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## Boat rental vendor at The Cove being audited

By Mike Steely  
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The Knox County Audit Committee has asked the internal auditor to look into the previous three years of the contracted vendor at The Cove on Fort Loudoun Lake. The matter came up last week during the audit committee's meeting led by Commissioner John Schoonmaker, who said he is wondering if River Sports Outfitters has paid the county the proper percentage of sales as agreed.

The matter began several months ago when the renting of kayaks and equipment there came up for bids. River Sports, the vendor there for 15 years, won a bid to continue although their bid was apparently higher.

A complaint was filed with Andrea Addis, the internal auditor, and she asked the audit committee if

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Hallsdale-Powell CEO Darren Cardwell holds a sign acknowledging the company's contributions to the Halls Outdoor Classroom at an annual celebration Thursday night. Knox County Watershed Coordinator Roy Arthur (right) was emcee and presented Cardwell with the sign.

## Three Schools Present Dance and Arts Showcase

Three Knox County magnet schools will host a spring showcase on May 4-6 highlighting each of their unique dance and arts programs.

Students at Austin-East Magnet High School, Vine Middle Magnet and Beaumont Magnet Academy will perform during the three-day event, which will be held in the Austin-East

Performing Arts Auditorium at 2800 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

Programming will begin at 6 p.m. on May 4-5 with a preshow featuring performances by Beaumont Magnet Academy Theater, Vine Chorus and Austin-East Theater and Chorus. The showcase will follow with performances by

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## Halls marks milestone for outdoor classroom

By Ken Lay

The air smelled of barbecue and the Halls High School band's saxophone ensemble played a few classic jazz tunes while the community's schools celebrated a milestone anniversary for the Halls High School outdoor classroom Thursday night.

The classroom benefits students in all areas at HHS, Halls Middle School, Adrian Burnett Elementary School, Halls Elementary School and Brickley-McCloud Elementary School, and it was conceived in 2003 to benefit

students in the Halls Community.

Thursday night's celebration marked the 10th annual party for the classrooms.

The schools' students and teachers may reap the benefits of the outdoor classroom, which was made accessible to students with disabilities after last year's celebration.

Roy Arthur, Knox County Watershed Coordinator, was the Master of Ceremonies and he noted that "there was plenty to celebrate."

This year, those associated with

the Halls Outdoor Classroom, celebrated its corporate sponsors and partners.

"We have numerous partners and there are far too many to mention here," Arthur said before presenting a sign to Hallsdale-Powell Utilities District Chief Executive Officer Darren Cardwell. That sign will soon be seen in front of the Hallsdale-Powell Customer Service Building.

Other partners recognized included

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## Plans announced for youth facility in Lonsdale

By Pete Gawda

"This will be a place for children to grow up, have fun and be safe," stated Steve Diggs, CEO of Emerald Youth Foundation. He speaking at a ceremony Thursday afternoon held to announce a proposed \$10 million sports complex that is planned in Lonsdale as a joint endeavor between the city, the county, the school system and his organization. "We believe every child in every neighborhood should have a full life, the kind of life Christ wants them to have," Diggs said

The proposed complex will consist of two multipurpose synthetic turf athletic fields for soccer, flag football and other sports as well as a 30,000 foot square multipurpose building housing, among other things, two gymnasiums, a fitness area with weight room, an assembly room and a worship and performing arts

area. It is to be located on Texas Avenue between Stonewall and Sherman Streets near Sam E. Hill Preschool.

The sports facility will be administered by Emerald Youth Foundation, a Christian, urban youth ministry that serves more than 2,000 children, teen, young adults and their families in Knoxville.

"I believe we are standing in a transformative community development project that Lonsdale deserves and the community has asked for," stated Kevin DuBose division director of community development for Emerald Youth Foundation.

"I think this is a perfect response to the spoken demand of the people," stated Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero. She emphasized that the project was just a proposal at this time. The city council, the county commission and



Artist rendering of the proposed \$10 million sports facility for Lonsdale.

the school board must act to make it become a reality. Referring to the children seated before her the mayor said, "We want to give them something outstanding." The mayor said the city's involvement included 10 acres of property worth \$1 million and an additional \$1 million in infrastructure such as sidewalks, streetlights and landscaping. The remaining \$8 million is to come from private investors.

