved high school!

I played softball, volleyball and basketball. Full disclosure: I was not very good at the latter, so with that, and to this day, I believe Coach Mitchell encouraged me to play volleyball and basketball, knowing I was terrible at them, in an attempt to keep me in shape in the off-season—I was a catcher, and I'm sure if you asked her, I was not very fast, maybe a little lazy, and probably one of the most ornery players she's ever had. She was not easy on me, but truly, and I needed it. In fact, I credit Coach Mitchell for so many things in my life, as she played a pivotal role in shaping me—in ways I could not possibly have fathomed at the time—into the person and leader I am today. The lessons she poured

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Sheriff nominee Brent Gibson and his wife, Krystal. Both have a law enforcement background and both serve the county in various roles.

LMU's 'Lincoln: Echoes of 1776' exhibit to mark 250th

Submitted by Bailey Patton

The Lincoln Memorial University-Abraham Lincoln Library & Museum will open a new temporary exhibition, Lincoln: Echoes of 1776, on July 6, 2026, in recognition of the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.

Curated by Dr. Jonathan Smallwood, assistant director and curator of

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Historic Cemetery Workshop set for July 18

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Local preservation leaders will be presenting a special Knox Heritage Historic Cemetery Workshop on Saturday, July 18, at 10 a.m.

The free event is being held at the Beck Cultural Center at 1927 Dandridge Avenue, and the program will feature practices for preserving, documenting and interpreting these important sites. The featured speaker will be Graham Perry of the Tennessee Historical Commission.

Attendees will also hear from local preservation leaders Patrick Hollis of the Mabry-Hazen House and Bethel Confederate Cemetery, Marilyn Childress of the Veteran Heritage Site Foundation, Amy Emert of Friends of Cavett Station and Mars Hill Cemetery, and Ellen Rochelle of Old Gray Cemetery.

Anyone interested in attending should contact Knox Heritage at (865) 523-8008 or visit www.knoxheritage.org/preservation/preservation-network/ to learn more and to RSVP.

Davy and Dolly are very popular at the East Tennessee History Museum



Everyone wants to see Dolly Parton's dress

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When Executive Director Warren Dockter was asked recently what exhibit in the East Tennessee History Museum draws the most attention or is surprising to visitors, he didn't have to think long to answer.

"I think Davy Crockett's rifle is always a crowd pleaser. Also, Dolly Parton's dress," he said.

The rifle, thought to be only one of three that the legendary hero owned during his life, was obtained by Crockett in 1803 when he was 17 years old. He was then working for John Kennedy, an elderly Quaker, in Jefferson County. In his book "A Narrative of the Life," Crockett said he carried the rifle wherever he went and used it in shooting matches.

In 1806, just before marrying Polly Finley, he sold the rifle to James McCuiston, who lived near the Crocketts. The rifle went west with the McCuiston family and, in 1916, ended up in Oklahoma. In 1978, Art Swann searched for and found the rifle and brought it back to East Tennessee. A replica of the gun is displayed occasionally at the

David Crockett Birthplace State Park in Limestone, Tn., but the actual rifle resides at the downtown Knoxville museum.

Sevier County native and national icon Dolly Parton is also featured at the museum with several exhibits. The national superstar began her career on Knoxville television and continues to be a successful country music songwriter and singer.

In Dolly's early career, she appeared on television in the Porter Wagoner Show, and one of the red dresses she wore on the program is displayed in the museum. She was born in 1946 in Locust Ridge in the Smoky foothills in a family with 12 children, learning gospel music and ballads from her mother. Her uncle gave her a guitar when she was ten years old, and by 13, she appeared on the Grand Ole Opry. After graduating from Sevier County High School, she moved to Nashville, became a successful songwriter and, in 1967, became a singing partner with Porter Wagoner.

She became a major movie star after the movie "Nine to Five" was released, for which she wrote the title song. Dolly has had some health issues recently and has taken time off from her Las Vegas show.



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Two weeks ago, my iPhone pinged at midnight. Sleepy-eyed, I looked at it and saw that my phone provider was sending a verification code. My thoughts were to leave it alone



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and take care of it in the morning. Throughout the night, I received another eight codes to which I was to respond. Obviously, someone was trying to convince me to respond. That began one hell of a nightmare for Amy and me.

When I arrived at the golf course for work and tried to connect to my music library, nothing happened. Next, I tried to connect to my email with the same result. With tee boxes waiting to be mowed, I shoved my phone in my pocket and entertained myself by singing.

Upon returning home, I contacted my phone

service online. The company had no brick-and-mortar site; it is all internet contact and help. This AI-generated "help desk" kept asking for the email address and password associated with

the account. I typed in that access to everything on my phone was blocked; the same information kept coming, and after a long chat with either some person or an AI "thing," I was told that my problem was being sent to the "next level" and that someone would call me within an hour. Yep, you guessed it; that call never came. I began the process again, jumped through the same hoops, and, believe it or not, a human finally came on. She called me, and I tried to answer her questions, even though her English was much better than my skills in her language. Still,

I couldn't understand the directions given with such a heavy accent. She told me she would have to call me back.

I give her credit; she did call back—the next day, but no help was given. I'd spent more than six hours trying to retrieve the service for my phone that ended after those codes came in the middle of the night and were said to have come from the company. Amy and I drove to the Verizon store and bit the bullet and bought two new phones and accounts and higher costs. Still, we had phone service, and it only took four hours to complete the transaction.

At the same time, Amy began receiving security alerts about our credit card. Probably the same group of thugs had gained access to the cards. Bills for all sorts of things came flooding in. Luckily, Y-12 FCU has a wonderful security system, and they shut down our cards and

account immediately. Since the day was Juneteenth, all but one branch was closed. The CSR was kind, patient and helpful. We left the bank with new cards and felt relieved. However, she'd forgotten to close the account, so the next day, we were alerted that our account was again closed and told that we would have to return to the bank.

This time, we had to return our day-old cards, open new accounts, and get new cards. That process took approximately three hours. We were also told not to use our cards until the following Thursday. Because our account had been hacked, we had to change security information and give new usernames and passwords. Because I sometimes rush to complete things, I didn't write down some of my passwords, so contacting the companies by phone was necessary.

For the first time in my life, I froze. Most often, I can

do something to correct a problem, at least temporarily. This time, I simply didn't know what to do. I'm not a computer genius, not even a proficient user. As for the phone, I kept opening it and hoping that something would suddenly happen to make the mess all go away. I speak no Indo-Aryan language to help me understand instructions from a phone center. The hacked phone was good for nothing to me.

We Baby-Boomers are, for the most part, at the mercy of younger folks and family members who might be able to get us out of technological nightmares. I'm sure most teenagers could have taken care of our woes in short order, but none were available. The feeling of helplessness is something I've now experienced for the first time. It's not something I like or ever want to visit again. For over two weeks, Amy and I have struggled to fix these problems. I believe we are

on the other side of them now. However, we can only pray that nothing like this will come again.

Those people who are also short of computer skills and who look for a cheaper phone plan should be aware. A good security system for computers is vital. A phone plan might be cheaper, but when it has no human support and relies on AI, no help is coming for any problems that arise. It's better to be safe than thrifty.

Finally, for those who choose to prey on older folks or those with limited technological skills so that they steal identities and assets, I hope that the fires in hell are hot enough to forever burn your thieving hands. Use the genius that you have developed for something beneficial instead of criminal.

Getting to know Krystal Gibson

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into me all those years ago during my time in high school are ones I still carry with me, every single day.

Softball—as with most young ladies from Gibbs—was my passion. After leaving Gibbs, I moved to Morristown and played softball on a full scholarship at Walters State Community College. From there, after receiving another offer for a free education (which

was especially appealing since I was not exactly a stellar student back in the day), I headed to Williamsburg, Kentucky. Cumberland College—now known as the University of the Cumberlands—is where I finished out my collegiate softball career. Honestly, if my old, worn-out body and knees would cooperate, I'd still be playing today. The game—especially for a Lady Eagle—never really leaves

you.

How did you meet Brent?

When I was hired at the Knox County Sheriff's Office, I initially saw Brent only in passing. I started in corrections as an intake security officer, processing newly incarcerated individuals. Essentially, when an officer brought someone to jail, I was the first person they handed that individual off to. Intake, at the Roger D. Wilson Detention Facility,

is where Brent and I first crossed paths.

Fast-forward a few years—the sheriff's office had a co-ed softball team, facilitated at the time by an organization now known as the Knoxville Public Safety Foundation, and where the teams, GUNS (police) and HOSES (firefighters), played in various arenas to raise money for first responders in need. With my background in softball, I was asked to join. Spending time on the field is where our relationship blossomed—we've been together ever since!

Tell us about your family, please.

Brent and I attend Clear Springs Baptist Church in Corryton, Tennessee, and together we share two amazing daughters. The oldest, Skyelin, who just graduated from the University of Tennessee, is slated to move to Alabama at the end of the summer to pursue a career in chemical engineering. Emeri, just shy of 15 months younger than her sister, is a junior at Carson-Newman University studying nursing. Brent and I are exceedingly proud of both of our girls—they are truly beautiful humans, inside and out.

Fun Fact (Older family history): My dad, Gerald Booker—who passed away in 2020 while I was away at college—built one of the first restaurants in Gibbs, the Eagle's Nest (now Twister's), which sat at the corner of Fairview Road and Tazewell Pike. From a very, very young age, he instilled in me a strong work ethic—I'm fairly certain he violated a few labor laws back then—but more importantly, he taught me that being involved in your community truly does matter. My dad believed—deeply—that one person can make a difference, and those lessons have stayed with me ever since.

