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Triplexes approved for West Fifth Ave.

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The need for housing played heavily in a Knoxville City Council vote Tuesday that overruled a Knoxville-Knox County Planning decision.

Developer R. Bentley Marlow appealed to the council on a rezoning ruling for Middle Housing at 1415 and 1409 West Fifth Avenue. He said the request for two-story triplex units was similar to four other developments in the area and was “not experimental.”

Marlow said the units comply with the middle housing code.

Real estate broker Parker Bartholomew said the three dwellings would fit into the character of the neighborhood and have porches and front doors facing the street. He referred to six

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POW/MIA Remembered



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Veterans of various military services sit next to the Missing Man Table during the local observance of National Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Day last week. An overflow crowd turned out for the Friday morning event held at the East Tennessee Veterans Memorial in World's Fair Park, sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America - Captain Bill Robinson Chapter 1078. Knox County Mayor Betsy Henderson presented a proclamation declaring the day at the Memorial. AARP sponsored the event with the Bearden High School Navy JROTC presenting the colors along with the Bearden band. Jason Hardy sang the national anthem. A 21-round salute was fired by the Veterans Honor Guard and Taps was played to close the memorable event.

Commission could split once again

6% county official payraise, South Knox tax break for development on agenda for review

By Focus Staff

When the Knox County Commission meets for its agenda session today, there may be two resolutions before them dealing with pay increases for them and the school board.

Mayor Betsy Henderson initially had a resolution to rescind the FY27 pay increase for Knox County Commissioners, part of a change the prior commission passed to raise the pay of county employees by 6%, instead of the 3% that was in place. That bump in salaries covers all elected Knox County officials, including the commission and school board.

However, she released a statement Friday morning thanking District 3 Commissioner Brandon Huckaby, who last week said he would introduce local legislation to have all future elected officials' pay raises reflect the state formula. He also suggested holding a public workshop on compensation.

Prior to leaving the school board to become the county's new mayor, Henderson and the school board voted to reject the 6% increase and stay with the 3% hike.

“I have said all along that politicians should not give themselves pay raises,” Mayor Henderson said in her statement. “After the commission passed a 6% pay increase for themselves in June, I joined my fellow school board members in unanimously voting to ask the commission to repeal that raise.

“I want to thank Commissioner Brandon Huckaby for his leadership on this, and I ask the rest of the commission to join him in supporting it.”

Currently, cutting pay increases to employees midterm, including commissioners and school board members, is not permitted under the Knox County Charter.

Another agenda item may see a close split vote. The prior commission voted 7-4 to authorize a tax break for a South Knoxville housing development along Governor John Sevier Highway. District Nine's Andy Fox, who represents the area, led the opposition. Three former commissioners, Gina Oster, Kim Frazier and Larsen Jay, voted with the majority but are no longer in office.

The tax break would permit the developer to forgo paying taxes on half of the dwellings that were to be open to low-income renters. Henderson, in an unusual step, vetoed the tax break. Chairwoman Terry Hill has

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Scholars participate during a lesson at Emerald Academy.

Emerald Academy posts historic academic results

School outperforms state and Knox County proficiency rates, reports record gains in 2025-2026

Emerald Academy, Knoxville's first and only public charter school, posted its best results in school history during 2025-2026, its 11th year of operation.

The school, located in the historic Moses School Building in Old Mechanicsville, was founded in 2015 with a mission to prepare kindergarten through eighth grade urban scholars for the college of their choice and community leadership.

Emerald Academy continues to

deliver on its mission by achieving historic results: multiple grade levels across multiple subject areas outperformed the average proficiency rates of both the State of Tennessee and Knox County Schools.

Outstanding Third Grade Results: The majority of scholars were proficient in reading and in math

- Third grade proficiency is a critical threshold for future academic success, including high school graduation.

- Given this, it is particularly encouraging to see that Emerald Academy third grade scholars outperformed their peers statewide and across Knox County Schools, with 60% of third grade scholars proficient in reading. The same is

true for math, with 63% of third grade scholars proficient.

- This is particularly notable given that statewide third grade reading results this year were the highest they have been in nearly a decade.

Significant Five-Year Gains in Student Proficiency: Emerald Academy's gains outpaced the district's impressive gains

- Schoolwide proficiency across all tested subjects over the past five years nearly doubled, increasing from 21% to 38%. This reflects five consecutive years of increases in proficiency.

- Results in every tested subject area were equally impressive:

Reading: Increased from 19.1% to 34.2%, a 79% increase (+15

percentage points).

Math: Increased from 20.3% to 38.7%, a 91% increase (+18 percentage points).

Science: Increased from 26.2% to 37%, a 41% increase (+11 percentage points).

Social studies: Increased from 17.5% to 47.7%, a 172% increase (+30 percentage points), the largest gain by far.

- These gains set the course of a trendline school leaders hope will continue for years to come.

Lower-Income Scholars are Excelling at Emerald Academy: They demonstrate greater proficiency than their peers across the district and across the state in every tested subject

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The Doctor is in

a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

The Alternative

Ordinarily, I don't focus on the past because there's nothing I can do about it. So, I'm trying to live more in the present, yet too often my concerns leap to the future. But recently the past dovetailed with the present to focus on the necessity of affecting the future.

I'll bet you know where you were 25 years ago on September 11, 2001. I was seeing patients when a nurse stuck her head in the exam room and urgently said a plane just crashed into one of the Twin Towers. Everyone rushed to the TV only to see another plane hit the other tower less than 20 minutes later. It was then that we realized America was under attack.

I read that one third of Americans have no memory of the attack because they were either not yet born or were just children. I remember where I was when John Kennedy was assassinated in 1963, but I have no

recollection of the Pearl Harbor attack because I was not born until 1951. I remember watching the first moon landing in 1969 with Becky, having just graduated from high school.

Sentinel events etch a place in a person's life. I will never forget that September day in 2001 when thousands of Americans were slaughtered by Islamic terrorists. And yet some twisted ideologues don't get it. We have been at war with radical Islam for nearly 50 years. However, as Secretary Bessent said, "America is no longer managing the Iranian threat - We are ending it."

It is no wonder that some younglings are unaware of the danger radical Islam poses to Western Civilization. Only 15 states require that the 9/11 attack be included in the educational curriculum. To paraphrase George Santayana, "Those who forget history are

doomed to repeat it." But what if they are not taught about the 9/11 attack or others? Are these educators and politicians just incompetent dullards? Or are they part of the "red-green alliance" of Marxists and Islamists' continuing attack on America?

There is a justifiable outcry against racism or sexism where people are treated unjustly because of their race or sex. And I believe it is wrong to stigmatize a person because of their personal religious beliefs. Perhaps that is the crux of the matter. One's personal beliefs may be different from institutional creeds or actions.

For example, Jewish individuals have been vilified for thousands of years. And antisemitism is widespread in Europe and America's Democratic Party. Christians are still murdered for their beliefs across Africa and must hide in Muslim and communist countries. We repeatedly hear the term Islamophobia. I don't fear individual Muslims, but admittedly I have become fearful of the "religion of peace" because I don't see the peaceful nature of its radical jihadis.

But then I'm fearful of what the Democratic Party has become. That party is now run by crazies and communists. There are good people in

the Democratic Party, but they will be judged by their party association. Likewise, I might have trouble seeing the good in a person who associates with the KKK. For this reason, I am not a member of any party, though in our imperfect world Republican candidates are often better than the alternative.

Maybe I'm not cut out to be a joiner and typically craft my own way. Admittedly, in my life I've been a Presbyterian, a Baptist, and a Methodist, but now I am a non-denominational Christian. I identify with Christ rather than marching under any institutional brand. Nonetheless, I love the church I now attend. And my Sunday School class members are some of the finest people I've been around in a long time.

Interestingly, President Trump is less a Republican than he is his own man. As a result, many Republican elites are less than accepting of his unique personality and style. While Democrats legislatively march in lockstep to their groupthink, many Republicans chafe at MAGA and Trumpism. But we've seen the alternative: Biden and the Democrats were a national, social, economic and foreign policy disaster.

President Trump is not on the midterm ballot, but Trumpism is. And if the

Democrats are returned to power, your taxes will be raised, corruption will continue, the Iran and Ukrainian wars will not end, and our nation will be plunged into an endless impeachment morass.

If you think America should go the way of Democrat crazy, then vote for them and suffer the consequences, as will your children. Until the Democrats return to the realm of common sense, they cannot be trusted with power. Washington is already bad enough with RINOs, lawfare, aged politicians and ensconced unelected bureaucrats.

In keeping with my plan to outline the Trump administration's accomplishments - which you will not see in the Democratic media - I'll add these to the list I began last week:

1. The Trump administration has reduced Biden's 9% inflation to ~ 3%.
2. Globalism has been a disaster as companies and capital fled America for cheaper foreign labor. We lost industry, and supply chain problems arose with critical shortages of materials and medications, including antibiotics. Trump's tariffs and trade policies have reversed this process, with trillions of dollars

of investments and manufacturing returning with jobs for Americans.

3. Trump's energy policy has made America the largest producer of energy in the world. (Yes, I know gas prices have temporarily gone up, but we are not under the threat of an Iranian nuclear weapon). And by controlling Venezuelan oil and Iranian exports, we stopped discounted oil from going to China, inhibiting China from invading Taiwan.
4. Trump took on Big Pharma and established Trump Rx, leading to a 60% reduction in prescription medication costs.
5. And the passage of the Big Beautiful Bill prevented a massive tax hike and provided "no tax on tips, overtime and Social Security." Assuredly, these will be reversed if the Democrat crazies return to power.

Enough for now, but stay tuned. Your responsibility as a citizen is to check my facts and vote to keep Democrats, socialists, crazies and communists away from the levers of power. Your future and your children's future depend on it.

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Knoxville Police Chief returns to duty

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The elephant in the room was mentioned only once during the Knoxville City Council meeting last Tuesday. Police Chief Paul Noel was in attendance, ending his one-month suspension (without pay) after it was revealed he was exchanging inappropriate, sexually suggestive text messages with a subordinate policewoman. Noel has since apologized and pledged to rebuild faith in his leadership.

Noel spoke once during the meeting, briefly describing the request for

\$130,000 for the police department to host the Tennessee Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force's annual training conference. Noel explained that the request to host came from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

"It's every year, run for the entire state," he said, adding that 70 agencies take part in the training.

The only remark about Noel's suspension came from community activist Rick Roach at the end of the meeting when Roach said, "Chief, please resign; you've lost the trust of the people of Knoxville."

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Councilman Nathan Honeycutt noted the council's role is "to act like a judge" in such matters. He said the council should follow Grant's support. At-large Seat C's Amelia Parker noted past approval of similar developments.

The appeal was granted in a 6-1 vote with Helsley voting "No." Commissioners Lynne Fugate and Karyn Adams were absent from the meeting.

Improvements for Inskip Park were also approved in what District 5's Charles Thomas called "another piece of the puzzle." The council voted to fund new concrete decks for the increasingly popular pool in the neighborhood park. The \$261,526 funding also includes replacing the wooden deck and ADA improvements there. The 12-acre park recently received a \$263,530 Legacy Parks Foundation property acquisition, which was repaid by the city.

The council also approved dropping the

tax rate on personal property to \$1.3956 per \$100 of assessed value, down from \$2.1556, in a request from the Finance Department. Councilman Honeycutt noted the tax was "lowered to keep the budget neutral."

In other actions, the council approved Mayor Indya Kincannon's naming Amy Hathaway to the Neighborhood Advisory Council, amended a contract with Barge Design Solutions Inc. for the First Creek Greenway-Broadway Streetscape Project, and updated its Fleet Services Department's software agreement.

Among the consent items passed with one vote were zoning changes for 5307 Ballard Drive, 103 Circle Lane and 318 Nancy Lynn Lane.

Two applications to the state were approved for funding transportation services and replacing an underground fuel tank.

pay increase and the proposed development's tax break now appears to be in the hands of newly elected Republican Commissioners Justin Cofer, Garrett



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a resolution on the agenda to override Mayor Henderson's veto and let the tax break stand.

