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## Teacher Advisory Committee discusses evaluations



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*Interim Superintendent Buzz Thomas meets with the Knox County Teachers Advisory Committee and he asked for comments about future teacher evaluations and the need or lack of textbooks.*

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Teacher evaluations and school textbooks were the topics of Tuesday's meeting of the Knox County Teacher Advisory Committee and Interim Superintendent Buzz Thomas said the meeting was incredibly helpful.

Thomas chaired the group, made up of 20 teachers and one assistant principal, and opened the discussion about options to the current evaluation system. He said that the

"Tiger" system seems less stressful on teachers. Any new system adopted by the school board would be for future use, not the current year.

"Or perhaps you want to customize ours, just for Knox County," the interim superintendent said.

He called on Dr. Rodney Russell, Director of Human Capital Strategy for the school system, to act as coordinator for coming up with an evaluation system based on the Advisory Committee's suggestions.

Russell asked the advisory group for volunteers and the interim superintendent will nominate some of those to a subcommittee. The working subcommittee would then report back with suggestions on a new evaluation process.

Board of Education member Terry Hill and Chair Patti Bounds watched the meeting and Hill suggested that the evaluation subcommittee be compensated for their time while they work on a plan.

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### City Council

## City considers updating all zoning ordinances

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The Knoxville City Council is being asked to hire Camiros, Ltd, to tackle the huge task of rewriting the city's Zoning Ordinances. The council hears the request, from the Department of Engineering, Tuesday evening during its regular session.

The contract, for \$280,250 following a request for bids, will stipulate that the company would work under the direction of Gerald Green and the Metropolitan Planning Commission staff. The idea is to update the entire zoning regulations and the MPC has been working on bringing updates and changes to the city.

Some proposed changes involve sidewalk requirements, setbacks from the streets, mixed use areas,

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## Five Points Up coalition hosts third annual Winter Wonderland event

Five Points Up invites the public to its third annual Winter Wonderland program on Thursday, Dec. 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Dr. Walter Hardy Park, 2020 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

"Winter Wonderland is an opportunity for those who don't have a family to share the holiday with the community. It's also a way to rejoice in the season, as well as share some refreshments and entertainment with each other," said Albert Nelson, Five Points Up member and Community Action Committee (CAC) East Neighborhood Center director.

The free event is open to the public and will feature a holiday lighting ceremony in Hardy Park followed by entertainment and refreshments at the Tabernacle Baptist Church, 2137 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. Partners include Project GRAD, Cold Springs Neighborhood Association, Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Association, OUR Community Organization, the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee, The Village of Knoxville, the East Knoxville Business and Professional Association, and the Knox County Health Department (KCHD). The purpose of the event is to build relationships among community members in East Knoxville.

The mission of Five Points Up is to beautify and unify East Knoxville through community-based activities and events.

## \$100k Grant Awarded to Beaumont Magnet Teacher for Playground Redesign



*Beaumont Magnet art teacher Cheryl Burchett received a \$100,000 grant from Farmers Insurance for the school's playground. Present for the ceremony were Board of Education members Patti Bounds (Chair), Gloria Deathridge (District 1) and Jennifer Owen (District 2); State legislators Richard Briggs, Roger Kane, Becky Duncan Massey, Rick Staples and Jason Zachary; Mayor Tim Burchett; City of Knoxville Special Program Manager Indya Kincannon; City Council Member Mark Campen; Great Schools Partnership Interim President Stephanie Welch; Knox County Schools Director of Innovation and School Improvement Dr. Daphne Odom; Farmers Insurance #5 NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne; and representatives from Farmers Insurance.*

Students from Beaumont Magnet Academy gathered Thursday morning for what they thought was a holiday performance by the school's theater group, but the program was cut short to surprise art teacher Cheryl Burchett with a \$100,000 Dream Big Teacher Grant from Farmers Insurance for the redesign of the school's playground.

Beaumont is the only elementary arts magnet school in Knox County and was one of 15 finalists for the \$100,000 grant. The 15 finalists were ranked based on the number of votes their grant idea received on the Farmers Insurance website during the

month of October. Halfway through the contest, Beaumont—the only Tennessee school in the running—was in first place. While these results were exciting, it was nothing compared to actually winning the grant.

"The entire process has just reinforced how supported our school is in this community. I am blown away by how many people in Knoxville and Knox County help us every time we do something, and especially now with something as big as this!" said Mrs. Burchett.

Great Schools Partnership will act as a key partner in the project and as the fiscal agent for the funds which

will be used to create several arts-themed areas on the existing BMA playground that would be available for both school and community use.

"I'm humbled to be a part of Burchett's journey from the very beginning, and celebrate her winning of these well-deserved funds," said Farmers Insurance® local agent Shannon McCulloch.

Burchett is not new to reaping the benefits of the Thank America's Teacher's program, as this is her second educational grant from Farmers Insurance in addition to the \$2,500 grant she won this past spring.

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A large portion of Tennesseans do not have a will that dictates who gets what when they die, they simply have not gone to the trouble of ever making a will. When this happens, the state's laws of intestate succession, aka who gets what when there is no will, dictate which relatives of the deceased person get their possessions, property and money.

Now, if someone does not really care who gets their possessions when they die, they may not want to be bothered or troubled by drafting a will. However, if you want to be certain the people you want get what



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you want them to get, you need to have a will in place. It doesn't have to be complicated. Further, there are some common misconceptions about who gets what when you die. Did you know, that if you die while married, your spouse does not automatically get everything you own? That itself may be a reason to draft a will.

Here are three things you should consider when drafting a simple will:

First, determine who should receive what assets. Seems obvious, right?

When someone comes to me to draft a will, I assume that they want to

leave everything they own to their spouse first, then if they have no spouse, or their spouse is already deceased, that they want to split the remaining assets evenly among their children. This may not be the case though. You may want to make a specific gift to an uncle or aunt, or give an heirloom to a specific child, these are all things that need to be considered and articulated in your will.

Second, determine what happens to minor children.

If you have minor children, an essential consideration to address would be, who will take care of the children until the age of majority after you pass? Many people have relatives that they just do not quite trust and you are not really

sure if they will try to say they are the best people to take care of your children if you pass. Better to have in writing in your will with whom you want your children to live after you pass. This goes without saying, make sure you talk to whoever you pick ahead of time and make sure they are willing to take on such an enormous, although unlikely to occur, obligation.

Another thing to address is at what age would the minor children inherit the assets left to them in the will. Because they are minors, they are not legally allowed to be given monies from your estate until they turn 18 at the very earliest. Do you want them to receive it at age 18, 21, 25, 30, or another determined age? And who will

manage the assets until the time in which the child is able to claim it? Who will watch over it? I usually recommend that the people caring for your children also manage their money until they receive it, but it does not have to be the same person/people.

Third, determine who will watch over your estate.

The third important consideration is, who will be the executor of your estate? Typically, it is a spouse. But it is wise to have a backup executor in case your spouse dies before you or you die at the same time. I usually recommend that people pick someone, "responsible, and good with money." They will have to deal with court proceedings, executing documents, bank accounts, etc. They

can always hire an attorney to help them (and I recommend this), but still good to have someone you trust in this role.

To recap, the three main considerations to think about when drafting a will are: who are you going to leave your stuff to, who is going to take care of minor children, and who is going to be the executor of your estate?

Of course, you may have many other considerations in regard to your will, but for most Tennesseans, this simple list is all that you need to answer, provide to an attorney, and get in to the form of a will, in order to have peace of mind if the unthinkable happens.

## Owen to question school administration lines of authority

**By Mike Steely**  
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Wednesday's meeting of the Knox County Board of Education may be a tug of war again between 2nd District BOE member Jennifer Owen and Interim Superintendent Buzz Thomas

Owen has several items on the agenda as she continues her efforts to hold the current or next superintendent of schools responsible to the board. Her motions on board policy changes include a second reading of the "School Board Legal Status and Authority" amendment.

She is also asking for a discussion on Board Committees, Lines of Authority and Staff Relations, and Administrative and Supervisory Positions and Qualifications.

Interim Superintendent Thomas has said that he would recommend that some of the changes not be adopted that might restrict a new superintendent.

In his agenda items Thomas is asking the elected board members to also consider his School Administration Goals and Objectives and the policy dealing with the Director of Schools. If Owen's change passes it would have the superintendent seek board permission to establish lines of authority.

Another change sought

by Owen would establish job descriptions and positions, a power since 2008 has been assumed by the superintendent. She is also proposing that BOE members be allowed to attend and observe meetings of the Executive Committee and those meetings be publicized.

The BOE may also discuss possible action on the system's credit recovery policy, amend the Public Forum policy, and discuss various requests from schools to fund or allow funds raised at schools to purchase items and services.

Mark Stevens Homes, Inc., may be contracted for \$26,459 to create a new sign for Northshore Elementary. The board is also being asked to accept more than \$554,000 from a Community Partner Grant from UT to provide an Asthma Community Program.

The board meets in regular session Wednesday in the City-County Building's main assembly room. Much of the discussion of agenda items, however, will probably take place Monday at the Andrew Johnson Building at 5 p.m. During the Monday work session, reports from the Superintendent Search Committee and the Teachers Advisory Committee are scheduled.

## Burlington cell tower decision may be postponed

**By Mike Steely**  
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When the Metropolitan Planning Commission meets Thursday it faces about 46 items on the agenda including the election of officers for 2017.

The commissioners will discuss, among other items, the approval of a historic school for senior living, the expansion of the Montessori School on Kingston Pike, the approval of a distillery on Jackson Avenue, and amendments to the minimum subdivision requirements for the city and county.