What are your plans now?

After serving the department for 22 years, I left the Knox County Sheriff's Office in 2023. Currently, where I landed shortly after leaving KCSO, I work for the Sevierville Police Department, serving on the frontline as a patrol sergeant.

Although I feel strongly that my first role—as a law enforcement officer—is a calling, I am equally steadfast in my heart that teaching is one, too. Each one fulfills a different part of who I am: one allows me to serve and protect my community, and the other lets me pour into the next generation of public servants.

With that, and while I had always instructed in some capacity throughout my career, a casual conversation in 2019—probably not too casual, as I can remember it verbatim—shifted everything. An individual told me I could never make it through post-graduate school. Well, being fervent-souled by nature, long story short, I set out to prove them wrong and re-enrolled at my alma mater, the University of the Cumberlands (UC), to pursue a terminal degree.

Ultimately, after graduating summa cum laude with my doctorate in philosophical leadership studies, with an emphasis in criminal justice, my path expanded beyond law enforcement. Distinguished by UC as a Criminal Justice Subject Matter Expert, a higher education curriculum and instructional design specialist, when I'm not patrolling the streets of Sevierville, you will find me teaching several undergraduate courses for UC, where I serve as an associate professor and a voting member of the UC Department of Criminal Justice, Graduate Studies, Academic Advisory Board.

Your input on the Rules Subcommittee was interesting, helpful and sometimes funny.

My input! My humor! Oh dear. Well, those who know me on a more personal level would probably tell you I have—and voluntarily offer—plenty of input. While serving on the Ethics Committee and its Rules Subcommittee is unquestionably something I consider an honor, it's certainly not for the faint of heart, as the subject matter we tackle is often complex, sensitive, and sometimes downright controversial. As for my humor, that's just part of who I am—likely equal parts personality and

perhaps a bit of a coping mechanism. By nature, when conversations get heavy or when I find myself in an atmosphere where tensions may be running a bit high, a little levity, in my opinion, helps keep everyone grounded, particularly myself.

What are your hobbies and interests?

I come from a family of musicians, so naturally, I love all things music! I am not very talented, but singing and playing the violin or piano offer an escape of sorts—restorative to the soul if that makes sense.

I also love to collect animals; I couldn't begin to tell you how many strays miraculously just "show up" at my house as if by divine appointment! Between us, don't tell Brent—I am the reason (I bring them home)!

Any further comments?

As we seemingly begin our journey, thrust into the spotlight that comes with holding public office, I want people to know that at our core, we are simply a normal family trying to carve our way through life while trying to make a difference. Brent never sought this office to make a name for himself, nor did he pursue it for recognition or financial gain. He stepped into this role because he genuinely wants to serve and improve the community he loves. Equally, while his stature may give semblance to that of a giant, those who know him on a personal level understand he is a teddy bear in disguise—genuine, humble, and possessing a heart far larger than even his frame suggests. I have never known anyone with a deeper sense of integrity or a more sincere desire to serve and do what is right. I am also fully aware that the path he is stepping into will bring scrutiny. Decisions will be made that won't please everyone, and as his family, we won't be far removed from that scrutiny either. Nevertheless, we walk into this season with the same values that brought us here: faith, humility, service, and the belief that doing the right thing, regardless of the consequences that will cross our path, is always worth it!

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The Gentleman From Maryland

Senator Joseph I. France

Pages from the Past



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Joseph Irwin France was not at all a conventional politician, especially for his time. Depending upon one's point of view, France could be seen as either a visionary or an eccentric. Senator France was adamantly against ratifying the Treaty of Versailles, the treaty that sealed the peace in Europe following the First World War, while sowing the seeds for the Second World War. One of the primary reasons Senator France opposed the Treaty of Versailles was precisely because he thought it imposed virtually impossible standards upon the defeated nations, most especially Germany. France viewed the treaty as being exceptionally harsh, and it is certainly true that the terms forced upon Germany by the victorious Allied powers both humiliated the German people and ruined the country's once vibrant economy due to the heavy reparations it could not afford. That dissatisfaction and unrest brought about the rise of a former corporal in the German Army, Adolf Hitler, who promised to bring prosperity and prominence once again to the people of Germany.

Senator France was a strong advocate for the rights of minorities and civil liberties. The senator from Maryland was more orthodox in his views on government control over the economy, which he did not like. Still, the senator did support regulations while most of his GOP colleagues rigidly opposed them.

The New York Times dismissed Senator Joseph I. France as "flighty, fantastic, full of whims" as well as a man of "unstable temperament and shifting political fantasy." The Times sniffed France had "won for himself and his State an unfortunate notoriety." The most prominent journalist in Maryland certainly, as well as one with a formidable national reputation, H. L. Mencken, "the Sage of Baltimore," had an entirely different opinion of Joseph I. France, writing, "Of all the 96 men in the upper body there is not one, during the great debates of the war and after, who has displayed a better temper, a shrewder understanding of the essential problems of the time, a more patient industry, or a cleaner and decenter independence." Wildly divergent views indeed and Joseph I. France was a man who was not wedded to convention.

The son of a Presbyterian minister who had been forced to start earning his own living at the age of eleven as a messenger for a telegraph company, Joseph Irwin France had been awarded the Elihu Root Foreign Fellowship in physical science and received a scholarship to

Cornell University. By profession, France was a physician, having attended Hamilton College in New York and the University of Leipzig in Germany. That same year, France began teaching at the Jacob Tome Institute, located in Port Deposit, Maryland. Tome was a fabulously wealthy businessman and philanthropist. France left the Tome Institute to study at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, graduating in 1903. Once he had his medical degree and license, Dr. France commenced the practice of medicine in Baltimore.

Three years later, France was prominent enough to win election to the Maryland State Senate. Leaving office in 1909, France was disappointed that he was not taken more seriously by either the Democrats or his own Republican Party. France concentrated on creating business opportunities and medicine.

In 1916, France offered himself as an alternative to Governor Phillips Lee Goldsborough, who was arguably the most popular Republican in a state dominated by Democrats. Goldsborough was only the second Republican to have won the governorship in the Free State. Much of the GOP leadership in the state preferred and promoted the candidacy of Joseph I. France. France's chief asset politically was his fat purse, gained from marrying the widow of Jacob Tome, Evalyn Smith Tome. France only narrowly won the Republican senatorial nomination, and Maryland Republicans had to beg former Governor Goldsborough to campaign for his sometime rival.

France's opponent in the general election was David J. "Davey" Lewis, who was a former socialist, having worked in the coal mines as a boy and young man. Lewis started the general election campaign at a disadvantage. He had not won the popular vote inside his own primary, but because of the convoluted process in determining the party nominees, he emerged as the Democratic nominee over his opponent. Joseph I. France campaigned against Lewis as a socialist, and Lewis never really got off the defensive. Davey Lewis would return to the House of Representatives later and become one of the leading authors of the Social Security Act. France won the election and became the first Republican to be popularly elected to the United States Senate from Maryland.

Senator France was the first member of the United States Senate to visit the Soviet Union following the murder of Tsar Nicholas and his family and the



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Former U.S. Senator Joseph I. France, 1934.

subsequent Communist revolution. France was an ardent advocate of better relations between the United States and the Soviet Union, a view that once again set the senator apart from virtually all of his colleagues. France met with the dictator of the Soviet Union, Lenin, who was less than impressed with his visitor.

France was never afraid of taking a position that might be unpopular, and he urged that those who had been imprisoned for dissenting during the First World War be granted pardons. Senator France tried to attach an amendment to the Sedition Act of 1918 that would have provided protections for free speech, although they would have been limited had his amendment not been defeated. Nor was Senator France one who thought small and declared that he was available to be nominated by the Republicans for the presidency in 1920. The senator's pronouncement was widely ignored.

Senator France, because of some of his unorthodox views and the highly divergent opinions of his service in the United States Senate, was in trouble when he sought a second term in 1922. William Cabell Bruce was the Democratic nominee, and he carefully made France the issue in the campaign, trying to paint the incumbent as an eccentric buffoon who could accomplish little for the people of Maryland. Bruce won a convincing victory, beating Senator France by more than 21,000 votes and garnering almost 53% of the ballots cast.

Returning to his estate, Mount Ararat, in Maryland, France resumed the practice of medicine while simultaneously serving as president of the Republic International Corporation. France's wife, Evalyn, died suddenly in 1927 following an operation. Evalyn was several years older than the former senator, and apparently, France did not spend too long mourning his late

wife, as a few months later, he married Tatiana Vladimirovna Dechtereva, a Russian, in Paris. Ms. Dechtereva was referred to as a "princess" during the reign of the tsar before the revolution toppled the aristocracy and nobility.

France was still deeply interested in politics and sought to take advantage of the disintegrating personal popularity of President Herbert Hoover. The former senator announced that he was a candidate for the 1932 GOP presidential nomination in 1931. France lambasted the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which forced the prohibition of alcoholic beverages, and made the tart observation "any one of 50 outstanding Republicans is better fitted to be President than Hoover." It was an opinion shared by the large majority of the country, but GOP leaders in Maryland were horrified. France called for the elimination of war debts that most European countries could not pay in any event, especially as the depression had spread across the globe. The former senator demanded that the United States recognize the Soviet government and drop all trade barriers to help restore prosperity.