A decision on the 6%

Holt and Barry Beeler and Democrat Brandon Huckaby. The vote could be 6-5 on both issues, depending on a split in the Republican ranks again.

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Publisher's Positions

Tom Spangler Passes Away



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The news that former Knox County Sheriff Tom Spangler passed away came just as last week's edition of The Focus was going to press. Tom Spangler enjoyed a lengthy career as a professional law enforcement officer, both in Knox County as well as Blount County. Tom belonged to the band of blue brothers and sisters, heart and soul. Nothing could cause him to

move an inch away from his commitment to his fellow law enforcement officers. Spangler could not be deterred from trying to raise pay and benefits for the Knox County Sheriff's Office employees, which he succeeded in doing through working with then-Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs.

Tom Spangler was no politician; he was a law enforcement officer who rose through the ranks through hard work, absolute dedication and doing what he believed was right. Known affectionately as "Spanky" inside the sheriff's office, Spangler started at the bottom and worked his way to the very top of his sheriff's office, which he knew inside and out.

Personally, he was a kind, thoughtful, loyal and thoroughly good man, which voters recognized to elect him twice by overwhelming

majorities. Twice Spangler encountered stiff opposition at the polls, only to win landslide victories in the GOP primaries.

Sheriff Spangler was well-liked and respected by everyone who knew him. Even when one disagreed with Spangler, nobody I know doubted his sincerity in what he believed. Never once in his long career was his reputation for honesty and integrity ever questioned. Tom Spangler was an ethical man. The tributes have been pouring in since his passing and nobody ever deserved them more. Sheriff Spangler was a true public servant who wanted to do the best for his office and the people of our community. His passing is a terrible loss to law enforcement and Knox County. I am proud that Tom Spangler was my friend and it has been a tremendous blessing to have known him.



The late Knox County Sheriff Tom Spangler will be missed.

Remembering my friend, Herman Goddard



Herman Goddard was a dear, loyal friend.

Knoxville and Knox County lost one of our greatest citizens last week with the passing of Herman Goddard. A member of one of the oldest pioneer families of South Knox County, Herman was a familiar face to literally thousands of people. Herman was one of those rare people who made a success out of every aspect of his life; he was a devoted family man, a prosperous small businessman and a legendary racer. Perhaps most importantly, Herman was a man of steadfast faith in Almighty God and our Lord Jesus Christ. There was no more loyal friend than Herman Goddard, and he mentored hundreds and was always ready to offer a helping hand to those who needed it.

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pointed out Herman "stood in Victory Lane" no less than 500 times and was "a familiar and beloved name in dirt-track racing." Herman's racing career began in 1955, and he competed until he was 75 years old. Herman won championships at Atomic Speedway in 1972 and Volunteer Speedway in 1990. In 1996, Herman Goddard was inducted into the Smoky Mountain Speedway Hall of Fame; in 2004, he was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2015, Herman was inducted into the Greater Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame. It was through racing that I came to know Herman Goddard as I was district manager of Kendall Oil as we sponsored racers like Herman. I've known Herman since

1976, and there never was a finer man anywhere.

Our resident historian, Ray Hill, has been a longtime warm friend of Herman Goddard, recalling that the first time he attended a Knox County Republican convention was 1978 and the Bonny Kate precinct committee was "almost entirely composed of Goddards." In fact, Herman's uncle, Howard, was the chairman of the Bonny Kate precinct committee.

Herman Goddard was a man who drew people to him due to his outgoing but humble nature. Through his innate wisdom and his inherent kindness, Herman had friends everywhere. No matter how successful he became, he always looked after those friends whom he valued so much. Herman was the very

definition of a good man by any standard.

Herman was blessed to live a long life, 90 years, yet he looked and acted many years younger. His mind was active and alert until his sudden passing. Herman was blessed throughout his life with a beautiful and loving family, staunch and devoted friends, and success in all he did. Yet, he bestowed blessings upon all those lucky enough to know Herman Goddard. His name should be enshrined in the Hall of Fame of Living a Good Life.

The entire Focus family and I mourn the loss of our friend Herman Goddard and pray for his wonderful family. It was a blessing to know Herman, and words cannot express how much all of us will miss him.

Data centers and multi-housing before county commission

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When the Knox County Commission meets in its zoning session today, it will consider a resolution from Knoxville-Knox County Planning to officially place a moratorium on data centers through June 30 of next year. The request for such a recommendation went to the planners and is coming back for approval. The resolution provides that the moratorium extends through June 30, 2027 "or until Knox County Commission adopts new regulations governing the placement and operation of data centers" and passed in a 12-0 planning

commission vote.

Many of the zoning requests are for multi-family housing on agricultural land or upping the number of homes on already zoned property.

A property on Byington Beaver Ridge Road may be approved for 12 housing units per acre per a request from Michael Girard to change from general business to planned residential.

Randall Buckner is asking to change four properties on East Emory Road and Quarry Road from agricultural to low-density residential. The same zoning change is requested by Christy Gedelman for the property at 6427 McFall

Road.

Rhonda Vineyard is asking to change 4628 Crippen Road from agricultural to planned residential for three dwellings per acre.

Reliance Development is asking to upgrade a planned residential zoning at 6806 and 6812 East Emory Road to 5.25 units per acre.

Joe Davis wants six parcels on Strawberry Plains Pike to be rezoned from agricultural to planned residential for up to five units per acre.

Another Strawberry Plains property, at 7729, may change from agricultural to rural commercial on a request from R. Paul Wallace.

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Elizabeth Huebner, Donald Wieger, Doris Simpson and Gayle Ingersoll, pictured right, joined Windsor Ridge staff and residents last Tuesday for a day at the Tennessee Valley Fair. They enjoyed hot dogs and corn dogs and enjoyed the sheep showing and meeting a mother cow and her four day old calf in the Ag Center.



Near bottom right: Doris Simpson, WR's bowling champ, bowled a few frames at Strike & Spare for the Bowling Day last Wednesday. Doris was inducted into the Louisville Metro United States Bowling Congress Hall of Fame in 1976.



Far bottom right: Say hello to the new 80s Singo Bingo champion! Dot Millner showed off some serious game skills during Windsor Ridge's National Assisted Living Week celebration.



Windsor Ridge commemorates National Assisted Living Week

Local senior living community celebrates 'Shining Through the Years' during national observance

Windsor Ridge staff and residents honored this year's National Assisted Living Week focus, "Shining Through the Years," with special themed days, including a Spa Day, A Day at the Fair, Bowling Day, 80s Arcade Party and a day-long Wrap Party on Saturday, the final day of National Assisted Living Week.

"National Assisted Living Week is a special time to recognize the dedicated caregivers and residents in communities across the nation," said Rebecca Dolinger, life enrichment

director of Windsor Ridge. "Shining Through the Years" honors the lives, stories, wisdom and experiences of the residents in our communities as well as the important role of caregivers and staff in helping them continue to shine. This week's celebration is a great way to learn more about this important care and the vital role it plays in the larger long-term care continuum.

"Engaging with our residents is a rewarding experience and makes a tremendous difference in their lives."

Emerald Academy posts historic academic results

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- Emerald Academy was founded to change the academic trajectory for urban youth, and these results are clear evidence that Emerald Academy is fulfilling that promise for both the elementary and the middle school grades.

- Emerald Academy's lower-income scholars were #3 in third grade reading proficiency out of the 53 public elementary schools in Knox County.

- Emerald Academy's lower-income scholars were #2 in seventh grade math proficiency out of the 19 public middle schools in Knox County.

- In both categories, the only schools that outperformed Emerald Academy featured far less racial and economic diversity and are located in suburban areas.

"Seeing these results reassures me, yet again, that Emerald Academy

has been the right choice for our family," said Nicole Lattimore, mother of an Emerald Academy scholar. "Emerald is a gem in our community, and as our daughter prepares to complete eighth grade this year, I know she will do so having had a solid foundation, well prepared for continuing her educational journey."

While these results are impressive, school leaders acknowledge there is still work to do.

"I am very proud of our scholars, faculty and families for these unprecedented results in the history of Emerald Academy," said School Director Carlissa Weeks. "Moving forward, we are relentlessly focused on ensuring these results and trends continue."

To do that, several strategies have been identified, including continuing to improve outcomes in English Language Arts, as well as remaining focused

throughout the year on academic rigor, pacing and urgency across all grade levels.

"I am deeply grateful for these results and the work of our faculty," said Steve Diggs, President, Emerald Charter Schools. "Even after 11 years, the story is just beginning, and I'm excited to have a front row seat to what God is doing in our city."

Emerald Academy is a public school, but as a

nonprofit charter school, it relies on philanthropy to provide needed intervention services, counseling and behavioral health services, and facility improvements, among others. Donations in support of Emerald Academy can be made at www.emeraldacademy.org/donate. For more information regarding enrollment, visit www.emeraldacademy.org or call (865) 249-7223. Translation services are available.

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Young-Williams Animal Center is hosting a cross-city fundraising competition tied to the University of Tennessee Volunteers vs. University of Texas Longhorns football game. On Saturday, Sept. 26, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Young-Williams will host a tailgate-style event featuring adoptable pets, food, games and a live broadcast of the game. At the same time, Austin Humane Society will host its own event in Austin, with the two shelters competing to see who can raise the most donations by the end of the game.

YWAC partners with Austin Humane Society to host ‘TN vs. TX Rescue Rivalry’ competition

Young-Williams Animal Center will host a cross-city fundraising competition tied to the University of Tennessee Volunteers vs. University of Texas Longhorns football game in September. The tailgate-style event will feature adoptable pets, food, games and a live broadcast of the game.

Young-Williams Animal Center in Knoxville and Austin Humane Society in Austin, Texas, will compete to see which shelter can raise the most donations by the end of the game, all while raising money to help homeless pets in their communities. “We’re excited to have this fun and

creative event that brings together two communities for a great cause,” Young-Williams Animal Center CEO Janet Testerman said. “While we may be cheering for different teams, we share the same goal of helping animals in need. We’re looking forward to a little friendly competition and a lot of fun on game day.”

The event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Young-Williams Animal Center, located at 3201 Division St. A simultaneous event is expected to take place at Austin Humane Society. The Longhorns will play at Neyland Stadium for the first time in program

history in an SEC battle of the UTs with kickoff set for 12 p.m.

The fundraising competition will launch Monday, Sept. 21, with a live goal meter on the Young-Williams Animal Center website. The campaign goal is \$5,000, with supporters encouraged to rally behind their team and shelter throughout the week and on game day. Young-Williams will also share fundraising updates from Austin Humane Society leading up to the game.

To learn more about the event or make a donation, visit young-williams.org.

Sept. 1863 special to Knoxville (Part One)

More Than A Day Away



By Mike Steely

The month of September is important in the history of Knoxville. It was the month the city was captured by Union forces, and the East Tennessee region remained in Northern hands for the rest of the war.

Unlike the rest of the state, East Tennessee had voted to stay in the Union and had been under the unwanted control of Confederate forces.

From September 1862 until September 1863, no major military action occurred as Rebels held Cumberland Gap. Rebel positions went unchallenged except for a few incidents, some of which bear recounting. One of these involved “Unionists” (meaning civilian loyalists) raiding a Rebel garrison at the gap.

In October 1862, General Joseph Wheeler’s Confederate cavalry arrived at Cumberland Gap to form a rear guard for Bragg and Kirby-Smith’s invasion. In January 1863, the raiding force under General S.P. Carter bypassed the historic pass and raided East Tennessee, returning through western Virginia and little-known gaps in eastern Kentucky. Then on September 7, 1863, a skirmish took place at Cumberland Gap when Union troops somehow got through Confederate pickets and burned the grist mill on Gap Creek.

By now, both siege commanders from the prior year, the Union’s George Morgan and the Confederacy’s Edmund Kirby-Smith, had been transferred to other theaters of the war. Hopes of Loyalist families in the region seemed only frustrated wishes. The blistering but all-too-brief hit and run raid by Colonel Sanders brought encouragement, but the Rebels remained in strict control.