**Giffin School and Burlington Cell Tower**

Probably the most controversial matter on the agenda is a request from Verizon Wireless for construction of a 125-foot cell tower at the corner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive and Holston Drive in the Burlington neighborhood. The construction has been strongly opposed by members of that community, headed by Town Hall East.

But the community organization has notified its members that the Use on Review hearing for the tower may be postponed.

"Verizon Wireless has requested and Town Hall East has agreed not to oppose a 30-day

postponement of the December 8th hearing," The Knoxville Focus was notified. The company communicated to the neighborhood organization that it seeks additional time to investigate additional alternative site proposals and design.

"Should Verizon choose to press their current site proposal and design it is critical that the residents vocalize their opposition to the MPC Commissioners well in advance of the January 12th date," Town Hall East stated.

**Giffin School and Montessori expansion**

The historic Giffin Elementary School building, built in 1920 and abandoned in 1995, is becoming a housing complex for senior citizens. Located in South Knoxville on Beech Street the former school is before the MPC as developer David Cockrill seeks to place nine independent senior apartments, 50 assisted living units, a primary care facility and an adult day care there.

The Montessori Association is asking to expand its existing school at the intersection of Towanda Trail and Kingston Pike.

**Baker Creek Bottoms**

Developer Thomas Weiss is asking for approval of a use on review of his plans to convert a former church on Sevier Heights Road and Wallace Drive to a multi-use complex to house a brewery, restaurant, 20



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

**Wayne Marler, Senior Pastor of Open Door Church, the former Sevier Heights Baptist Church, says he has no objection to the complex becoming a craft brewery, apartments and office spaces.**

apartments, and seven office spaces. He is asking for a special exemption for residential use in a C-3 Commercial Zone.

The former church facility also includes a large parking lot within a residential neighborhood and the proposal apparently has the support of the community. The proposal includes an existing home which would remain as a residence. Included in the plans for the building is a hospitality

section.

The former church sits at an entrance to Baker Creek Greenway.

**Subdivision Regulations**

The commission will also discuss amendments to the city ordinances creating a mixed-use zoning district for properties defined in the Bearden Village Opportunities Plan, amending existing regulations for rural retreats and event facilities in the Agriculture and other zoned districts, revising regulation dealing with auction houses and alley and street closures, etc.

**Election of Officers**

During their November meeting the MPC voted to consider the re-election Rebecca Longmire as chair and Janice Toucher as vice chair. The meeting Thursday will probably confirm those selections.



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# Central goes to state



Central High's Class 4A state football championship game against Memphis East was scheduled to be played after The Knoxville Focus' deadline time for this week's issue. The Focus, however, will have coverage, including special photos, on the Bobcats in its Dec. 12 issue.

*Central High head football coach Bryson Rosser and players receive a spirited sendoff from family members, friends and fans around noon Saturday as they head for Cookeville and the BlueCross Bowl state finals. The Bobcats were scheduled to play Memphis East for the Class 4A title at Tennessee Tech.*  
**PHOTO BY JOHN VALENTINE**

## Teacher Advisory Committee discusses evaluations

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The room discussed the inconsistencies in evaluating teaching and non-teaching positions and being evaluated by people who are not familiar with a specific subject. Also suggested was ending the numerical ratings of teachers.

The discussion then turned to textbook needs and several teachers said that many subject textbooks

are old and "falling apart." Others noted that the textbooks don't work well in their classrooms and they don't use them.

Other teachers commented on the need to create their own texts by copying pages but noted there's now a restriction on the number of copies teachers can make. Others said they use textbooks but there are not enough books for each student to use one.

"We must allocate resources for textbooks," Thomas said, noting that he will consider adding extra funds for books in the budget request to county commission. He also noted that many textbooks are now available online but added that some students don't have internet access and going to a library every day to do their homework online is inconvenient.

One teacher said that the state requires a textbook for

each student and teachers are required to sign off on that each year, but many do so knowing they don't have the books needed.

Updated books, more input with the Textbook Selection Committee, and allowing local schools more power in deciding how their budgets can be used were all requested.

"This speaks volumes about our teachers," Thomas said, adding, "Imagine what we could

do with the appropriate resources."

Speaking about what he heard from the advisory group Thomas said, "It was jarring and a bit depressing."

"It makes me really focused and determined," he commented.

He then asked the teachers to consider a choice, given that the county commission probably won't raise property taxes to fund schools. He asked them to

consider choosing between a 4% raise or a 3.2% raise with additional funds for classroom resources.

He told the educators that he's asked his staff to look at one-on-one technology, the effectiveness of teacher coaches, the pre-K program and whether or not Summer School programs work well.

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## Our Neighborhoods

# What is the oldest church in Knox County?

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Knoxville and Knox County have a rich history of faith and places of worship, but what's the oldest church in the county?

The question could be divided in two parts: What's the oldest building and what's the oldest congregation?

### Lebanon at the Forks Presbyterian Church

Some churches, like Lebanon in the Forks, have an early history with no physical building left. Only a monument and an old burial ground remain at the Lebanon in the Forks site. Founded about 1791 and pastored by the first minister of the later First Presbyterian Church, Lebanon in the Forks has the graves of many earlier settlers including the wife of Rev. Samuel Carrick.

Carrick was born in Pennsylvania in 1760 and came to Tennessee to help form the Lebanon in the Forks Church in 1790. He operated a seminary in his home after moving to Knoxville and spoke at the first state Constitutional Convention. He established the First Presbyterian Church but died before the building was completed.

### First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian was started about 1792 and the first structure there was built in 1816. Carrick died in 1809 and is buried in the cemetery there. Also interred there are James White, founder of Knoxville, William Blount who was territorial governor and state senator, and many other original Knoxvilleans.

While at First Presbyterian Carrick also was involved in the creation of Blount College, the forerunner of the University of Tennessee.

### Beaver Dam Baptist Church

Beaver Dam Baptist Church traces its organization to about 1796 and their first building was built about 1816. In 1996 the current congregation celebrated 200 years of worship. Located at 4328 West Emory Road the original church was one of seven churches to form the Holston Baptist Association and, in 1853, members of the church freed their slaves prior to the Civil War.

Originally members met in a store and then they built a church that burned. They met in Halls High School until the current church was completed in 1955.

### First Baptist Church

First Baptist in Knoxville began about 1843 with meetings in the courthouse and the current building was begun in 1923. Located at 510 Main Street the original church began when two brothers, John and James Moses, moved to Knoxville and organized services.

The original church recorded 46 members and baptized in First Creek. Unique for its time First Baptist included 20 African Americans. Slaves and free people alike were taught to read and took part in services.

After moving different places for worship, the members built a church in 1869 after halting services during the Civil War, the current large facility was completed in 1924.

### Church of the Immaculate Conception

Church of the Immaculate Conception, at 44 West Vine on Summit Hill, began in the early 1800s and Father Stephen Badin traveled to Knoxville to hold services. The

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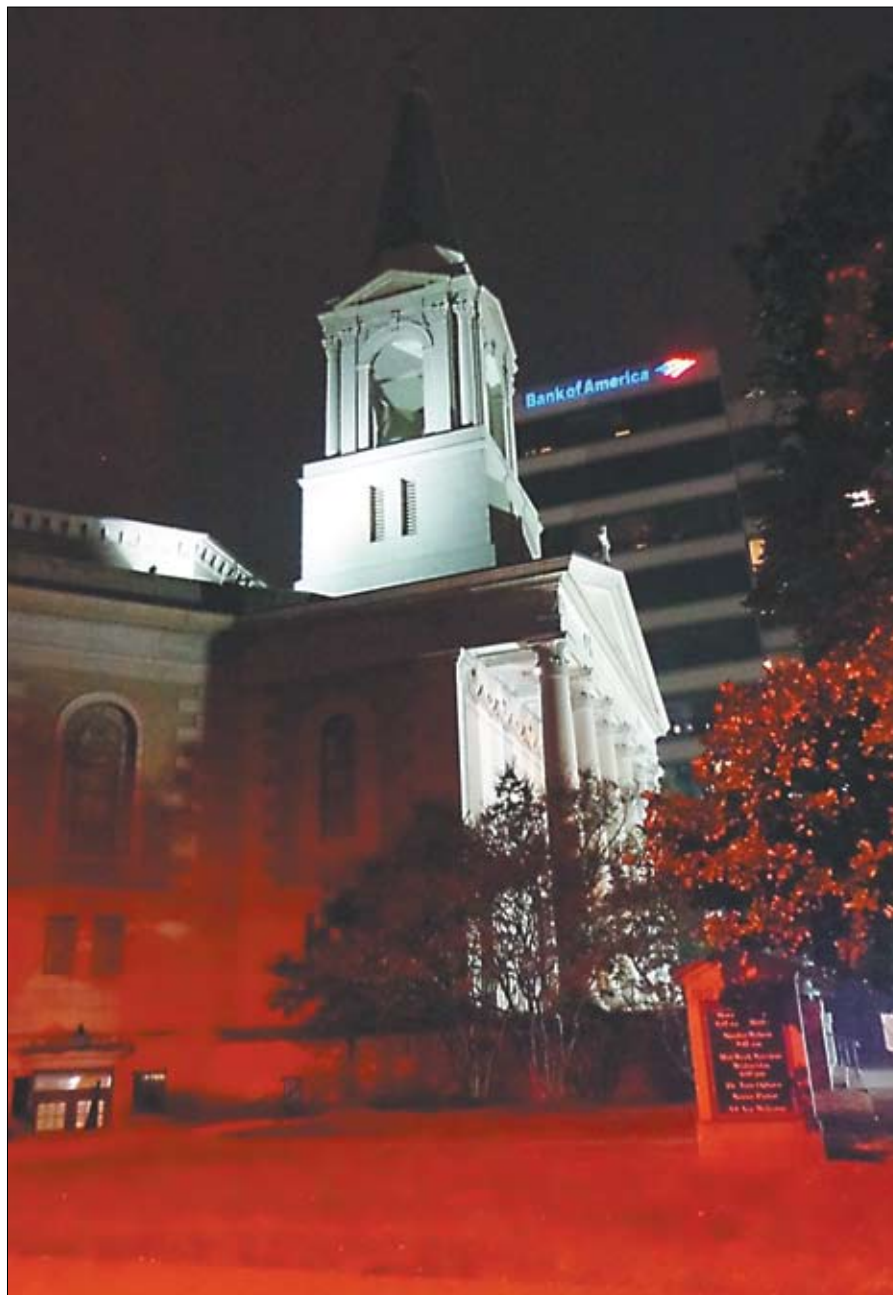