It was, at best, a quixotic quest by the former senator who tried to offer himself as an alternative to the incumbent president. France filed in the Republican primaries in several states at a time when the primary elections were largely ceremonial and nonbinding upon the delegates. Dr. France was wealthy enough to self-finance his campaign and earned a footnote in history as the person who received the most votes in the 1932 Republican primaries, outpolling President Hoover 1,137,948 to 861,602 in a combined total of all the votes cast.

Once Hoover was renominated, France returned to the home that had belonged to his late wife, Evalyn, where he resumed his life

as a gentleman farmer and sometime doctor.

France's one-time competitor, Phillips Lee Goldsborough, had won the seat the doctor had once occupied when he had handily beaten Senator Bruce in 1928. Goldsborough did not seek reelection to the U.S. Senate in 1934, instead running for governor as a "harmony" candidate. The former senator won the GOP primary to claim the nomination of his party, beating former Congressman John Phillip Hill, who had previously lost a primary for the U.S. Senate and for his old seat in the House of Representatives in 1928. In a three-way race, Joseph I. France beat Hill by 6,612 votes, winning the primary with a plurality of just under 39% of the vote.

In the general election, France faced George L. Radcliffe, who was himself a wealthy country squire and attorney, who had long been active inside the Democratic Party. Unlike Joseph France, Radcliffe was the consensus candidate of his party and ran as a strong supporter of President Roosevelt and the New Deal. France campaigned gamely, joining a contingent of Republicans at the Harford County Fair. Harry W. Nice had been the Republican nominee for governor of Maryland in 1919, losing to Albert Ritchie in a close election. Ritchie was still governor in 1934 and running for yet another term. Nice was picking up steam, and former Senator France, once derided as a "radical," campaigned by calling for a "return to the old principles of the Republic and of the Constitution of the United States." France

took a slap at the New Deal "brain trust," saying there was "too much brains" in Washington, D.C., and sneered that too many of President Roosevelt's advisers had been "educated away from the problems of the people." "We are suffering from standstill statesmanship," France cried. "There are too many 'rubber-stamp' Senators and Congressmen who sit around with their feet on their desks until they are told what to do, and then, blindly, go to the great arena and vote as they are told."

As Harry W. Nice was upsetting Governor Ritchie, Joseph I. France was losing to George L. Radcliffe by a wide margin. Radcliffe won better than 56% of the vote while beating France by 66,636 votes. Marylanders had demonstrated they knew how to split their tickets as Nice polled 66,000 more votes than France to beat Governor Ritchie by 6,147 votes.

At the time of his death, Joseph I. France was involved in complicated litigation involving his divorce from his Russian wife, who was considerably younger than he; both had filed two appeals in a running divorce and alimony battle being fought in the Cecil County courts. Before they were wed, France had insisted that Ms. Dechtereva sign a prenuptial agreement in which both parties waived any rights to the other's property. That agreement was signed by both former Senator France and Ms. Dechtereva before the American vice-consul in Paris on June 17, 1927, and became a point of contention in the subsequent divorce proceedings. Apparently, it was a wise move on the former senator's part as the judge who granted the couple's divorce observed "a large part" of the marriage between the princess and Dr. France had been "more or less in a state of turbulence and discord." As the case was pending in the court of appeals in Annapolis, Dr. France was paying his former Russian bride \$300 per month.

Mrs. France insisted her former husband was worth \$2 million (more than \$46 million today) while seeking alimony. Dr. France insisted his estate was valued at \$200,000 and had insurance in the sum of \$260,000.

Evidently, the stress of the divorce was too much for the former senator. Servants found Dr. France dead in his bed, the victim of a heart attack while sleeping. Joseph I. France was only 66 years old at the time of his death.

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Boundaries are Biblical

In 1889, a tragic engineering failure occurred at the South Fork Dam in Pennsylvania. The dam held back millions of tons of water and had been neglected for years. Important safeguards had



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designed to diminish life; they are protections designed to preserve it. Our culture often views boundaries negatively. We hear phrases like "Don't put limits on me," or "I need freedom."

Boundaries are not the enemy of blessing; they are often the means by which blessing is protected.

From the very first pages of the Bible, God establishes boundaries. In the Garden of Eden, He gave Adam and Eve incredible freedom, but He also established a boundary concerning the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The boundary was not meant to rob them of joy; it was intended to protect

their relationship with God and preserve their flourishing. God consistently establishes boundaries because He loves His people. His commands create boundaries that protect holiness. The Ten Commandments were not given to burden Israel but to help them live in a way that reflected God's character. His moral standards provide guardrails that keep us from destructive paths. Just as guardrails on a mountain road are not intended to hinder drivers but to keep them from plunging over a cliff, God's boundaries protect us from spiritual disaster.

Boundaries also protect relationships. Marriage thrives when healthy boundaries are honored. Friendships flourish when trust is maintained. Families become stronger

when expectations are clear and responsibilities are embraced. Many of the deepest wounds people experience occur when God-given boundaries are ignored. Affairs happen when relational boundaries are crossed. Trust is broken when ethical boundaries are violated. Conflict escalates when emotional boundaries are neglected. Far from being restrictive, boundaries create the conditions for genuine love, trust and intimacy to grow.

Boundaries also help us keep God's priorities in order. Our time, energy, finances, and attention are limited resources entrusted to us by the Lord. Without boundaries, the seemingly urgent constantly crowds out the important. We become busy but not necessarily fruitful. We fill our calendars while we neglect

our souls. We pursue success at the expense of the relationships that matter most.

Jesus, who was a Master teacher in life, modeled healthy boundaries. He withdrew to pray. He did not meet every demand placed upon Him. He remained focused on His Father's mission despite constant interruptions and competing expectations. If the Son of God practiced boundaries, surely we need them as well.

Perhaps one of the greatest misunderstandings about boundaries is the belief that they limit freedom. The opposite is often true. A train experiences freedom because it stays on the tracks. A fish thrives because it remains in the water. A dam protects because it holds its proper place. Boundaries do not

destroy purpose; they enable it. The same is true spiritually. When we honor God's boundaries, we position ourselves to experience the life He designed for us. Boundaries help us say yes to what matters most by teaching us when to say no to what matters less.

God's boundaries are not evidence of His control but expressions of His care. They reveal the wisdom of a loving Father who knows exactly what His children need. In a world that celebrates limitless living, may we remember this timeless truth: boundaries are biblical. They are gifts from God that protect people, strengthen relationships, preserve holiness and help us steward our lives in a way that honors our Creator.

LMU's 'Lincoln: Echoes of 1776'

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LMU-ALLM, the exhibit connects the founding ideals of 1776 to Abraham Lincoln's leadership during one of the nation's most defining periods. It examines tensions between liberty and slavery at the nation's founding while highlighting Lincoln's efforts to uphold the principles of equality outlined in the Declaration.

The exhibition centers on three guiding questions: how the Founding Fathers reconciled the concept of liberty with the existence of slavery; how global systems of slavery influenced the development of racialized chattel slavery in the United States; and how Lincoln defended the ideals of the Declaration in his fight against slavery.

The exhibit features campaign materials from Lincoln's 1858 U.S. Senate race against Stephen A. Douglas and his 1860 presidential campaign. A rotating display will also showcase signed documents from the first 16 U.S. presidents, spanning from George Washington to Abraham Lincoln.

"As the nation celebrates 250 years of

the Declaration of Independence, there's no better time to explore how deeply those words shaped Abraham Lincoln," Smallwood said. "We look forward to welcoming the community to experience this powerful and timely exhibit."

To support national commemorations of America's 250th birthday, the museum will offer free admission from July 6 through July 31. The first 100 visitors will receive a commemorative America 250 mug and a copy of the Declaration of Independence.

The Abraham Lincoln Library and Museum is located on the historic campus of Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tennessee. Housing one of the top five Lincoln and Civil War private collections in the world, the Museum is open yearround Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are offered March through October from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about this and other programs at the Abraham Lincoln Library and Museum, call (423)869-6235.

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Baseball, a lion and fireworks, oh my!

By Steve Williams

Baseball was a bright spot for Kevin Lane's family on their vacation trip to Cooperstown, New York.

Kevin, the head football coach at Central High, and his wife Nicole watched their son Briggs and his teammates finish in the final 40 of 104 teams.

Beach on their getaway. "My daughter Sutton (4), my son Cortland (2), my oldest daughter Ava (8) and my wife Heather and me stayed at the beach and just enjoyed riding bikes and being on the beach," said Brent.

Gotta love a lighthouse

Tyler Wynn, Hardin Valley head football coach, shared three pictures - a family group shot under the lighthouse, the coach with a fish and one of the coach and his

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Just enjoying bike ride on the beach

Halls head football coach Brent Hughes and his beautiful family went to Grayton



KFOA MEDIA DAY GETS THE WORD OUT!

2026 high school football season starts this week

By Steve Williams

For the 19th year, the Knoxville Football Officials Association (KFOA), led by Harold Denton, will get the ball rolling Friday at Three Ridges Golf Course to start a new season for "currently" 40 high school teams throughout the East Tennessee area, including some 20 teams from the Knoxville area.

Denton, a Supervisor in Knoxville, is in his 58th year with the TSSAA.

Starting at 8:10 a.m., each head coach brings two or three of his top players to an open air pavilion, where players are interviewed by newspaper and radio reporters, TV cameramen and digital media for 20 minutes. After eight sets of four teams go through the interviews, the day ends around 11:40.

A Scholarship Golf tournament also will be played Friday afternoon, with benefits going to local high school students.

Having gone through the TSSAA's two-week Dead Period, teams will start this week in helmets only for two days and then practice three days in helmets and shoulder pads only. After players get acclimated to the weather they can suit up in full pads.