Yet few knew that Sanders’ raid was a forerunner of a coming liberation. At Camp Nelson on the Kentucky River south of Nicholasville, General **Continue on page 4**

The Importance of Collecting

OLD MAN'S STAMP STORE

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While I and many others collect stamps, many of my readers collect things other

than stamps. For example, I have a friend who collects milk bottles. In talking with him, I have learned of his efforts to find milk bottles. He has traveled many miles just to check out a good lead concerning a particular bottle.

When I was a teenager, I had a neighbor who collected pennies. He would look through about fifty dollars’ worth of pennies regularly just to find a specific one. At that time, banks would accept rolled coins in deposits or payments as long as your name was on the wrapper. If a 50-cent

wrapper was short one penny, the bank would know who to make up the shortage. Over many years of examining pennies, my friend developed a nice penny collection.

I knew another man who traveled many miles to find certain milk churns he had heard about to add to his churn collection. I am sure you know of other examples as people look for just the right item to add to whatever it is they collect. Stamp collectors are no different. Sometimes we search for just the right item to fill in a space in our album.

These days, especially, collectors must watch out for fraud or cheap imitations posing as the real thing. We must also be aware of purchasing items that have been stolen. In stamp collecting, I have read about the theft of a stamp called the “Inverted Jenny.” We sometimes read about thefts of priceless artwork, coins, movie memorabilia, antiques, etc., and that goes for stamps too. The stories are endless. We must always be on the lookout for thefts and fraud.

As collectors, we should develop a plan to add to our

collection. Sometimes this includes traveling to shows, internet searches, research and just verbal communication with others. We need to allow the “just fill in the space in our album” to lead us in the right direction. This can result in enjoyment and personal growth.

This October at our regular Knoxville Philatelic Society stamp club meeting, members will be allowed to place items for bid. If you are interested in stamp collecting or beginning a collection, I would encourage you to come. The meeting is Tuesday,

October 6 at 6:00 p.m. We meet at the Unitarian Church on Kingston Pike (near the entrance to 2nd Presbyterian Church). Come and bid. You might end up with just the item you need to “fill in your space.” You might find a one-of-a-kind collectible stamp. Only members can submit items for bid, but anyone there can bid on the stamps.

If I can help you with your stamp collection, please contact me at hrbrooks68@gmail.com, or call at (865)604-0164. In the meantime, enjoy whatever you are collecting.

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We left for our bus tour to Niagara Falls on Sunday afternoon. The vehicle pulled in at Walmart in Turkey Creek, and we unloaded our luggage from our car and waited to board. Before long, the entire group arrived. Canes, walkers, and other support items

were stored along with suitcases underneath the tour bus. We boarded and began what would be a geriatric jaunt. Plenty of unforeseen things came with this long trip.

The bus was comfortable enough. On the first day, those of us who boarded in Knoxville rode for about six hours; the second day was another 12-hour ride with stops along the way. As we pulled out of the hotel parking lot, the smell of burning rubber became apparent. Sure enough, the bus had a flat tire. The tire was fixed in short order, and we were on our way to the first site. Not enough compliments can be poured on



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our bus driver. Cathy handled the bus as if it were a compact car and wasted no time piling up the miles. She also called out some of the folks who continued to talk when our guides were talking. I told her she should have been a teacher.

My dear wife didn't fare so well that day. She stood to make room for another passenger who wanted to stuff her bag in an overhead compartment. Suddenly, a metal cup that the passenger had on the side of the bag shot out and hit Amy square in the forehead. She spent the day with a bruised lump that is still a bit sore.

The accommodations left plenty to be desired. Our first motel was older, but we were so tired that most fell into bed and rested. The place we stayed the next three nights was a disaster. When a vehicle pulls into a motel and the only light outside the place is at the front door, it's

time to worry. Only half a dozen vehicles were parked in the lot, another warning sign. Those drivers were spending their time in the bar.

With keys in hand, weary travelers made way to rooms. When Amy opened our door, we were greeted with a smell that resembled a combination of cigarette smoke, wet dogs and mold. The wallpaper was peeling, and places where water had invaded were evident around the windows. The bathroom was another disaster, with more peeling and bubbling wallpaper covered with what appeared to be black mold.

I'm not a nice person sometimes. I blew a fuse about the disgusting room. When our guides came in, I pulled back a piece of wallpaper and showed them the mold growing on it. I pointed out the failed patch jobs around the doors and windows. Come to find out, our room wasn't supposed to be occupied because repairs were being made. That was a lie, but I was too tired to argue. The next room we entered felt wet.

Even the bedding had a damp feeling that made us wary, but Amy and I knew that we'd not get a better room by complaining more.

On our second night, we were served dinner at this place. A buffet was set up in the hallway. It offered such wonderful things as chicken thighs, catfish in butter and lemon sauce, macaroni and tomatoes. For dessert, we received a cup of red Jell-O topped with instant chocolate pudding. While we fiddled with this poor attempt at a delicious treat, servers collected plates and scraped them into containers placed right beside our table.

Wednesday was Amy's birthday, and I was excited to give her presents and spend the day touring Toronto and a castle located there. Instead, her allergies were set off by the poor room conditions and had her sneezing, wheezing and coughing. She ran through a box of tissues, and I was sure she'd be visiting the doctor when we returned home.

Worst of all, Amy ran a fever

during the night, and the other woes that go with an allergy attack continued. The next morning, the bus pulled out for Niagara Falls. Amy and I sat in the disgusting room; she was too sick to make the trip to the destination for which we joined this tour.

We still have a day of travel to Cleveland before returning to Knoxville. Amy and I will go home without having marked off a bucket list item. We'll pick up our dogs on Sunday. A huge chunk of change had been laid out for what turned into a disastrous journey. I appreciate the kindness of Pam and Kim, our guides, but two things are guaranteed. One is that we won't take another tour with this company that did such a terrible job of booking rooms. The second thing is that I won't spend another night in a Best Western with no lights and moldy rooms.

P.S. We arrived home, and one traveler called to tell us she tested positive for Covid. I've been ill for two days now, so I at least came home with one souvenir from the trip.

The Beauty of Being Still

Being still is harder than it sounds. Try sitting quietly while your phone buzzes, or resting when you have a problem you cannot solve. Try sleeping when your mind has decided to rehearse every

possible outcome of tomorrow, and try doing nothing when everything inside you is screaming, "Fix it!" We



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are not very good at being still. We like movement because movement feels like progress. We make the phone call, send the text, search for answers, develop another plan, replay the conversation, calculate the possibilities and prepare for every imaginable outcome. Then we come to Psalm 46.

The earth is moving. Mountains are being carried into the sea. Waters are roaring. Nations are raging. Kingdoms are being shaken. Everything that appears stable suddenly seems unstable. And right in the middle of all that chaos, God says in Psalm 46:10: "Be still, and know that I am God." That almost sounds too simple, until you have to try it. Being still does not mean doing nothing. It doesn't mean you stop caring or pretend

your world isn't broken or your circumstances aren't serious.

The Hebrew word translated "be still" carries the idea of letting go, dropping down, relaxing, or allowing something to subside. In modern language, God is essentially saying, "Relax. Release your grip. Stop fighting to control everything." Or, as my 9- and 12-year-old boys might say, "Take a chill pill." It is a breath and looking to God. What makes this even more powerful is how that same Hebrew word appears elsewhere in Scripture. Deuteronomy 4:31 says that God "will not forsake thee." The idea is that God will not let go of His people.

Then listen to Deuteronomy 31:6: "Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail

thee, nor forsake thee." That expression, "He will not fail thee," comes from the same Hebrew root used when God says, "Be still." Joshua heard the same promise in Joshua 1:5: "I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee." — Joshua 1:5

Do you see the beauty in that? God tells me to loosen my grip because He promises never to loosen His. I can let go because God will not. Being still means I stop trying to control what only God can control. I stop trying to carry what only God can shoulder. I stop demanding to understand what only God's infinite mind can comprehend.

When you board an airplane, you do not knock on the cockpit door every ten minutes to ask the pilot if he still knows where he is going. When your doctor gives you trusted medical advice, you recognize that he understands things you

may not. When a pharmacist fills a prescription, you trust expertise beyond your own. Faith requires something similar. There comes a moment when I must take my hands off the controls and trust the One who sees and understands what I cannot see. Standing still is not weakness; it is surrender. It is allowing my frantic attempts to fix everything to subside and saying, "God, this is bigger than me, but it is not bigger than You." Maybe today you are facing something you cannot change, explain, repair, or predict. You do not have to know every detail of tomorrow when you know the God who is already there today. So, loosen your grip, quiet your heart and be still, and know that He is God. If we ever get it, there is a tremendous blessing in simply being still.



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The Gentleman From Maryland

David J. Lewis

Pages from the Past



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When I was a youngster, there were certain life stories which defined something unique about that individual's climb from poverty to success, and it was almost invariably described as an "American success story." That would certainly apply to the life of David John Lewis, who went to work in the coal mines at the tender age of nine and worked there until he was 23 years old. What lifted Davey Lewis out of the coal mines was his penchant for studying as hard as he worked. Illiterate for years, Lewis acquired the same eloquence his father had demonstrated as a Baptist preacher. Equally devout in his devotion to the cause of the working man and organized labor, 20-year-old Davey Lewis spoke at a labor meeting, and his grandiloquence caused one grizzled old reporter to marvel, "Boy, you ought to be a lawyer." That caused Lewis to learn to read Latin, and he studied the law with the same fervor with which he mined coal out of the hard earth. By age 23, Lewis had earned his law degree.

As with many self-educated people, David J. Lewis' love of learning continued throughout his lifetime. His hobby was physics, and Lewis was a member of the American Academy of Sciences. Lewis studied and read extensively on the topics of economics, history and sociology and was meticulous in his studies. Lewis learned French simply to verify a quote from de Tocqueville. The most widely read news magazine in the world, TIME, reported that one luxury Davey Lewis kept for himself was freedom from interruption when studying. Lewis would not publish his home address while in Washington, D.C., and had "a secret office in the old House Office Building with a door that cannot be opened from the outside."

David J. Lewis commenced the practice of law in Cumberland, Maryland, and prospered. From the courtrooms, David Lewis, a man although diminutive in size, but in no way a small man, went from success in the courtrooms to the halls of the mighty, being elected to the Maryland State Senate in 1902. The more conservative members of Maryland's General Assembly were appalled and horrified when Davey Lewis proposed a law to provide workers' compensation.

An ambitious man, Lewis sought election to the US House of Representatives in 1908, running against GOP incumbent George A. Pearre, who had first been elected in 1898. It was a measure of Davey Lewis's ability as a campaigner that the election was the

closest of Congressman Pearre's career. The incumbent eked out a narrow victory, winning by 546 votes and tallying 49% of the ballots cast. Perhaps because of the close election, George Pearre did not seek reelection in 1910, preferring to return to his law practice. Davey Lewis ran again and was elected, turning the tables on Republican Brainard Warner in another close election. Lewis edged Warner by 689 votes and went to Washington, D.C., as a congressman.

In 1912, Congressman Lewis proposed a law which later became the parcel post was organized by the Department of the Post Office. At the time, some companies were aghast at Lewis' proposal, which would take the business from them and place it in the hands of the government. It might not have been a popular proposal with private business, but Congressman David Lewis was personally popular with the people he represented. Lewis won a smashing victory in his 1912 reelection campaign, winning by a majority almost ten times the size of his victory two years previously. Two years later, against a highly popular GOP candidate, Lewis won by only 742 votes.

Lewis yearned to serve in the United States Senate and won the Democratic nomination in 1916 to compete for an open seat. Lewis faced Dr. Joseph I. France, a Republican who had barely scraped by to upset Governor Phillips Lee Goldsborough in the primary. France ran a hard-hitting campaign, scouring Lewis for having been a socialist in his youth. While President Woodrow Wilson was running 21,000 votes ahead of the GOP presidential nominee in Maryland, Congressman Davey Lewis lost to Dr. Joseph I. France by a scant 3,922 votes out of more than 231,000 ballots cast. Dr. France had run far better in ordinarily Democratic Baltimore County than most Republicans, carrying it by less than 200 votes.