Newly appointed Superintendent Bob Thomas said the children of Lonsdale,

whom he called "the leaders of the future," would be the beneficiaries of the project.

"I am encouraged because this is all about our children," asserted Rev. Joseph B. Smith, Jr., Pastor of New Friendship Baptist Church. "We want to make this the best project in Tennessee." He urged the audience to keep praying.

After the ceremony Diggs said that while there is no schedule for completion of the project he hoped that children would be using the facility in late 2018.

## County seeking state funds for litter control

By Mike Steely  
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One of the most persistent complaints by citizens directed to Knox County is the increase in litter along county roads. The problem has grown since the state forbid involuntary litter pickup by DUI offenders, cutting back on the number of people manning the three county litter crews. Last week the Knox County Commission authorized an application for next fiscal year, beginning in July, to the Tennessee Department of Transportation for \$169,000.

Drew Thurman, compliance manager with the Knox County Solid Waste Department, said the trash pickup is now relying on volunteer workers from other courts for offenses like drug possession, and as an

alternative to criminal court fees and jail time.

Commissioner Carson Dailey said the county lost 80,000 man hours after the legislature passed the new DUI rules about using those offenders for trash pickup.

"Trash pickup is one of our most requested services," Thurman said. Dailey said he has spoken with the Lieutenant Governor about changing the law back to require DUI offenders to take part.

Thurman said his department works with residents and neighborhoods, supplies items and urged anyone to adopt a road to clean up. He said his department cannot use funds to clean dumps or do water cleanup.

Commissioner Michele

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# What to do when you have to go to court

Going to court is not something that most individuals do on a regular basis. So when they actually do have to go to court there is often anxiety and nervousness about where to go, and what to wear. Here are some tips.



By **Jedidiah McKeenan**  
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than others. If you are having a social security disability hearing in Knoxville, that courthouse is tucked on a backroad in Bearden that is almost impossible to find, even with GPS.

When you get in to the courthouse, the clerk's office or a bailiff will be able to tell you in which courtroom you should be.

#### What to Wear:

Please do not wear pajama pants! It's unbelievable the number of people who come to court wearing something entirely inappropriate. Do not wear shorts. Most judges will not allow you in the

courtroom if you are wearing shorts or they will make you put on inmate pants in order to come in the courtroom. That's not exactly the image you want to portray.

On the other hand, I do not typically recommend wearing a suit. It comes off as too desperate. If a judge sees someone wearing a suit, they assume that person is an attorney, or on trial for murder. Seriously. Wear something professional, but not desperate.

#### How to Act:

I wish I could say be on a good behavior and be done with it, but some people need more direction. Turn your cell phone all of the way off. If you don't, the Judge may take

it and fine for you to get it back... at the end of the day. Do not fall asleep. Do not interrupt the judge when you are before him and he's talking. Call the Judge, "Your Honor." Under no circumstance go past "the bar" without being requested to do so by the Judge.

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PHOTO BY JENNIFER OWEN.

The Andrew Johnson Building, as seen Tuesday from Mayor Tim Burchett's office, is officially up for sale and bids are being invited.

## Boat rental vendor at The Cove being audited

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she should proceed. Chairman David Shields asked David Bataille, Director of Parks and Recreation, to address it. He recalled the history and said that last year River Sports paid the county about \$4,000 as the 5% it realized from \$80,000 in income.

Schoonmaker said there has been "no oversight" on the contract and indicated that boats and items offered for rent to the public at the lakeside park might actually be sold there or at the company's Sutherland Avenue store. He said it has been reported that some boats have been loaded onto people's vehicles at Cove Park.

Shields asked, "What's the benefit of \$4 to \$5 thousand a year there?"

Bataille said the business is very seasonal.

"I believe we should discuss this," said Commissioner Dave Wright.

"We need to let other vendors know we take it very seriously," Schoonmaker

said, asking that Addis and her staff interview River Sports employees and county employees who worked there.

Commissioner Hugh Nystrom asked Addis how long an audit might take and she said it depends on how deep of an audit is requested but estimated "about two months."

The audit will only involve the past three years of operation and be limited to the contract between the county and River Sports and would not include sales tax returns, etc.

Deputy Law Director David Buuck said the audit could only include services provided at The Cove and might not include people renting boats there and then buying a similar boat at the Sutherland business.