Knox County has two new head coaches this season in George Quarles at Webb School and Zack Gibson at South-Doyle, where he is a first-year head coach. Quarles, on the other hand, is a veteran coach, who had an unbelievable winning record at Maryville High before coaching on

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Clockwise from top: Coach Brent Hughes of Halls with his children (left-right) Sutton, Cortland and Ava, and wife, Heather, enjoyed Grayton Beach, Florida. West coach Barron Chandler helped out at a fireworks tent ahead of Independence Day. Coach Steve Matthews of Concord Christian did some sightseeing at the Biltmore. HVA coach Tyler Winn and his family, Austyn-Claire, Cam, Brittany and Dax, had a blast in St. Augustine.

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Top left: Coach Zack Gibson from South-Doyle enjoyed the Gulf of America with wife, Amanda, and son, Wade. Right: Central coach Kevin Lane attended Cooperstown Baseball Tournament with wife, Nicole, and son, Briggs. Bottom left: HVA Coach Wynn shows off his catch.

Baseball, a lion and fireworks, oh my!

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wife on their vacation trip to St. Augustine.

The family includes sons Dax and Cam, daughter Austyn-Claire and wife Brittany.

An enjoyable time!

Zack Gibson, South-Doyle's new head football coach, took a family group photo and said: "My family and I are enjoying a week away on the Gulf of America!"

Special time with family and friends

George Quarles, who will be in his first season coaching football at Webb School, got to see a lot of



his family on his vacation.

"We spent last week in Hilton Head where we were with my side of the family," he said. "I was with my dad, my brother's family and my sister's family. We are now in Anderson, S.C. with my wife's family. We will also see some friends while we are in the Upstate of South Carolina."

Fireworks galore!

Fireworks were a big part of Barron Chandler's vacation. The West High head football coach explained: "For the fourth year in a row, Nate Martin, one of our administrators at West High School, and I have spent a couple of weeks working a fireworks tent.

It's funny how something that starts out as extra work turns into a tradition you actually look forward to.

"There are plenty of hours spent sitting in front of a fan, talking, reading, making the occasional bathroom run, and catching up with former players, parents, and friends who stop by to visit. During the slower days, it almost feels like an extended camping trip with a few firework sales mixed in.

"As we get closer to the Fourth of July, the pace definitely picks up and it starts feeling a lot more like work. But until then, it's a chance to slow down, enjoy good conversation, and appreciate the relationships that

make the West community so special."

Matthews and a lion!

Concord Christian School football head coach Steve Matthews and his family went to the famous Biltmore in Asheville, N.C., on their vacation and Steve had his picture taken while there with a Lion.

That makes sense ... Concord Christian are the Lions!

"We also did Pigeon Forge," added Steve.

No, he didn't say anything about the Pigeon Forge Tigers. Maybe he will have that on his vacation itinerary next summer!

Registration opens for 2027 Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon



Runners take off as the sun rises behind them at the 2026 Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon.

Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon organizers have opened registration for 2027 races and challenges, including East Tennessee's premier running event scheduled for race weekend April 10-11, 2027.

Register before the end of July to secure the lowest entry prices for familiar favorites as well as the Marble City and Knox Hills Challenges introduced last year. A scheduled fee increase goes into effect at midnight on Aug. 1, 2026.

"It's a great time to sign up, lock in the lowest entry fee and have plenty of time to train," said Jason Altman, longtime director of the Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon. "Last year around 7,000 participants competed in race weekend, and we were inspired to see East Tennesseans show up with encouragement and support."

The Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon has become the largest competitive road race in East Tennessee, attracting participants from all over the United States and across the globe. Race weekend

includes the marathon, half-marathon, Covenant Health Kids Run, 5K, four-person relay and wheelchair and hand-cycle races. The Fittest School Challenge and Fittest Company Challenge engage schoolchildren and employees in a friendly competition to encourage goal setting, team building and active lifestyles.

Covenant Health, the largest health care system and top employer in Knoxville, has continuously provided support, and 2027 will mark its 23rd year sponsoring the health event that celebrates fitness and community while showcasing the outdoor beauty of Knoxville's neighborhoods and downtown.

"We're proud to support this event as part of our commitment to improve quality of life in the communities we serve through better health," Covenant Health President and CEO Jim VanderSteege said. "It's encouraging to see so many people come together to prioritize wellness and support one another."

Zack Ostrander, a 19-year-old from Sparta,

Tennessee, was the first male runner to cross the finish line in the marathon last year, while 24-year-old Molly Holmes of Seattle, Washington, was the first woman to finish.


Learn more about the 2027 events and register at runsignup.com/Race/TN/Knoxville/KnoxvilleMarathon.

Since 2005, the Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon has inspired active living and community engagement. Thousands gather in Downtown Knoxville annually including experienced marathoners, recreational runners, company employees, local students and people who cheer them on.

The Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon is a premier event organized by the Knoxville Track Club, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the encouragement of physical well-being through running, jogging, competitive road racing, race-walking, fun runs, cross-country and track and field.

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2026 high school football season starts this week

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Quarles had a 250-16 win-loss record at Maryville and captured 11 state titles from 1999 through 2016.

Some well-known local coaches also are now

at new schools – Rusty Bradley started his football duties at Lenoir City in early January and Jonathan Sellers is on Denton's list as the football coach at Lakeway Christian.

There has been

movement by players too since last season. Brody Sparks was Carter's sophomore quarterback last season, but "left last spring," and is now the QB at Oak Ridge, according to Carter AD Scott Rimmer.

Three stories of interest on the sporting scene

In another long-ago lifetime, I was a daily blogger for the local newspaper, along with writing a weekly column much like this one. The task was to write commentaries each week on various happenings in the daily world of sports I thought might be of interest to local readers. It was definitely a challenge.

Here are three entries I thought fit the bill.

(1) "Whither Tiger High?"

I found this brief post many years ago on a Commercial Appeal chat board that often went ballistic on any number of issues in the Bluff City.

Here's what one poster, obviously with way too much time on his hands, wrote about one hot button issue, perhaps with a straight face and a definite holier-than-thou attitude.

"I would like to suggest to the moderators that comments that use derogatory terms like 'Tiger High' to describe the University of Memphis be removed," the unknown reader began.

"Name-calling is not an opinion, which is what these comment sections are for. It is rather an attempt by someone who has a low self-image to make himself feel better by denigrating others. 'And it has no place here.' 'Derogatory' may be a stretch. The term might be rude or impolite, but doesn't really mean much beyond that. It's all part of

the ambience of rivalries, much like Bear Bryant calling Auburn that "Cow College" or Vanderbilt calling itself "THE" University of Tennessee.

"There's also 'Nothing sucks like a Big Orange' or the 'one-finger salutes' Tennessee teams have traditionally endured at numerous venues. Talk about low self-image.

"We're all adults here, hopefully. If you can't take the heat, you know what to do."

- Saturday, April 2, 2016

POSTSCRIPT: One other poster on this site wrote that the term "Tiger High" was "Hate Speech" and should be treated as such. Go figure.

(2) "Holding the Game"

Sometimes a casual comment elicits a response that is totally unexpected.

Lindsey Nelson often told this story stemming from his coverage of the 1958 Tennessee-Auburn game for NBC. The morning of the game, Lindsey was staying at the Tutwiler Hotel in downtown Birmingham and was talking with LSU Athletic Director Jim Corbett.

There was a game that night down the road in Mobile matching LSU and Alabama, the debut game for new Alabama head coach Paul William (Bear) Bryant. Why that game wasn't hyped to the heavens and played in Birmingham or Tuscaloosa is a matter for other historians, but Lindsey told Corbett about wanting to see the game and thought no more about it.

Sometime in the fourth

quarter, a mysterious man appeared in the television booth. Lindsey asked what he could do to help.

"I'm your pilot," he responded. "Mr. Corbett sent a plane to bring you to Mobile after the game."

Lindsey flew to Mobile and found his way to the press box just before kickoff. Corbett was in a skybox high atop Ladd Stadium. Corbett then waved a white handkerchief in the general direction of the field.

Thus alerted, the officials brought the captains to mid-field for the coin toss. "How does it feel to have them hold the game for you?" Corbett said, perhaps triumphantly.

LSU began a run to the national championship that night under the tutelage of head coach Paul Dietzel, Bryant began a 25-year reign (of terror, opponents said) at Alabama, and Jim Corbett held up a major college football game until Lindsey Nelson arrived and was seated and comfortable.

All because Lindsey casually mentioned he would like to see the game.

As scripture says, you have not because you ask not.

- Wednesday, June 5, 2013

(3) "Divergent Roads"

Writer Roger Kahn (author of the "The Boys of Summer") had covered the Brooklyn Dodgers during their glory days of the early 1950s, before moving to a fledgling publication called Sports Illustrated a few years later.

Herman Michael Hickman



The 1958 LSU-Alabama game proved to be a significant contest, bringing Bear Bryant home to Alabama and the SEC.

was a former Volunteer lineman who was an oversized tackle in the program's early days from 1929-31. He earned a spot on Grantland Rice's All-American team with a scintillating performance in the 1931 Charity Bowl at Yankee Stadium.

That was the Depression-era game the Vols won 13-0 over New York University (the "Violets") with the city of Knoxville receiving a check for \$18,583 from game proceeds. Hickman became a member of the College Football Hall of Fame in 1958, the year he died on April 25.

Kahn was a prolific author and maintained he had never escaped the lure of writing about sports.