Usually, Democratic candidates could count on a big majority out of the City of Baltimore and Baltimore County.

President Wilson appointed Lewis to serve on the Tariff Commission, which provided a nice salary, a post Lewis kept until 1925. Nor did his appointment keep him from being politically active at a time well before the Hatch Act. Lewis once again sought election to the United States Senate, being a candidate once again for the Democratic nomination in a three-way race in 1922. Lewis ran a distant third, although he



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Congressman David J. Lewis of Maryland in 1938.

carried his former Sixth Congressional District. The White House was once again in Republican hands, and when President Calvin Coolidge indicated he would reappoint Lewis if he would sign an undated letter of resignation, the former congressman refused and left the Tariff Commission.

Lewis looked to return to elective politics and began eyeing his old seat in Congress, which was occupied by a Republican, Frederick Zihlman. Davey Lewis had beaten Zihlman in 1914, albeit only just barely. Lewis reasoned he remained popular in Maryland's Sixth Congressional District and was likely the only Democrat who could oust Zihlman. The former congressman campaigned energetically and spoke with his usual eloquence, but he had picked the wrong year to run, as 1928 proved to be a thoroughly Republican year. Popular former Governor Phillips Lee Goldsborough won election to the United States Senate while GOP presidential nominee Herbert Hoover was carrying the Free State. Congressman Zihlman thrashed Davey Lewis, winning by more than 10,000 votes and polling better than 56% of the ballots cast.

The only thing more fluid than politics is water, and things had changed drastically in two years. The stock market had crashed within a few months of Herbert Hoover having occupied the White House, and times were becoming harder for millions of Americans as the Great Depression loomed over the land. Lewis announced he was running for Congress once again to return to the House of Representatives. Lewis faced a serious candidate inside the primary and, perversely, lost his own home of Allegany County and carried the other four of the five-county Sixth Congressional District. Lewis demonstrated widespread support and won the Democratic nomination with more than 80%

of the vote.

Once again, Lewis faced Congressman Frederick Zihlman in the general election. Lewis campaigned hard on the hard economic times and the failure of the Republican Party and President Hoover to stem the tide of the rising depression. Davey Lewis won decisively, once again losing his own home county, but carrying the others. White-haired and "wizened," at least according to TIME magazine, David J. Lewis returned to the US House of Representatives after an absence of 14 years at age 62.

Congressman Lewis got right to work, sponsoring legislation that was often times well ahead of its time. Lewis offered bills on old-age insurance and nationwide unemployment. Perhaps the legislation that Lewis is still best remembered for by scholars is his sponsorship of the legislation that created Social Security. Upon occasion, Lewis's ideas were so popular during the New Deal that more senior and powerful legislators elbowed the Marylander out of the way to sponsor virtually identical bills. Robert L. Doughton, the cantankerous congressman from North Carolina, exercised considerable influence as the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and his bill about old age and unemployment insurance was so closely written to that sponsored by Lewis that the printing plates used to print his bill were the same as those used for the version written by Lewis. Doughton used his power to leverage his bill ahead of that sponsored by Davey Lewis. A lesser man would likely have reacted differently. Some wondered if Lewis would oppose the Doughton bill out of spite. Standing in the well of the House, Davey Lewis began to speak.

"Gentlemen of the House, we are at a crossroads of history," Lewis began. "We are developing a new class in America. It is those men and women who at 45 years of age

have reached the limit of employability. They are turned away on the basis of their age. I christen them 'America's untouchables!' Even under slavery, the slave owner did not fail to feed and clothe and doctor the slaves no matter what might happen to the crops or to markets ... Fellow members of the American House of Commons ... the world does not owe a man a living, I grant you, but as sure as God rules the heavens, it does owe him a chance to earn a living ... This measure is only a small effort to give the disemployed equality before the law."

The colleagues of Davey Lewis, realizing what had happened to his own bill, jumped up from their seats "shouting, clapping, cheering, as little Mr. Lewis gathered up his papers and scuttled to a seat near the door" TIME magazine reported. Colleagues sought him out to shake his hand and compliment him. David J. Lewis had made the valedictory of the debate to come. Members illustrated suffering by their own constituents from their personal experiences, what they had heard and seen. The shameless Robert Doughton proclaimed what had once been the Lewis Bill as "probably the most far-reaching piece of legislation ever considered by the American Congress."

It was the beginning of helping those who had faltered through no fault of their own. The Great Depression was a time made for a politician like David J. Lewis, who was intensely interested in easing the difficulties and burdens borne by the less fortunate. Lewis was handsomely reelected in 1932, winning better than 58% of the vote. Two years later in the midterm election of 1934, Lewis faced a formidable challenge from the still popular former Congressman Frederick Zihlman. It was a close race, although Lewis won by 1,361 votes. Lewis won handily with Franklin Roosevelt at the top of the ticket in 1936.

David J. Lewis bears

more than a footnote in one of the most famous elections in American history and in the history of President Franklin Roosevelt's administration. For the first four years of his rule, Roosevelt got pretty much what he wanted from Congress. Peppery US Senator Carter Glass of Virginia once cracked that if FDR demanded that Congress commit suicide, they would obey. That supine obedience came to a halt when Roosevelt initiated his effort to pack the US Supreme Court. That caused a rebellion amongst Roosevelt's fellow Democrats, both progressives and conservatives. One of the most vocal opponents of Roosevelt's scheme was Senator Millard Tydings of Maryland. Outraged to be thwarted and humiliated by the Senate, FDR began what became known as his "purge" of political opponents. Roosevelt encouraged primary challenges to those Democratic senators he felt had not gone along with him, which included Tydings. Davey Lewis still wanted to go to the Senate, and Roosevelt convinced the aging congressman to challenge Senator Tydings inside the Democratic primary. President Roosevelt even traveled to Maryland to campaign for Lewis. Muckraking columnist Drew Pearson and his sisters, angry at what they perceived as Tydings' treatment of their father, who had been the appointed governor of Puerto Rico, had lavished more than \$17,000 in contributions to Lewis's campaign. It was a huge sum for the time, but even FDR could not elect David J. Lewis to the Senate. Tydings won a thumping victory, polling just over 38% of the vote, although he did carry most of his congressional district.

Roosevelt rewarded Lewis with another federal job, appointing him to the National Mediation Board in 1939, where he served until his resignation in 1943. David J. Lewis died on 12, 1952, at the age of 83 in Cumberland, Maryland.

Sept. 1863 special to Knoxville (Part One)

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Ambrose Burnside had been planning a sweeping descent into East Tennessee. He was waiting only for many of his ill Union troops to recover, and for fresh horses and supplies. In preparation for his coming campaign, he positioned troops in a line a hundred miles long, stretching across eastern Kentucky.

As Union troops massed near Somerset on what is now called Burnside Island, General Ambrose Burnside moved his headquarters to Crab Orchard and sheltered himself and his staff in the Spring Hotel, a health spa which soothed some of his officers with its mineral baths. A few weeks before General Burnside moved his troops into Tennessee by way of Pine Knot and Marsh's Siding in McCreary County, the Confederate forces in Knoxville were

seeking all the information they could get on the Union commander's plans. The Rebels believed that the main Union force, encamped near Crab Orchard, was assembled and ready to invade. The question was: Where would the march come from?

Colonel J. B. Palmer, commander of the Fifth Brigade, reported that several Whitley County men had recently been arrested and then released by the Federals and were in Knoxville attempting to get a friend out of Confederate hands. One of the detainees spoke of his friend, George Little, a Williamsburg attorney and former deputy marshal who had gone with Colonel S.P. Carter on his successful raid in January of 1863.

Little told the informant that he had recently returned from General Carter's forces who were ready to move on

Tennessee. Carter's force, Little added, was going to invade "via one of the gaps north of Cumberland Gap" and General Burnside, with the main force, would invade "via Somerset, Kentucky, and Jamestown, Tennessee."

"My informant believes that Little really thought that the movement would be made as indicated," Colonel Palmer reported. He added that the invasion would come by way of Big Creek Gap (LaFollette, Tennessee), and by way of Jamestown, and that Burnside's likely objective was not Knoxville but Tullahoma, in Middle Tennessee.

Colonel Palmer noted that the statements of the Whitley County men "are

not, perhaps, perfectly reliable" but added that they could be depended upon for their impressions.

Much the same information was being reported to Rebel authorities by others, and W. W. Mackall, a Confederate chief of staff, ordered Major-General Wheeler to send John Hunt Morgan's Cavalry to Wayne County, Kentucky, to check out reports of mass troop

movements there. On May 4th, Confederate commander Major-General Dabney H. Maury ordered Major-General Samuel Jones, in Western Virginia, to send reinforcements to Bristol and Greeneville, Tn., in expectation of an invasion. He noted that Gen. Humphrey Marshall's forces were along Pine Mountain, near Cumberland Ford

(Pineville). Apparently, the Yankee efforts to confuse the Rebel command were successful, thanks to Williamsburg's George Little and others. The expected invasion by Burnside did not come until August, and did not arrive by any of the routes the Rebels expected.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Lady Bulldogs notch comeback win over Hardin Valley

By Ken Lay

It took a comeback, but the Bearden High School girls soccer team notched a crucial District 4-3A victory Friday night.

The Lady Bulldogs edged Hardin Valley Academy, 2-1, before a packed and spirited home crowd at Turner-Allender Field.

But Bearden (7-2-1, 2-0 District 4-3A) found itself behind early as the Lady Hawks scored the first goal of the match when Makayla Hammond found the back of the net in the first minute.

But quick starts aren't anything new for Hardin Valley (7-6-1, 2-1).

The Lady Hawks also tallied in the first minute in a recent league match against Farragut and that early marker was enough to lift HVA in that rivalry game.

"They did the same thing against us that they did against Farragut," Bearden coach Ryan Radcliffe said. "They scored early."

"We knew they were a fast-starting team."

The Lady Hawks held the upper hand in the match throughout much of the first half. But the

Lady Bulldogs would respond and pull even when freshman Reese Underwood tallied the equalizer in the 29th minute.

Underwood is the daughter of Bearden girls basketball coach Justin Underwood.

"I told the girls before the game that they would start fast, and I think, from now on, I'm not going to say anything because when I do, I kind of speak those things into existence," Radcliffe said. "But I liked our response."

"Sometimes, with a young team, the kids don't understand

how important a game like this is, but Reese is a coach's kid, so you know she understands. I think when she scored that first goal, she got us back into the game."

The Lady Bulldogs took the lead for good when Madi Bowlin converted a penalty kick in the 59th minute after the Lady Hawks were whistled for a foul inside the goal box.

Friday night's victory was big for the Lady Bulldogs, but Radcliffe knows that some important matches lie ahead for his side.

"This was an important win for

us because we were both undefeated (in the district)," Radcliffe said. "But I don't want to say that we're undefeated because we've only played two games."

"We still have to play Farragut, West and Maryville."

The Lady Bulldogs will return to action Tuesday night when they travel to Fountain City to play Central. They then host Farragut Thursday. Both games begin at 7 p.m.

Bearden then hosts West on Sept. 29 before traveling to Maryville on Oct. 1.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL WEEK 5



PHOTO BY DAN DUNLAP

Grace Christian running back Javey Stinson runs after catching a pass and is pursued by Webb defensive lineman Jax Nichols.

Grace pulls away for 45-10 win over Webb

By Steve Williams

A healthier Grace Christian team pulled away from Webb School for a 45-10 win Friday night at David Meske Stadium.

Terrion Thomas has definitely made a difference this season after missing most of the 2025 season with an injury. His play against the Spartans was a good example of that as he caught six passes for 70 yards and one touchdown, ran for 66 yards and two TDs and threw a 29-yard TD pass.

