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## Reason for Celebration

By Ralphine Major

It started out as one small act of kindness and a simple mission. A group of ladies passed a can around to help cancer patients with gas money. Today, the collection can has grown and so has the mission! Who could have imagined that eight years later, the group of ladies are looking to hire at least one part-time person to help with their very worthy cause!

Presented by the Provision Proton Therapy Center, Compassion in Action's 8th Annual Pink Ribbon

Celebration will take place on Thursday, October 20, 2016, at the Grande Event Center, 5441 Clinton Highway, Knoxville, Tennessee 37912. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner begins at 6:30, and there will be a cash bar. Attire is dressy casual.

The benefit enables Compassion in Action to raise money for their fund which has helped uninsured and underinsured women receive breast imaging. Since 2009, Compassion In Action has paid for mammograms, breast ultrasounds, breast biopsies,

and breast MRIs. In addition, they have helped cancer patients with financial needs, such as paying utility bills, house payments, and cancer medications.

Individual tickets for the event are \$50. Sponsorship packages make it possible for breast cancer survivors to attend the fun-filled event free of charge. These packages include sponsoring a table (eight tickets) or donating an item valued at \$50 or more for the Silent Auction. One highlight will be

the beautifully decorated tables which will represent different occasions we celebrate throughout our lives.

Last year's event drew a crowd of 500, and this year is sure to be another success! A talented group of entertainers on the program include musician Con Hunley, comedian Leanne Morgan, and speaker and breast cancer survivor Amy Carr. Emcees will be WBIR News anchor Robin Wilhoit and B97.5 radio personalities Michele Silva and Valerie Anderton. For



reservations, call 865-333-4939. Sponsors for the event are Compassion In Action, B97.5, Buddy Check 10, The Knoxville Focus, and Coleman's Printing & Awards. Come and be a part of this wonderful evening and know that you

are helping honor breast cancer survivors; you are helping raise much needed funds to meet the needs of cancer patients; and most of all, you are helping support a "Reason for Celebration!"

## Holston Middle School puts on quite a show at Disney



PHOTOS BY LEXIE GILLAND

Sydney Allen, Kaylee Gilland and Jordan Reiling (left to right) tip their caps. Below, Jaklyn Rutter sings a solo.

By Steve Williams

The Kids in America Show Choir of Holston Middle School performed for the second time this year at Walt Disney World in Orlando with a Halloween show on Thursday, Sept. 29. The Holston group also had performed in February along with other school show choirs.

Holston's show choir was invited back, and after its medley of Halloween songs, the talented group received 'performing arts ears' and the Golden Mickey trophy.

The award-winning Holston Middle School show choir is

directed by Natalee Beeler Elkins, the chorus and general music teacher at Holston Middle.

Daniel Lineberger is the choreographer of the group, Taylor Branson the production coordinator and Augie Gil the vocal coach. Gil also was an intern teacher last year for Elkins.

The Kids in America Show Choir also performed this month on Mighty Musical Monday at the Tennessee Theater in downtown Knoxville. It will be having Christmas performances during the holidays and a musical at the school next spring.



## Vietnam Veterans Day honors Veterans

By Mike Steely  
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Thursday was special for Vietnam era veterans at the World's Fair Park those soldiers, sailors and airman were honored in a special ceremony by Vet2Vet Tn. The ceremonies were hosted by Vet2Vet President Freddie J. Owens.

Each Vietnam and Vietnam Era veteran was honored with a proclamation and a Vietnam service pin.

Owens noted the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and noted the "valor of the men and women who served." He said the Vietnam Era veterans served to "protect the ideals we hold dear" and spoke of the "scars, seen and unseen" that many have.

"This commemoration is for you," he told a large audience of veterans.

Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett, the sponsor of the event, spoke briefly and introduced representatives of national, state and local veteran service officers.

Unfortunately our Vietnam veterans didn't get the love and respect they deserved when returning home from war," Burchett said, "This gives us a chance to honor their service and sacrifice."

Mayor Burchett presented a proclamation to Owens to recognize "Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day."

"I'm a Christian. I owe everything in my life except my salvation to the men and women in uniform," Burchett said.

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# Misdemeanor v. Felony Offenses

As complicated as the criminal justice may seem, there are really only three different levels of offenses: infractions, misdemeanors, and felonies.

An infraction is something simple

like a speeding ticket or a moving violation, where a police officer will write you a ticket and you are required to pay a fine or maybe even show up in court. The offenses are punishable by a monetary means only. If you face any jail time at all, then it's not an infraction, it's something else. Also, you are not entitled to an appointed attorney on infractions because you are not facing potential



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jail time. Now, if you don't take care of your infraction, like you miss a court date or you don't pay your fine, you could face additional charges such as a failure to appear charge, but until that happens all you are looking at is only monetary reparations.

A misdemeanor is punishable by jail time up to 11 months and 29 days (less than one year) and ranges from class A to class C.

A class C misdemeanor would be something like criminal trespassing or public intoxication. A class C misdemeanor is the lowest level misdemeanor, and is punishable by no

more than 30 days in jail.

A class B misdemeanor, on the other hand, is punishable by up to 6 months in jail. A couple of class B misdemeanors are prostitution and littering.

The most common class A misdemeanor is DUI: First Offense. You potentially face just under one year and jail, not to mention probation, and a whole bunch of fines.

Felonies includes everything above a misdemeanor and range from Class E to Class A. These are criminal charges that are punishable for a year or greater.

A class E felony, which the lowest level, is something like statutory rape or cruelty to animals and is usually punishable by 1 to 2 years in jail.

The highest class of felony offenses is A, and those individuals face anywhere from 15 to 60 years in jail....if not the death penalty.

In the State of Tennessee, if you are a convicted felon or agree to plead to a felony charge, then you are forever prevented from owning or carrying a firearm, serving on a jury, or voting in an election. This is not the case in every state, but that is the current law in Tennessee.

Another thing to consider is this: if you are convicted of or plead to a felony charge, then you will most likely not have to serve the entirety of the time on which you are convicted. Many times when an individual enters a plea on a felony charge, they don't

spend one day in jail. They are sent out on probation.

Due to the severe overcrowding in our jails, probation and parole are used to keep individuals under supervision the state or the county.

When someone receives probation instead of their full sentence, it is called a suspended sentence. Those placed on probation still have to comply with its strict regulations, which include random drug screening and paying fees. If individuals fail to comply with their probation, that is when they are most likely to serve a long period of their original sentence in jail.

Misdemeanors offer similar opportunities to avoid jail altogether. For example: On a DUI (first-time offense), most offenders

serve somewhere between 48 hours to 10 days in jail. This means you are pleading to a Class A misdemeanor, which carries with it up 11 months 29 days in jail, but you are only having to serve 48 hours typically on those charges and you are placed on probation for the remainder of the year. BUT, if you violate your probation, then you could have to spend the rest of the year in jail.

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PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

**Freddie J. Owens, President of Vet2Vet Knoxville, honored veterans support groups and Vietnam Veterans Thursday at the Veterans Memorial in the Worlds Fair Park. Each veteran received a certificate, a pin, and recognition of their service.**

## Vietnam Veterans Day honors Veterans

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Owens then presented certificates to various people and organizations

that help with the continual recognition of veterans and then the Vietnam Era veterans were

honored, one by one, in a ceremony that began at 10 a.m. and was scheduled to run until 2 p.m.

The East Tennessee Veterans Memorial has several large square marble pillars with the names of those fallen military members from our region, each pillar noting in which conflict they served. Some 660 names appear on the Vietnam stone including 91 names from Knox County.

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## Bits of News About Local Education

### BBQ Rib Cook-Off & Car/Tractor Show

Gibbs High School is having a Rib-Off and Car Show on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. There will be inflatables, baked goods, games, music and more.

Vendors are welcome. BBQ lunches will be available starting at 11.

For contest rules and sign-up information, contact Mark Field or Jimmy Hipsher at gibbshighfoundation@gmail.com or 865-257-2373.

### Knox County Schools' Magnet Showcase set for Oct. 19

The ninth annual Knox County Schools Magnet Showcase will be held 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from at The Standard (416 W. Jackson Avenue). Free parking for the showcase is available beginning at 6 p.m. in the Jackson Avenue parking lot, located directly across from The Standard.

The showcase will give students, parents and community members the opportunity to learn about Knox County's magnet schools.

At the showcase, representatives from each magnet school will be available to share information and answer any questions about their school. Additionally, each school will provide a live demonstration illustrating something unique about their program.

Visiting parents and students can complete transfer applications with the assistance of representatives from the Knox County Schools Enrollment and Transportation departments during the showcase.

Transfer request forms are also available online and at magnet school locations.

The Knox County magnet schools are:  
Beaumont Magnet Academy (1211 Beaumont Ave)

Green Magnet Academy (800 Lula Powell Drive)

Sarah Moore Greene Magnet Academy (3001 Brooks Ave)

Vine Middle Magnet School (1807 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave)

Austin-East Magnet High School (2800 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave)

Career Magnet Academy at Pellissippi State (7171 Strawberry Plains Pike)

Fulton High School's Magnet School of Communication (2509 N. Broadway)

L&N STEM Academy (401 Henley St)

West High School's International Baccalaureate Programme (3300 Sutherland Ave)

At no cost to Knox County families, these provide unique learning opportunities in specific areas or themes not offered in full at other Knox County Schools. Magnet programs are committed to increasing educational opportunities for students while promoting students' interests, abilities and talents.

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City Council

# Will the new trash system restrict homeowners?

By Mike Steely  
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The proof is in the pudding, as they say, and within Knoxville's new trash pickup program and contract with Waste Collection of Tennessee are a couple things that might cause residents some concerns.

Within the contract, which states that most homes will receive a city-supplied, 95-gallon wheeled trash cart by December 31st of this year, is a requirement that the trash collector will only pick up trash from within that one container. The contract says that the one container only collection would begin "after a period of transition" or January 1st, 2017.

If there's more trash curbside than can fit into the container the contractor is to notify the city.

The restriction of how much trash a resident can put out isn't new but current regulations allow for more than 95 gallons.

To "educate" the city

residents about the new trash containers and the new regulations the city council approved an 18-month contract with Kelly Fletcher's PR firm and that agreement has several stipulations involving the duties of the outside public relations company.

That contract will run about \$200,000 with \$150,000 for the first two phases of the campaign. The agreement calls for the PR firm to work with the city through 2017. The goal of the public relations campaign is to convince homeowners to recycle. The PR effort will also involve public hearings, mailings, focus groups, and the like to get people's remarks.

Roughly 62,000 homes and apartments are to be served with the new trash pickup program. The trash collection contract, including the new containers, is for about \$3.8 million. Currently the city spends about \$4.9 million a year for contracted trash pickup with Waste Collection of Tennessee,

which is the current bidder. The plan is to save money and, the city is saying, the cost of the containers will be covered in savings in two years.