Wright said the commission wants to know if "there were two sets of books" at the location. He said that if the motion by Schoonmaker fails in the audit committee that Schoonmaker can take it

to the full commission for approval.

The audit committee split on asking for the audit with Wright and Shields voting "No." Schoonmaker then said that Addis is directed to proceed with the audit on the authority of the committee and Addis asked for the authority in writing.

In other actions the committee discussed amending the group's charter. Shields pointed to several sections he said need review including authorizing a "secret" session on some issues. He said that to meet the Sunshine Law (Open Meetings) that section should be stricken.

Attorney Buuck told the meeting that when two or more members meet it should be advertised unless the meeting is coincidental or informational and no business is discussed.

Schoonmaker said the charter calls for commission appointees to serve four years instead of filling out an unexpired term.

The committee also approved asking the full commission to reassign the county's hotline to the Internal Audit Department, taking it from Risk Management in a mutual agreement between the two departments.

They also heard from Finance Director Chris Caldwell who said that revenue is up from property taxes about 1.7% over last year and collection of Hotel-Motel taxes and sales taxes are also higher.

Caldwell said the county will overcome the loss of state revenue as the Hall Taxes decrease by natural growth. He indicated that revenue will also increase due to new property assessments.

Addis reported on a completed audit of the library saying there were no significant problems and listing six recommendations including keeping a written inventory and designating a backup person for some duties.

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Beaumont Dance Works, Vine Dance Company and the West African drum and dance group and the Austin-East Dance Company and West African drum and dance group. Light refreshments will be served.

On May 6, programming will start at 7 p.m., but there will be no preshow.

Admission is \$5, but

there is no charge for children under 4 years old.

This showcase is an excellent opportunity for parents to preview the magnet programs available to their students. For more information about individual magnet programs, contact Casey Robison at casey.robison@knox-schools.org.

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# State Legislature Raises Gas Tax

## 28% Increase in Gasoline Tax

## 54% Increase in Diesel Fuel Tax

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Expect to pay more for fueling your vehicle starting in July. Both the Tennessee House and Senate has passed Governor Bill Haslam's "IMPROVE Act" that raises the price of gasoline 6¢ on each gallon over the next three years, the first gasoline tax increase since 1989. The state's diesel tax will go to 10¢ per gallon over the same period.

Currently the state sales tax on gasoline is 21.4 cents and 18.4 on diesel.

There's also an increase of \$ 5 to register a car and a \$100 fee on electric cars.

Haslam touted the bill as a solution for several backlogged transportation projects but the bill also gives a gives a corporate tax break for manufacturing and cuts taxes on earnings from stocks and bonds.

Lt. Governor Randy McNally of Anderson County called the bill a "clear and undisputed tax cut for the people of Tennessee."

While part of the act cuts a portion of the taxes on groceries critics are charging the savings would not offset the gasoline tax increase. The act calls for cutting the state taxes on groceries by 20 percent. The state goes into the new fiscal year with a \$2 billion surplus. The passage of the "IMPROVE Act" comes after months of debate and closed door deals. It gives \$245 million to TDOT, \$70 million to counties and \$35 million to cities.

The House vote to pass the act was 60-27 and the State Senate vote was 25-6.

Winners in the act are corporations, which will see a \$113 million tax cut and anyone who owns stocks and bonds will get a one-percent tax cut on earnings.

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PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

The Halls Business and Professional Association always draws a large crowd for their lunches at Beaver Brook Country Club and Tuesday the members and visitors heard three speakers and learned about proposals being considered for their community.

## Halls marks milestone

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the Halls Business Association, the Knox County Sheriff's Department, Marco's Pizza, the Halls Women's League, Tennessee Valley Authority, TVA Federal Credit Union, Knox County Solid Waste and Boy Scouts of America Troop 506.

"We're happy to have the Halls Community and the people of Halls behind us," Arthur said. "We couldn't have done this without the help of the community and our partners."

"A lot of the projects that you see here were Eagle Scout Projects."

The 2017 celebration included an aquarium,

a petting zoo and some kids' games.

Arthur said that there are more projects in the works for the outdoor classroom but noted that he'll meet with the teachers, the administrators and the steering committee.