"Terrion's back, he's doing

well, and we will see how we look after this game, but we're pretty healthy," said Head Coach Justin Price.

The 4-0 Rams' next game will be Friday against Concord Christian at Carson-Newman. Webb (0-5) plays at CAK.

Grace Christian jumped out to a 14-0 lead over Webb in the first quarter. The Spartans got on the scoreboard (14-7) in the opening minute of the second quarter on a 1-yard plunge by Matthew Rogers, but that was as close as they would get.

Corbin Hobson's 29-yard pass to a wide-open Anderson Glover with 7:24 on the clock and Rafael Silva's extra point kick extended the Rams' margin back to 14 points (21-7).

Hobson's pass to Thomas and a downfield block by Kaden Webber produced a 31-yard touchdown and a 28-7 lead.

A targeting foul on Webb followed by a 13-yard run down the sideline by Thomas increased the GCA lead to 35-7 in the third quarter. A 20-yard field goal by the Spartans' Bryce Teutimez

trimmed the margin to 35-10.

Before the quarter ended, Javey Stinson scored on a 25-yard run to make it 42-10.

Silva added a 24-yard FG, and GCA's Braylen Mathis recovered a fumble, which for Webb was like having salt put into a wound.

Coach Price said it was "too early" to think about a state title. "Our focus is going to be to continue to build on our confidence. I want our kids to be confident in what they're doing, but also not to be complacent. We want

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Construction for new Hardin Valley community building set to begin

Knox County Parks and Recreation will begin construction of a new community building at Hardin Valley Community Park on Monday, September 28. Construction is expected to take approximately 13 months, with completion anticipated in winter 2027.

The new Hardin Valley Community Building will provide a dedicated gathering space managed by Knox County Parks and Recreation after completion. The project will include construction of the community building, a new entrance and parking lot, and access to the park's existing inclusive playground.

Construction will be completed by Johnson & Gaylon Construction and managed by PBA Property Development.

Due to the scope of construction, Hardin Valley Community Park will be closed to the public beginning September 28 and will remain closed for the duration of the project.

"We are excited to bring a new community building to Hardin Valley that will provide a central hub for residents to gather, connect, and participate in programs and events," said Knox County Commissioner Terry Hill. "This project represents what years of advocacy can accomplish when prioritizing the future of the communities we serve."

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL WEEK 5

Hardin Valley beats Bearden 48-7

By Mark Nagi

In the first four games of the season, the Hardin Valley Hawks offense had been solid, averaging over 42 points per contest. On Thursday, September 17, the Hawks kept the good times rolling, beating rival Bearden 48-7. "I was extremely pleased with how our kids played," said Hardin Valley head coach Tyler Wynn. Hardin Valley (4-1, 1-1 in Region 2-6A) missed a short field goal on their first drive but finished strong on their second with a 6-yard touchdown run by Ayden Perry, making it 7-0 Hawks. But Bearden (0-5, 0-2 in Region 2-6A) bounced back with a daring call from their head coach, Brad Taylor. Following multiple penalties, the Bulldogs faced 4th and 28 from the HVA 45; punter Tomas Lopez stepped up and threw to Zac Nicaud, who ran it into the end zone, tying the game at 7. But HVA wasn't fazed and responded with 41 unanswered points. "It's one of those where we challenge the kids to be resilient," said Wynn. "That's one of our core values, something that we talk about all the time. What does resiliency look like? It looks like when things go wrong, we're not sulking, but you just clean yourself up and be ready to compete immediately. And that's what our kids did. You know, I didn't see a kid hanging their head or upset on the sideline. It was just like, all right, put the ball back down, and we'll play. So, I think that just speaks to our kids and their resiliency." In the second quarter, HVA took the lead back on a beautiful pass from Riley Matz. Jeremiah Brown outraced two Bulldog defenders and caught the football in stride. The 47-yard hookup made it 14-7. On their next possession, Cruize Furman took a screen pass, hit the

sideline, and sprinted 60 yards for the touchdown. Then it was Nick Rivers racing 25 yards for a score, and Hardin Valley led 28-7 at intermission. Wynn knows what he has at the skill positions. "We have got a great, great nucleus of guys that work really well together," said Wynn. "We've had 13 different guys offensively score touchdowns (this season). We have got playmakers in different spots, and we try to spread the football around. We have got a lot of selfless guys. It's just a fun style of football that the kids really enjoy, a group of kids who work well together. It can be really exciting, and really fun to be a part of and a fun offense for those kids." In the third quarter, a botched punt gave HVA the football at the Bulldogs' one-yard line. Metz called his own number, leaped into the end zone, and that capped the most efficient TD drive ever. One play, one yard, three seconds, and it was 35-7 Hawks. A few minutes later, he added a 7-yard TD scamper to make it 41-7. That brought with it a continual running clock. A 3-yard TD run by Eli Whaley in the fourth quarter concluded the scoring. Up next, Bearden looks for their first victory of the season at rival Farragut on Friday night. As for Hardin Valley, a big chance awaits as they play at Maryville. "Maryville's a really good football team, a storied program," said Wynn. "We want to play them because that's where we want to get to as a program. We're excited about the challenge, and excited to see how our guys compete at what is considered the highest level. They are one of the premier programs in the state, so the opportunity to go against them in an away game- we'll see where we are at. It looks to be an exciting night. Really excited to see our kids compete against one of the top programs in the state."

A GLANCE BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD

Seven teams with winning records at halfway mark

By Steve Williams

It's hard to believe the first half of the 2026 high school football regular season is over. It just zoomed by, particularly for teams who have had winning seasons. In the Focus' circulation area, that would be seven teams in TSSAA Division I, including Seymour (4-1) in Region 1-4A, Austin-East (3-1) in Region 2-3A, Gibbs (4-1) and South-Doyle (4-1) in Region 2-4A, Central (5-0) and Powell (5-0) in Region 2-5A and Hardin Valley (4-1) in Region 2-6A. In Division II, that would include Concord Christian (3-2) in the Class A East Region, CAK (5-0) and Grace Christian (4-0) in the Class AA East Region, and Catholic (4-1) in the Class AAA East Region. Local teams who are below the .500 mark, you know who you are. But the

good news is, you still have a chance to finish strong and make the playoffs. These teams are Carter, Fulton, Karns, West, Halls, Farragut, Bearden and Webb. The King's Academy did not field a team last year, but currently is 3-2, after losing to Southwestern, Ky., in Week 4 and defeating Providence Academy last Friday. "All we've put out are enrollment numbers," said TSSAA Assistant Executive Director Matthew Gillespie last Thursday. "Classification will be posted sometime the week of Sept. 21." Tennessee School for the Deaf (2-0 after its win at Oklahoma SD and its win over South Carolina SD) is a member of the Mason-Dixon Conference for Deaf Schools.

By Steve Williams

Lorenzen Shaw put on a show in his last game at Tennessee School for the Deaf. In fact, the Vikings' opponent Thursday night, South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind, most likely is thrilled they won't have to deal with the bruiser anymore. A strong 5-11, 215 pound running back, Shaw was like a man among boys. There were even times in the game when the visiting Hornets backed off when Lorenzen was coming their way. On Senior Night at Chambers Field, the two teams played the 6-man game on an 80-yard field. Shaw scored seven of TSD's eight touchdowns in the first half and added one more in the third quarter in the Vikings' 60-20 win. TSD Head Coach Chris Dorn got the ice bucket treatment after the game, but he didn't mind. "Whew, it was waking me up that's for sure, but it does feel good," said Dorn, who is in his first season as the Vikings' head coach. "The offense and the defense on both sides were outstanding. "It (the goal) was to be undefeated this season, which is really great. And then we take it on the road." TSD (2-0) will play its next game on Oct. 15 at South Carolina SD. Shaw's TDs came in different ways: a 45-yard interception return, a 50-yard catch from quarterback Connor Smith and a 55-yard run in the opening quarter when he displayed his strength and speed. In the second quarter, Shaw had a 7-yard run, a 9-yard run and a 30-yard run when it became obvious that the Hornets didn't want any part of the big guy. Lorenzen capped his first half onslaught with a 58-yard run with less than a second on the clock. After South Carolina scored a safety early in the second half, TSD had to kick off from its 10-yard line. Again Shaw showed another talent of his when he kicked the ball all the way to the Hornets' 5-yard line, a

The start of a dream come true?

Lorenzen Shaw's goal is to be a running back in the NFL. And after TSD's win last week, the head coach of the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind, Michael Sims said, "And I think he could go there. I think maybe UT's sleeping on him. And I'm going to tell the running back coach. "The running back coach for UT is my nephew, Derail Sims. This will be his third year at UT. He doesn't (know about Shaw) but he will." Could UT be the next step for Lorenzen ... and then the NFL? – Steve Williams

Rivalry games crank up this week

Throw the win-loss records out the window for Bearden at Farragut (the city slickers vs. the farmers), Webb at CAK (the Spartans could walk to the game it's so close), Powell at Central (a lot of snarling will be heard from the undefeated Panthers and Bobcats) and Grace Christian at Concord Christian (a lot of angels will be looking down).

Roe's grandsons on the Concord team

Larry Roe, longtime youth football coach who is featured in this week's Focus issue, has two grandsons on the Concord Christian team – Dee Bonner, a junior WR/DB, and Tahj Roe, a freshman WR/LB. Mitch is their dad and "Scrap" is their uncle.

Preps of the Past
Sept. 9, 2016

Elijah Howard, a Webb School eighth grader with tremendous speed, led Coach David Meske's Spartans to a 35-33 win over Christian Academy of Knoxville. Howard scored on two touchdown dashes of 23 and 47 yards. He also snagged a short pass from Hunter Green and turned it into a 78-yard TD. Coach Travis Mozingo's Warriors rallied from a 16-point deficit, but Webb held on for the two-point victory. CAK's Cole Smith threw two TD passes to cut the Spartans' lead to two, but time ran out.

Sept. 22, 2006

Bearden trailed 55-0 to Central at halftime the season before in 2005, but Bulldogs Coach Bill Wilson

reminded his team of that and Bearden used that for motivation and handed the Bobcats a 21-6 loss. Bearden QB Dawson Halliday threw three TD passes and said after game, "This will be in our memory forever." Wilson made pink T-shirts for his players to wear with "55-0 NOT" printed in big black numbers.

Sonny Moore Computer Ratings

(Top 10 local teams through Sept. 14 games)

1-GCA	139.44 (No. 5 in state)
2-CAK	131.60
3-Catholic	124.02
4-Central	122.28
5-Hardin Valley	118.92
6-Powell	117.98
7-Seymour	109.32
8-Gibbs	107.57
9-South-Doyle	107.29
10-West	105.09



PHOTO BY MARIAH CLAY

TSD's Lorenzen Shaw looks for paydirt against South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind Thursday night at Chambers Field. Shaw scored seven of the Vikings' eight touchdowns in their 60-20 victory.

65-yard boot. Shaw had another 45-yard interception return in the third quarter with 4:30 left on the running clock. The Vikings' other touchdown in the game came early in the second quarter. Dereck Lopez Jimenez gained seven yards, Smith passed to Jimenez for 21 more yards and Brandon Guzman zig zagged into the end zone from the 25. Jimenez also had runs of 16 and 17 yards and Guzman picked up 15 yards on another run. It may have been a one-man game, but TSD's defense also was a beast, particularly early. Shaw threw a South Carolina receiver out of bounds for a 1-yard loss. Following that, the Vikings' Cruz

Ramirez tackled another Hornet for an 8-yard loss. On South Carolina's next possession, TSD's defense tackled the Hornets behind the line three straight times, including an 8-yard TFL by Christian Murray. Other contributors for the Vikings' defense included Guzman and Cruz Ramirez, who each had two tackles for loss and Murray had one TFL. Shaw may have had the hardest tackle in the game when he threw a Hornet out of bounds at the start. Tyarius Howard also contributed on defense. Guzman and Murray each caught two PAT passes from Smith. Jacob Greenfield contributed one PAT pass and one PAT run.