"The city will encourage residents to fit all trash in the cart, there will not be any requirements to do this before January 1st and there are no plans for there to be any type of fines for overflow set outs unless it raises to the level of being a codes violation," Chad Weth of the Public Service Department told The Focus.

"That is no different than our current system. What we do hope is that the cart system allows us to encourage recycling, especially for households that always have overflow trash and don't recycle," he said.

"We've have asked our contractor (3-8 months after the introduction) to notify the city if an address consistently has overflow trash. From there on we (the City Staff) will reach out to the resident and work with



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Mayor Rogero chats with Vice Mayor Duane Grieve (left) and her staff before last week's Knoxville City Council meeting.

them to determine if any other resource is needed," he continued.

"With a recycling can, a household has room for 190 gallons of waste. Few households will need more. If there's a large household and they don't want to recycle or still need more room our contractor has agreed to pick up and empty another 95gallon cart for a small fee" Weth said.

Councilman Finbarr Sanders said he's had some questions from citizens about the size of the large cart and was told the trash contractor will continue to give "backdoor" service to the handicapped where workers will "come up the driveway and get their trash."

Beginning in January the disposal of glass in trash bins will not be permitted. The market value of glass

for recycling has dropped drastically and drop off points for glass products will be provided. The switch to one large container and the option of getting recycle containers will bring a major change to Knoxville's trash collection and, supposedly, the city may be listening to citizens during the outside contracted public relations campaign.



Rick Staples, right, candidate for State Representative 15th District, chats with former TN State Representative Harry Tindell at fundraiser for Staples held Thursday.

## Event beer sales, greenway extension, new buses

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Public events where beer is offered as part of the admission will now require a beer sales permit in Knoxville. The City Council voted to pass the new regulations on second reading Tuesday evening. The council also passed an ordinance prohibiting vehicle use of bicycle lanes.

The council also voted to authorize \$1,227,484 for construction of an extension of the First Creek Greenway project in Edgewood Park and that area. Charlie Thomas of the Greenway Commission thanked the council for the action and said he looks forward to the day when the First Creek Greenway connects with Fountain City and the urban greenway extends "all the way to the river."

About \$12,500 was approved to acquire seven pieces of property along Cedar Lane for the construction of a sidewalk "by purchase or condemnation if necessary."

The mayor was authorized to accept a grant award from the state and federal government of \$2.2 million to go to the Knoxville Area Transit Authority with a city match of \$564,976. Dawn Distler, Director of Transit, told the council the system will replace four older diesel buses with hybrid vehicles.

The council also voted to authorize the purchase or condemnation within 14 tracts of property for \$500,000 as part of the I-275 Business Park

improvement project. Redevelopment Director Dawn Michelle Foster said the project will stretch from 17th Street to Bernard and "all the way to Baxter" and will include sidewalks and greenways as part of the redevelopment of the area.

Clinch River Brewing, LLC, was authorized to use a small portion of the Krutch Park extension to create a doorway into the establishment. The city didn't deed the park property but offered an easement there.

Mayor Madeline Rogero reminded the council and the audience of a public meeting Monday at 5:30 to discuss the Fort Dickerson and Quarry Lake future. The meeting will take place at the remodeled Kerns Bread Factory building on Chapman Highway and she urged people to attend and view the historic building and give their opinions on the future of the Civil War Park.

She also reminded citizens that Early Voting starts Wednesday.

A public discussion of Short Term Rentals of homes in Knoxville through Airbnb or other rental agencies will be held Tuesday at the Central United Methodist Church at 201 West Third Street. Currently there are no regulations on the rental of homes for temporary housing and the city sees the growing trend as needing some type of guidelines to protect both homeowners and renters, and possibly require permits and collect revenue

similar to the hotel-motel occupancy tax.

Postponed was a resolution payment in lieu of taxes for Paramount Hospitality Management, LLC, at 210 West Clinch Avenue. Deputy Mayor Bill Lyons told the council that an in-house review of the tax break needs to be completed. Also postponed was the amending of city codes to update the city parking regulations. Vice Mayor Duane Grieve said that a second work session about the parking ordinance changes will be held November 3 at the Lakeshore Park Administration Building. Council will discuss the matter at their December 6 meeting.

Councilman George Wallace questioned Lyons about the use of tax incentive offers and the length, in years, of some of the agreements.

Grieves invited everyone to attend the presentation of a \$30,000 state grant for the restoration of the fountains at Talahi Park in

Sequoyah Hills. The event is today at 4 p.m. at the park.

Councilman Marshall Stair reminded the council and the audience that the Public Property Naming Committee will meet Thursday at 5 p.m. in the City-County Building.

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# ReBath of Knoxville is a family business



The Ritchey family invites you to consider ReBath of Knoxville in renovating your bathroom. Kassie and Steve Ritchey are seen here with their children, Hunter and Kaylie. ReBath is truly a family business and treats you as if you were a family member. (Photo courtesy of Kassie Ritchey)

By Mike Steely  
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When Kassie Ritchey talks about ReBath of Knoxville she's full of pride about the company and her family's involvement there. "We are family-owned and operated and try to treat everyone as family," she explained.

Kassie and her husband Steve are assisted in the company by Steve's sister, brother-in-law and nephew. The couple told The Focus that they are glad they found ReBath as a franchise to invest in as they have been very pleased with the results. After five years the family business now serves a very broad area ranging from Crossville to the North Carolina border and from the Kentucky line to the Sweetwater area.

ReBath of Knoxville's number one selling service is converting the tub to an easily accessible shower.

"People want to stay in their homes for as long as possible," Kassie said, adding, "More importantly, as safe as possible. Grab bars, seats, and doors are just a few of the ways you can customize your showers."

She says the next most popular request is making the shower in the master bathroom a larger one.

Rebath of Knoxville offers a wide variety of products and services to choose from. They can come do a simple tub to tub conversion or even completely remodel the entire bathroom, such as installing vanities, countertops, toilets and flooring. They have very experienced employees that care about you and your home.

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The parent company has been in business for many years and offers a Durabath SSP product that gives the

homeowner a lifetime warranty against cracking and breaking, all while being able to clean it with a soft cloth and no harsh chemicals. "The moment my husband saw the quality of the product he was convinced others would want it too!" she told The Focus, adding that this is important to Steve as he is also a builder.

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## Our Neighborhoods

# South Knoxville on the move

By Mike Steely  
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South Knoxville's link with "downtown" Knoxville is the Henley Street Bridge and that entrance to the south is slowly getting a huge improvement. Although many businesses suffered when the bridge was closed for construction a few years ago, the area seems to be rebounding now. The stretch of Chapman Highway from the bridge to Seymour is now as busy as usual, if not more so. As you cross the bridge you can't help but notice the changes at the former Baptist Hospital complex. You may also notice that the former Kern's Bakery Building looks a little different.

There are several meetings and events this week for the public that deal with the changes south of the river.

### Fort Dickerson

The public is being invited to the Kern's Bakery Building, 2110 Chapman Highway, today at 5:30 to discuss the Fort Dickerson Park and quarry lake improvements. The city, Legacy Parks Foundation, Aslan Foundation and

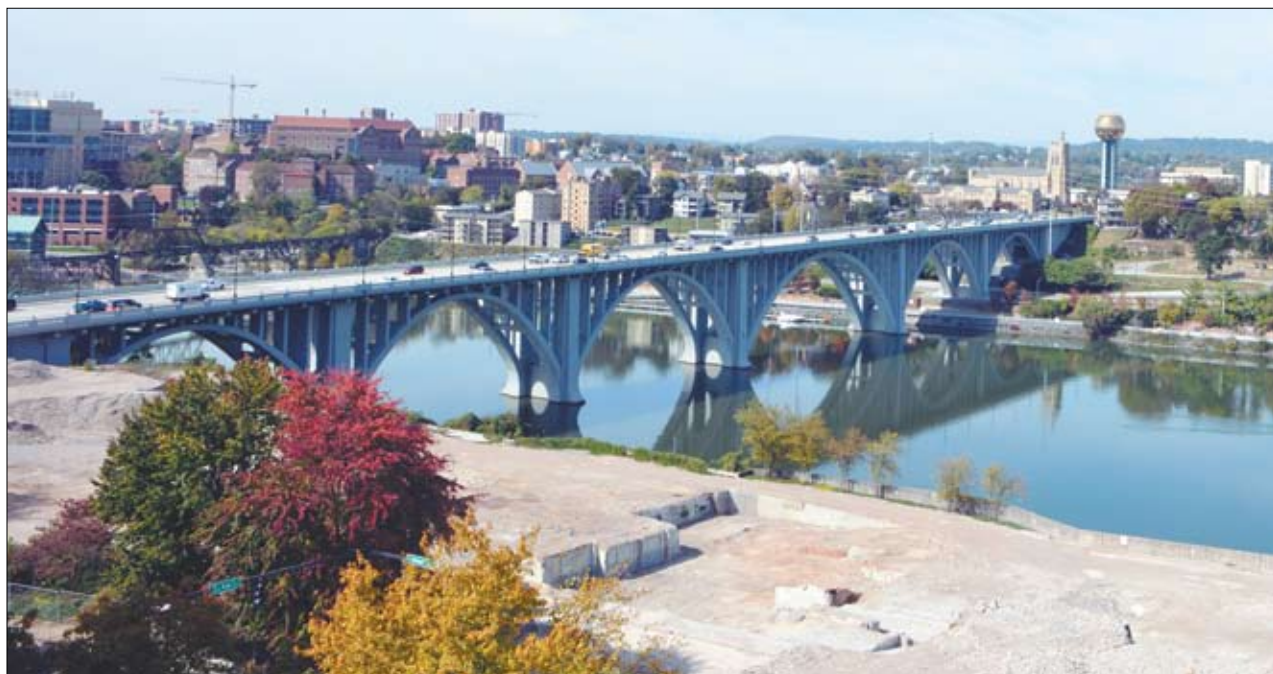


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A view of the Henley Street bridge from the former Baptist Hospital site from last October. One year ago, the city, county, state and Regal Entertainment came together to celebrate Regal's move to South Knoxville.

Sanders Pace Architecture are sponsoring the event along with PORT Urbanism. Input from citizens for Phase One at the park and quarry lake improvements is being sought.

The city plans to use input from the meeting in possible future recreation programming at the lake and how the city will create access to the lake. The public is also being invited to tour the Kern's building, renovated by private

developers.

### South Waterfront

On Thursday the public can get an update on the South Waterfront Form Based Code. A meeting is planned at South Knoxville Elementary School, 801 Sevier Avenue, at 7 p.m.

Adopted originally in 2007 the Form Based Code has been periodically updated and proposed changes are being

described as "legal house-keeping" to eliminate conflicts with other sections of the City Code.