The duo's paths had crossed at the new magazine, but Kahn felt some frustration in his new role. "Sadly, it was no go at the magazine," said Kahn. "Sports

Illustrated was improving, and I was growing, but along divergent roads. When I found myself assigned to ghost-write the football articles of Herman Hickman, my patience snapped and I resigned."

He always said he thought about going back to cover baseball, but "I had seen carpeted offices and Marilyn Monroe."

More than one writer has observed that students who skipped journalism class were in training to become ghost-writers, facing a career of writing brilliantly conceived copy to be published under other people's names. It takes patience and absolutely no ego. Here's a salient conclusion.

Sometimes it works, and there are great rewards.

Sometimes it doesn't, and another line of work seems to be beckoning.

- Friday, April 29, 2016

What's the big deal about new UT uniforms?

By Steve Williams

In sports, we often hear it said: Look good, play good. But that shouldn't apply to football or some other sports. Real football players get sweaty and sometimes muddy and bloody.

Smokey gray uniforms don't make players look any tougher either and black uniforms don't make them look any scarier.

The recent switch from Nike back to Adidas uniforms after a 10-year stretch is no big deal.

Winning the game is more important. Orange and White only, please. And Go Big Orange!

Parker inducted into Women's Basketball Hall of Fame

The Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in Knoxville honored four legendary players who have contributed to the sport.

The 2026 Induction, which took place June 27 at the Tennessee Theatre, included former Lady Vol great Candace Parker plus Elena Delle Donne, Amaya Valdemoro and Isabelle Fijalkowski, two veteran coaches Cheryl Reeve and Kim Muhl, ESPN contributor Doris Burke, and post-humous veteran honoree Barbara Kennedy-Dixon.

June 28th marked the 10th anniversary of Summitt's death.

Pat Summitt, the legendary head coach of the University of Tennessee Lady Vols, passed away in



2016 after a battle with early onset dementia.

Her impact on women's basketball and sports in general remains profound, as she was the winningest coach in NCAA Division I basketball history at the time of her retirement, with 1,098 career wins.

Summitt also won eight national championships during her 38-year coaching career, significantly elevating the profile of women's basketball. Her coaching philosophy and leadership style also continues to inspire athletes and coaches alike.

Holly Warlick, a prominent figure in women's college basketball and Summitt's longtime assistant, died this year on March 3 at the age of 67. She was known for her significant contributions as both a player and coach for UT.

TSSAA shot clock won't start clicking until 2030

Jody Wright, one of the nation's winningest coaches and a member of the TSSAA Board of Control, addressed the use of a shot clock in high school games recently.

"The shot clock will not go into effect for four years," said Wright. "Depending on who you talk to, the shot

clock was much needed and long overdue or the shot clock is not needed and has no purpose in high school basketball.

"The noise of the shot clock was not going to go away. It was only going to get louder, so I thought a good compromise for both sides was for the shot clock to be enacted, but not going into effect for four years. It gives schools plenty of time to purchase clocks and train personnel for the use of those clocks."

Fore! TSSAA golf season starts July 27

The first prep golf tournament of the season is not far away.

The annual 5Star Preps golf tourney will be played July 27-28 at Three Ridges.

Johnny Cox, the First Baptist Academy coach, said this season is going to be his last.

Cox and co-head coach Karen, Johnny's wife, will be stepping down. They led FBA to the TSSAA Division II-A state championship on the Sevierville course last year.

This and That: BJ Edwards, Knoxville Catholic product, has signed with the Sacramento Kings in the NBA ... What is the correct pronunciation: "Turn-ament or Torn-ament?" ... The Powell 7-on-7 Classic is July 9-10 ... The annual Elston Turner Youth Basketball Tournament will be July 27 through August 1.

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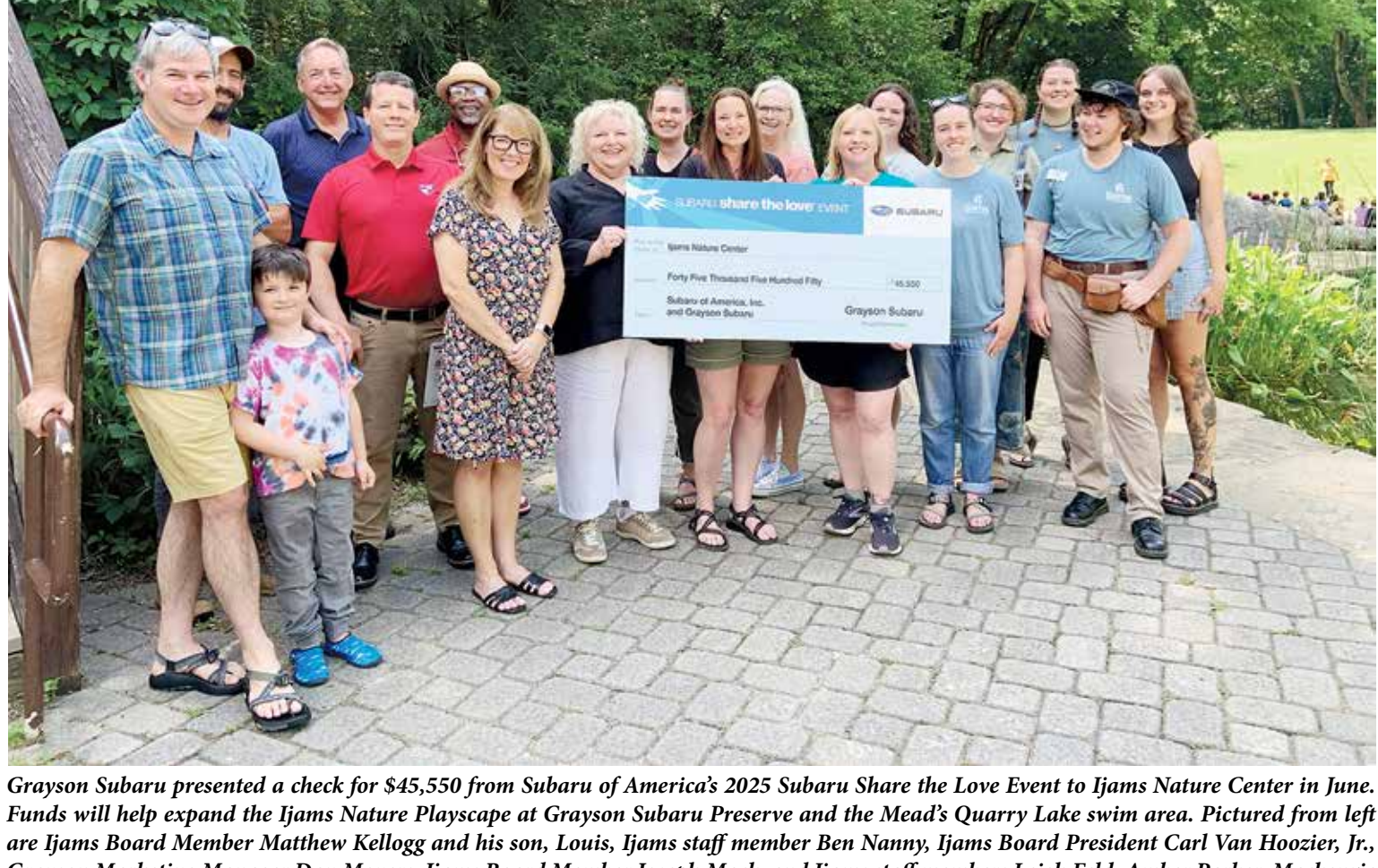
Grayson Subaru recently presented a check for \$45,550 to Ijams Nature Center to continue its work to expand the Ijams Nature Playscape at Grayson Subaru Preserve and improve the Mead's Quarry Lake swim area.

The local retailer chose the nonprofit nature center as its hometown charity for Subaru of America, Inc.'s (SOA's) 2025 Subaru Share the Love® Event. From Nov. 15, 2025, to Jan. 2, 2026, Subaru and its retailers donated a minimum of \$300 for every new Subaru vehicle purchased or leased at participating retailers nationwide to several national charities and a hometown charity chosen by each retailer.

This is the third consecutive year that Grayson Subaru has selected Ijams as its partner for this event and the sixth year overall. The funding Ijams has received through the program since 2023 is helping to create Phase 2 of Playscape and will add other features to the swim area.

"The Grayson Subaru family is so proud to participate in the Subaru Share the Love Event each year," Grayson Marketing Manager Dan Moyers said. "Subaru fans are a diverse bunch who come together on one thing: They strongly believe in giving back and making a difference in their community. This gift reflects their devotion, and we always look forward to seeing how the Ijams team will transform these areas with their help."

"Words cannot express how grateful we are to our friends



Grayson Subaru presented a check for \$45,550 from Subaru of America's 2025 Subaru Share the Love Event to Ijams Nature Center in June. Funds will help expand the Ijams Nature Playscape at Grayson Subaru Preserve and the Mead's Quarry Lake swim area. Pictured from left are Ijams Board Member Matthew Kellogg and his son, Louis, Ijams staff member Ben Nanny, Ijams Board President Carl Van Hoozier, Jr., Grayson Marketing Manager Dan Moyers, Ijams Board Member Joseph Mack, and Ijams staff members Leigh Feld, Amber Parker, Mackenzie Faust, Autumn Allman, Brandy Cox, Sarah Brobst, Kylie Preston, Paige Crane, Ray Griffin, Madeline Harper, Jupiter Istarwind, and Madison Watson.

at Grayson Subaru for choosing Ijams to be their hometown charity," CEO Amber Parker said. "Each year, we're stunned by their generosity, as well as the generosity of their customers and Subaru of America.