2026 Prep Football WEEK SIX

Games kick off at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, September 24
Powell at Central
Friday, September 25
Catholic at Hoover, AL
Fulton at Alcoa
Webb at CAK
TKA at Chattanooga Grace
Bearden at Farragut
William Blount at Karns
Austin-East at Kingston
Heritage at Carter
Halls at West
Gibbs at Lenoir City
Hardin Valley at Maryville
Cherokee at Seymour
South-Doyle at Union Co.
Grace at Concord Christian (at Carson-Newman)

Week Five Scores
Hardin Valley 48, Bearden 7
TSD 60, SCSD 20
Anderson Co. 41, Carter 14
Austin-East 41, Brainerd 6
CAK 44, Silverdale 13
Central 48, Clinton 7
MTCS 50, CCS 14
Maryville 49, Farragut 0
Fulton 37, Heritage 17
TKA 32, Providence 13
Grace 45, Webb 10
West 56, Campbell Co. 13
Powell 42, Karns 0
Gibbs 28, South-Doyle 7
Seymour 17, Volunteer 14
Halls 48, William Blount 14
MBA 34, Catholic 7

Week Four

TSD 55, OSD 0 (Sat. game)

Significant wins, losses... and ties

It was sometime very late in the evening of Oct. 12, 2002, going into the wee hours of Oct. 13. The Vols had just defeated Arkansas 41-38 in 6 overtimes at Neyland Stadium.

Haywood Harris, unbelievably perky at that hour, was at his typewriter assembling Coach Fulmer's comments for publication in a former U.T. sports publication called Smokey's Tale.

A man walked by, looked in Haywood's general direction, and made this observation about the game. It was unclear whether he knew Haywood personally or only by reputation.

"Well," he said, and without provocation, "that was certainly better than a tie."

That comment caused Haywood, a for-sure football purist, to stop typing, sit up straight in his chair, and respond as only he could.

"What's wrong with a tie?," he said. It was a good question.

QUESTION: If there are memories of historically great wins or losses, why not assess what was the greatest tie?

Haywood's remarks echoed the sentiments of many long-time fans, who viewed ties as a legitimate end to the game. They saw overtime as deus ex

machina, i.e., a contrived ending.

QUESTION: If there are memories of historically great wins or losses, why not assess what was the greatest tie game in Vol history? Here's one man's opinion.

During the 1965 season, when Tennessee and Alabama were deadlocked in the final seconds at Legion Field, the Tide was moving to the South end of the stadium. Alabama had defeated the Vols four years in a row since losing in 1960 – all decisive decisions. Regardless, the Vols were somehow still in the game.

Legend has it that Alabama always won these games, but on this day, the Vols proved they belonged on the national scene in college football. Sports Illustrated had a large color picture from the game spread over parts of two pages in the nest week's edition.

There was always a special ambience to Legion Field when the Crimson Tide, ball in hand, was heading toward a game-tying or game-clinching score. It wasn't a place for faint hearts on opposing sidelines.

Let's take a look at what happened as the clock wound down. George Mooney and former Vol Bob Foxx were on the call that day.

MOONEY: "Thirty-four seconds remain on the clock. Alabama has the ball

on the 17-yard line, directly between the goalposts. David Ray set a national scoring record by the foot last year. He's kicked 9-of-9 extra points, 10-of-10 including today. They're going to pass the ball. [COMMENT: They didn't. Stabler ran.]

"Stabler has it. He goes down to the 10, to the 5, brought down at the 4-yard line and fumbles the ball. Let's see who recovered on the far side of the field. It didn't go out of bounds. The clock is running, 18, 17...

"They faked it, and he ran to the Tennessee 3. It's fourth and goal. They're lining up now. The ball is taken by Stabler. He throws the ball out of bounds with 6 seconds to go. But it was fourth down, and apparently he didn't realize it."

FOXX: "Right. It was fourth down, and he didn't make it."

MOONEY: "Tennessee takes over. Alabama didn't realize it was fourth down, and Stabler threw the ball away to stop the clock. David Ray was thinking he was going to have a chance."

FOXX: "He was practicing."

MOONEY: "Alabama lost track of the downs. Tennessee has the ball, 6 seconds to go. That was a beautiful fake on third down by Stabler. They had the ball on the 17, but what the young quarterback and the rest of the team forgot was that they had been pushed back by



Former "Voice of the Vols" George Mooney (C) is shown with the Vol Network's Edwin C. Huster Jr. (L) and AD Doug Dickey (R).

Tennessee from inside the 10." [COMMENT: The play in question was called "99 Quick."]

FOXX: "It was first-and-goal."

MOONEY: "Tennessee ball. Charley Fulton, the quarterback, takes it and the clock is going to run out. Tennessee and Alabama are going to tie. There it is. Tennessee 7, Alabama 7. I'll be back with some final words in a minute."

That's the way it was 61 years ago. It was a great moment for Doug Dickey, a second-year head

coach trying to rebuild Tennessee's football fortunes, and a not-so-hot moment for Bear Bryant, whose Alabama team later won a piece of the national championship.

The Vols finished with 8 wins, 1 loss, and 2 ties. The Vols finished No. 10 in the final AP poll. Team captain Hal Wantland was named the SEC's best blocker. When asked about Tennessee tying Alabama," Hal said, "Alabama tied us."

Alabama historians have recounted how Bryant had one of his police escorts

shoot the lock off the East side dressing room door, after finding the door locked. Other accounts have stated that Bryant dared anybody to challenge him and kicked the door in himself.

Memories of wins and losses... and ties, have defined this series, and Vol football overall, across the years. On this day, the Vols were again reaching for the stars against Alabama, the Southeastern Conference, and on the national scene.

YOUTH FOOTBALL SPOTLIGHT (Part 2)

Roe's Top 5 players were the best of the best

By Steve Williams

He loved every one of them, but he had a Top 5 ranking of players from his 48 years of coaching youth football.

Kippy Bayless, DyShawn Mobley, Demtrus Davis, Demarcus Fine and Andre Styles were Coach Larry Roe's best of the best.

They all were running backs, except Styles, who stood out as a wide receiver.

After playing for Roe for two seasons (1983 and 1985), Bayless was a star at Central High School for Coach Joel Helton. From there, he went on to Middle Tennessee State University and was on the All-OVC team three years in a row. Just recently, Kippy was inducted into the MTSU Hall of Fame.

"We (Kippy and I) were real close," said Coach Roe. "His mother, however, wanted him to go to Vanderbilt for its academics and prestige. But Kippy didn't want to go to Vandy and turned to me for help.

"I just told his mom, 'Kippy is a football player first,' and she eventually gave in."

Bayless is living now in Murfreesboro, home of the



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Surrounded by a scrapbook full of memories, a special Hall of Fame plaque and pictures of a few of his many players through the years he coached, Larry Roe proudly smiles and holds the football trophy he received in 2010 for his many years of service and dedication in the Center City Youth Sports (CCYSP) football program.

Blue Raiders.

Mobley played for Roe in 2003 and 2004 and graduated from Powell High in 2011 after playing for Matt Lowe. DyShawn took his game to Kentucky and Eastern Kentucky in college and was on his way to the NFL when he had a hamstring injury in mini camp and decided not to

play pro ball.

Mobley now has a work-out center in Oak Ridge and is doing well, said Roe.

By the way, Roe pointed out Bayless and Mobley both started out playing on the line in youth football. He recalled too that Bayless was "fast" and Mobley was "tough and determined."

Davis and Fine both excelled at Fulton under Coach Buck Coatney and Davis played on a state championship team.

Styles, a Rule High grad, was on Roe's 1975 team that handed Oak Ridge its first loss by a Knoxville team in the Midget Division. Like Bayless, Styles also played at MTSU.

The University of Tennessee presented Coach Roe with a Community Service Achievement Award for youth football during a halftime presentation at Neyland Stadium in 1985.

"I'll never forget that," said Larry.

Head Coach Johnny Majors was at the presentation, too. And Roe remembers him saying: "Keep them (young and talented players) coming."

Roe coached youth football because he loved it. He would drive to bowl games outside of Knoxville too, like NAGAF in Anderson County.

He also spent a lot of money and wasn't getting paid anything. His satisfaction was simply seeing his teams improve and enjoy playing the game.

"My concern was to help

the kids," said Roe. "The wins weren't really that important.

"They didn't have any recreation in those projects either, none whatsoever.

"I wanted to let the people know what we were doing wasn't only about football and basketball, even though we were successful in those sports.

"The only thing they were looking at was drugs, gang violence and all that stuff, so our main concern was to give them something else.

"Give them a new identity. Change the whole concept and that happened. Some of them left us and were successful in high school and then went on to college.

"We didn't get every one of them, but you're not going to get every one. But if you save one, that's worth it right there."

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Central's Malia Moore and Lennox Hinton go to the net in the Lady Bobcats' win over Gibbs Thursday in Fountain City. With the win, Central remained atop the district standings.

Lady Bobcats sweep past Gibbs to remain atop District 3-3A standings

By Ken Lay

Central High School continued its magical 2026 season Thursday night with a District 3-3A sweep at home.

The Lady Bobcats (23-1, 10-0 District 3-3A) had a quick evening on the volleyball court as they swept Gibbs, 25-12, 25-12, 25-15, to close out the week in Fountain City.

“We took care of business,” Central coach Susan Davidson. “(Gibbs coach) Holly (Walker) does

a great job over there. They're growing.”

The Lady Eagles started fast, opening a 4-2 lead in the opening set, but Central simply had too much firepower as it served its way to a big win.

“Our serving was really tough tonight. Our girls did a great job and we're doing some special things over here,” Davidson said.

The Lady Bobcats have dominated in league play this season as they've dropped just one set in their 10 district matches,

but they'll face a pair of tough road matches as they travel to Oak Ridge on Tuesday before playing at Anderson County Thursday night.

It was a big week for Central setter Pyper Clevinger, who recorded her 1,000th career assist in a win over Campbell County. The Lady Bobcats swept the Lady Cougars, 25-9, 25-8, 25-12 at home Tuesday night.

“Pyper does a great job because we don't give her the best passes,”

Davidson said.

Ally Bryant, a senior who notched her 1,000th career kill earlier this season, led a balanced hitting attack for the Lady Bobcats as she had 15 kills against the Lady Eagles. Malia Moore added eight kills, while Kaylin Wiley added nine kills and five service aces. Trinity Brooks totaled four kills on the night.

Central's service game got a boost from Jolie Sheddan, who keyed several key scoring runs.

“Jolie had a key service run,” Davidson said. “She came off the bench like she always does and her serve is really tricky.”

Like Davidson, Bryant said she feels that the 2026 Central squad is in the midst of a special season.

“When we make a mistake, our teammates, my teammates, always help us to become better and excel,” Bryant said. “They make us better players and better teammates.”

Grace pulls away for 45-10 win over Webb

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to continue to improve to reach our potential.

"The Lord has blessed this team, but we are going to take it one at a time."

Webb Coach George Quarles said, "They're just a better team than us right now. They've got a great team. They have really good players on both sides of the ball. Our kids played hard and fought. But at the end of the day you can't turn it over. You can't make the mistakes that we made and beat a good team like they are."

Hobson completed 17 of 20 passes for two TDs. Stinson rushed for 100 yards and one TD and had two catches for 28 yards. Mathis had four catches for 96 yards and one TD.

Defensively, Jackson Coffey had 14 tackles, two QB hurries and one caused fumble. Campbell Johnson had 10 tackles. Webber had five tackles, 1.5 TFL, three QB hurries, one interception for 40 yards and three catches for 59 yards.

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NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: REGINA RUTH BURCHELL

IN RE: JOHNATHAN EUGENE BURCHELL, Petitioner VS. REGINA RUTH BURCHELL and JOHNATHAN BURCHELL, Respondents

CASE NO. 3917

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Respondent, REGINA RUTH BURCHELL, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon REGINA RUTH BURCHELL, regarding the conservatorship action pending in this Court:

IT IS HEREBY COMMANDED that said Respondent, REGINA RUTH BURCHELL, is to file an ANSWER to the Petition with Petitioner's Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice as required by law; and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, this case shall be set for hearing without Respondent's presence.