### Sevier Heights

The South Haven Neighborhood Association meets Thursday with developers of "Baker Creek Bottoms" to hear proposals for the former Sevier Heights Baptist Church site.

Starting at 6 p.m. in the

former chapel of the church at 3706 Sevier Heights Road in South Knoxville the meeting will deal with a request for a zoning change, from R-1 (Residential) to C-3 (Commercial) and the Sector Plan would be changed.

The Metropolitan Planning Commission was scheduled to hear the request for the changes earlier this month but the developer asked for a postponement to hear from

the neighborhood. Anyone interested in getting more information can contact Linda Rust, neighborhood president, at 865-679-9924.

### STAR opening in South Knox

South Knox County is getting a very special academy. The Shangri-La Therapeutic Academy of Riding (STAR) of Lenoir City has been gifted a 47-acre site at 3312 Tipton Station Road. The academy specializes in providing horse-back riding for people with special needs.

On Wednesday STAR will open its Knox County facility, its second location in East Tennessee, and give the community an update on its programs and new volunteer opportunities. STAR has been changing lives for 29 years. STAR's South Knox County location will also feature, that day, an antique and furniture sale.

Anyone interested in the event or to get more information about STAR can contact Lynn K. Petr, Executive Director, at 865-660-6280.

# Seymour Salutes Veterans

By Mike Steely  
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The Third Annual Seymour Salutes Veterans day is set for Saturday, October 29 at the Seymour Heights Christian Church on Boyd's Creek Road. Autumn Galyon of the Seymour Area Chamber of Commerce said the event starts at 10 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m. "Initially the event was

to help with veterans' education efforts and we realized there's a lot of veterans' organizations that can help. We didn't realize back then at a lot of younger veterans need services too," she said. Sponsors of the event include local businesses and organizations.

"Many of our businesses offer discounts to

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## South Knoxville gathering to honor workers of former Candoro Marble Company



For years since the closing of the marble business, artists and musicians have been drawn to the Candoro Marble Building because of its inspirational architecture and beautiful grounds.

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# Five Points Up coalition hosts third cleanup event

Five Points Up is hosting its third East Knoxville Communitywide Cleanup on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event kicks off at the Harvest Center Plaza parking lot, 2410 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

"If we jointly take effort to clean our neighborhood, everybody wins," said Albert Nelson, Five Points Up member and manager of the Knoxville - Knox County Community Action Committee East Neighborhood Center.

Participating community residents will meet for a kickoff at Harvest Center Plaza and then

disperse into their neighborhoods to pick up litter. Snacks and beverages and the use of cleanup tools, gloves and supplies will be provided to participants at no cost. The event will also feature tips on maintaining a clean community. The coalition is encouraging everyone who lives, works, worships and plays in the area to participate.

Event partners include the Knoxville - Knox County Community Action Committee East Neighborhood Center, East Knoxville Business and Professionals Association, Eternal Life Harvest

Center, HomeSource East Tennessee, Keep Knoxville Beautiful, Knox County Health Department, Project GRAD Knoxville, Smoke-Free Knoxville, The Village of Knoxville, and WJBE. Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch, OCO (OUR Community Organization) and other neighborhood groups are also involved.

A community-led group, Five Points Up hopes to improve the health of those living and working in the area by increasing the sense of community through local activities and events. The group's mission is to unify and

beautify East Knoxville through increased community engagement and community pride.

According to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, promoting meaningful community participation builds trust and relationships among neighbors, empowering them to become advocates for their communities. Neighborhood involvement produces numerous benefits, including mobilizing the community to reach health-related goals and empowering residents to change behaviors and improve health outcomes.

## What Happened To Hallowe'en?



Rosie's World

The sidewalks will soon be filled with goblins, ghosts, and ghoulish costumes, worn by children and adults.

Whether you like it or not, many play at being scary. The sad fact of the matter is Hallowe'en is actually scary—in real life, in this day and age.

When I was young, we would gather our paper bags and go from door to door, squealing "Trick or Treat." Usually we traveled on the streets in our own neighborhood. Sometimes our parents would go with us, especially with the little ones, but most of us went with a group. In our classroom at school, Hallowe'en parties were the norm. We would dress up at home and walk to school in our costumes. There were candies and cookies and prizes for the funniest, scariest costumes, etc.

But, oh no! Not today! Ghosts and goblins are not allowed in schools. I don't really know, of course, what goes on in schools today, so I asked my grandchildren and they said, yes, they have parties, but no costumes. Quite a few don't even celebrate Hallowe'en at all.

Let's have a look at how Hallowe'en came into being. Many, many years ago it was a time of celebration and superstition. It was thought that it originated with the ancient Celtic festivals of Samhein, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off roaming ghosts.

(Samhein marks the end of the harvest season and the beginning of winter or the "darker half" of the year).

It wasn't long until the custom went world-wide. In the 19th century it became popular in America but was extremely limited in colonial New England because of the rigid Protestant belief systems there. Later, there was a move to mold Hallowe'en into a holiday more about community and neighborly get-togethers than about ghosts, pranks, and witchcraft.

When the Roman Empire conquered the majority of the Celtic territory they organized a festival in late October to honor Pomona, the Roman goddess of fruits and trees.

The symbol of Pomona was the apple which explains the tradition of "bobbing" for apples.

The holiday is mainly for the young. It is drastically different these days. I am not against change if it's for the better, but some of the changes today bode no good.

Especially be careful of dressing like a clown. I mentioned this before but some of the clowns of today have done an about-face. Beware! Have a safe and happy Hallowe'en!

Thought for the day: Not everyone who wanders is lost. Anonymous

Send comments to [rosemerrie@att.net](mailto:rosemerrie@att.net) or call 865-748-4717. Thank you.



The Candoro Arts & Heritage Center is located at 4450 Candora Avenue in South Knoxville.

## South Knoxville gathering to honor workers of former Candoro Marble Company

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and visit Knoxville's historic Candoro Marble Building where art and history come together to enhance the community.

Docents of the historic marble building volunteer their time and talents for this homespun reunion to encourage visitors to enjoy South Knoxville's beautiful Candoro Marble Building, which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Sunday afternoon get-together at Candoro

harkens back to a time when South Knoxville was the largest supplier of Tennessee pink marble in the United States. The Candoro Building is covered floor to ceiling in marble and currently serves South Knoxville's Vestal community as a place for art, yoga, and celebration.

Candoro Fall Homecoming takes place on Sunday, October 23, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m., with a Chili Supper and music by Knox County Jug Stompers.

Everyone is encouraged to bring marble items and showcase their marble objects made by the craftsmen who worked at the Candoro Marble Company from the 1920s through the 1970s.

"This is a homespun way for us to fellowship and honor Albert Milani, the beloved master carver who worked at Candoro Marble Company for many years," says Madeline Hylton, organizer of the event.

Visitors can tour the historic building, sit on chunks

of marble, listen to the live band, and savor Chili on an autumn afternoon.

"A traditional Sunday homecoming is a neighborly way to celebrate this meaningful space in Vestal... the heart of South Knoxville. The general public is invited to cross the river and re-discover why Knoxville is nicknamed "The Marble City."

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# Senator Howard Baker PART TWO

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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After having lost a close race for the United States Senate in 1964, Howard H. Baker, Jr. resolved to run again in 1966. Senator Ross Bass would have to defend his seat after only two years, as he was completing the term of the late Estes Kefauver. The winner of the 1966 election would serve a full six-year term.

Howard Baker enjoyed practicing law and would later tell his biographer it was the happiest time of his career. Yet he also felt the tug of politics and heeded that siren's call.

Baker again announced he would be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate. Unlike 1964, this time Baker faced a primary opponent when Ken Roberts announced he, too, would seek the GOP nomination. Despite a spirited run, Roberts lost badly; Baker won the Republican nomination with more than seventy-five percent of the vote.

The Democratic contest for the nomination was yet again another hard fought contest between Ross Bass and Frank Clement. This time Governor Clement reversed his defeat in the 1964 primary, edging past Senator Bass by little more than eighteen thousand votes out of some seven hundred and fifty thousand ballots cast.

To the end of his life, Ross Bass would contend that his loss was due to Republicans crossing over into the Democratic primary to vote for Clement, as many Republicans believed Howard Baker would have an easier time defeating Frank Clement than Senator Bass. There is some reason to believe Bass was correct when one analyzes the election returns from November.

Johnson's Great Society was well under way by the time of the 1966 elections and Howard Baker recalled the "overreach" of Johnson's policies helped to make possible significant Republican gains in the midterm elections.

Baker's wife, Joy, was the daughter of one of the most remarkable politicians ever to grace the national stage. Everett McKinley Dirksen, the golden-throated senator from Illinois, the "Wizard of Ooze" to some, but a shrewd and popular figure for decades. According to Baker's biographer, Lee Annis, Joy once, after an exhausting day of campaigning for her father, told her mother she intended to marry a ditch digger.

Joy Dirksen Baker, while dutifully doing her part for her husband in his campaigns, was happiest in the background. Mrs. Baker readied herself for the 1966 campaign and her famous father would do his part for his son-in-law.

Tennessee politics continued to change with the increasing importance of television. In the past, candidates had relied upon newspaper advertising and personal contact through speeches, campaigning in courthouse squares and thundering oratory. Governor Frank Clement was a master of the personal speech, but his appeal was not especially made for television. A brilliant orator, Clement was selected to give the keynote speech at the 1956 Democratic National Convention, which was carried live over television. Even many of the governor's friends believed it was one of the worst speeches of his career, a long and rambling affair that did not translate well to television viewers. Able to quote the Bible and any number of other literary sources from memory, Clement remained a favorite of thousands of Tennesseans who came to hear him speak.

Yet television audiences ran into the tens of thousands, if not millions, in Tennessee.

Conversational, smooth, and attractive, Howard Baker was a candidate who did translate well on television. It would prove to be an effective medium for Baker throughout his long career.

Clement had long been interested in moving up to the United States Senate. Both Estes Kefauver and Albert Gore had looked over their shoulders constantly, as the popular governor had cast more than a few longing glances at their respective Senate seats. Governor Clement had lost to Congressman Ross Bass in 1964 and it was his first and only defeat inside a Democratic primary. Clement had lost two constituencies vital to success in a Democratic primary: labor and blacks.

In 1966, Clement could not succeed himself as governor and running for the United States Senate was the only option available to him to remain in public life. Clement also wanted to avenge his defeat at the hands of Ross Bass and he began the last campaign of his life to take the Democratic nomination away from Senator Bass. It was a bruising affair.