"I've always said that 'teamwork makes the dream work,'" she said. "All of these partners make dreams come true. Thanks

to them, children will have another safe place to play and explore nature, and our visitors will have more access to the lake at Mead's Quarry."

For the past year, the Natural Resource Management team has worked with the Education team to prepare a new play space on the south side of the Mead's Quarry parking lot that connects

Mead's Quarry to Phase 1 of the playscape.

Though smaller in footprint, the new area maintains the same aesthetic and character as the first. It incorporates landscape features shaped by the site's former limestone mining operations, which created hills and valleys that now serve as forest playrooms. Features will include

climbing and balance elements, nature-inspired musical and art pieces, and quiet sitting spots to rest and observe wildlife. Staff also are revitalizing an existing outdoor classroom to better serve the public and Ijams education programs.

Phase 2 of the Playscape is scheduled to open in spring 2027.

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, 6125 RIVERVIEW, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, executed a Promissory Note payable to HRD, LLC in the original principal amount of \$1,500,000.00, dated April 11, 2025 (hereinafter referred to as the "Note"), which Note is more fully described in and secured by a Deed of Trust dated April 14, 2025, to Derek L. Spratley, Trustee, and is of record as Instrument No. 202505210061502 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which reference is here made (the "Deed of Trust"); and

WHEREAS, HRD, LLC, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust, and for reasons sufficient to HRD, LLC, removed the original Trustee, Derek L. Spratley, and appointed Gregory C. Logue, a resident of Sevier County, Tennessee, as Substitute Trustee on the 5th day of June, 2026, pursuant to an Appointment of Substitute Trustee of record at Instrument No. 202606120072019, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, HRD, LLC has demanded the real property described in the Deed of Trust be advertised and sold in satisfaction of said lien and HRD, LLC has ordered the sale of the below described property in satisfaction of the amount secured by said Deed of Trust and any costs legally accruing in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Note and Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that I, GREGORY C. LOGUE, Substitute Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon me in said Deed of Trust, will on **July 31, 2026, at 10:30 a.m., prevailing time, at the front entrance of the Knox County City-County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, and in front of the Small Assembly Room**, where foreclosures are customarily conducted, will offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash and free from the right of homestead, equity of redemption, and statutory right of redemption, all of which have been expressly waived by grantor as provided in said Deed of Trust, certain real property described in Knox County, Tennessee, more particularly described as follows, to wit:

SITUATED in the Eighth (8th) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and described in three tracts adjoining each other as follows:

TRACT I: LYING on the southeast side of Holston River, and lying North of the new concrete bridge at the old Armstrong or Ruggles Ferry and being a part of the E. E. Foglesong property conveyed to him on July 8, 1927, by deed of record in Deed Book 449, page 35, in the Knox County Register's Office, and being more fully described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the center of the new highway leading from Knoxville to Dandridge at the low water mark on the southeast side of Holston River; thence with the centerline of said highway, North 64 deg. East, 614 feet to a point in the center of said highway, East of end of the new bridge; thence North 65 1/2 deg. East, 557 feet to a point in the center of said highway opposite the west side of a private road leading North; thence North 75 1/4 deg. East, with a right hand curve straight line of which is 547 feet to a point in the center of a road opposite an iron post on which is designated FAP 228-B; thence South 83 1/2 deg. East, 423 feet to a point in the center of said highway and in the old line of the original tract; thence leaving the highway, North 11 deg. West, 478 feet to an iron pipe driven in the ground on top of ridge; thence along the top of the ridge, North 61 3/4 deg. East, 690 feet to a maple on top of ridge; thence North 33 deg. East, 370 feet to a stake; thence North 3 deg. 40 min. East, 408 feet to a stake; thence South 83 deg. 5 min. West, 650 feet to a stone; thence South 53 deg. 5 min. West, 720 feet to an iron pipe at a beach; thence

South 41 deg. West, with Miller's line, 850 feet to a stone; thence South 60 3/4 deg. West, 1353 feet to the Holston River at low water mark near a leaning willow; thence South 33 deg. East, 260 feet to a stake at low water mark; thence South 26 1/2 deg. East, along low water mark line, 120 feet to the point of beginning, containing 42 acres, more or less.

TRACT II: LYING on the south side of the Holston River six miles Northeast of Knoxville and bounded as follows: **BEGINNING** at a stake on the south bank of said river which stands 36 1/2 poles North 35 1/4 deg. West from a large hackberry tree near to and above the ferry landing; thence North 57 1/4 deg. East, 82 poles to a stake 11 feet, South 57 deg. East, from a walnut tree; thence North 39 deg. 50 min. East, 51 poles to a beech tree standing on a divide of the ridge; thence North 51 deg. 40 min. East, 44 poles to a stake 2 feet North of a white oak on the north side of a hollow; thence North 82 deg. East, 37 poles to a stake in Sherrods line on top of a spur of a ridge; thence with Sherrods' line, North 3 deg. East, 16 1/2 poles to the bank of the Holston River; thence down the same as it meanders to the beginning, containing 84 1/4 acres, more or less.

THERE IS ALSO CONVEYED HERewith a right-of-way to the public road of 12 feet in width making a walnut tree that stands on top of the hill 50 poles from the river near the first line described above, and the western side of the corn crib, the eastern side of boundary of the right-of-way.

The above description follows the survey made by R. A. J. Armstrong in December 1987.

TRACT III: **BEGINNING** at a stake in the center of the new highway built as F.A.P. 228-B, approximately a half mile east of the new concrete bridge crossing the Holston River, said point being in the eastern line of lands now owned by Dr. H. W. Atchley and wife, Mae Blalock Atchley; thence North 14 1/4 deg. West (recently surveyed North 12 1/2 deg. West) 476 feet to an iron pipe driven in ground on top of ridge, corner with Dr. Herbert W. Atchley and wife; thence North 60 deg. 20 min. East, 690 feet to a white maple on the extreme top of said ridge; thence South 24 deg. 25 min. East, 775 (approximate) feet to the center of said new paved highway, said line passing through an iron pipe drive in the north edge of said highway; thence with the centerline of new paved highway, 800 feet, more or less, to the beginning.

THERE IS EXCLUDED from the above described property any property previously conveyed from said tracts by Ralph K. Moore, Patricia P. Moore or Ralph K. Moore, II, including, but not limited to, conveyances to Michael Schaad of record in Deed Book 2270, page 47; East Knoxville Partners, L.P., of record in Deed Book 2276, page 1191, as rerecorded in Deed Book 2277, page 780; East Knoxville Partners, L.P., of record in Deed Book 2231, page 994; State of Tennessee by Instrument No. 200112270052206; Highway 70-AZNO4 LTD by Instrument No. 200607140004178; CNL APF Partners, L.P., of record in Deed Book 2288, page 1060; Racetrac Petroleum, Inc., of record in Deed Book 2266, page 606; and Ethanol Corporation of record in Deed Book 2001, page 705, all in the Knox County Register's Office.

ALSO INCLUDED in the above-described tracts but excluded here from are the portions of the property more particularly described in the deeds of record in Instrument Number 200606010101300, Instrument Number 200607140004178, Instrument Number 200607140004178, Instrument Number 200901050041530 and Instrument Number 200904210067318, all in the Knox County Register's Office.

TRACTS I, II AND III BEING the same property conveyed to 6125 Riverview, LLC, by Ralph K. Moore, II, dated April 14, 2025, recorded in Instrument No. 202505210061500, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Asheville Highway and Rich Road, said iron pin also being corner to property of John W. Fawver; thence from said beginning iron pin and along the right of way of Asheville Highway, South 83 deg. 30 min. West 362.00 feet to an iron pin corner to property of Ralph K. Moore; thence along the Moore boundary, North 23 deg. 18 min. West 240.79 feet to an iron pipe; thence continuing along a fence line boundary to Moore, North 22 deg. 59 min. West 427.84 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 31 deg. 52 min. East 368.61 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 3 deg. 59 min. East 168.80 feet to an iron pin corner to John W. Fawver; thence along the Fawver boundary, South 31 deg. 52 min. East 458.76 feet to an iron pin; thence South 14 deg. 40 min. East 698.49 feet to an iron pin in the north right of way of Asheville Highway, the place of beginning; containing approximately 8.195 acres.

TRACT IV BEING the same property conveyed to 6125 Riverview, LLC, by JKD Properties, LLC, a Tennessee Limited Liability Company, dated April 21, 2025, recorded in Instrument 202505210061501, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

SEE ALSO Deed of Trust in favor of HRD, LLC of record at Instrument No. 202505210061502 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee. **The best street address for Tracts I, II and III is 6125 Riverview Crossing Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37924.**

The best street address for Tracts IV is 6401 Asheville Highway, Knoxville, Tennessee 37924.

2026 Knox County property taxes are a lien but are not yet due or payable.

Others who may have an interest in the property subject to this sale are as follows:

1. Deed of Trust of record at Instrument No. 202505210061503, dated April 14, 2025, securing debt including note for \$6,500,000.00 to Ralph K. Moore, II.

2. Notice of Lien Lis Pendens, dated September 30, 2025, against 6125 Riverview, LLC, filed by Stephen Hunley and Conrad Hunley, recorded in Instrument No. 202510010019363, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

3. Subject to right-of-way to the public road of 12 feet in width making a walnut tree that stands on top of the hill 50 poles from the river near the first line described above and the western side of the corn crib, the eastern side of boundary of the right-of-way.