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*The First Baptist Church at night is a wondrous site. Built in 1924 the church sits one block from the current City-County Building.*

# KAT Advisory Committee may be dissolved

By Mike Steely  
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*Bulletin: Mayor Madeline Rogero is asking the City Council to consider dissolving the KAT Community Advisory Committee. The request in Tuesday's Council agenda proposes transferring the Committee's duties to the Knoxville Transit Authority and Knoxville Area Transit.*

*What follows is a story on the most recent KAT Advisory Committee meeting:*

Change is being demanded by some of the members of the Knoxville Area Transit Community Advisory Committee. The group, created in 1981 by city ordinance to advise KAT, is supposed to

consist of transit users and provide input about public transit.

But recent meetings of the committee have been poorly attended. In the most recent meeting only 5 of the 12 members attended—not really enough to even provide a majority quorum to hold a meeting. The committee attempted to meet anyway in the main assembly room at the City-County Building and the meeting was mostly unstructured and often comments by members were made away from the microphones and could not be heard by the few citizens in the audience.

Often the committee was confused over approving the

minutes of their last meeting as the September meeting notes were incomplete. More than an hour was spent, much of it in silence between members speaking, on that issue and in the end approval of the minutes was postponed until the next meeting.

That, apparently, will be in three months.

The meetings precede the regular meetings of the Knoxville Transit Authority where one Advisory member, Chairwoman Sandy Booher, sits as a member. Until Booher arrived for the meeting late, Vice Chair Eric Shulman hosted. Shulman is visually impaired and struggled reading items

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## Why end the KAT Advisory group?

The Knoxville Focus has learned that the idea of ending the Transportation Advisory Committee comes as a result of a 2013 review and a suggestion by KTA Director Dawn Distler and Indya Kincannon, Special Projects Manager.

Jesse Mayshark, Director of Communications, told The Focus Wednesday that the 17-member advisory body, set up in 1981 to advise the Knoxville Transit Authority, is no longer relevant and, over the past two years, only three members of the public have

spoken during the meetings.

He also said that KTA has assumed the duties, having engaged more than 5,000 citizens in meetings and special events over the past three years.

Sandra Booher, Chair of the Advisory Committee, will remain a member of KTA.

Mayshark said the organization of KTA, KAT and the Advisory Commission was “confusing” and taking those duties to the Transit Authority “just makes sense.”

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## Isn't it time?

For love and understanding? It behooves me to sadly see the hate and despair between people at especially this blessed time of the year, when

we pause to celebrate Christ's birthday. It is time to put away grudges and anger and think about forgetting slights that we feel were aimed at us and contemplate on love and forgiveness. If someone has caused you pain or unhappiness because of an indiscretion, go to that person and ask he/she what happened. Find out what the problem is and perhaps it can be fixed. Life is too short to carry a grudge and have a chip

on your shoulder.

This time of the year is a time of giving gifts, as the Wise men brought gifts to baby Jesus. Give a gift of happiness to someone near and dear to you. Do not be like the unhappy and disillusioned young people of today who are protesting--almost everything. It is also a time to give to strangers or people we don't see very often. Salvation Army gives to strangers. Welfare Missions give to

strangers. The Wise Men were not too sure who Jesus was at that time, yet they still brought him gifts.

I read this in my little book today (Daily Psalms and Prayers):

"Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on me. Thank you for the love of my family and for the "extended family" of my circle of friends. Thank you for the work I do each day, whether I get paid for it or

not. Thank you for laughter and music and creativity. Thank you for a world rich with wonder. Thank you for the opportunities you have given me to learn and grow, to care and communicate, and to share with others. I think back on all the "coincidences" that have brought me to the place where I am today, and, I'm grateful for your hand in them. Those boundary lines don't just "fall" in pleasant places. You put

them there. Thank you."

This is my post-Thanksgiving prayer, along with the desire that mankind can forget the hate they feel and learn to love each other.

Thought for the day: Only by learning to love one another can our world be saved. Dora Russell, British author and feminist

Send comments to: rosemerrie@att.net. Thank you.

## What is the oldest church in Knox County?

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current sanctuary was built in 1885.

The city's first Roman Catholic parish's membership increased greatly as Irish immigrants came to the city as commerce picked up thanks to the railroad reaching the town in the 1840s.

Knoxville's noted architect George Barber was one of the designers of the building.

### Church Street Methodist Church

The current church, on Henley Street at the bridge over the Tennessee River, Church Street Methodist actually began about 1816 as "White's Chapel" on East Hill Avenue. Over the years the congregation built twice on Church Street but in 1928 the church was destroyed by fire.

In 1931 the current building on Henley Street was completed and was designed by Charles Barber. The members are celebrating 200 years in our community.

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## KAT Advisory Committee may be dissolved

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and keeping the discussion going.

De'Ossie Dingus, an appointee of Councilman George Wallace, has had enough of the organization and procedure of the Advisory Committee but wants to remain and change things. While the committee may vote on new officers in January Dingus was nominated for chair and Michele Neal as vice chair. Shulman was nominated as secretary. Shulman said he could do the job "but it would be challenging."

Although members voted on the nominations for new officers at the last meeting, the lack of a quorum apparently postpones the election until January. Apparently the committee members will make nominations by email and send corrections to the September minutes for approval at the January meeting

KTA member Hubert Smith spoke from the audience and reminded the council



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**Knoxville city transit drivers don't get much praise during their shifts but their abilities have again been recognized as outstanding. The transit drivers are known state-wide for their skills and recently several were honored by the City Council for their awards at the Tennessee Public Transit Association's annual conference in Memphis.**

**Director of Transit Dawn Distler joined the winners before the council and said she "couldn't be prouder of this team." Among the drivers present were: Greg Davis who won First Place in the 40-foot bus competition; Dean Pruitt, Second Place in the 35-foot bus competition; Mike McAmis, Second Place in the Bus Maintenance competition; and Mike Bannon, Urban Employee of the Year.**

that they must use Roberts Rules of Order. The warning went mostly unheeded and the meeting lumbered on until it finally adjourned.

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# Senator Howard Baker

PART NINE

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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For much of 1979, Howard Baker was preoccupied with the business of running for president. Senator Baker arrived at the Lyons Township Republican annual steak fry and the temperature was still a broiling 90 degrees as the sun went down. Worse still, the sound system failed and Howard Baker stood at the edge of the platform in his shirtsleeves, sweat pouring down his face, as he exhorted the Republican faithful. While promoting himself, Baker said of his prospective opponents for the GOP nomination, “Any one of those Republicans is better on a bad day than Jimmy Carter is on his best day.”

Senator Baker went to places high and low, traveling to Columbia, Missouri and Fayetteville Arkansas and nearby Fort Smith.

Howard Baker traveled the country and in public and private meetings insisted the Republican Party simply had to “reach beyond its own boundaries” to better attract Independent voters, as well as disillusioned Democrats. It was not merely idle talk for Howard Baker, as he had masterfully cobbled together Senate Republicans into a cohesive force. There were forty-one Republican senators in 1979, ranging from the extremely liberal Jacob Javits of New York and Lowell Weicker of Connecticut to the profoundly conservative Jesse Helms of North Carolina.

When the SALT II Treaty was considered by the Senate, Howard Baker had amendments to append to the agreement before he would support it. The inevitable comparisons of Baker to

Henry Cabot Lodge, who had similarly intended to place amendments to President Woodrow Wilson’s cherished League of Nations. Jimmy Carter was cast in the role of Wilson.

Howard Baker’s campaign for the 1980 Republican presidential nomination died a quick death. Ronald Reagan marched to the GOP nomination without too much trouble, vanquishing a host of other contenders. Despite much of the news media insisting Reagan was unelectable, the former California governor swamped the hapless Jimmy Carter on Election Day. President Carter carried his native Georgia and Minnesota, which was the home of Vice President Walter Mondale. The Carter – Mondale ticket carried the District of Columbia, Hawaii, West Virginia, and Maryland for a total for forty-nine electoral votes.. Everything else went to Ronald Reagan.

Ronald Reagan’s sweeping victory helped to sweep in a Republican majority in the United States Senate. Republicans won twelve seats in the Senate. Three Democratic incumbents had been defeated in the primaries and their seats had been won by Republican challengers. Alabama elected its first popularly elected Republican senator in 1980. Idaho’s frank Church, Chairman of the Senate’s Foreign Relations Committee narrowly lost to Congressman Steve Symms. George McGovern, the 1972 Democratic presidential standard bearer, lost to Congressman Jim Abdnor. Warren G. Magnuson, who had been in Congress since



FROM THE AUTHOR’S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Senator Howard Baaker with president Gerald Ford in Illinois in 1975. To the right is Louella Dirksen, widow of Senator Everett Dirksen and Howard Baker’s mother-in-law.