Many of Howard Baker's closest friends and family advised him against running again in 1966. Both Joy Dirksen Baker and Senator Everett Dirksen told Baker he should step aside for someone else to suffer the defeat they foresaw in the offing. Baker's biographer Lee Annis pointed to Baker being buoyed by a poll that revealed sixty-five percent of Tennesseans would consider voting for a Republican in 1966. Only forty-one of Tennessee's ninety-five counties had held a Republican primary in 1964; superb organizing



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Howard & Joy Baker on Election Night in 1966.

by Congressman Bill Brock and his associates, well as the interest in the contest between Howard Baker and Ken Roberts in 1966 increased the total to seventy-eight counties.

Howard Baker chose to announce his candidacy in Nashville rather than his native East Tennessee. Middle Tennessee had long been a bastion for Democrats and Baker had demonstrated real strength in the 1964 election, winning more votes than any GOP candidate in the state's history.

Ken Roberts, a law professor and amiable man, had entered the senatorial contest in the belief Baker would not be a candidate. When Howard Baker did decide to run, Roberts pressed for a debate. Howard Baker largely ignored Roberts and had far better name recognition across the state. It was a wise strategy.

Baker toured much of Tennessee during the primary campaign in an old bus, concentrating his efforts in those counties where there would be a significant GOP vote. Baker spent his time anticipating the general election, reserving his fire not for his primary opponent, but the Democrats and the administration of President Lyndon B. Johnson. The Johnson policy of spending on both "guns and butter" was already becoming increasingly unpopular with the American public. Baker stressed concerns that any average American could easily grasp, such as the big increase in the price of meat.

Howard Baker's position on the Vietnam War was also one the average Tennessean could easily understand. Baker believed Americans should support President Johnson's conduct of the war, but he also readily admitted many Americans were also sick of the war in Southeast Asia.

Baker avoided

encouraging much of the segregationist sentiment, which had avidly supported Barry Goldwater's candidacy in 1964. Lee Annis quotes Baker as candidly stating, "We must turn back all efforts of.... ultraconservatives or ultraliberals to take over the Republican Party." The John Birch Society was strongly opposed to Baker's nomination and had been busily distributing vile pamphlets against his candidacy.

As Lee Annis points out in his excellent biography of Howard Baker, the candidate was direct in his response to the extremists who opposed him. Baker said, "Organizations which place their own objectives above loyalty to the Republican Party or to the country, do a disservice to both party and country." Naturally, eager reporters immediately wondered if Howard Baker was referring to the John Birch Society and the candidate instantly replied, "Yes."

Both the Memphis Press Scimitar and the Chattanooga Times endorsed Baker's candidacy precisely because of his forthright declaration, according to his biographer.

Few notable Republicans offered Ken Roberts support in his primary campaign. One notable exception was Louise Reece, the widow of long-time Congressman B. Carroll Reece of upper East Tennessee. Mrs. Reece had been elected to Congress, like Howard Baker's stepmother, to fill the vacancy when her husband had died of lung cancer in 1961. Mrs. Reece had retired in 1962 to make way for the redoubtable Jimmy Quillen, who would serve in Congress for more than thirty years. Quillen was supporting Baker, as did Congressman John J. Duncan and Bill Brock.

While the Republican primary contest was rather a sedate affair, the Democrats were waging

all out war. Far less civil than the Republican contest, Senator Ross Bass suffered a public relations catastrophe while attending a glittering Democratic fund raising dinner in Washington, D. C. The senator was being introduced by a rather thoughtless Master of Ceremonies to a little song that referred to him as "Big Mouth Bass", although it did acknowledge the beauty of his lovely wife Avenell. Senator Bass, who had heard the obvious play on his name many times before, inexplicably became quite angry and left in the middle of the dinner. Not surprisingly, the incident received a lot of attention in the Tennessee press.

Governor Clement had managed to repair many of his relationships with special interest groups all across Tennessee, including blacks. Clement had appointed the first African

American to serve as a judge since Reconstruction. Benjamin Hooks became a Shelby County judge due to Clement's appointment and many blacks, having supported Ross Bass two years earlier, returned to the governor's political camp.

Frank Clement did indeed reverse his 1964 defeat, narrowly beating Senator Bass by just over eighteen thousand votes out of some seven hundred and fifty thousand ballots cast in the Democratic primary. Clement was elated by his primary victory and was confident of his election in the fall. So were many other Democrats, not the least of which was Vice President Hubert Humphrey, who wrote to congratulate Clement on his election to the United States Senate.

It was not to be that easy for Frank Clement.



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# Dream a Little Dream with Me

When I was just a wee lad, I lay in bed at nights and dream. On some occasions, they were interrupted by warm streams that ran down my legs and soaked the sheets. No, I wasn't dreaming



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of a bath or a swim in the ocean; I had not yet conquered the battle with my bladder. However, it did come before too much longer. Those nighttime events either exhilarated me or scared me to death. Many nights I dreamed that without effort I could rise and fly into the sky. My soaring in the blue took me to views of our house and yard that I'd never before experienced. I suppose that being confined to the home place brought security in the dream. Sometimes I pretended to be a Superman as I jumped from the roof of the house. At other times, I ran along the yard and felt a sense of weightlessness take me over.

In another dream, my family rode in our old '54 Chevrolet on our way to some unknown destination. The ride always included a

climb up some steep incline. Sitting in the back seat, I never could see the road ahead, something that made me feel nervous. We'd finally reach the top, but to my

utter horror, the road would end, and the car plummeted to the ground hundreds of feet below. That same sense of weightlessness existed in this dream, but it was anything but thrilling. As ridiculous as it sounds, I used to dream that I had been shot. Yep, I could feel the pain from the blast, and when I looked down, there in the middle of my stomach would be the shell casing from a shotgun. What was even weirder was the fact that the would-be assassins were cartoon characters, usually cats from the old "Mighty Mouse" series. The pain from the wound subsided, but I spent most of the dream trying to dig the thing out of me.

I've heard that this next dream is common. To my fright, I would arrive at elementary school wearing nothing but my "white-tidies." I'd look down to

discover my awkward plight and try in a thousand ways to cover up my naked, fat body. I suffered through the entire ordeal and found relief only when something awakened me.

In later years, I dreamed of girls, but let's just skip that. In adulthood, I've most often dreamed about being once again with my parents or older brother who have been gone for years. Just seeing them was a joyful experience, although I never remember having touched them, and they rarely, if ever, spoke. My lowest point would be when I awoke to realize that all had been but a dream. That made me miss them all the more.

According to psychologists and other folks who have studied dreams, these night-time mental movies are products of our subconscious. Interpretations of dreams abound. Flying in a dream symbolizes either freedom or lack of it. Falling in a dream might symbolize the feeling of being out of control in life or in a particular situation. I think it just reaffirms my fear of heights and of all rollercoasters. Everyone

has heard that appearing naked in a dream is symbolic of the fear we all have for being our real selves in life. It has also been said to represent our fear of being ridiculed or disgraced. Being shot indicates that a person wishes to get rid of some aspect of himself. I think it might simply be a fear of weapons. Last, dreams about loved ones who have died is nothing more than missing those folks and wishing that they were still around.

These days, my trouble isn't the dreams I have. Now, I can't remember them. I might have had a spectacular venture in a night, but all that's left the next morning is a clouded memory or fragments of the entire thing. Supposedly, some dreams last only short periods of time. They seem like epic movies to me. I'm in no hurry to find out what it's like, but someday I hope I receive a pair of wings like Clarence did in "It's a Wonderful Life." Then I'll know for sure that exhilaration that has only been present in my dreams.

# Early voting starts Wednesday

By Mike Steely  
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Are you for Trump or Hillary? How about "Rocky" Roque De La Fuente, Gary Johnson, Alyson Kennedy, Mike Smith or Jill Stein?

Yes, there are other candidates for president.

Early voting begins Wednesday, October 19 and, aside from the presidential election, there are choices also for Congress, the State Senate and House, and several amendments for City of Knoxville voters. Early voting will continue until November 3, followed by the General Election on Nov. 8.

Early voting will be open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. From October 31st until November 3rd the hours are extended from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

While you can vote in any early voting location, most people vote closest to their work or home. The locations are: 1543 Downtown West Blvd, Halls Recreation Center at 6933 Recreation Lane, Farragut Town Hall, Carter Branch Library, Love Kitchen, City-County Building, New Harvest Park, 4952 Clinton Highway, 4536 Chapman Highway, Karns Senior Center, and the Baker Center at 1640 Cumberland Avenue.

In the race for Congress, incumbent Republican John J. Duncan, Jr. is being challenged by Democrat Stuart Star. Duncan's sister, Republican Becky Duncan Massey, has no opposition in her reelection for Tennessee State Senator for the 6th District.

In the various races for the Tennessee House of Representatives, much of the attention is going

to the race between incumbent Republican Eddie Smith and Democrat Gloria Johnson. Johnson held the seat and was defeated by a narrow margin by Smith for the District 13 seat.

In the house race for District 14, Republican Jason Zachary is challenged by Democrat Scott Hackler.

The race for the 15th District house seat has drawn some attention as well. Rick Staples, a community activist and former candidate for the Knox County Commission, replaced Joe Armstrong on the Democratic ballot. He's being challenged by Independent Pete Drew. A write-in candidate, Rhonda "Mousie" Gallman, is waiting an insurgent campaign for the seat. There is no Republican nominee.

Incumbent Republican Bill Dunn is not opposed in his reelection to the District 16 state house seat.

Martin Daniel, incumbent Republican state representative in District 18 is opposed by Democrat Brandi Price. Daniel won a divisive Republican Primary, defeating Steve Hall and two other candidates.

Republican Incumbent Roger Kane, of District 89, faces Democrat Heather C. Hensley.

The City Charter items on the ballot will ask voters to approve moving the primary elections from the last Tuesday in September in odd numbered years to the last Tuesday in August in odd numbered years. The city administration is also asking to amend the charter relating to city employees and military service, default death benefits, and pension plans.

# Seymour Salutes Veterans

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veterans," she said.

"It is amazing how veterans have stepped up to help us," Galyon said.

She said there will be live music from 10 a.m. until noon, a military ceremony, presentation of The Colors, and a salute to the veterans of all the military services. Congressman John Duncan, Jr. will speak and other planned events include a silent auction, activities for children, a Classic Car show, and a bike and tractor show.

You can contact the event planners for information or to reserve a booth rental (starting at \$100) by calling (865)573-8785 or emailing info@seymourtn.org. John Linsenbigler is Chamber President and you can email him at president@seymourtn.org.



Ben Pack of Vietnam Veterans of America was but one of the various veterans to take part in Seymour Salutes Veterans last year. Lots of information and a special ceremony is planned for Saturday, October 29th as the community hosts the third annual event. (Photo courtesy of Seymour Area Chamber of Commerce)

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## Halls Impressive, Beats Powell 49-22

By Alex Norman

On Thursday night, the Halls Red Devils got back their best weapon, and got closer to the playoffs. Quarterback Caden Harbin returned to the lineup and accounted for five touchdowns as the Red Devils beat rival Powell 49-22.