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

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plan or plat; any unpaid taxes that exist as a lien against the property; any restrictive covenants, easements or setback lines that may be applicable; any matters of record not terminated by the foreclosure; any statutory rights of redemption not otherwise waived in the Deed of Trust, including rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; and any prior liens or encumbrances that may exist against the property. This sale is also subject to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. Proceeds of this sale will first be applied to the discharge of the costs and charges of executing this Trust, including attorney's fees; next to all indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust; and next the balance, if any, shall be paid to those legally entitled thereto.

This is the 30th day of June, 2026. Published in the Knoxville Focus on July 6, 2026, July 13, 2026, and July 20, 2026. Sale on July 31, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 35-5-101(a)(2), information regarding this Notice can be found at www.BetterChoiceNotices.com.

This notice will run for three (3) weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper, run dates July 6, July 13 and July 20, 2026, and will be posted online at www.knoxfocus.com, www.tnpublicnotice.com and www.foreclosuresta.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning July 6, 2026.

Gregory C. Logue
GREGORY C. LOGUE, Substitute Trustee
WOOLF, McCLANE, BRIGHT,
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Knoxville, Tennessee 37901-0900
(865) 215-1000

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by authority of the Deed of Trust (the "Deed of Trust") executed by Dustin Lee May in favor of Russell E. Roberson, Trustee, dated August 5, 2022 and recorded as Instrument No. 202208080008981 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to secure the indebtedness due to the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, which has become due and payable by virtue of default in the Deed of Trust on the Property hereinafter described; and Urbanair, LLC, the true and lawful owner and holder of said indebtedness ("Lender"), having exercised its option to declare the indebtedness due and payable and having made demand for foreclosure pursuant to the Deed of Trust; I, the undersigned, acting under the authority as Substitute Trustee for the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, will be at the north entrance of the City-County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, on the 31st day of July, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. local time, to sell the Property to the highest and best bidder, in bar of all rights waived by said Deed of Trust, the following described real Property (the "Property"):

SITUATED in the Second (2nd) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee and within the 15th Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being parts of Lots 17 and 18, Block N. of Lake Park Springs Addition, as shown on the map of record in Map Cabinet A Slide 328-C in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office, and being bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the southeastern line of Woodbine Avenue, said iron pin being distant 75 feet to the point of intersection of the southeastern line of Woodbine Avenue with the eastern line of Castle Street if said lines were extended to their intersecting point; thence from said Beginning point, North 49 deg. 00 min. East, 50 feet to an iron pin; thence South 41 deg. 0 min. East 140 feet to an iron pin; thence South 49 deg. 00 min. West, 50 feet to an iron pin; thence North 41 deg. 00 min. West, 140 feet to an iron pin, the point of Beginning, according to the survey of G. T. Trotter, Jr. dated July 15, 1968.

BEING the same property conveyed to Dustin Lee May by Warranty Deed from Urbanair, LLC, dated August 5, 2022, of record as Instrument No. 202208080008979, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

TAX PARCEL: 082CG-003.00
BELIEVED STREET ADDRESS: 3106 Woodbine Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37914
CURRENT OWNER OF RECORD: Dustin Lee May

The following parties may claim or have an interest in the above-referenced Property: Dustin Lee May, 3106 Woodbine Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37914; DART Collateral Manager LLC, as beneficiary/nominee for AXEN Mortgage, DBA of NEXA Mortgage LLC, and Figure Lending LLC, under that certain Tennessee Open-End Deed of Trust of record as Instrument No. 202405160057140 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The undersigned will sell and convey the Property only as Substitute Trustee.

The Property will be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS," without representations or warranties of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding the condition of the Property or the marketability of title, possession, quiet enjoyment, or fitness for a general or particular use or purpose.

The Property will be sold subject to: all unpaid real property taxes and assessments; any prior or superior debts of trust, liens, or encumbrances of record; all valid easements, restrictions, covenants, conditions, and matters of record; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency; the rights of any tenants in possession; and any matter that an accurate survey or inspection of the Property would disclose.

Lender reserves the right to bid, including by credit bid. Any applicable notice requirements of T.C.A. § 35-5-101 and T.C.A. § 35-5-104 have been satisfied.

Bidding will close upon the Substitute Trustee's acceptance of the highest and best bid, after which no further bids will be received. The successful bidder (other than Lender, to the extent it bids all or part of its secured indebtedness) must pay a deposit of ten percent (10.0%) of the winning bid at the conclusion of the auction, in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to "W. Michael Baisley, Substitute Trustee." No personal checks will be accepted.

The Substitute Trustee may, in his sole discretion, recess the sale for up to one (1) hour to allow the successful bidder to procure the required certified or cashier's check. If the successful bidder fails to tender a certified or cashier's check for the ten percent (10.0%) deposit within that time, the Substitute Trustee may, at the Lender's direction and without further notice: (i) accept the next highest and best bid; or (ii) adjourn and reschedule the sale of the Property.

The balance of the purchase price must be paid to the Substitute Trustee in certified funds or by wire transfer of immediately available funds no later than 5:00 p.m. local time on the next business day immediately following the date of the sale. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE as to payment of the deposit and the balance of the purchase price.

The Substitute Trustee's Deed will be delivered only upon receipt of the full purchase price in good funds. If the successful bidder fails to pay the balance in full within the time required, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the Substitute Trustee, and the Substitute Trustee may, at the Lender's direction and without further notice: (i) accept the next highest and best bid; (ii) re-sell the Property at a subsequent sale, in which event the defaulting bidder shall remain liable for all additional costs and expenses of re-sale; or (iii) convey the Property to Lender. A defaulting bidder shall thereafter have no interest in the Property or the forfeited deposit.

The right is reserved to adjourn, postpone, or continue the sale to another day, time, and place certain, without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above and in accordance with T.C.A. § 35-5-101(e).

The proceeds of the sale will be applied first to discharge the costs and charges of executing this trust, including attorney's fees as permitted under the Deed of Trust; next, to all indebtedness remaining unpaid and secured by the Deed of Trust, including all principal, interest, and other amounts due and owing to Lender; and next, the balance, if any, shall be paid to those legally entitled thereto.

The Property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by Lender or the Substitute Trustee. The sale may be rescinded by the Substitute Trustee at any time before the Substitute Trustee's Deed is delivered to the purchaser.

This notice will run for three (3) weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper, run dates July 6, July 13 and July 20, 2026, and will be posted online at www.knoxfocus.com, www.tnpublicnotice.com and www.foreclosuresta.com for a minimum 20 continuous days beginning July 6, 2026.

W. Michael Baisley, Substitute Trustee
Long, Ragsdale & Waters, P.C.
1111 N. Northshore Drive, Suite S-700
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919
(865) 584-4040

DOROTHY E. THIGPEN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDWARD F. CURTIS AND ALVA JEAN CURTIS, J. DAVID THIGPEN

IN RE: JOSEPH E. THIGPEN V. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN ROY BLALOCK, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DOROTHY E. THIGPEN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDWARD F. CURTIS AND ALVA JEAN CURTIS, J. DAVID THIGPEN

NO. 212515-3
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN ROY BLALOCK, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DOROTHY E. THIGPEN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDWARD F. CURTIS AND ALVA JEAN CURTIS, J. DAVID THIGPEN, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN ROY BLALOCK, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DOROTHY E. THIGPEN, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF EDWARD F. CURTIS AND ALVA JEAN CURTIS, J. DAVID THIGPEN, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Luke D. Durham 265 Brookview Centre Way, Suite 604, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 18th day of JUNE, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

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 8th day of JUNE, 2026.

Mike Hammond
Clerk

Robert A. Clark
Deputy Clerk

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN ROY BLALOCK, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: INEZ JOHNSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF OSWALD EDWARD BOWLES AND WIFE, JUANITA HENDRICKS BOWLES, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSON UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS 1423 W. FIFTH AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37921

IN RE: MANUEL HUDSON V.

INEZ JOHNSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF OSWALD EDWARD BOWLES AND WIFE, JUANITA HENDRICKS BOWLES, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSON UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS 1423 W. FIFTH AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37921

NO. 176605-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants, INEZ JOHNSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF OSWALD EDWARD BOWLES AND WIFE, JUANITA HENDRICKS BOWLES, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS 1423 W. FIFTH AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37921, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon INEZ JOHNSON AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF OSWALD EDWARD BOWLES AND WIFE, JUANITA HENDRICKS BOWLES, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PETITION AS 1423 W. FIFTH AVENUE, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37921, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Barbara Clark, 2415 East Magnolia Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37917, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks. This 18th day of JUNE, 2026.

J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

ORDER OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: BLAKE BRITTON

IN RE: DEPENDENT CHILD(REN)

BY: STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES, Petitioner

V.

BLAKE BRITTON, Respondent
IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FILE NO. 26-DN-13

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a Petition to Declare Child(ren) Dependent and Neglected as to D.V. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you, BLAKE BRITTON, Respondent, because your whereabouts are unknown. You, BLAKE BRITTON, Respondent, are hereby ORDERED to serve upon Ivy Mayberry, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children Services, 600 Heathwood Ct., Cookeville, Tennessee 38506 (an Answer to the Petition to Declare Child(ren) Dependent and Neglected filed by the Tennessee Department of Children's Services, within thirty (30) days of the last day of publication of this notice, and pursuant to Rule 39(e)(1) of the Tenn. R. Juv. P. you, BLAKE BRITTON, Respondent, must also appear in the Juvenile Court of Putnam County, Tennessee at Cookeville, Tennessee on the 22nd day of September, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., for the Hearing on the Petition to Declare Child(ren) Dependent and Neglected by the State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services. If you fail to do so, a default judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-1-117(m) and Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P. for the relief demanded in the Petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, Cookeville, Tennessee. This 18 day of JUNE, 2026.