"We'll get together in the summer and we'll talk to the teachers and the students and see what they would like to see done."

"We've had ten of these [celebrations] and I've been to all ten of them and I have enjoyed every minute of them. We do everything for the teachers and students. We don't do any of this for us."

Ruth Anne Hanahan, of Knox County's Adopt-a-Watershed Program said that the outdoor classroom at Halls is special.

"We have things here for all the students," she said. "We have things for science students, the ecology students, the art students and the English students. We have opportunities here for work-based projects and this is in a perfect location."

This year's party featured an art show with work from Halls High School students and exhibits from those in the school and the business community."

## Halls B&PA looking to future

By Mike Steely  
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The Halls Business and Professional Association usually draws a good crowd for their meetings at the Beaver Brook Country Club and Tuesday was no exception. Business professionals from the community heard of proposals about the future of Halls Crossroads, some designed by University of Tennessee graduate students.

Liz Albertson, senior planner for the Metropolitan Planning Commission, guided the audience through a media presentation of what the place could look like in the future, emphasizing the possible "mixed use" districts there.

The proposals, not yet adopted by the planning commission, call increasing walkability and greenways, and building a plaza where people could meet, hold

farmers markets, etc. One proposal suggests extending the current city-only bus lines to Halls by way of a "bus-only lane" along Maynardville Pike.

Albertson said that the Halls area is the third fastest growing section in Knox County and had a 14 percent increase in the number of new residences and an 18 percent increase in non-residential buildings.

"We're calling for mixed use for all the county and not strictly commercial use," she said.

She added that Knox County's population is forecast to increase by 40 percent by 2030. She said that the proposals included helping water runoff and quality and making Emory Road mostly residential.

It was announced by a TDOT spokesperson that paving for the Maynardville and Norris Freeway would

begin this week during the night and a traffic signal would be reworked for Maynardville and Emory Road.

Dennis Jones of Cross Connections Plumbing addressed the audience and said the company is an extension of their ministry. He said the company helps teach Habitat for Humanity homeowners how to maintain the plumbing in their houses.

Michelle Wilson is president of the Halls B&PA and officers include Carl Tindell, Capt. Robert Hubbs, David Buckner, Sandra Clark, Denise Girard, Travis Woody, Jay Wormsley, Joe Pratt, Ben Johnson, Sue Walker, Darren Cardwell and Mike Conley. The group meets the third Tuesday of the month for a noon luncheon and networking.

## County seeking state funds for litter control

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Carringer noted that 30% of state funding would have to be used for education.

That violation of the tarp law for trucks hauling trash was noted by Commissioner Charles Busler who also commented that Waste Management trucks contribute to the problem with trash blowing out of those vehicles. Trucks hauling trash are supposed to have a tarp covering the trash.

In other action Chairman Dave Wright appointed three commissioners to study the employee policy involving commission employees and three more to study current discretionary spending policies, giving both groups three months to report back.

The commission work session also discussed the sheriff's department's

request to purchase up to 900 computer tablets for inmate use. Captain Terry Wilshire said there are currently 300 tablets on hand and are used on a one-by-one basis for 15 minutes when checked out by prisoners. He said the cost of using the tablets, about \$40 per use, raises money that goes into the county's general fund.

Currently, Wilshire said the county gets about \$14,000 plus each month from tablet use. He also said that the inmate can only access email and the computers have no other functions available. The sheriff's department is asking for \$425 per tablet and that the revenue will pay for the machines.

All of the items passed or placed on the consent list will be back before the commission in its regular meeting today at 5 p.m. in the City-County Building.



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# Service to customers is key at Broadway Carpets

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"The right product for the right job," could be the motto of a well-known and respected floor covering business that has served our area for more than 37 years.

Broadway Carpets, Inc. was started by John MacLellan, Bill Finley and Larry Kelsey. All three men are still with the firm and still active in serving customers. The company now has two locations, 930 North Broadway and 9918 Kingston Pike and recently Bo Perkins, sales manager, discussed the history and future of the company.

Perkins was joined in the discussion by Garry Tener of Broadway Carpet's Operations who is often the spokesman for the firm.

"We have 65 well-trained employees and that includes our West Knoxville store and our commercial division, Broadway Flooring." He added that the company offers all types of flooring for businesses and homes from hardwood, carpet, vinyl, luxury vinyl, and even carpet for boats and automobiles.