1939 and was chairman of the Senate’s powerful Appropriations Committee, went down to defeat. Senator Birch Bayh of Indiana lost to another young Republican congressman, Dan Quayle.

When the new Congress convened on January 3, 1981, Howard Henry Baker, Jr. was the Majority Leader of the United States Senate.

As Majority Leader, the responsibility fell to Howard Baker to shepherd much of President Reagan’s program through the Senate. Reagan had barely been inaugurated when Baker fell ill with acute intestinal pains and rushed to the hospital. A Baker spokesman said the senator would undergo tests and remain in the hospital for “at least forty-eight hours.”

Up and around before expected, Senator Baker expressed dissatisfaction with the slow pace of the Senate in confirming President Reagan’s cabinet choices. By January 22, 1981 only four of Reagan’s

cabinet members had been confirmed by the Senate and one cabinet-level appointment: Bill Brock as the U. S. Trade Representative. Brock’s nomination enjoyed a speedy confirmation as he was a former senator.

The Majority Leader called the Senate into a late-night session to expedite the pending nominations. Baker announced the Senate would meet earlier than usual the next day to make a decision on the twelve nominations left to be approved.

Almost immediately, Baker had to contend with challenges to Reagan proposals, not from Democrats but

from inside his own party. North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms moved to strike \$200 million earmarked for foreign aid and spend it on the school lunch program instead. Helms, Chairman of the Senate’s Agriculture Committee, offered his amendment, which was easily approved by the Senate.

Edward Kennedy complained it was a “sad day when we pit the poorest children of Africa and Asia” against the poor children of the United States.

Senator Baker retorted the Democrats were merely using the poor “to try and

restore money to the budget for programs that have failed.”

Reagan’s effort to reduce income taxes by thirty percent over a period of a few years met with stiff resistance from Democrats. With only a single defection in Republican ranks, Howard Baker was able to preserve most of Reagan’s changes to the budget.

Following the budget fracas, Baker said, “That was the toughest vote we had this year and I think the toughest vote in the budget battle.”



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Photo courtesy of Dr. Perry McGinnis. This wildfire is believed to be near Walland taken nearly a week before the fires engulfed Gatlinburg. The thick smoke from recent fires in Blount County has hung over the East Tennessee region masking much of Mother Nature's beautiful fall landscape. According to Dr. McGinnis, for perspective is the Clear Springs Baptist Church steeple near Harbison's Crossroads in the foreground. The smoke obscures the view of the Smokies in the background.

# Historic Wildfires

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By **Ralphine Major**  
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For several days, the Sevier County area has been in the headline news of the national media as wildfires of a magnitude usually seen in the western United States engulfed the area. Hundreds of firefighters from across the country came to help tackle the massive flames. Schools closed. Businesses and homes were evacuated. Destruction appeared all around. Very little rain has fallen in the

last few months; and by the time any measurable rain came to the drought-stricken region, thousands of acres and hundreds of structures had already burned. Visitors, residents, pets, and wildlife have been misplaced. Too many lives have been lost to the raging fires. It has been heartbreaking to see the scenes of devastation in Gatlinburg and surrounding areas. We need to keep all of those affected by this tragic event in our prayers. It will be a long road ahead as they try to restore their lives to normal and bring their beautiful area back to what it once was.

# Hanging Around

For most of my adult life, friends and acquaintances have at some point asked me where I've lived. When I reply, "Knoxville, except for the years I lived in Cookeville for college," they wonder aloud



By **Joe Rector**  
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why I never ventured out. The reasons are many. When I left for college, I did so only because Mother insisted we boys live on campus and away from home for the first year. She understood that after a year the chances that we would return were slim and none. My original intentions were to find a job somewhere and let life

take me wherever it might flow. During the last year of college, I met Amy, and before long we both knew our lives would be spent together. I tried to land a teaching job or a newspaper job in Cookeville, where Amy had always lived. Even though several people put in good words for me, the jobs never materialized. Only a couple of days before the school year started did I finally secure a teaching position with Knox County Schools. Steady employment brought me home instead of sending me out on adventures to untold

places. We married while Amy was still in school. On January 1, we moved what few possessions a newly married couple might scrape together into a UT married student apartment on Sutherland Avenue. Six months later, we moved to a rental house back home in the Ball Camp community. At least until Amy graduated, we had no plans to move anywhere again. In 1978 we wanted to build a house and began looking for available lots. Mother spoke up to say that we could build on the back of her 3-acre property. The only condition was that we not wear a path from our front door to hers. No one with a lick of

sense could have refused such a generous offer. We moved into our new house in December of that year. Life continued with all its surprises, and in 1981, Lacey arrived. Four years later, Dallas made an appearance. The family more deeply rooted ourselves in this place we called home, and a path did appear from our house to Mother's; however, it was she who wore away the grass through the yard as she met grandchildren halfway so that they could spend time with her. It seemed wrong to even think about taking the children away from her. Over the years, our house has failed to keep up with our needs. Originally, a

1250 square foot house with two bedrooms, it has been remodeled and expanded to twice that size. Going through these renovations and remodeling have proven to be less expensive than packing up and moving to another house in some other place that offers a postage-stamp sized lot. Amy and I followed Mother's lead and sent our children away to college their first years. Neither ever came back home. Lacey and her family live in Hendersonville, TN, and Dallas is firmly rooted in Chattanooga. Sure, we could move somewhere else. The sticking point is that our old house, nearly 40 years

old, is home to us and our children. They don't come home often, but the place is still the anchor for us all. A gathering brings out fun and too many memories, both good and bad, to count. I've spent most of my life in the same neighborhood with no regrets. Too many folks move from place to place and from house to house. My family is happier finding one place to call home; we hunker down and spend our time enjoying life. After visits to other cities and sites, I can return to a familiar and comfortable abode. The real reason I've never moved from Knoxville is that I never wanted to.



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## Admirals navigate rough waters for first state football title

By Steve Williams

A little smile broke out on Eddie Courtney's face as he was being interviewed at halftime of Farragut High's state championship game. He appeared to be calm and relaxed and enjoying himself.

His mood seemed a little unusual for a coach whose team was trailing by 21 points. But Farragut had scored a touchdown on the last play of the first half.

"We've got to score and get back in it," he said when asked what his team needed to do in the second half. "I

think our kids can do it."

Courtney believed in his team and everyone watching found out why.

The Admirals picked up where they left off and scored on the first play from scrimmage following intermission and went on to post a 45-35 win over Independence in the BlueCross Bowl's Class 5A finals at Tennessee Tech's Tucker Stadium in Cookeville Friday night.

Considering it was Farragut's first-ever appearance in the state finals and the Eagles were ranked No. 1 and defending state

champions with a 29-game win streak, it was one of the most stunning comebacks in TSSAA history.

Farragut, which fell behind 35-7 late in the second quarter, appeared to be down and out, but the Admirals reeled off 38 unanswered points to earn the gold football and finish with a 14-1 record and 12-game win streak.

Courtney, who is in his 40th season at Farragut and 21st as head coach, had to fight back tears in his post-game interview.

"First of all, to God be the Glory. I mean that," he said. "I

love these guys. Forty years. I hope everybody in East Tennessee is proud because we got another trophy to bring back to East Tennessee. These guys have got great heart. We've had teams more talented. This group just stayed together. I'm so proud of them.

"We just made a few (defensive) adjustments like we did a few weeks ago against Ooltewah."

Then, added Courtney, there was a decision to be made.

"We go out and play and win a ball game or just take

our pads up. Those were things we talked about.

"These kids have got so much heart and they're so unselfish. I'm more proud of those things, because it's hard today to get kids to buy in and do things as a team."

Cooper "Orange Shoes" Hardin, who was named the Offensive Player of the Game, rushed 35 times for 164 yards and three touchdowns to lead Farragut's ground game. Senior quarterback Adam Fulton moved the balanced Admirals through the air, completing 20 of 35 passes for 290 yards and

three TDs.

Hardin spun off a defender and into the end zone on a two-point conversion to pull Farragut into a 35-all tie, after tight end Jacob Warren caught a 10-yard touchdown pass from Fulton on the first play of the fourth quarter.

Following an interception by Jack DeVault – one of five picks by the Admirals in the second half – standout placekicker Joe Doyle booted a 42-yard field goal to put Farragut ahead 38-35 with 8:29 remaining.

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PHOTO BY DANNY DUNLAP

Behind a solid wall of blocking, Webb quarterback Hunter Green fires a pass against Lausanne in the BlueCross Bowl's Division II-A state championship game at Tennessee Tech. The Spartans came out on the short end of a 12-9 decision.

## Webb Falls to Lausanne 12-9 in Division II-A Title Game

By Alex Norman

The Webb Spartans were looking for its ninth state championship, and fourth in five years.

But it would be Lausanne Collegiate School picking up its first gold ball.

On Thursday, December 1st, Lausanne edged Webb 12-9 for the Division II-A championship, in what was a surprisingly defensive matchup in Cookeville.

The Spartans (11-2) don't throw

the ball a great deal, but nearly scored on its first drive through the air. Hunter Green threw a dart over the middle to Bryson Glenn, but he couldn't reel it in. Had Glenn caught the ball, he would have walked into the end zone on a 35 yard hookup.

Webb's special teams opened the scoring late in the first quarter. And would be Glenn atoning for his error. Lynx punter Bruno Garcia stood in the middle of his end zone waiting to kick the football

away. But Glenn burst through the line and blocked the punt. The ball went through the back of the end zone for a safety, giving Webb a 2-0 lead.