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

This 20th day of AUGUST, 2026.

Barbara Williams
Union County Circuit Court Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: WILLIAM A. HANEY

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM GENE HANEY, Deceased

BY: THERESA STARR OLDHAM, Petitioner VS. WILLIAM A. HANEY, Respondent

CASE NO. 2299

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT MAYNARDVILLE

In this cause, it appearing from the Order of Publication, that the residence of Respondent WILLIAM A. HANEY is unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, it

was ordered that publication be made to notify Respondent, WILLIAM A. HANEY to appear and file an ANSWER with this Court and to send a copy to Petitioner's Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice, exclusive of the last day of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a judgment by default may be entered against the said Respondent, WILLIAM A. HANEY.

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

This 25 day of AUGUST, 2026.

Sandra Edmondson
Union County Clerk and Master

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: SUMMER RING

IN RE: CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 18, L. R., DOB 04/03/2024

BY: JOSHUA PERRY, Petitioner/Father VS. SUMMER RING, Respondent/Mother

CASE NO. 47JC7-2026-PPP-18

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Respondent, SUMMER RING, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon SUMMER RING, regarding the custody case pending in this Court:

IT IS HEREBY COMMANDED that said Respondent, SUMMER RING is to file an ANSWER to this Petition with Petitioner's Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice as required by law; 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 31 day of JULY, 2026.

Charles D. Susano, III
Knox County Juvenile Court Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: SUMMER RING

IN RE: CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 18, L. R., DOB 04/03/2024

BY: JOSHUA PERRY, Petitioner/Father VS. SUMMER RING, Respondent/Mother

CASE NO. K-0768

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE
CHILD SUPPORT DIVISION

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Respondent, SUMMER RING, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon SUMMER RING, regarding the child support case pending in this Court:

IT IS HEREBY COMMANDED that said Respondent, SUMMER RING is to file an ANSWER to this Petition with Petitioner's Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice as required by law; 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 31 day of JULY, 2026.

Charles D. Susano, III
Knox County Juvenile Court Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: SKYLAR DANIELLE WHEELER, Respondent/Mother, and JOSEPH ELDRIDGE, Respondent, Father

IN RE: CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 18, J. N. E., DOB 01/03/2026

BY: JENNIFER LEE SCOTT, and husband ROBIN BROAD, Petitioners/Grandparents VS. SKYLAR DANIELLE WHEELER, Respondent/Mother, and JOSEPH ELDRIDGE, Respondent, Father

CASE NO. 87JC1-2026-DN-11

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Respondents SKYLAR DANIELLE WHEELER, Respondent/Mother, and JOSEPH ELDRIDGE, Respondent, Father, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon SKYLAR DANIELLE WHEELER, Respondent/Mother, and JOSEPH ELDRIDGE, Respondent, Father, regarding the Petition for Emergency Custody filed in this matter;

IT IS HEREBY COMMANDED that said Respondents, SKYLAR DANIELLE WHEELER, Respondent/Mother, and JOSEPH ELDRIDGE, Respondent, Father are to file an ANSWER to the Petition for Emergency Custody with Petitioners' Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice as required by law; and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, the Petition will be taken as admitted by the Respondents and the case set for hearing without the Respondents' presence.

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

This 14th day of AUGUST, 2026.

Barbara Williams
Union County Juvenile Court Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: TAMMY MARIE ZIRKLE

IN RE: CHARLES R. ZIRKLE, Plaintiff VS. TAMMY MARIE ZIRKLE, Defendant

CASE NO. 4040

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT MAYNARDVILLE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant, TAMMY MARIE ZIRKLE, whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon TAMMY MARIE ZIRKLE, regarding the Complaint for Divorce filed in this matter;

IT IS HEREBY COMMANDED that said Defendant, TAMMY MARIE ZIRKLE, is to file an ANSWER to the Complaint for Divorce with Plaintiff's Attorney, Darrick Edmondson, whose address is P. O. BOX 789, Maynardville, TN 37807, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this Notice as required by law; and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, the Complaint will be taken as admitted by the Defendant and the case set for hearing without the Defendant's presence.

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

This 24 day of AUGUST, 2026.

Barbara Williams
Union County Circuit Court Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DEMETRIA

DOLORES JIMENEZ, Deceased

BY: MARIA ELENA MATA, Petitioner VS. DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ, Respondent

CAUSE NO. 2026-CPR00580

IN THE STATUTORY PROBATE COURT NO. 2 OF EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

In this cause, it appearing from the Motion for Notice of Service of Publication that the current residence and whereabouts of DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ, Respondent, are unknown to Plaintiff so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ, Respondent, it is hereby ordered that DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ, Respondent, file an Answer with the Statutory Probate Court No. 2 of El Paso County, Texas, concerning the Application to Probate Will as a Muniment of Title More Than Four Years After Decedent's Death in regards to the Estate of Demetria Dolores Jimenez, Deceased. A notice shall be published for four consecutive weeks in The Knoxville Focus newspaper in Knoxville, TN in accordance with Respondent's last known address. The Respondent, DEMETRIA GUADALUPE JIMENEZ, must file an Answer with the above stated Court and with Steve Ortega, Petitioner's Attorney, whose address is 521 Texas Avenue, El Paso Texas 79901, on or before thirty (30) days from the date of the last publication of this Notice.

Failure to do so may render a judgment by Default for the Petitioner in this case.

This Notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus: September 8, 14, 21, and 28, 2026.

This the 31st day of August, 2026.

Delia Briones
El Paso County Clerk
Cristian Rogers
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: JASON DUANE SCHWEINSBERG

IN RE: JENNIFER LYNN DEMPSEY, Plaintiff VS. JASON DUANE SCHWEINSBERG, Defendant

Docket # 165374

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 JASON DUANE SCHWEINSBERG, 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 JASON DUANE SCHWEINSBERG.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

filed by JENNIFER LYNN DEMPSEY, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with EMILY B. VOWELL, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 408 N. CEDAR BLUFF RD., SUITE 425, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication.

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

This the 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

Mike Hammond
Clerk

Robert A. Clark
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: DALTON SCOTT THOMAS

IN RE: ALEXANDREA GRACE THOMAS, Plaintiff - Vs - DALTON SCOTT THOMAS, Defendant

Docket # 165326

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 DALTON SCOTT THOMAS, 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 DALTON SCOTT THOMAS.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by ALEXANDREA GRACE THOMAS, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with MATTHEW J. LAMBERTH, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 6705 ALBUNDA DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication.

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

This the 9th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

Mike Hammond
Clerk

Robert A. Clark
Deputy Clerk

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: JHD INVESTMENTS, LLC
IN RE: KINGSTON PLACE ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff
v.
JHD INVESTMENTS, LLC, Defendant

DOCKET NO. 211985-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant, JHD INVESTMENTS, LLC, as to its Registered Agent or Current Address for its Principal Office or Other Location, 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 JHD INVESTMENTS, LLC, it is ordered that said defendant, JHD INVESTMENTS, LLC, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with Kevin C. Stevens, and Attorney whose address is Fourth Floor, Bank of America Center, 550 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgement by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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

This the 15th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: WILLIAM J. LAMERE and VICKIE L. LAMERE
IN RE: SPRADLIN PLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff
v.
WILLIAM J. LAMERE and VICKIE L. LAMERE, Defendant(s)

DOCKET NO. 206769-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Affidavit filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant(s), WILLIAM J. LAMERE and VICKIE L. LAMERE, 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 WILLIAM J. LAMERE and VICKIE L. LAMERE, it is ordered that said defendant(s), WILLIAM J. LAMERE and VICKIE L. LAMERE, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee, on or before thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a Judgement by Default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Richard B. Armstrong, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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

This the 11th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

Houston S. Havasy
Clerk and Master

Amanda Smith
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: ALLEN E. MCFALLS
IN RE: PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC, Plaintiff
v.
ALLEN E. MCFALLS, SANDRA G. MADGETT AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Defendants

DOCKET NO. 212413-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ALLEN E. MCFALLS, 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 ALLEN E. MCFALLS described in the complaint, it is ORDERED that said defendant, ALLEN E. MCFALLS, file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE filed by PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC, Plaintiff herein, with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee, and with Zachary B. Johnson, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 5100 Poplar Avenue, Suite 2208, Memphis, TN 38137, 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, at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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

This 11th day of September, 2026.

Honorable Christopher D. Heagerty
Chancellor

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF TRAVIS Q. SOLOMON AND O DURMAST DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

IN RE: PARAGON DEVELOPMENT, L.P., PLAINTIFF
v.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF TRAVIS Q. SOLOMON AND O DURMAST DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37914, DEFENDANTS

Docket No.: 213876-2

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 Travis Q. Solomon and O Durmast Drive, Knoxville, TN 37914, 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 Travis Q. Solomon and O Durmast Drive, Knoxville, TN 37914, it is hereby ordered that the defendants, The Unknown Heirs of Travis Q. Solomon and O Durmast Drive, Knoxville, TN 37914, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Luke D. Durham, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 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 Richard B. Armstrong in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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

This 17th day of September, 2026.

Houston S. Havasy
Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DONALD P. ABBOTT
DOCKET NUMBER 92963-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of August, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DONALD P. ABBOTT, who died June 25, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
- (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 28th day of AUGUST, 2026.

ESTATE OF DONALD P. ABBOTT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMIE LAN ABBOTT
10942 ALVAROS LN.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

WILLIAM E. DUFFEY, JR., ATTORNEY
112 DURWOOD RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JYMMIE ARMSTRONG
DOCKET NUMBER 92874-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JYMMIE ARMSTRONG, who died May 28, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF JYMMIE ARMSTRONG

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARCUS EARL ARMSTRONG, ADMINISTRATOR
5435 MALACHI CIRCLE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GEORGE ROBERT FERGUSON, SR.
DOCKET NUMBER 93032-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GEORGE ROBERT FERGUSON, SR., who died July 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 the 4th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF GEORGE ROBERT FERGUSON, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SCHERYLE DENISE FERGUSON
GUSBY, EXECUTRIX
8445 RISING SUN DRIVE
CORRYTON, TN 37721

BRADLEY C. SAGRAVES, ATTORNEY
M. ALAN MOORE, JR., ATTORNEY
NICOLE PFARR, ATTORNEY
2095 LAKESIDE CENTRE WAY, SUITE 131
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ERMAL ALBERT FLATFORD
DOCKET NUMBER 93019-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2026, letters of testamentary in respect of the Estate of ERMAL ALBERT FLATFORD, who died on the 22nd day of February, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 8th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF ERMAL ALBERT FLATFORD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHRISTOPHER W. FLATFORD
P. O. BOX 748
WHITE PINE, TN 37913

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KAREN LORRAINE GAGNON
DOCKET NUMBER 92986-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of August, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of KAREN LORRAINE GAGNON, who died May 5, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice 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 28th day of AUGUST, 2026.

ESTATE OF KAREN LORRAINE GAGNON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MEGAN JEANETTE CRAIG
8304 FINGER RD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

LYNN TARPY, ATTORNEY
1111 N. NORTHSORE DR., STE. N-290
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LISA ANTIONETTE GAINEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92973-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of August, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LISA ANTIONETTE GAINEY, who died July 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 his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
- (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 28th day of AUGUST, 2026.