Neither team could do much on their first offensive possession, with the respective defenses forcing 3 and outs.

But on the Red Devils next possession, they got things clicking. Mixing the run and

the pass perfectly, Halls moved 85 yards in nearly 5 1/2 minutes, and Cooper

Cook put the finishing touches on the drive with a 4-yard touchdown run. With 5:25 left in the first quarter, it was 7-0 Halls.

On the Red Devils next possession a long ball from Caden Harbin to Matthew Runge-Gold was good for 30 yards, down to the Powell 18.

The drive continued into the opening minute of the second quarter when on third and goal from the Powell 3, Harbin rolled to his right and had two

teammate to throw the football towards. The pass would go off the hands of Hutson Woods and into the gloves of Jordan Cornette. With 11:14 left in the half, Halls led 14-0.

Things went from bad to worse for the host Panthers. After the offense failed to pick up a first down, they'd punt the football away and Halls would start its next drive with great field position at the Powell 43. They went right to work. Harbin flung it deep to J.T. Freels. He made the catch near the goal line and walked into the end zone. It was

21-0 Halls with 9:54 remaining in the half and it looked like the rout was on.

On 4th and 1 from the Powell 38, the Red Devils pass on the punt and went for it, and that would prove to be a good decision. Harbin took the snap, kept it himself and ran all the way up the middle to the end zone, and with 4:22 to go in the half, it was now 28-0 Halls.

The Panthers offense finally got something going on its next possession, and drove to the Halls 14. But on 4th and

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## Hockey returns as Ice Bears lose preseason opener

By Ken Lay

Now that it's mid-October, it's Hockey Time in Tennessee. Area fans got a preview of Knoxville's lone professional sports franchise --- the Ice Bears --- Friday night at the Knoxville Civic Coliseum.

The Ice Bears and their fans what to wait for the team's only home exhibition game as the opponent was stuck in traffic on its way to Downtown Knoxville.

The Ice Bears have a loyal fan base and the relatively small crowd of 2,330 didn't seem to mind waiting as the game's face off was delayed for nearly an hour.

Once the Huntsville Havoc finally to the arena and onto the ice, the fans were ready and so was Knoxville's Southern Professional Hockey League Club.

The Ice Bears would ultimately come up on the short end of a 5-4 decision to the Havoc. But Knoxville would strike first as rookie Jake Rivera gave Knoxville a 1-0 lead with just over a minute gone in the first period.

Rivera was awarded a spot on Knoxville's training camp roster after he impressed Mike Craigen in a recent free-agent tryout. His marker represented the only scoring in the opening frame.

The Havoc pulled even When Robbie Simpson tallied early in the second stanza. Huntsville played from behind all night and didn't lead until Nolan Kiser scored the eventual game-winning goal with 1:35 remaining in regulation.

Craigen did not address the media after the game as he and his staff retreated to his office to discuss some key personnel decisions.

Knoxville played another preseason game Sunday in Mississippi (results were not available at press time). The Ice Bears open the regular season Friday night at Roanoke. The two teams will make the trip to East Tennessee Saturday for Knoxville's home opener.

Many of the players in exhibition action won't likely be on the roster when things get real later this week.

But that didn't seem to matter to the fans in attendance at the preseason tilt.

The fans were boisterous,

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## Playoff win at state earns Halls golfers 'special' ride home

By Steve Williams

Folks on Emory Road between Powell and Halls probably were wondering what was going on late last Wednesday night. Two Knox County Sheriff cruisers, with blue lights flashing, escorted a parade of cars from Ingles in Powell to Halls High School.

It was a well-earned tribute for the Halls boys golf team which had captured the TSSAA Class AAA state championship that afternoon in Manchester.

"It's special to see all these people from the community support us and be proud of us," said Halls junior Ryan Hall.

The resilient Red Devils had to work overtime for the title, after seeing their lead evaporate in the closing holes of regulation play at the WillowBrook Golf Club.

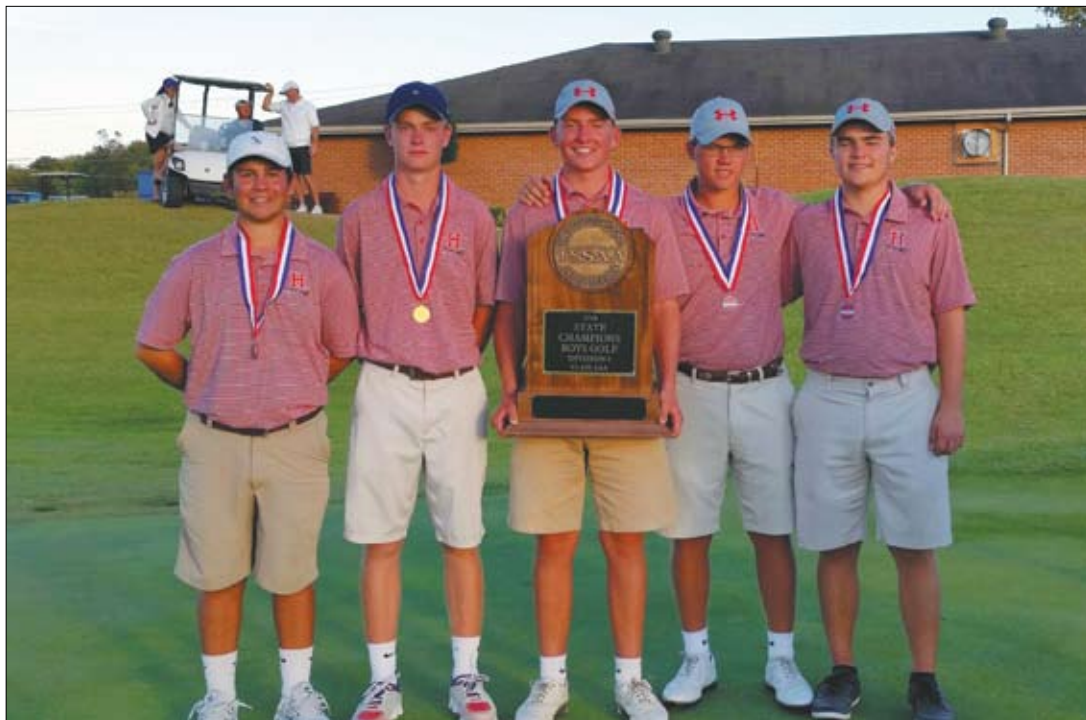
Halls and Science Hill of Johnson City tied with 36-hole team scores of seven-over-par 583.

The two teams remained tied after each totaled 1-under on the first sudden death playoff hole. But senior Alex Hodge and juniors Ryan Hall and Jake Hall (no relation) each carded a birdie on Hole No. 2 to give the Red Devils a one-stroke margin of victory.

It was Halls' first state golf crown in 30 years, and a member of that 1986 team, Donnie Cooper, texted his congratulations to the team.

"On the way home, Donnie Cooper texted Dad and told us all 'congrats, good playing,'" said Ryan Hall.

Hodge shot 69-72-141 and



Halls' golf team shows off its Class AAA state championship trophy it won at WillowBrook Golf Club in Manchester last week. From left are Will Collins, Ryan Hall, Alex Hodge, Jake Hall and Anthony Basilio.

Ryan Hall 71-70-141 to lead the Red Devils and share runner-up honors behind medalist Trent Johnson of Brentwood, who carded a five-under 68-71-139.

Will Collins stepped up for Halls in regulation play with a 75-74-149. Jake Hall, who made the Red Devils' lone birdie on the first playoff hole to keep his team alive, carded 77-75-152. Anthony Basilio shot 78-79-157. Only the top four scores counted in the team total.

"All season long we just kind of had fun," said Halls coach Bill Warren, who last had a team qualify for the state in 2006. "We knew we were good, and I

don't mean that to sound cocky. We knew we weren't going to be beat because we were so deep. If one person played bad, the other four were going to take care of things.

"We had the week off before the district and then everyone got serious."

Tullahoma took third place with a 585. Brentwood (597) was fourth. The team competition included the state's eight region champions.

"Last year and even the year before we were kind of expected to go to state and possibly even win it because we had a really good team," said Hodge,

talking about the team's long journey to the title. "To finally get it done this year and bring one back means a lot."

Even though they hadn't made the state, Hodge said there were a lot of lessons learned out on the course and benefits gained from those experiences prior to this breakthrough year.

Bearden's Jackson LaRue and Farragut's Steven Haremski each totaled 151 to lead other Region 2 golfers in the individual competition. Bryson Morrell of Bearden finished at 152.

Sevier County's Spencer Cross, defending state

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# Hockey returns as Ice Bears Halls Impressive, Beats Powell 49-22

## lose preseason opener

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especially when things got a little chippy in the third period when three fights broke out in a span of just under four minutes. The altercations worked

the fans into a frenzy as players from both squads pounded their sticks against the dasher boards as a show of respect.

Rivera gave the Ice Bears a 2-1 lead at the 5:37 mark of the second period.

Huntsville would respond Dylan Nowakoski knotted things at 2-2 with 11:46 to play in the second frame.

Knoxville regained the lead when Doug Reid scored 12 seconds later. Huntsville re-knotted things before Garrett Vermeesch's short-handed goal with 30.6 seconds left made it 4-3.

The Ice Bears couldn't maintain the lead in the third period. Kiser scored twice in the final 20 minutes. His first marker helped the Havoc pull even with 18:55 remaining in the game.

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2 the Carson Cole pass was incomplete in the final minute of the second quarter.

At the half, the Red Devils were ahead 28-0.

The second half kickoff did not go as planned for the Panthers, as a fumble recovery by Hunter Huff gave Halls (5-3, 2-2 in Region 2-5A) the football at the Powell 29. On the very next play, Cooper Cook broke a couple of tackles, and then broke away to the end zone. It was now 35-0 only 20 seconds into the third quarter.

But give the Panthers credit. They wouldn't quit and Cole was looking

deep. From the Halls 45 he sent one far down the field where Hunain Rasheed leaped in the air, made the catch over the Halls defender, and jogged over the goal line. The two point conversion was good, and it was 35-8 with 9:40 to go in the third quarter.

On the final play of the third quarter Powell (1-7, 0-4 in Region 2-5A) was in position to score more points. Cole threw a short pass to Brandon Smith, who broke no fewer than four tackles and then ran into the end zone. It was a 35-15 game.

The Panthers defense made another stop, and the Panthers offense was

on the move again. On first down at the 11, senior running back Dayton Beason ran to the left side, cut into the center of the field, and dove into the end zone. With 8:26 left in the game, Powell had pulled with 13 points at 35-22.

But with just under 6 minutes to go, Halls finally put the Panthers away. Harbin ran it in from three yards out, making it 42-22.

Harbin would tack on a 15-yard touchdown run to give the final margin in the 49-22 victory.