It stayed that way until the final minute of the second quarter, when it appeared that Lausanne (14-0) was about to take the lead. They drove the football inside the Spartans 10-yard line. The handoff went to sophomore Eric Gray. He ran around the left side and was

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## Alcoa, Rankin win milestone gridiron championship 45-12

By Ken Lay

COOKEVILLE – If football programs and coaches are judged by state championships Gary Rankin is Tennessee's best high school football coach and Alcoa is among the best teams in the Volunteer State.

The Tornadoes won their 15th State Title Friday when they routed Liberty Tech 45-12 Friday night at Tennessee Tech's Tucker Stadium. They're now tied with Maryville, which didn't get a chance to play for another championship in 2016 as it was dumped in the Class 6A Semifinals by Murfreesboro-Oakland on Thanksgiving Weekend.

The Rebels missed a trip to the Blue Cross Bowl for the first time since 2003.

Rankin guided Alcoa back to the Blue Cross Bowl Class 3A Title Game again and he won his 12th State Championship and picked up his 100th postseason victory in the process. Maryville coach George Quarles has 11 state championships and now trails Rankin, who won titles at Riverdale before coming to East Tennessee, by one championship.

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## Central's semifinal win was 'huge for several reasons'

By Steve Williams

Two Knox County high school football teams were victorious and two were eliminated from the TSSAA state playoffs on Nov. 25.

Central came from behind to win at Marshall County 31-24 in Class 4A, while Farragut turned back South-Doyle 45-14 in Class 5A. Austin-East's second-half rally at Marion County fell short 35-21 in Class 2A.

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everything on the field and it is a huge testament to some of things we teach them off the field.

"This was a huge win for several reasons and needed in many ways considering the week we've all had to endure as a school, team, community and FAMILY.

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# Changes guide Grace Rams to special title season



By Steve Williams

It may be grassroots football, but the intricacies of it are more sophisticated than one might expect.

At least that was the case for Grace Christian's 11-and-under Pee Wee team this season. The Rams installed a new offense this year and put in a new defensive formation for the post-season tournament in the Knox Metro Youth Football League.

The result was a championship! No. 5 seed Grace defeated No. 2 seed Halls 22-16 in the AFC division finals at John Tarleton Park on Nov. 10. The Rams had toppled No. 1 seed Carter 16-8 in the semifinals.

"We went from a run heavy single wing to a passing spread," said Grace head coach Mike Martinez via e-mail. "It took the coaches and the boys the entire season to fully grasp the schemes."

At one point, the Rams had a 5-3 record, but all three losses had been close.

"After our third loss, we changed some blocking responsibilities to boost our inside run plays," pointed out Martinez. "We also added a pulling lineman to our sweeps. Those two adjustments alone made a huge impact."

There were meaningful moves on the defensive side of the ball, too.

"We switched from a 5-3 to 6-2 for the playoffs since we knew that Carter and Halls were much larger than us up front," stated Martinez. "This forced a lot of the runs to bounce outside, which allowed our linebackers to make plays."

Grace had "three keys to victory" as it went into the title game. "Establish the inside run," listed Martinez. "Don't allow any big plays on defense and get one onside kick. We were able to achieve all of those and actually recovered two onside kicks."

The Grace coach praised his opponent.

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Falcons 24, South-Doyle 14

"It was an honor to play Halls," he said. "Don Starnes' team is one of the best well-coached teams in the area. They were prepared and played a very good game."

This was a special championship for the Rams.

"I couldn't be any more proud of our team and coaching staff," summed up Coach Martinez. "We were the first team in Grace youth sports history to win a championship in Knoxville's highest level, the AFC division."

"Being a small program, often times it is difficult to compete with the larger ones. As a matter of fact, this team lost every game in the 7U

AFC division five years ago.

"We were committed to developing players for the long haul and regardless of the outcome of the championship game against Halls we were able to achieve that."



**GRACE CHRISTIAN: 11U PEE WEE AFC CHAMPIONS.** Team roster: Players – Walker Martinez, Ethan Shaeffer, Caleb Shaeffer, Ayden Greene, Hunter Adams, Jon Hicks, Truitt Thuecks, Jake Harper, Alden Addington, Austin Bolding, Adarion Patton, Ethan Garza, Dawson Gentry, Andy Stamper, Carson Burnette, Braiden Needham, Caleb Fleming, Jake Condry, Jackson Eller, Willie Watson, Josh Galloway. Coaches – Mike Martinez, George Carillo, Keith Smith, Gary Greene, Chris Adams.



**GRACE CHRISTIAN: 10U MINOR PEE WEE NFC CHAMPIONS.** Team roster: Players – Thad Sterling, Blake Dawson, Preston Garrett, Wyatt Mcphetridge, Mason Peterson, Austin Delp, Jayden Ferguson, Brendon Anderton, Cruise Cunningham, Logan Parsely, Dominick Ellis, Ethan Brefini, Hunter Brefini, Carter Youell, Tra Dennard, Ja'kareon Duncan, Kayden Ford. Coaches – Steve Cunningham, Leonard Sterling, Bobby Ferguson.



**FALCONS: 6U FLAG NFC CHAMPIONS.** Front row (left to right) – Aiden Wilkerson, Tesean Lee, Aiden Reed. Second row (left to right) – Colsyn Wood, Malachi McAfee, Graham Stewart, Darian Anderson, Kevin Dailey. Third row (left to right) – CJ Martin, Lyndon Stewart, Elijah Sligh, Issac Parker, Adrian Sumlin, Jr. Coaches: Chris Martin. Not Pictured -- Pug Wood, Adrian Sumlin.



**FALCONS: 7U JR. HOPPER AFC CHAMPIONS.** Front row (left to right) – Jaylen Jack, Dezion Jackson, Brayden Daniels, Colton Parrott, DeMauri Dubose, Maurice Elder. Second row (left to right) – Jeremiah Foster, Traveon Wiley, JuCorious Towns, Jace Harris, Melbert Lee, Jemir Sullivan, DeMarcus Huffine. Third row (left to right) – Jeff Minor, Cayden Turner, Javon Dirl, Kingston Canizales, Nick Steen, Daron Taylor, Karnell Mills, Elijah Garner. Fourth row – Coach James Parrott and Head Coach Shane Cox. Not Pictured – Riley Miller, Joe Hairston, Tnaj Taylan, Lathaniel Martin, Jaden Cunningham, Colton McGill. Not Pictured Coaches – Wayne Mynatt, Chris Miller, Clarence Bennett, Derrick Mynatt.

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**BABY ROAD-RUNNERS. 6U FLAG AFC CHAMPIONS: Coaches -- Brandon Fair, Kris Kimbrough, Phillip Morgan.**

# Minor Pee Wee team leads Falcons’ title haul

By Steve Williams

The 10-and-under Minor Pee Wee team sparked the brightest among the Knoxville Falcons’ five championship teams this season in the Knox Metro Youth Football League.

At season’s end, Forrest Harris was the head coach of the Falcons’ AFC Pee Wee squad that rolled past Powell 41-0 in the finals at John Tarleton Park.

The Falcons also had a No. 2 seed NFC team in the 10U age group and they ended up taking top honors too with a 24-14 win over No. 5 seed South-Doyle. S-D had ousted No. 1 seed Concord Christian 24-16 in the semi-finals.

The Falcons’ three other titles came from their 6U Flag team in a 20-18 NFC win over South-Doyle, their 7U Jr. Hopper squad that shut out First Baptist Academy 26-0 in the AFC division and their 8U Grasshopper AFC team which blanked East Knoxville Athletic Association 14-0.

The key to the Falcons’ success year in and year out?

“I think we have good coaches,” said Larry Cox, the program’s longtime commissioner. “They go and play out of town before the season. Sometimes they get waxed as some teams they play against come from much bigger programs which have a lot more players to choose from.

“They try to play real good

competition and we think that helps. But before you go, you have to have some good athletes to go with.

“The coaches work them hard.”

In other title games, the Roadrunners beat the Falcons 19-7 in the 6U Flag AFC finale, Halls downed No. 1 seed Gibbs 20-13 in the 7U Jr. Hopper NFC championship game and No. 3 seed Grace Christian defeated No. 4 seed Carter 14-8 in the 10U Minor Pee Wee NFC finals. Carter had knocked off No. 1 seed Catholic 8-0 and Grace had eliminated No. 2 seed West 16-6.

The Falcons also made some noise after the KMYFL tournament. Their 10U team won two games in the Battle of Rocky Top before falling to a Missouri team 8-6 in the finals.

The Falcons’ 12U team, coached by Tony Kyle, lost to Rutherford County from the Murfreesboro area 32-8 after winning its first two games. Antonio Hamilton’s 8U team went 1-2 and Shane Cox’s 7U team 0-2. All four Falcon teams competed in the tourney’s top division.

Playing in the East Tennessee Championships the week before, these Falcons teams went 15-0 and swept all four divisions.

“Our 10U team was super, but all four teams were good,” said Commissioner Cox.

# Area players to play Toyota All-Star Game

By Ken Lay

The 2016 high school football season might’ve officially ended late Saturday when the Class 6A State Champion was crowned but several local players will get the chance to play one more in-state high school game.

The rosters for the Toyota Tennessee East-West All-Star Classic were announced recently and the Knoxville Area and teams from surrounding counties will be represented in the game on Saturday, Dec. 9 at Tennessee Tech University’s Tucker Stadium in Cookeville.

Kickoff for the annual showcase game is slated for 7 p.m. (EST).

Central High School, which reached the Class 4A State Championship Game, had three all-star selections including Jadarius Sackie (linebacker), Rondrow Peebles (linebacker) and defensive end Isaac Buell.