Jennifer Wilkerson
Court Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JACK EDWARD ARP
DOCKET NUMBER 92481-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of JUNE, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of JACK EDWARD ARP, who died on April 10, 2026, were issued to ROSE MARIE ARP by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against said Estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This 15th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JACK EDWARD ARP

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROSE MARIE ARP
4712 NOCONA DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

ERIN A. WHITE, ATTORNEY
300 MONTVUE RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD BALL
DOCKET NUMBER 92606-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day

of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CHARLES EDWARD BALL, who died March 26, 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 24th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF CHARLES EDWARD BALL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CYNTHIA ANNE BALL HAMDON
10976 CLEARWATER DR.
HAMPTON, GA 30228

LYNN TARPY, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHARON LEORA COONROD
DOCKET NUMBER 92603-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of SHARON LEORA COONROD, who died March 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 24th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHARON LEORA COONROD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RAMONA POWELL
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POWELL, TN 37849

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P. O. BOX 299
CLINTON, TN 37717-0299

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SAKAE S. CRIDLIN
DOCKET NUMBER 92653-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 12 day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of SAKAE S. CRIDLIN, who died April 10, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 12th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SAKAE S. CRIDLIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SANDRA CRIDLIN, ADMINISTRATRIX
812 GARCIA WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

PATRICK R. MCKENRICK, ATTORNEY
1019 ORCHID DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RICKY DALTON
DOCKET NUMBER 92635-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of RICKY DALTON, who died April 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 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 18th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF RICKY DALTON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDSEY PRESSLEY
312 CORUM ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

MELISSA WORTLEY LAWING, ATTORNEY
3715 POWERS ST.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA JEAN DUGGAN
DOCKET NUMBER 92367-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of

JUNE, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA JEAN DUGGAN, who died December 7, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(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 18th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA JEAN DUGGAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JENNIFER COBB
1314 IRWIN DRIVE
POWELL, TN 37849

WAYNE WILLIAMSON
8410 RIDGELAND DRIVE
CORRYTON, TN 37721

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CLINTON, TN 37717

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY FAYE DUNLAP
DOCKET NUMBER 92555-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of NANCY FAYE DUNLAP, who died January 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 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 15th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF NANCY FAYE DUNLAP

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TODD HEPTINSTALL
2104 BILLY DRIVE
NEW MARKET, TN 37820

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JULIA DEANNE EDWARDS
DOCKET NUMBER 92030-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JULIA DEANNE EDWARDS, who died January 9, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
- (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of 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 23rd day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JULIA DEANNE EDWARDS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MADELINE TISDALE
6921 KINGS CROSSING WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

GLENNA W. OVERTON-CLARK, ATTORNEY
9111 CROSS PARK DR., SUITE D200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DON THOMAS GODWIN
DOCKET NUMBER 92600-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DON THOMAS GODWIN, who died Nov. 10, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against 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 15th day of June, 2026.

ESTATE OF DON THOMAS GODWIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GORDON NASH ROBE
1035 HAMILTON RIDGE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

DAVID ANDREW IDOL
2929 BAKERTOWN ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

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KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH ANN RICE HANKINS
DOCKET NUMBER 92446-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ELIZABETH ANN RICE HANKINS, who died Feb. 12, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by 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 5th day of June, 2026.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH ANN RICE HANKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GERI L. HANKINS
134 MARLBORO CT.
MARYVILLE, TN 37803

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GARY MAX LESSMAN
DOCKET NUMBER 92662-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of GARY MAX LESSMAN, who died May 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 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 18th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF GARY MAX LESSMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL COREY MULLEN
7030 HARTWYN LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

JON MCMURRAY JOHNSON, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SUZANNE CARDEN LOY
DOCKET NUMBER 92654-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of SUZANNE CARDEN LOY, who died November 20, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This 15th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SUZANNE CARDEN LOY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MELISSA M. WOOLUM
1065 ROSWELL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

JAMES C. WRIGHT, ATTORNEY
2701 KINGSTON PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GEORGE EDWARD MELLON
DOCKET NUMBER 92685-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of GEORGE EDWARD MELLON, who died May 2, 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 24th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF GEORGE EDWARD MELLON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL E. MELLON
207 DOCK ROAD
ANDERSONVILLE, TN 37705

M. CATHERINE WARBROD, ATTORNEY
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CINDY LOU MEYER
DOCKET NUMBER 92676-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of J

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARILYN B. BERRY DOCKET NUMBER 92703-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MARILYN B. BERRY, who died May 21, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 30th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARILYN B. BERRY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
FRED O. BERRY, III
7154 GOVERNMENT FARM ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

KIMBERLIN B. BUCHANAN
7543 WIDOW FRENCH LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

EDWARD A. COX, JR., ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY MILDRED DOCKINS BOHANAN DOCKET NUMBER 92698-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of MARY MILDRED DOCKINS BOHANAN, who died February 28, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 26th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARY MILDRED
DOCKINS BOHANAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JO ANN BOHANAN CHAMBERS
5009 AVIS LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

GAVIN A. SMELCER, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY ST., SUITE 800
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ARVIN E. BROWN, a.k.a. ARVIN EDWARD BROWN DOCKET NUMBER 92093-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of ARVIN E. BROWN, a.k.a. ARVIN EDWARD BROWN, who died December 30, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ARVIN E. BROWN,
a.k.a. ARVIN EDWARD BROWN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARCUS E. BROWN
8109 HARMON ROAD
POWELL, TN 37849

MARIA N. BROWN-SAPP
12259 CHANNEL POINT DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

MARTIN T. BROWN
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THORN HILL, TN 37881

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KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANNE CHESNEY DOCKET NUMBER 92579-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of SHIRLEY ANNE CHESNEY, who died January 14, 2026 were issued to the undersigned by 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.

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 26th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANNE CHESNEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ARTHUR THOMAS MONCERET, III
7959 INTERVALE WAY
POWELL, TN 37849

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES ROBERT COLLINS DOCKET NUMBER 92543-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of JAMES ROBERT COLLINS, who died March 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES ROBERT COLLINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES ROBERT COLLINS, II
9684 PEBBLE CREEK BLVD.
SUMMERVILLE, SC 29485

CARIN C. BRIO, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JERRY LEE CRESWELL DOCKET NUMBER 92515-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JERRY LEE CRESWELL, who died Jan. 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JERRY LEE CRESWELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PATRICIA COOK, ADMINISTRATRIX
164 OLD DANDRIDGE PIKE
STRAWBERRY PLAINS, TN 37871

MATT E. MILLER, ATTORNEY
859 EAST BROADWAY BLVD.
JEFFERSON CITY, TN 37760

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA G. CUMMINGS DOCKET NUMBER 92427-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA G. CUMMINGS, 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 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 18 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA G. CUMMINGS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GREGORY ALAN CUMMINGS, EXECUTOR
104 MOHAWK LANE
LOUDON, TN 37774

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DIANE LARSON DERTHICK DOCKET NUMBER 92633-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of DIANE LARSON DERTHICK, who died March 10, 2026 were issued to the undersigned by the Knox Chancery Court, Probate Division. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of 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 16th day of JUNE, 2026.

This the 16th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF DIANE LARSON DERTHICK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GERALD JAY DERTHICK, JR.
1605 EMERSON PARK DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

LAUREN S. BROWN, ATTORNEY
110 COGDILL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY ANTONIA FELICIANO DOCKET NUMBER 92661-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of MARY ANTONIA FELICIANO, who died February 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARY ANTONIA FELICIANO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARY F. MARTIN, EXECUTRIX
5305 YOSEMITE TRAIL
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PEGGY GREEN DOCKET NUMBER 92433-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of PEGGY GREEN, who died March 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF PEGGY GREEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA N. JENKINS DOCKET NUMBER 92657-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA N. JENKINS, who died March 24, 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF BARBARA N. JENKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES MICHAEL JENKINS, EXECUTOR
4601 MILLERTOWN PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT A. JOSEPH DOCKET NUMBER 92352-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of ROBERT A. JOSEPH, who died January 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 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 16th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF ROBERT A. JOSEPH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

ROBERT ANTHONY JOSEPH, JR.
412 CUTLASS RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WENDEL TODD MCALISTER DOCKET NUMBER 92465-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of WENDEL TODD MCALISTER, who died August 12, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF WENDEL TODD MCALISTER

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RICHARD K. OWENS DOCKET NUMBER 92022-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of JUNE, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of RICHARD K. OWENS, who died October 8, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

This the 16th day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF RICHARD K. OWENS

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JANICE LYNN PEAVLER DOCKET NUMBER 92683-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of JUNE, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of JANICE LYNN PEAVLER, who died April 26, 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 JANICE LYNN PEAVLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JANE CLARKSON PERLMUTTER DOCKET NUMBER 92063-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of JUNE, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JANE CLARKSON PERLMUTTER, who died November 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF JANE CLARKSON PERLMUTTER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SARAH COLBY, EXECUTRIX
300 W. RED BUD ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GLORIA JEAN HOLT POWELL DOCKET NUMBER 92571-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of JUNE, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of GLORIA JEAN HOLT POWELL, who died April 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 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 29 day of JUNE, 2026.

ESTATE OF GLORIA JEAN HOLT POWELL

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