Looking ahead this week Halls will play at Karns while Powell will make the trip to Central.

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A LOOK AHEAD, A GLANCE BACK

# Region 2-5A title comes early for idle Gibbs

By Steve Williams

There are two weeks of the regular season remaining on the local high school football scene, but already some regional champs have been crowned.

Gibbs had an open date Friday night but earned the Region 2-5A title anyway by virtue of Heritage's 17-10 win over West.

The Eagles, who are 4-0 in region play, return to action this week with a non-region assignment at Carter. They will play their final region game at West on Oct. 28.

Catholic wrapped up the Region 2-4A crown with its 55-14 win at Carter.

Some region championships and No. 1 seeds for the playoffs won't be

settled until the final week of play.

Hardin Valley Academy knocked off previously undefeated Bradley Central 14-13 Friday to move into second place in Region 1-6A. The Hawks have a chance to win the region if they can sweep William Blount and unbeaten Maryville on the road in their final two games.

Oak Ridge can wrap up the Region 3-5A championship when it plays at Campbell County in a TV game on Oct. 27. A win by the Cougars, however, could force a three-way tie, including Farragut in the mix.

A Week 11 showdown already is set for the Region 2-3A title when Alcoa plays at Christian Academy of

Knoxville on Oct. 28.

Austin-East and Grace Christian Academy still have some work to do, but if they pass region tests this week, they'll collide for the Region 2-2A championship on Oct. 28 at GCA.

**FIRST THINGS:** Maryville plays at Bradley Central in this week's Thursday Rivalry Game on MyVLT. The Bears can make up for their loss at Hardin Valley by upsetting Maryville.

Friday night headliners include Gibbs at Carter, West at Fulton, South-Doyle at Farragut, Oak Ridge at Webb, Tellico Plains at Grace Christian and Austin-East at Sweetwater.

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PHOTO BY LEXIE GILLAND/FULCON

**FLYING FALCON.** Fulton sophomore running back Thomas Robquan glides for yardage in the Falcons' 62-6 win over Union County at Maynardville Friday night. With the win, Fulton improved to 5-3 overall and 3-1 in Region 2-4A. The Falcons will host the West Rebels this week.

# Streaking Bobcats claw rebuilding Mavericks, 49-7

By Steve Williams

The picture was quite clear. Central and Anderson County were two football teams going in opposite directions.

The Bobcats are riding a five-game win streak and coming on strong for the 2016 homestretch. The Mavericks are running a different offense after losing their starting quarterback for the season two weeks ago.

When they crossed paths Friday night at Joel Helton Field, what once might have been an offensive shootout turned out to be a one-sided affair.

Central, led by a five-touchdown performance from senior quarterback Trey Mitchell, notched an impressive 49-7 win to improve to 6-2 overall and 3-1 in Region 2-4A. The Mavericks, who scored school-record 71 points in a win over rival Clinton three weeks ago, fell to 2-6 and 1-3 in region play.

"We felt good about what we did," said Central head coach Bryson Rosser after the win. "Our kids played all the way to the end of the game. They stuck with the game plan. I continue to tell them they believe in us and the game plan and we believe in them and their abilities. Those relationships make for a good product on the field. They continue to do

a good job. I couldn't be more proud of the guys, the coaches and all the effort that we're putting in."

Anderson County lost QB Stanton Martin against Catholic in Week 7. The sophomore standout, who threw a school record seven touchdown passes in the win over Clinton, suffered a broken jaw on a play the Irishmen were flagged for a late hit personal foul.

After an open date last week, sophomore Ryan Moog started his first game at quarterback for the Mavs against Central. The 6-foot, 220-pounder is a left-handed Tim Tebow-type quarterback whose strength is running the ball.

The Bobcats hit the Mavericks with one big play after another and built a big enough lead in the first half (42-7) to activate the mercy rule and running clock.

"Losing Stanton is a big loss," said AC Coach Davey Gillum after the game. "I've said it before - I think he's one of the best, if not the best quarterback in the state. The big thing about losing a kid like that is you've been working a certain direction for the last calendar year. Now we're switching gears."

"Moog is a really good quarterback. He's a great athlete, a great football

player. It's a big direction change for our whole offense. It's a different game for us to call right now. We've got to keep progressing as a team. We saw some of the growing pains tonight."

Mitchell and senior wide-out Tony Reeves started Central's fireworks by connecting on a 65-yard pass on the game's first play from scrimmage. A bad snap prevented Eli Holbert from kicking the PAT and Anderson County answered with a touchdown of its own to briefly lead 7-6.

Mason Phillips tallied on a 5-yard run for the Mavs after Moog ran the ball five of the first six plays for 38 yards. Caleb Bethel's kick put AC ahead, but it was all Central the rest of the way.

Mitchell, who completed 20 of 27 passes for 355 yards, threw a 19-yard TD pass to Shermar Moore. Rondrow Peebles then intercepted a pass thrown out to the side and returned it 20 yards to score. His pick definitely looked like a result of good film study.

"Yes, we looked at it a lot and I just had that feeling it was coming, and it was right there for me to make the play," said Peebles. "I was on the No. 3 receiver the whole time and I saw him take that back step, so I just ran up and got it."



PHOTO BY MARVIN BUELL

**Central quarterback Trey Mitchell unleashes a pass against Anderson County Friday night. Mitchell threw five touchdown passes in a 49-7 victory.**

Peebles picked off Moog again - his seventh interception of the season - at the Central 33 near the end of the first quarter and eventually cashed it in himself, pulling in a 15-yard pass from Mitchell to make it 28-7.

Mitchell's 23-yard pass to Louis McNair set up a 7-yard TD run by Jadarius Sackie. Central ended the half by driving 60 yards - most of it through the air - and scoring when McNair fought his way into the end zone on an 11-yard pass from Mitchell.

Sackie hauled in a 21-yard pass from Mitchell late in the third quarter for the only score in a fast-moving second half.

"Their quarterback

threw the ball real well and scrambled around at times to extend plays," said Gillum. "The O-line played pretty well for them. Their D-line gave us problems, No. 47 (Isaac Buell) in particular. They're a good football team with a lot of team speed and athleticism. Coach Rosser does a fabulous job over there."

Central will continue its season-ending homestand with games against Powell this Friday and Fulton Oct. 28.

Anderson County also finishes at home, hosting Morristown East this week and Carter on Oct. 28 with a playoff berth up for grabs.

"Their quarterback

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champion and a UT commitment, tied for 36th with a 75-80-155.

In girls' state action, Alyssa Montgomery of Central bounced back with a 76-71-147 to take fifth place.

Clarksville's Mariah Smith took medalist honors with a five-under 71-68-139 and led the Wildcats to the team title with a 295 total.

Halls' girls were in second place after the first day but fell back on the second day and ended up fifth in the eight-team field with a 154-165-319. The Lady Red Devils got a 73-84-157 from Shelby Liford and an 81-81-162 from Harper Cherry.

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# Shootout win nets title for CAK soccer

By Ken Lay

It took a penalty kicks shootout to crown the 2016 District 4-A/AA girls soccer champion. The game between rivals Christian Academy of Knoxville and Catholic High School couldn't be decided in 80 minutes of regulation and a pair of overtime periods.

The top-seeded Lady Irish and the Lady Warriors played a to a 1-1 draw in regulation and the two longtime Cedar Bluff Area foes didn't produce a district champion.

The Lady Warriors (13-6-1) won the shootout 4-2 Thursday night at Blaine Stadium.

"This was a great game and both teams invested a lot of energy in last night's game," CAK Coach Ried Estus said by phone Friday. "We're resting today and we're getting healthy."

"We're going to rest and get healthy this weekend and we're going to get back

at it on Monday."

Emily Patti had CAK's goal in regulation. She also tallied in the penalty kicks shootout.

The Lady Warriors also got shootout goals from Eva Toler, Lydia Heintz and the game-winner came off the foot of Maddy Moyers.

Estus also noted that the Lady Irish (11-6-2) had the better and speedier athletes.

"They had the superior team," he said. "They have a lot of speed on that team. They beat us 3-0 during the regular season but I think we match up well against them."

"This is a healthy rivalry and our kids know each other. They're on a first-name basis and they play with each other on the same club teams. They have superior athletes but we have our advantages that help us match up against them too."

Estus said he's looking

forward to Tuesday hosting one of the Region 2-A/AA elimination semifinal matches.

"We're happy on two counts," he said. "We're happy to avoid Grace Christian [in the semifinals] and we're happy to be playing at home."

In recent years, the Lady Warriors and Lady Irish have tangled for the regional crown. That may be the case again Thursday night but CAK must get past Rockwood and Catholic must eliminate Grace Christian Academy on the road.

Estus said he wouldn't mind playing the Lady Irish again but he knows that his team faces a stiff test against the Lady Tigers and he understands that the Lady Rams will also crash the party.

"Rockwood is a very good team and they've really put together some impressive efforts on the field," Estus

said. "I would like to say that we will see Catholic again, but Grace Christian has a great team and they have a lot of speed."

The Lady Warriors will host Rockwood (18-4) Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The Lady Rams will entertain the Lady Irish at 7 p.m.

**In District 3-A/AA:** Grace won the tournament crown with a 5-1 win over Rockwood.

Allie Dunn, who recently broke the single-season goal scoring record, had two goals and an assist in the title match for the Lady Rams (19-1). Dunn scored four times in Grace's semifinal win early last week against Gatlinburg-Pittman.

Dunn eclipsed a 20-year old record. Farragut's Laura Lauter (now Laura Smith). Smith, who scored 68 goals in 1996, was inducted into the Farragut High School Sports Hall of Fame

in February. Dunn now has 71 markers this season.

**In District 2-AAA:** The fourth time was the charm for South-Doyle's senior class as the Lady Cherokees defeated Morristown West 3-1 Thursday night at home.

"The girls in this senior class probably have one of the best records in school history," South-Doyle coach Adam Massie said. "They've played four times and they won it this year."

"These girls have worked extremely hard and I'm really proud of them."

Against the Lady Patriots, South-Doyle (12-3) got a pair of goals from Lira Mathes. Cameron Gale also scored for the Lady Cherokees, who host Tennessee High in the opening round of the Region 1-AAA Tournament.

**In the District 3-AAA championship match at Powell**

**Friday:** Oak Ridge upset the host Panthers 2-0 to avenge last year's loss in the title game.

The Lady Wildcats will host Farragut Tuesday night at 7. Powell will travel to play Maryville Tuesday. The Lady Rebels beat the Lady Panthers during the regular season.

**In District 4-AAA:** The third-seeded Lady Rebels toppled the fourth seeded Lady Admirals 2-0 after both squads recorded upset wins in Tuesday night's semifinals. Farragut beat top-seeded Bearden 2-1 while the Lady Rebels ousted two-time defending champion Hardin Valley Academy to reach the district final and qualify for regional play.