Maryville High School is normally a regular at the Blue Cross Bowl. But the Rebels were eliminated in the Class 6A Semifinals by Oakland High in Murfreesboro recently. Maryville wasn’t on the grand stage in 2016 but three of its

standout seniors will play one last time at Tucker Stadium as running back Jordan Ervin, offensive lineman Blake Oliveira and defensive end Matt Young were selected to the East roster. West High’s Leonard Humphrey, a defensive lineman will play after a stellar career with Knoxville’s Rebels.

Austin-East reached the Class 2A Semifinals and Darius Harper, a senior quarterback, emerged as one of the area’s top field generals. He led the Roadrunners to a 12-win season and a Region 2-AA Title.

Bearden offensive lineman Dakota Davis made the squad along with Alcoa lineman Cade Evans and Grace Christian Academy’s Nick White. Farragut’s Chance Bolen will also play on the offensive front.

Halls High’s Caden Harbin was a one-man wrecking crew for the Red Devils in 2016, starring as a quarterback linebacker and special teams players. He’ll play linebacker in the game.

Fulton’s Chase Kuerschen and Fulton’s Zack Dobson will play at wide receiver positions for the East.

Oneida’s Tony Lambert will coach the East. Carter coach Jeff McMillan will serve as an assistant along with former Clinton head coach Josh Kerr. Kerr recently resigned as the Dragons coach. He is now an assistant on his father’s staff at Union County.

Larry Kerr returns to coaching after a hiatus. He had successful coaching runs at Lake City, Halls and most recently Anderson County.

Area players to receive Honorary Roster Spots included Catholic’s Amari Rodgers, Fulton’s Chaton Mobely and Oak Ridge’s Tee Higgins.

**Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Winners:** Rodgers and Higgins, who have both verbally committed to play for Clemson next season, were both named Mr. Football at a luncheon at Nissan Stadium in Nashville early last week. Rodgers was named Class 4A Back of the Year. Higgins claimed the same honor in Class 5A. Catholic junior Cade Mays, a Tennessee commitment, won the honor for Class 4A lineman. Alcoa’s Tykee Ogle-Kellogg was Class 3A Back of the Year.

# Admirals navigate rough waters for first state football title

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Griffen Swicegood deflected Independence quarterback Brandon Hines’ pass and Cade Burkey intercepted it as the Admirals regained possession of the ball near midfield with 7:17 left.

On the ensuing fourth down, Hardin broke out of a pile, lost one of his orange cleats, but picked up a key first down at the Eagles’ 32. Three plays later, the 6-1, 223-pounder broke two tackles and scored on a 20-yard run to give Farragut a two-score lead with 5:07 showing.

Braden Collins picked off a long pass by Hines with 3½ minutes to go for a state record tying sixth interception by the Farragut defense.

A 56-yard punt by Doyle to the Independence 4 kept the Eagles backed up. They spent the rest of the game trying to cut into the Admirals’ lead and Hines was stopped at the Farragut 1 on the game’s final play.

Tj Sheffield’s 11-yard run and Weston Landry’s PAT kick gave Independence an early 7-0 lead. Farragut answered with a 12-play, 77-yard

touchdown drive, with Hardin strolling in from the 5, to get even.

It took the Eagles only two plays to retake the lead. Sheffield got five yards behind the Admirals’ secondary and hauled in a 76-yard pass from Hines.

Doyle was wide left on a 34-yard field goal attempt in the closing seconds of the first quarter. Farragut came up empty on its next three possessions too, with a lost fumble, interception and blocked punt.

Meanwhile, Hines continued his productive first half and added a 20-yard TD pass to Kendrick Scurry and an 8-yard TD run himself to make it 35-7.

DeVault’s first interception and return to the Eagles’ 38 with just over a minute remaining in the first half led to Fulton’s 12-yard TD pass to Collins and turned the momentum Farragut’s way. The Eagles would never get it back.

“We did a lot of good things in the first half,” said Independence Coach Scott Blade, “but then not so do good at the end. We let them

back in it.”

Farragut’s quick six at the start of the second half came when Collins caught Fulton’s play-action pass 10 yards beyond the line of scrimmage and raced 74 yards to paydirt. Doyle’s extra-point kick cut the deficit to 35-21.

Independence was threatening to score, but Isaiah Gibbs intercepted a Hines pass in the end zone for a touchback.

After a strip and second fumble recovery by Eagles tackle Michael Pierce ended a Farragut scoring threat, Max Travis came up with the Admirals’ third pick at the Independence 29. DeVault had a key 16-yard reception on third down. Hardin scored from the 3. Doyle missed the PAT, leaving Farragut down 35-27.

Doyle would make up for that later with his go-ahead field goal as the Admirals pulled away.

Defensive leaders for Farragut included junior linebackers Alex Williams and Drew Butler, who each were in on seven tackles.

# Turnovers, defensive lapses spell defeat for Admirals

By Ken Lay

Farragut High School boys basketball coach Chris Cool is preaching patience as his young Admirals embark on the early stages of the 2016-17 basketball season.

Trouble is: his team hasn't quite bought over the first three games of the new campaign.

"We have to learn to be more patient," Cool said after his squad dropped a 74-55 decision to a talented Harriman team Tuesday night at Farragut's Lynn E. Sexton Gymnasium. "These kids are used to playing AAU and they want to run up and down the court and when you do that, three things can happen.

"You have to play more defense. You can turn the

ball over or you can get in foul trouble. And tonight, all three of those happened to us."

Those three ingredients all led to a recipe for disaster for the Admirals, who dropped to 1-2. Farragut has now lost two consecutive games after opening the season with a win against the Scott Highlanders on Nov. 15.

The Admirals got in to the aforementioned foul trouble when Ethan Sherrill was whistled for a charge early in the second quarter. That was his third foul and it sent him to Farragut bench for the remainder of the first half.

Further complicating things for Farragut was the fact that it committed 18 turnovers before halftime.

"We had 18 turnovers

before halftime and we quit counting them after halftime," Cool said. "I bet they got 30 points off those turnovers and after we didn't get back on defense after we scored a basket.

The miscues continued to mount after the break and the Blue Devils (2-2) continued to turn Farragut's mistakes into points.

"The turnovers killed us," said Admirals senior guard Nick Rogers, who scored a game-high 30 points for Farragut, which fell behind 10-4 early and never really recovered from Harriman's early punch. "[And] we just didn't get back on defense."

Rogers, the defending District 4-AAA Player of the Year, had 13 of his points before

halftime. But he was one of three players to find the scoring column over the first 16 minutes.

Caleb Thompson scored four points over that stretch and Elijah Thomas's second-quarter provided the rest of the home team's offense and Farragut was in a 34-18 hole at the half.

Conversely, the Blue Devils boasted a potent and balanced offensive attack throughout the game. Harriman had three players with eight points by halftime. Jerome Copeland, Joe Pace and Isaiah McClain shared high-scoring honors for the visitors at the intermission.

McClain also drew the assignment of guarding Rogers; a tall order for any

defender.

"[Rogers] is a great player. He's a phenomenal player," Harriman coach Shay Shannon said. "He got his points but Isaiah McClain really made him work for everything he got.

"Isaiah did a great job. Our defense was great, especially in the first half. We want to play defense and we want to run and we were able to do that tonight."

Rogers, meanwhile, got some help from his teammates in the second half as Shawn McKay had five points (all after the break) and Sherrill had 13 points after halftime.

The Blue Devils had three players finish in double figures. McClain led Harriman

with 20 points. Pace added 16 and Copeland finished with 12. Hayden Bingham scored nine.

Farragut won't play again until Tuesday. Then, the Admirals will host William Blount to open their district campaign. The Admirals will then invade rival Bearden on Friday.

"I just hope we can learn from this," Cool said. "Right now, our record doesn't count.

"I mean, it counts, but everything really counts on Tuesday and William Blount is good. They're 5-1 and they beat Riverdale [over the holidays]."

The Governors dropped 100 points on Powell in a win earlier this season.

## Central's semifinal win was 'huge for several reasons'

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about playing for a state championship in Cookeville against a very good Memphis East opponent. We will get back to work and prepare our young men for the battle that lies ahead." -- Bryson Rosser, Central, after 31-24 win at Marshall County.

Editor's Note: Emma Jane Walker, a junior cheerleader and honor student at Central High School, was found shot dead Nov. 21 at her

home. William Riley Gaul, a senior football player at Central in 2015, was arrested Nov. 22 and charged with first-degree murder.

Investigators say Walker and Gaul had been dating for two years. The Knox County Sheriff's Office reported that Walker broke off a relationship with Gaul two weeks before the shooting.

**DIDN'T GIVE UP:** "We didn't play well in the first half. Got to give Marion County credit. They

attacked us fast and hard and got on us quick. We made too many mistakes in the first half with turnovers. (Austin-East trailed 35-0 at halftime) In the second half, we just made some plays and were able to make it close.

"We didn't give up, kept fighting and giving it all we had. We ran out of time due to the running clock in the third quarter. Lots of credit goes to Marion

County." --Jeff Phillips, Austin-East, after 35-21 defeat at Marion County. A-E's season record was 12-2.

**HUGE STEP:** "We are extremely proud of our team's effort over the course of the season. To reach the semifinals was a huge step for our football program. We got beat by a very good Farragut football team. We kept it close the first two

quarters. The third quarter got away from us and we couldn't recover.

"I will be shocked if Farragut does not win the state championship. Again we are so proud of all the team has accomplished this year and excited about the future of South-Doyle football." --Clark Duncan, South-Doyle, after 45-14 loss at Farragut. South-Doyle's season record was 8-6.