ESTATE OF LISA ANTIONETTE GAINEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KRYSTLE NICOLE GAINEY, CO-ADMINISTRATOR
CHRISTOPHER LEE GAINEY, CO-ADMINISTRATOR
404 SOUTH CHERRY STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY W. HALE
DOCKET NUMBER 92804-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of September, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of SHIRLEY W. HALE, who died on the 1st day of May, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee, Probate Division. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY W. HALE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KENNETH RYAN HALE
935 FRANKLIN ST., APT. 108
LOUISVILLE, KY 40206

NANCY KAREN IRVING SHREVE
179 BAYSIDE DRIVE
TEN MILE, TN 37880

LEIGH COWDEN, ATTORNEY
416 HIGH STREET
MARYVILLE, TN 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TOWNSEND JUSTEN KIRTHLINK, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 92439-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of TOWNSEND JUSTEN KIRTHLINK, JR., who died March 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 the 4th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF TOWNSEND JUSTEN KIRTHLINK, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PAMELA HILL KIRTHLINK
136 ST. ANDREWS DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BRIAN THOMAS MADDEN
DOCKET NUMBER 93043-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of September, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of BRIAN THOMAS MADDEN, who died March 14, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF BRIAN THOMAS MADDEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JULIE MANNING, EXECUTRIX
32 SYCAMORE ROAD
WAYLAND, MA 01778

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHAUNA C. NELSON
DOCKET NUMBER 92992-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of August, 2026, letters testamentary in respect to the Estate of SHAUNA C. NELSON, who died July 11, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF SHAUNA C. NELSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MURIEL DIANA KIMBROUGH
14 LEISURE LANE
WEAVERVILLE, NC 28787

TIMOTHY M. MCLEMORE, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 1990
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JACQUELYN MARIE NEWMAN
DOCKET NUMBER 92996-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of August, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JACQUELYN MARIE NEWMAN, who died December 27, 2025, were issued to Debra Jean VanDyne by the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee, Probate Division. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF JACQUELYN MARIE NEWMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DEBRA JEAN VANDYNE
3365 SE ALDER ST.
HILLSBORO, OR 97123

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MYRA SALEMI
DOCKET NUMBER 92991-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of August, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of MYRA SALEMI, 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 first publication as described in (1)(A); or

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

This the 26th day of AUGUST, 2026.

ESTATE OF MYRA SALEMI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAYNNE PALMER, ADMINISTRATOR
220 CREEKVIEW DR.
DANVILLE, IN 46188

ELIZABETH BURRELL, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 398
CLINTON, TN 37717

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF CAROL ANN SMITH
DOCKET NUMBER 92983-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of August, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of CAROL ANN SMITH, who died June 27, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk 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 AUGUST, 2026.

ESTATE OF CAROL ANN SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BEVERLY SMITH, EXECUTRIX
2219 HILLSBORO HEIGHTS RD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

DOUGLAS L. DUNN, ATTORNEY
1192 WINDING WAY DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BELTON EUGENE WALTERS
DOCKET NUMBER 92888-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect to the Estate of BELTON EUGENE WALTERS, who died April 13, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of court of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF BELTON EUGENE WALTERS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM WINGATE WALTERS
CANTON, GA

D. ANDREW YORK, ATTORNEY
2701 KINGSTON PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PORTIA CHRISTIAN WEST
DOCKET NUMBER 92982-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of August, 2026, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of PORTIA CHRISTIAN WEST, who died April 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 and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or
- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
- This the 28 day of AUGUST, 2026.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANN CARROLL
DOCKET NUMBER 93040-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2026, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of SHIRLEY ANN CARROLL, who died June 27, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 8th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHIRLEY ANN CARROLL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CYNTHIA ANN CARROLL
427 SADDLE RIDGE DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WANDA LOUISE ENGLAND,
a.k.a. WANDA L. ENGLAND
DOCKET NUMBER 93015-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA LOUISE ENGLAND, a.k.a. WANDA L. ENGLAND, who died July 3, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF WANDA LOUISE ENGLAND,
a.k.a. WANDA L. ENGLAND

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHARLES A. ENGLAND, III
7545 LONGMIRE ROAD
LUTTRELL, TN 37779

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JUAN FRANCISCO
OVERSTREET GALEANO
DOCKET NUMBER 92219-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of September, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JUAN FRANCISCO OVERSTREET GALEANO, who died January 28, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF JUAN FRANCISCO
OVERSTREET GALEANO

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CLAUDIA GRACE OVERSTREET
9109 SNOWPOINTE WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

DUSTIN S. CROUSE, ATTORNEY
9111 CROSS PARK DRIVE, SUITE D-200
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM M. GRAVES
DOCKET NUMBER 93049-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM M. GRAVES, who died August 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 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM M. GRAVES

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

STACY RENAE LEWIS, CO-EXECUTRIX
1933 E. BRUSHY VALLEY DRIVE
POWELL, TN 37849

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MICHAEL DANIEL HURLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 92565-1

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

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

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

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

This the 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL DANIEL HURLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
AMY ELIZABETH HURLEY, ADMINISTRATRIX
525 WEST 4TH STREET, APT. 12
ROYAL OAK, MI 48067

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANGELA FAYE JANEWAY
DOCKET NUMBER 93077-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of ANGELA FAYE JANEWAY, who died on May 10, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF ANGELA FAYE JANEWAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

CARIN C. BRIO, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ANNA BOYD JOHNSON
DOCKET NUMBER 92897-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ANNA BOYD JOHNSON, who died June 3, 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 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF ANNA BOYD JOHNSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DELBERT EUGENE JOHNSON, EXECUTOR
2944 PRENTICE DRIVE
DAYTON, OH 45420

STEPHEN K. GARRETT, ATTORNEY
7838 BARKER ROAD
CORRYTON, TN 37721

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EDWARD R. JUHASCIK
DOCKET NUMBER 93075-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EDWARD R. JUHASCIK, who died on the 27th day of July, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 8th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF EDWARD R. JUHASCIK

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

ELAINE OLIVER
11545 WOODCLIFF DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

PATRICK G. NOEL, ATTORNEY
1001 E. BROADWAY
LENOIR CITY, TN 37771

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SHEILA MAE NARDI
DOCKET NUMBER 93041-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SHEILA MAE NARDI, who died August 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 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF SHEILA MAE NARDI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
VINCENT M. NARDI, EXECUTOR
705 RED MILL LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RHONALD C. PANNELL, SR.
DOCKET NUMBER 93080-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RHONALD C. PANNELL, SR., who died August 19, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 8th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF RHONALD C. PANNELL, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
THOMAS ALLEN PANNELL, JR.
1400 KENESAW AVE., UNIT 31G
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

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P. O. BOX 1990
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DONNA KAY PITMAN
DOCKET NUMBER 93073-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of DONNA KAY PITMAN, who died on August 9, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against this 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 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF DONNA KAY PITMAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MAX DOUGLAS
610 TENNESSEE STREET
SPRING CITY, TN 37381

JANE KAUFMAN JONES, ATTORNEY
8517 KINGSTON PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY ELAINE PRYSE
DOCKET NUMBER 93011-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect to the Estate of MARY ELAINE PRYSE, who died July 25, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk 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:

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

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF MARY ELAINE PRYSE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

THE TRUST COMPANY OF TENNESSEE
4823 OLD KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 100
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TERENCE STEVEN PURDOM
DOCKET NUMBER 93029-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of September, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of TERENCE STEVEN PURDOM, who died May 20, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

ESTATE OF TERENCE STEVEN PURDOM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PAULA J. PURDOM
117 EAST INSKIP DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

STEPHEN H. BYRD, ATTORNEY
9051 EXECUTIVE PARK DR., SUITE 400
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEFFREY DAVID TALLENT
DOCKET NUMBER 92961-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2026, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of JEFFREY DAVID TALLENT, who died on the 9th day of July, 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:

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

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

This the 8th day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF JEFFREY DAVID TALLENT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRUCE MATTHEW SMITH
208 CAMELOT CT.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF KRISTINE DENISE TAYLOR
DOCKET NUMBER 93018-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters administration in respect of the Estate of KRISTINE DENISE TAYLOR, who died March 1, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF KRISTINE DENISE TAYLOR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARILYN E. TAYLOR, ADMINISTRATRIX
33064 BERGEN MOUNTAIN ROAD
EVERGREEN, CO 80439

NEVA FOUST, ATTORNEY
4641 CHAMBLISS AVENUE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BOBBIE ANN OWNBY UNDERWOOD
DOCKET NUMBER 92871-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of September, 2026, Letters of Testamentary in respect to the Estate of BOBBIE ANN OWNBY UNDERWOOD, who died January 9, 2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against this 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:

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

This the 11 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF BOBBIE ANN OWNBY UNDERWOOD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Knox County Commission and the Knox County Mayor shall receive resumes from candidates seeking appointment to three (3) upcoming vacancies on the Knox County Ethics Committee. One (1) seat will be appointed by Knox County Commission, and two (2) seats will be appointed by Knox County Mayor Betsy Henderson. All terms are for a full four (4) years, beginning November 1, 2026 and ending October 31, 2030. Resumes should be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail or hand delivered no later than Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. to:

Office of the Knox County Commission Suite 803, City County Building 400 Main Street Knoxville, TN 37902 Phone: 865-215-2534 FAX: 865-215-2038 E-mail: commission@knoxcounty.org	Office of Knox County Mayor Suite 615, City County Building 400 Main Street Knoxville, TN 37902 Phone: 865-215-2005 FAX: 865-215-2002 E-mail: county.mayor@knoxcounty.org
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The Knox County Commission shall interview candidates on Monday, October 19, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. during the Commission's Optional Agenda Review meeting in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 West Main Street.

The Commission appointment shall be considered during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Knox County Commission on Monday, October 26, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 West Main Street.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SOPHIA JAN UNDERWOOD BERETTA, CO-EXECUTOR ELIZABETH UNDERWOOD, CO-EXECUTOR	10/22/26
JEFFERY S. GREENE, ATTORNEY 263 E. BROADWAY NEWPORT, TN 37821	For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/procurement . To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to www.govdeals.com .

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF SANDRA JEAN VOINA
DOCKET NUMBER 93001-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SANDRA JEAN VOINA, who died July 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:

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF SANDRA JEAN VOINA

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JANICE E. MORGAN, EXECUTRIX
P. O. BOX 285
CORRYTON, TN 37721

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MILDRED DIANNE WATKINS
DOCKET NUMBER 93031-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of September, 2026, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of MILDRED DIANNE WATKINS, who died on June 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

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

This the 1st day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF MILDRED DIANNE WATKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LORETHA DARLENE BEAN, EXECUTRIX
6512 FOXBRANCH CIRCLE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES ENOCH WOLFE
DOCKET NUMBER 92964-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of September, 2026, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JAMES ENOCH WOLFE, who died May 16, 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:

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

This the 4 day of SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ESTATE OF JAMES ENOCH WOLFE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KATHLEEN D. HEMBREE, EXECUTRIX
740 SKYLINE DRIVE
CLINTON, TN 37716

MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items and services:

BID 3768, WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR E-911, Due 10/14/26

BID 3765, STATE RENTALS FOR KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS GRADUATIONS, Due 10/14/26

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE KNOX COUNTY BEER BOARD SHALL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2026, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE MAIN ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, MAIN AVENUE.

1. **ROLL CALL:**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
4. **PUBLIC FORUM: (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)**
NOTE: Those wishing to speak regarding any Beer Board agenda item can sign up via the Commission website at commission.knoxcounty.org, by emailing kathy.dailey@knoxcounty.org or calling the Clerk's Office at 865-215-3441. The deadline to sign up to speak is Sunday, September 27, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.
5. **SWEARING IN OF INDIVIDUALS WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY:**
6. **CONSIDERATION OF SUSPENSION/ REVOCATION OF THE BEER PERMIT FOR THE FOLLOWING ESTABLISHMENTS:**
6a. **Ian's Market 163**, 9730 Norris Freeway, District 8, Mr. Nick Patel, Owner
1st Offense - June 16, 2025
2nd Offense - March 9, 2026
3rd Offense - August 25, 2026
Beer Permit issued June 13, 2025
7. **ADJOURNMENT:**

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

The owner and/or lien holders of the following vehicle is hereby notified of their rights to pay all charges and reclaim said vehicle being held at 701 Cooper St., Knoxville, TN 37917. Failure to reclaim this vehicle will be deemed a waiver of all rights, title, and consent to dispose of said vehicle at public auction on October 5, 2026 at 70