## Region 2-5A title comes early for idle Gibbs

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**RECORD BREAKER:** Cole Smith, CAK quarterback, set the TSSAA state record for career passing yards Friday night. His 174 yards before leaving the game for precautionary reasons (sore shoulder) put him at 11,032 yards in his career, surpassing the previous mark of 10,978 yards held by former CAK quarterback Charlie High, who finished his prep career in 2012.

Smith also threw four TD passes before departing in the Warriors' 42-27 win over McMinn Central.

**BEST OVERALL:** Catholic continued to hold a slim lead over Murfreesboro Oakland in Sonny Moore's "overall" computer power ratings of the state's 344 high school football teams after Week 8 games.

The Fighting Irish had a rating of 158.05, while

Oakland was rated at 157.62.

The Top 25 also included No. 5 Maryville and No. 9 Bradley Central, but Hardin Valley's win over Bradley Central in Week 9 should boost the Hawks from their No. 23 rating.

Greenville was rated No. 11, Fulton No. 12, Alcoa No. 17 and Farragut No. 20. Oak Ridge dropped to No. 27 in the ratings after its loss at McMinn County.

**PREPS OF THE PAST:** Twenty-five years ago, on Oct. 9, 1981, Clinton senior tailback John Miller had a 97-yard touchdown run in the first quarter to get the Dragons rolling to a 31-7 win at Central. Miller, who totaled 207 yards on the ground, cashed in his

second TD a little over a minute later after a fumble recovery by Greg Sweet.

Robert Dixon contributed a 30-yard field goal and four PAT and Todd Holbrook ran for a pair of touchdowns after intermission.

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# Area volleyball teams advance to state tournaments

By Ken Lay

It took a little more than an hour for Farragut High School to punch its return ticket to the Class AAA State Tournament in Murfreesboro.

The Lady Admirals secured their fifth consecutive trip to the Midstate with a 25-15, 25-12, 25-14 victory over Morristown West Thursday night at the Lynn E. Sexton Gymnasium.

It marked the third straight time that Farragut knocked off the Lady Trojans in a Section 1-AAA match.

The victory appeared to be an easy won for the Lady Admirals, who swept both the District 4-AAA regular-season championship and tournament titles. But Farragut coach Susan Davidson credited Morristown West (34-8) for its effort Thursday night.

"I think Morristown West was better than they were last year," she said. "They had a tough match to get here. They played five games against [Kingsport] Dobyns-Bennett and they're well-coached and they have a really good team."

The Lady Trojans fell victim to Farragut's service

game early in the first set. The Lady Admirals had a 9-7 lead when District 4-AAA Player of the Year Alexis Parker took the ball and served up five consecutive points to extend Farragut's advantage to 14-7.

After a side-out made it 14-8, senior libero Madi Howell scored three consecutive points. Her ace made the score 18-8 and all but polished off the first game.

Morristown West coach Heather Kelly said her squad was competitive early but said some controversial calls changed the complexion of the first game and the matches.

"We've gotten here three years and a row and they've beaten us," Kelly said. "Farragut is just a great team."

"I thought we played well at the start and then this down referee made some tough calls that went against us. I wish that we would've responded a little better than we did."

In the second set, things were again tight until the Lady Admirals broke it open. With the two teams locked in a 3-3 tie, Farragut took a 4-3 lead on a side-out before Shelby Grace Rawls served up five

straight points to help the Lady Admirals take a 9-3 lead. From there, the Admirals would cruise.

In the third set, sophomore setter Sydney Cherney gave the home team a 17-2 lead as she went on a 14-point service run.

"Sydney served great in that third set," Davidson said. "She scored 14 straight points."

As a sophomore, Cherney will return next season, but Farragut has five seniors who played their final home match Thursday night. Parker, Howell, Anne Abernathy Rawls and Allie Rogers wanted to go out with a bang and they did.

"We have some seniors who were playing their last match on this floor tonight," Davidson said. "We talked about that before the game and we talked about how we wanted to finish this thing strong."

Abernathy had 17 kills and four blocks. Parker finished with 18 kills, eight digs and five blocks and Rawls added 11 kills, five blocks and three aces to spark a total team effort.

The Lady Admirals (42-4) will now look to take care of a little unfinished business. They've lost the state title

match in each of the last two seasons and Brentwood has won the championship in 2013 and 2014.

"We're excited to go back to state and this time, we want the gold [plaque]," Parker said. "We're seniors and we want to come home with the gold."

Abernathy agreed. "This is our senior year and we're all excited about going back to state," she said.

**Lady Spartans to vie for fourth straight title:** Webb School of Knoxville needed just 49 minutes to clinch another trip to Murfreesboro. The Lady Spartans made short work as they swept Evangelical Christian School 25-6, 25-9, 25-16 Saturday morning at the Lee Athletic Center.

Kayleigh Hames had 17 kills and 13 kills. Nicklin Hames finished with 15 kills, 27 assists and three aces. Meredith Wallace finished with 14 kills, 12 digs and seven aces.

Webb coach Chris Hames, who saw her squad improve to 41-8, said she was pleased after her team made it back to state with no seniors.

"With this team, we're young, but we knew we

were still going to be pretty good," she said. "It was just a matter of fitting the pieces together."

"I think we're playing pretty good right now. We're playing pretty clean."

Also in Division II-A, the King's Academy earned a state tournament bid with a 25-10-25-10, 25-7 victory over Tipton-Rosemark Saturday in Seymour.

**Lady Irish headed back to Murfreesboro:** Catholic High School will be making a return to the Midstate for the third consecutive year. The Lady Irish, who swept the District 4-AAA regular-season championship, the tournament title and the and won the Region 2-AA crown, advanced to the Class AA State Tournament with a three-set sweep over the Greeneville.

The Irish prevailed over the Greene Devils 25-13, 25-14, 25-14.

Catholic (29-10) got 17 kills, 10 digs and a block from senior Kamila Cieslik, a Rutgers commitment. Dana Gardner finished the state sectional match with five kills and two blocks.

Like Farragut, Catholic has reached its respective championship in each of the last two years. And like

the Lady Admirals, the Lady Irish haven't been able to return to East Tennessee with the ultimate prize. Both teams will again seek the prize that has eluded them again in 2016.

**Concord Christian advances:** The Lady Lions needed five sets to outlast Berean Christian in a Section 1-A match and clinch a second consecutive trip to the Midstate.

Concord Christian also reached the state championships in 2015 and made a deep run.

While Farragut, Webb, Catholic and Concord Christian will each be making a return trip to Murfreesboro, one area team will be making its first-ever trip to the Class AAA State Tournament.

Hardin Valley Academy, which posted runner-up finishes in the District 4-AAA and Region 2-AAA Tournaments, punched a ticket to this week's championships with a four-set victory at Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett in the other Section 1-AAA match Thursday night. The Lady Hawks (30-10) also finished second behind the Lady Admirals in the district's regular season standings.

# Area volleyball players receive honors

By Ken Lay

The 2016 high school volleyball season is now in the rear-view mirror and with the various area district tournaments now complete. Coaches in two league's have announced their postseason awards.

District 4-AA and District 4-AAA have honored their top respective players.

Catholic High School was heavily represented on the District 4-AA squad. The Lady Irish, who won both the regular-season championship and the tournament title, had six players named to the all-district team including: Most Valuable Player Kamila Cieslik; Gracie Whitt (who was named Defensive Player of the Year); Dana Gardner; Margaret McCarty; Meredith Bonee and Olivia Kozemko (who shared Setter of the Year honors).

Brent Carter was named Coach of the Year after leading the Lady Irish to a

second consecutive league championship. Catholic, which will host the Region 2-AA Tournament this week, is seeking a third consecutive trip to the Class AA State Tournament in Murfreesboro. The Lady Irish have reached the title match in both 2014 and 2015. The state championship, however, has eluded them.

CAK had a pair of players named to the squad. Caroline Henderson was named Hitter of the Year. The Lady Warriors, who won the state title in 2014, were also represented by Leighton Simpson.

Alcoa's Malia Ferguson and Nicole Fritz also made the team.

In District 4-AAA: Farragut's Alexis Parker was named Most Valuable Player after leading the Lady Admirals to both the league and tournament championships. The Indiana commitment and outside hitter was also the district tournament

MVP. She was named district Hitter of the Year in 2015 and claimed MVP honors as a sophomore in 2014.

Farragut's Shelby Grace Rawls was named Blocker of the Year. Savannah Bradburn (Heritage) and Madi Howell (Farragut) were shared Passer of the Year honors. Maryville's Madison Coulter was named Hitter of the Year in 2016. Heritage's Kailey Keeble was named Setter of the Year. Hardin Valley Academy's Caroline Waite was named Server of the Year. West High was represented on the first team by Rookie of the Year Sophie Cain.

Second-Team Honors went to: Mandi Prescott (Hardin Valley); Isabella Mitchell (Hardin Valley); Alex Kirby (Hardin Valley); Anne Abernathy (Farragut); Anna Ray (Maryville); Meg Mersman (Maryville); Logan Kael (Maryville) and Chesney McClellan (Maryville).

Cara Gardner (William Blount), Taylor Goodman (Lenoir City), Kristin Dowling (Bearden) and Katelyn Filipkowski received Honorable Mentions.

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 ALCOA Class AAA, R2	vs. Webb W, 38-13	vs. William Blount W, 45-7	vs. Loudon W, 41-7	vs. Maryville L, 29-43	vs. Scott W, 42-7	vs. Heritage W, 41-14	vs. McMinn Central W, 49-7	OPEN	vs. Kingston W, 52-3	vs. Red Bank	vs. CAK
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**The Rat Park**

Hardly a day goes by without some story, tragedy or crime related to drugs. Statistics tell us that we are in the middle of a drug epidemic and Tennessee is an epicenter. In our state the per capita usage of opioids, like hydrocodone and oxycodone, and the use of benzodiazepines like Xanax is among the highest in the nation. I guess Tennesseans are a nervous bunch, and have a lot of pain. Or is something else at work?

Why do people use drugs? I'm not talking about a glass of wine, a beer or two or taking opioids for postoperative pain. I'm talking about pre-occupation with a drug or obsessing over that drug even when it is destructive. Why do people not control themselves and instead let the drug or behavior control them? Why does drug abuse

persist in some despite problems at their work or school, despite deteriorating health, financial struggles or legal issues? Why do people sell their body or their soul for a drug that destroys them and even their children?

I'm not a psychiatrist, but emotional problems are common in medicine. A colleague of mine was trained as a family practitioner. However, when he saw how many of his patients suffered from emotional problems he went back and completed a residency in psychiatry. I believe his perspectives as a primary care doctor made him an exceptional psychiatrist. Perhaps it goes both ways.