## Alcoa, Rankin win milestone

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Alcoa (14-1) got off to a fast start and opened a 14-0 lead midway through the first quarter when Colton Wright (a transfer from Heritage) scored on a 21-yard reverse.

The Tornadoes, who scored on their first drive when Malik Salter found the end zone on the team's first possession on a 2-yard plunge. Ben Smith's extra point made the score 7-0 with 9 minutes, 20 seconds remaining in the opening frame.

The Crusaders (12-3) went three and out on their first possession and that series ended on a 6-yard that gave Alcoa the ball on the Liberty 16-yard line before Wright's first TD run extended Alcoa's advantage to 14-0.

The Crusaders, who were playing in their first-ever Blue Cross Bowl, pulled to within 14-6 on a 33-yard touchdown scamper by Christian Ballard with 5:32 remaining in the opening frame.

Smith kicked a 37-yard field goal to make it 17-6 early in the second stanza. Ballard pulled Liberty (which has played varsity football for just 14 seasons and made the playoffs 10 times) to within 17-12 just before halftime on his second touchdown of the contest.

The Crusaders, who have reached the state semifinals four times in their

brief history, then took the ball in the third quarter and engineered, which came up empty when Alcoa stopped Liberty on fourth down.

After the stop, Tyler made it 24-12 with a 72-yard scoring scamper midway through the third frame.

Tyler, who was named Offensive Player of the Game, rushed for 161 yards and a pair of touchdowns on 18 carries.

On Liberty's next possession, Terran Cox had an interception and he was named Defensive Player of the game.

From there, the game belonged to the Tornadoes, who would go on to score 28 unanswered points after halftime.

Jordan Myers and TayLen McNeer had rushing touchdowns. Myers also threw a 70-yard scoring strike to Class 3A Mr. Football Tykee Ogle-Kellogg that made the score 38-12 with 10:47 left in the game and the season.

Rankin credited the offensive line and his defensive coaching staff for his team's most recent state championship.

"We blocked them well," Rankin told a statewide television audience. "Our defensive staff is just so tremendous."

## Webb Falls to Lausanne 12-9

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heading to the end zone but fumbled at the Webb 1. The ball bounced into the end zone, where Morgan Ernst fell on it for a touchback with 46 seconds left in the half.

Webb held Lausanne scoreless at the half. The Lynx had previously averaged over 43 points per game this season.

"Both teams have been successful scoring points all year. But we were up 2-0 at the half. We didn't expect that," said Webb head coach Meske. "Our defense played its best game of the year and their defense was great."

The Lynx fumbled the opening kickoff of the second half, giving Webb possession at the Lausanne 30. But the Spartans turned it over on downs. The Spartans defense came up with 4 turnovers, but the offense couldn't capitalize.

"It was hard to move the football," said Meske. "We had opportunities to get points and were not successful."

The score remained 2-0 into the fourth quarter, when Lausanne finally broke through. Eric Gray, who gained over 2200 rushing yards this season, scampered into the end zone from 14 yards out. The ensuing conversion was no good, but with 10:22 to go, it was 6-2 Lynx. That was also Gray's 37th rushing touchdown of the season.

Webb though was not done. The Spartans drove 39 yards in 6 plays, and when 8th grader Elijah Howard scored on a

5-yard rush, it was 9-6 Webb with only 4:59 to go.

But the Lynx offense finally got clicking in that 4th quarter. With 2:24 remaining, Gray, regarded as one of the best players in the state for the Class of 2019, scored on a 5-yard rush right up the middle of the Spartans defense. It was 12-9 Lausanne.

The Spartans offense turned it over on downs, and Lausanne had a state championship in only its 4th year of existence.

It wouldn't be a surprise to see Webb playing in this game again in 2017. They'll go into next season with a lot of experience at key spots, returning 8 starters on both offense and defense. Meske did want to point out the efforts of those that will be graduating. "All five seniors made a tremendous impact. They are great kids and they are leaders. They set an example and had a lot of success," said Meske.

Webb fell just a few points short of their goal. But Meske had nothing but praise for his Spartans.

"I couldn't be more proud of this team," said Meske. "They worked hard and were good teammates. If we asked somebody to move to another position to help the team, they did so without hesitation. You don't see that a lot these days. They are all friends and hang out together. Four to 6 p.m. was always the best part of my day. They were great to be around."

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## The Doldrums

The Trump derangement syndrome continues to rage as Democrats search for someone or something to blame for their shellacking. Actually, it was the Democrat Party's decision in 2011 to abandon their blue collar base, for instance in the rust belt, and put their emphasis on women's issues, Hispanics and blacks which led them to the political doldrums. They have only themselves to blame for losing 1200 elected seats since 2010, including the Presidency, the Congress and the majority of Governorships and State Houses. Even with their media accomplices the Democrats couldn't destroy the movement that rose in opposition to their neglect and destructive policies. Donald Trump is merely the personification of this movement.

The latest lunacy the Democrats are using to explain the election is that the Russians hacked into voting machines and caused Trump to win the Presidency. Previously, the Democrats blamed the Russians for hacking into the Democrat Party's email system, though WikiLeaks and the Russians repeatedly denied these allegations. Now, the Green Party gal, Jill Stein, is leading the Democrat fringe in a recount of rust belt votes in Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania. Stein admits there is no evidence of computer manipulation, and it is obvious a recount will still leave her in a distant fourth place. Trump leads in Wisconsin by more than 24,000 votes, in Michigan by 10,700 and Pennsylvania by 71,000. No recount has ever changed the final

tally more than a few hundred votes, even in Florida with its infamous dangling chads.

So why is Stein raising money like crazy and throwing it away in a futile, puerile and servile endeavor? The answer lies in the fact that a leftist is foremost and always a leftist. Yes, Stein may give the obscure Green Party the equivalent of Andy Warhol's fifteen minutes of fame. And she'll raise money for fellow Naderites while pandering to Clinton's leftist base. But the real purpose is to delegitimize the Trump victory and his Presidency. This is not the perspective of a noble loyal opposition that opposes policies with which they disagree and yet supports the country. Stein, Clinton and the Democrat's efforts are a subversive effort to undermine a President who won 2,600 of 3,100 counties, nationwide, and the Electoral College.

Clinton did receive more popular votes than Trump, even if you exclude the 800,000 illegal voters estimated by experts. Interestingly, Clinton received almost two million votes from the four counties (boroughs) of NY City. How prescient our Founding Fathers to have constructed a Representative Republic rather than a democracy

of majority rule. Imagine four men and three women stranded on an island. A democracy would allow the four men to vote for intimacy with the women, who would then be obliged to submit to the mob rule of a majority vote. Fortunately, for our fifty diverse states, the Electoral College elects the President and Vice President. Get over it or change the rule book, our Constitution.

Just a few weeks ago it was Clinton, Democrats and the media who were howling and demanding that Trump accept election results before the votes were even counted. Now these same paragons of virtue refuse to accept the actual vote because the results were at odds with the polls. Hello! The polls were engineered to shape thought not honestly sample people's opinions. The recount chant is the height of hypocrisy and a ruse to "pick a person's pocket" as Ebenezer Scrooge would say.

The left's denial of reality is stunning. They have now turned on the pollsters who they allege misled them. Yet, these leftists haven't similarly turned on the NY Times who admittedly lied to them. Now we hear Obama telling Rolling Stone Magazine that "fake news" was responsible for the

defeat of his policies and the Democrats. How ironic he chose Rolling Stone to make this wild assertion. It was Rolling Stone who published the fake University of Virginia rape case, was humiliated and forced to recant the story and now faces millions of dollars in punitive damages in a lawsuit. Mr. Obama also alleges that Fox News on the television in bars must have confused those red state tipplers. Mr. Obama, what about poor captive travelers in airports who are forced to listen to CNN, aka the Clinton News Network?

The Democrats, the media, academia, the east coast and the left coast can't seem to grasp the Trump phenomena. They tell themselves that they haven't really lost their power. They tell themselves that Trump is an aberration and things will soon be fine again. False prophets told the Hebrews during the Babylonian exile that they shouldn't worry because they would be back in Jerusalem in a year or so. Jeremiah told them the truth: it would be seventy years before they returned from exile. Perhaps the Democrats will be allowed to return from exile someday after Trump fixes the mess they've caused.

Have you heard of Tim

Ryan, a young Democrat congressman from a blue collar area of Ohio? He ran against Nancy Pelosi for the House minority leadership of his party, stating that his Democrats are no longer a national party. He said they only control the east and west coasts and the big cities. Apparently, the House Democrats remain clueless about what has happened because they re-elected Nancy Pelosi as their leader. Someone should tell that dowager, who infamously said we must "pass Obamacare to learn what's in it," that the "fly-over" states, the deplorables and the "bitter clingers" do matter.

It is obvious that the Democrats are out of touch with Americans. They chose Hillary Clinton who was a flawed candidate. They continue to blame others for the rejection of their policies. They conspire to undermine the Electoral College, our traditions and the peaceful transfer of power that is the American way. When their pitiable recount effort fails, they will be responsible for even further punishment than just political backbenchers in a cold Churchillian wilderness.

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# Gifts

A few weeks ago Hobo the Wonder Dog and I were visiting a veterinarian office when a beautiful golden retriever ran up behind me with a bit of clatter. Before I knew it—as quick as a blink the dog weaved between my legs as he flew like a flash to deliver a lick from the bottom of my chin to the top of my head. Who was this pup so lively and quick so eager to lick? Rover was his name with a twinkle in his eye—a spring in his step as he ran about—a wag in his tail and jolly in his step this pup disappeared as quickly as he appeared.

one of a gift-wrapped puppy whose newness soon faded. For not long ago Rover was crated—except to tinkle. The wag of his tail was not for joy but for begging for attention. Even though the giver's gift was well intended, Rover soon lamented the joy that had ended. The story of Rover the gift-wrapped puppy has a happy ending, but not before much regret. This is why Santa Claus never gives pets as gifts.