I've written that an internist is a practitioner who wants to know why things happen. As scientists we believe that if we learn why something occurs, we'll be

on the road to know what to do to fix the problem. But, it's complicated because humans are complicated creatures. I've come to understand that the mind and the body are more related than separated. Physical pain colors one's perspective, and emotional issues hurt.

At one time experts thought that drug addiction was a pleasure response issue; addicts use drugs because they enjoy getting high. Early research focused on the neurochemical pleasure responses of drug usage, where drugs stimulated certain areas of the brainstem. Anyone exposed to opioids and alcohol develops tolerance. However, researchers began to ask why only 7% of alcohol users become alcoholics with destructive behaviors. Similarly, it is often quoted that 10% of us are at risk for dependency if exposed to opioids. Certainly, genetic issues are at work, as they are with most human physiology. An example is the higher levels of blood alcohol in Asian and Native American populations due to their low levels of alcohol dehydrogenase, the enzyme which metabolizes (deactivates) alcohol. It stands to reason that Asian populations feel greater effects of alcohol

due to the slower metabolism and resulting accumulation of the drug. But, there is more.

Like humans, rats are social creatures and are often used in experimental models. Studies revealed that rats in cages choose opium laced water over pure water, even to the point of overdose. A researcher named Bruce Alexander in the early 1980s hypothesized that isolated rats in cages chose opium because "what else would they do?" So he devised the "rat park" with 200 times as much space as a cage, toys like hamster wheels and multicolored balls were present, there was plenty of good food and dozens of other rats were together, and half were female. Alexander found that rats who could play, fight, eat and have sex ignored the opium water. And even previously addicted rats placed in the rat park stopped using the opium laced water.

Experts now believe drug addiction is more a "desire for escape than seeking pleasure," and more "about feeling less than feeling good." A researcher named Bowlby studied orphans after WWII. He found that children who were fed and sheltered still didn't thrive like other

children, and some even died. We now believe that human touch and connection is integral to healthy development. Children denied emotional intimacy or raised in familial instability often learn to avoid the relational connections that failed them as kids.

Now, I'm not a mechanistic Freudian who holds that poor potty training leads to Oedipal conflicts and neuroses. However, I've always wondered why abused children cleave to the abusing parent. They seem to seek emotional connection and ultimately blame themselves for broken bones and broken homes. The same goes for abused spouses.

I'm a guy who believes in personal responsibility and accountability. However, there are those less fortunate than me, and need my understanding and my help. We can rise above our circumstances if we choose to do so. However, embracing the mantle of victimhood is destructive. Understanding and knowledge are empowering, and I'm now more sensitive to the complicated issue of drug addiction than I used to be. And I'm willing to help those who truly want to help themselves.

Despite the researchers' otherwise insightful observations and intriguing

theory of substance addiction, they miss one salient point in this Gordian topic. I am a scientist and a theist, and both perspectives are operative in my world view.

In the 10th chapter of Mark, Jesus admonishes his handlers to "let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." As I read this familiar passage, I thought about the handlers who direct the crowds around the Presidential candidates - though these are not children in any traditional sense. In the story Jesus seems to lend credibility to modern scientists as he places his hands on the children and blesses them. Jesus did not make the sign of the cross, but conveyed to the children through touch an extension of divine goodness.

Yes, we are social creatures and wither without the touch of others. But also, we are creatures in need of the Spirit's touch if we are to be fully alive and to thrive.

Need a Christmas stocking stuffer? Check out my book of essays, "Well... What Did the Doctor Say" at Amazon.com and Barnes&Noble.com!

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**8 Safety Tips for Your Dog This Howl'oween**

Can you believe it is Halloween already! Hobo the Wonder Dog and I want to stress the importance of our 8 Safety Tips for Your Dog This Howl'oween. Halloween is one of my favorite times of year. The biggest reasons I enjoy Halloween so much is it takes place

in the fall of the year. The nights are crisp with just enough nip in the air to bring nature to a time of rest and renewal. Halloween can also bring some pretty frightening and haunting hazards for our pups.

Dogs, like people may not enjoy dressing up as your favored Presidential Candidate or the latest Snapchat filter to fulfill our desire for the perfect costume. Halloween can be frightening and risky



By **Howard Baker, RN BSN**

for our four-legged family members. When we keep our pet's safety in mind, it helps ensure a safe and fun holiday is had by all. Here are helpful tips to point out the obvious and the not so obvious hazards.

**8 Safety Tips to Keep Your Dog Stress Free This Halloween**

1. Candy is never a good idea. Some candy may contain XYLITOL, a toxic ingredient to dogs even in small amounts. Chocolate can also be dangerous to your pooch so the best practice is no candy.
2. Party supplies, candy wrappers, tin foil, and cellophane are dangerous if swallowed. These items may be irresistible

to your dog.

3. Decorative pumpkins and corn although not poisonous; can cause upset stomach and diarrhea bringing a whole new meaning to scary. Don't add "Pooptacular" to describe your Halloween.

4. Decorative lights, wires, and cords kept out of reach. Chewed electrical wires can cause electrical burns causing minor to life threatening shock.

5. Lighted pumpkins can easily be turned over causing fire and injury.

6. Use common sense with Trick-or-Treaters at your door. Unless your pup is well socialized and enjoys strange scary creatures coming to the door, keep them in a separate room away from the festivities.

7. Costumes: Make sure your dog enjoys being dressed up



**Hobo the Cowboy Dog, Halloween 2016**

beforehand. If you are going to dress your pup up steer clear of costumes with the potential to restrict breathing, barking, hearing, vision, or movement.

8. Some dogs love being dressed in costume but many do not. Only dress your dog in costume if you know they love it and are stress free.

Always have your veterinarian and emergency clinic phone numbers handy in case of an emergency.

Injuries and accidents can ruin the best laid plans of any outing. Take a little time to follow these tips for an accident and stress free holiday. Time with your dog should always be fun and stress free and Halloween is no exception. So get out there and have a tail wagging Spooktacular time and make this Howl'oween stress free.

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# On Mission with God

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of their slander" (1 Peter 3:15-16).

We have the perfect scenario in play for people to witness our hope. It is called the Presidential election. People are flipping out. I know die-hard Republicans and Democrats that are beside themselves, worried, fearful. This is a great time for the people of God who know that this world is not their home to give hope to others. We do pray for our country, but our hope is not in this country, it is in God. We know that God is in control. Nothing gets by Him. Nothing catches Him by surprise. So if God is for

us, who can be against us? Like the prophets of God, we can remind the people around us that we have a mission to the nations. We have a mission to this nation. God has planted you here. So, when someone sees your peace, joy, and hope in the midst of uncertainty, we have a chance to give an answer for our hope.

What is the reason for your hope? Peter says it is Christ as Lord (1 Peter 3:15). When Christ is Lord of your life, He is your hope. Who better to be in control? Even when it appears that this world is out of control, God is still with His people.

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## Building Community Festival

The Building Community Festival and Sale will be held October 22 at Virginia College parking lot beginning at 8:00 a.m. Proceeds will be used to help refugees living in Knoxville integrate into their communities by learning English, cultural assimilation, accessing goods and services and becoming contributing citizens.

This is a great opportunity for those looking for gently used items of all kinds at a low price. Available for purchase are household items for living/dining/bed/bath rooms, kitchen, books, holiday decor, children's items, appliances (stoves, dryers, microwaves, etc.) and some winter clothing. Other points of interest include, face painting, African music and dance, line dancing, food and vendors. Vendor booths are available by calling (865) 776-4251.

## Commissioners

### October Night Out

Knox County At-Large Commissioners Ed Brantley and Bob Thomas will be at Jackie's Dream restaurant at 2223 McCalla Avenue, Thursday, October 20 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. to listen to any concerns of citizens.

## DAR Meeting

The Samuel Frazier Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will meet on Saturday, October 22, 2016. The meeting will be held at 11 a.m. at the Farragut Folklife Cultural Center, 11406 Cultural Center Dr., Knoxville, TN 37934.

For more information or if you are interested in attending as a guest, please contact Martha Kroll at (865) 603-4655.



Members of the District 6 Democratic party celebrated at the Truman Day dinner on September 30, 2016. Top row L-R Candidate for 89th District Heather Hensley, Cheryl and Warren Oliver Lou Mansur, Harry Boston, Elizabeth Vacanti, Janice Spooone, Karen Harris-Garcia, Carol Tokay, Cindy and Clay Mulford, Freda Schingle, Ken Williams, Frank Schingle, Jackie Williams and Steve Tokay.

## Harvest Festival at CAC Beardsley Community Farm

Come celebrate the final fall harvest at CAC Beardsley Community Farm, Sunday, October, 23rd from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the HARVEST FESTIVAL, a free, family-friendly celebration. The festival will celebrate the farm, the community, and the final fall harvest. There will be delicious food, live music, and children's games free for all to enjoy.

If you've never been to Knoxville's only urban demonstration farm, now is your chance! Bring the whole family to this exciting seasonal event! In case of inclement weather, this event will be cancelled. Please call (865) 546-8446 with questions.

## Glenwood Baptist Church

Free Concert! Glenwood Baptist Church, 7212 Central Avenue Pike, Powell, invites you to come hear a Grammy-nominated Blue Grass band featuring Phil Leadbetter (dobro player) Sunday, October 23, at 6 p.m., 865-938-2611.

## Painting Workshop at Marble Springs State Historic Site

Marble Springs State Historic Site will be hosting a painting workshop on November 12th, 2016 starting at 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. This workshop will be taught by local painting teacher Kristi Bailey. Guests will get to participate in a beginning step-by-step painting, creating a landscape image of the scenic historic site. Previous painting experience is not required.

The workshop will cost \$35 and will cover the cost of supplies. For those that wish to bring their own supplies, a recommended list can be provided upon registration. Bringing a sack lunch is recommended. Participants will meet under the pavilion. In the event of bad weather, the workshop will be moved inside. Space is limited to 20 guests so please register early. Come join us for a fun and easy way to make your own beautiful painting. Details are subject to change.

## Schoolhouse Adventure

The Historic Sam Houston

Schoolhouse is happy to announce the second Schoolhouse Adventure will be on Friday, October 28 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dr. Gail Palmer will be the special guest. She has produced a large body of work on the Great Smoky Mountains... Her books share a native's look at the mountain people, a captivating and entertaining model for communicating local history through storytelling.

Reservations are requested for this event. To reserve your seat at our table call the schoolhouse at 865-983-1550. Cost \$10 per person, \$15 per couple. Dinner will be available at 6 p.m., a donation of \$5 for each meal is suggested. Sam Houston Schoolhouse is located at 3659 Old Sam Houston School Road, Maryville, Tennessee.

## Sevier County Tea Party's October meeting

Join us Thursday, October 20 on the third floor of the Sevier County Courthouse at 6:30 p.m.

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