So what about a pet as the perfect gift—of course, there are exceptions to the rule: never give pets to impress. Pets (unless pet rocks) have feelings, are

high in maintenance, and come with a lifetime commitment of feedings and veterinary visits. The idea of a pet as a gift should be weighed heavily not only the willingness of the receiver but their ability to provide a life for the gift. If you must give a pet as a gift then follow Hobo's tips for gifting success.

- Never surprise someone with a pet as a gift. Be honest and frank in conversation with the receiver of a gifted pet. The receiver should be ready and willing to accept the commitment of time, money, and resources needed to care for an animal.
- Soul search—making sure you are giving the pet for the receiver and not yourself. When only a gifted pet will do, allow the recipient to

pick the pet that's right for them. Dogs and cats have a knack for picking you rather than you picking them.

- When gifting a pet to a child, make sure everyone is equally committed and excited about such a gift.

Giving a book related to caring for the animal to be gifted builds excitement and anticipation of the gift in a realistic way. Children do not always make the best pet parents; be prepared to support them and care for the animal if they falter on their commitment.

Shelters are full of broken dreams and unfulfilled promises—gifts of forgotten celebrations. Rover the gift-wrapped pup was fortunate to find a loving home in time for the holidays. Rover's quick lick and impromptu visit caused



Hobo to text photographs of him to his friends. As luck would have it—within a few minutes Rover had found a home. This story ends happily every after, but so many others not so much.

Please support your local shelter or rescue by making a donation or volunteer your time. Sharing photographs of animals in a shelter on

social media pages might make a huge difference in someone you know. Holidays spent with a dog or cat you love is rewarding for all. Consider your heart and the difference a rescue animal could make in your life this holiday season—it might be you who are rescued and blessed in the magic of the season.



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## FORECLOSURE NOTICES

### SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **January 3, 2017 on or about 10:00AM** local time, at the North door, Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. GROOMS, to WESLEY D. TURNER, Trustee, on March 23, 2006, as Instrument No. 200603310081564 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR ARGENT SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-W5

The following real estate located in Knox County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

LAND IN KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, BEING LOT NO. 17, BLOCK K, ON THE PLAN OF COLONIAL VILLAGE ADDITION SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 15, PAGE 5, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. CURETON IN INSTRUMENT NO.200103210062293 DATED 03/21/2001, IN REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 123LN006  
Current Owner(s) of Property: MICHAEL E. GROOMS AND LAURIE A. GROOMS

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **304 CANTERBURY DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID.

THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: CURRENT SPOUSE OF MYRA DENISE BERRY

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-117 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgageor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-002839-670

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)  
Premier Building, Suite 404  
5217 Maryland Way  
Brentwood, Tennessee 37027  
PHONE: (615) 238-3630  
EMAIL: tnsales@mwzmlaw.com

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Owner of Debt: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR

AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-R9

The following real estate located in Knox County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 33, WESTBROOK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET N, SLIDE 249-D, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO JOINT PERMANENT EASEMENT OR RECORD IN DEED BOOK 2160, PAGE 1142, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SEE ALSO INST. NO. 199910260032687

DESCRIPTION CONTAINED HEREIN WAS TAKEN FROM A PRIOR DEED AND WITHOUT BENEFIT OF AN UPDATED SURVEY. PREPARER MAKES NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE ACCURACY OF SAID DESCRIPTION.

Tax ID: 104KJ-033  
Current Owner(s) of Property: SARAH B THOMAS

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **9912 OAKLEDGE WAY, KNOXVILLE, TN 37931**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID.

THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: MERS AND WESTBROOK SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-117 have been met.

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If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

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MWZM File No. 16-002890-670  
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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated July 30, 2012, executed by CARRIE WALKER, DAVID C. WALKER, conveying certain real property therein described to RADIANT TITLE LLC, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded August 3, 2012, at Instrument Number 201208030007433;

AND WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to LakeView Loan Servicing, LLC. who is now the owner of said debt;

AND WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee. NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee

will, on **January 5, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. NINE (9) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 27TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 27, MOUNTAIN STONE, UNIT II, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 75-S, PAGE 14, REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF WADE B. NANCE, SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 4, 1997, BEARING DRAWING NO.A-17571. THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION IS THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS AND BUILDING SET BACK LINES.

TAX AND PARCEL ID: 123MG027  
COMMON ADDRESS: 216 MT. DAVID DR., KNOXVILLE, TN 37920, KNOX COUNTY

Parcel ID: 123MG027  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **216 MOUNT DAVID DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): CARRIE WALKER, DAVID C. WALKER

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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Ad #107776: 2016-12-05 2016-12-12, 2016-12-19

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 8, 2007, executed by PAGES D. BRANAUM, RICHARD L. BRANAUM, conveying certain real property therein described to US TITLE, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 12, 2007, at Instrument Number 2007021200684976;

AND WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1 who is now the owner of said debt;

AND WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee. NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee

will, on **January 5, 2017 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. NINE (9) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 27TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 27, MOUNTAIN STONE, UNIT II, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 75-S, PAGE 14, REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF WADE B. NANCE, SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 4, 1997, BEARING DRAWING NO.A-17571. THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION IS THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD, NO BOUNDARY SURVEY HAVING BEEN MADE AT THE TIME OF THIS CONVEYANCE. THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS AND BUILDING SET BACK LINES.

TAX AND PARCEL ID: 123MG027  
COMMON ADDRESS: 216 MT. DAVID DR., KNOXVILLE, TN 37920, KNOX COUNTY

Parcel ID: 123MG027  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **216 MOUNT DAVID DRIVE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37920**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): CARRIE WALKER, DAVID C. WALKER

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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AND WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1 who is now the owner of said debt;

AND WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee. NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee

will, on **January 5, 2017 at 12:00 PM** at the North Side of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit: SITUATE IN THE SIXTH CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 20, BLOCK W, CRESTWOOD HILLS ADDITION, UNIT SIX, SECTION TWO, AS SHOWN ON MAP OF THE SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 52-S, PAGE 43, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, SAID PROPERTY BEING BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS SHOWN ON MAP AFORESAID ADDITION, TO WHICH MAP

REFERENCE IS MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. THIS CONVEYANCE IS SUBJECT TO ALL RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, SETBACK LINES, AND OTHER CONDITIONS SHOWN OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 105ND-020  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **8906 LYME LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): PAGI D. BRANAUM, RICHARD L. BRANAUM

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Capital One Bank, USA, N.A., Chase Bank USA, N.A., MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN FINANCIAL CORP. AN OP SUB. OF ML&T CO. FSB The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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Ad #106994: 2016-12-05 2016-12-12, 2016-12-19

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **December 22, 2016 on or about 10:00AM local time**, at the North Side Entrance, City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by KEVIN LAWSON AND KRISTY LAWSON, to GLENN BALLETTTO, Trustee, on November 23, 2015, as Instrument No. 201512220037707 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Pacific Union Financial LLC  
The following real estate located in Knox County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

Situated in the City of Powell, County of Knox, State of Tennessee.

Situated in District 6 of Knox County, Tennessee, and being without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 18, Emerald Court Subdivision, as shown by map of the same of record in Plat Cabinet N, Slide 106-D, Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description and according to the survey of Benchmark Surveying, Inc., Benjamin J. Mooreman, Surveyor, dated May 11, 1995, and bearing Drawing No. 95-117.

This being the same property conveyed to Kevin Lawson from Christopher A Ahlers, singly by deed dated 06/20/2012 and recorded 07/02/2012 in the office of the ROD for Knox County in Instrument Number 201207020074806

Also known as 2757 Elston Brae Drive, Powell, TN 37849  
Parcel ID# 067FA-018  
Tax ID: 067FA-018  
Current Owner(s) of Property: KEVIN LAWSON AND KRISTY LAWSON

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **2757 Elston Brae Dr., Powell, TN 37849**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

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OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: MERS  
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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A.

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Parcel ID: 105ND-020  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **8906 LYME LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37923**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): PAGI D. BRANAUM, RICHARD L. BRANAUM

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Capital One Bank, USA, N.A., Chase Bank USA, N.A., MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN FINANCIAL CORP. AN OP SUB. OF ML&T CO. FSB The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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Owner of Debt: Pacific Union Financial LLC  
The following real estate located in Knox County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

Situated in the City of Powell, County of Knox, State of Tennessee.

Situated in District 6 of Knox County, Tennessee, and being without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as Lot 18, Emerald Court Subdivision, as shown by map of the same of record in Plat Cabinet N, Slide 106-D, Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description and according to the survey of Benchmark Surveying, Inc., Benjamin J. Mooreman, Surveyor, dated May 11, 1995, and bearing Drawing No. 95-117.

This being the same property conveyed to Kevin Lawson from Christopher A Ahlers, singly by deed dated 06/20/2012 and recorded 07/02/2012 in the office of the ROD for Knox County in Instrument Number 201207020074806

Also known as 2757 Elston Brae Drive, Powell, TN 37849  
Parcel ID# 067FA-018  
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Current Owner(s) of Property: KEVIN LAWSON AND KRISTY LAWSON

The street address of the above described property is believed to be **2757 Elston Brae Dr., Powell, TN 37849**, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A.

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