"Our pride is our service to customers, our selection, and our buying power," Perkins continued. "We have a great group of people here."

The idea of the company, which is planning a renovation of its Broadway location soon, is to make customers feel invited and



*Broadway Carpets has many years of service to satisfied customers and a wide selection of flooring. With a location on Broadway and Kingston Pike Broadway Carpets is ready to serve your needs. (Photo courtesy of Broadway Carpets)*

to have the renovations create a new look.

Broadway Carpets is very active in the community, with neighborhood homeowners and associations, and for 20 years with Habitat for Humanity.

"Our advantage is that we get involved," said Tener, adding that they have attended meetings in Old North Knoxville and 4th and Gill neighborhoods. "They're some of the best people I've ever met."

"We have people come in who are second and third generation customers whose mom and dad bought carpet here," Perkins said. He added the stores have loyal customers in the surrounding counties like Loudon, Anderson, Blount and Jefferson County.

"It's a trust thing," he said of the loyalty of its customers.

Broadway Carpets feature full service and installation and offer the "right product for the right price."

"Our greatest asset is our staff. We make sure we give you what you need for the best price," Perkins said.

"Our staff has continual sales education," Tener said.

Currently Broadway Carpets is working with the city on the new Broadway store façade and hopes to get started on the facelift sometime this year.

Broadway Carpets also has professional estimators who can walk through a customer's business or home and locate potential

problems and identify solutions. Correct installation is guaranteed and in addition to serving residential customers, the sales staff also services the professional home builder, commercial contractor, remodeling contractors, realtors, interior design firms and property management markets.

You're invited to visit Broadway Carpets stores. They are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. You can also find Broadway Carpets on Facebook or at their website [www.broadwaycarpets.com](http://www.broadwaycarpets.com).

You can call the Broadway store at (865) 525-5511 or the Kingston Pike store at (865) 531-7021.

# Safety Center, Supreme Court, chickens

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The planning commission's recommended approval of the Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center, or Safety Center, may be appealed when the Knoxville City Council meets Tuesday evening.

A resolution appealing the MPC's 15-0 approval is being brought by John Zimmerman of the Northwest Community. The proposed Center is next door to the Helen Ross McNabb Center on Dewine Road just off Western Avenue. Several homeowners near the former church building have objected to the location of the center there.

The council will also be asked to approve the sale of the former Supreme Court Building to Rick Dover and two partners for \$2,600,000. The 1.7-acre building, located on Henley and Locust Streets, may become a luxury hotel, restaurant and apartments when the \$82 million dollar project is complete.

The council should also give a second and final vote to create an amendment to allow self-serve beer and an amendment to permit Knoxville Botanical Garden and other agriculturally zoned places inside the city to have chicken coops within 100 feet of a street or property line.

Also being considered is an agreement with

Superior Pavement Marking for \$147,456 for the city-wide Crosswalk Safety Program and to allow a building access at 902 North Central to encroach on the street.

Mayor Madeline Rogero may be authorized to apply for a federal grant of \$300,000 to fund the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program, as requested by the City Police Department.

City Community Improvement Funds to be donated include contributions to Bike Walk Tennessee for the Open Streets events, the East Tennessee Foundation for the Suffrage Coalition's Burn Memorial, The Children's Theatre toward staffing of the Young Artists' Design Program, the Free Medical Clinic for services for uninsured people, West High School for sheet music and piano accompaniments for the choir and to the Knoxville Opera for education and outreach programs.

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## Our Neighborhoods

# A glimpse of Vestal

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There are many, many communities in and around Knoxville, but Vestal is different. The many modest homes in the South Knoxville neighborhood reflect the working class that settled and continue to live in the viable area.

Developed around the logging, marble and shipping industry Vestal is located along Maryville Pike, Martin Mill Pike and West Blount Avenue stretching to McNabb to the south and west to the Candora Marble Works.

The marble industry shaped the history of Vestal and the Candora Arts and Heritage Center, in the marble building once

the center of the industry there, continues to contribute to not only Vestal but to Knoxville and Knox County. Named for the early Vestal family the neighborhood does well with preserving the past and offering services to the residents.

Mary Vestal Park, a 13-acre area watered by Goose Creek, offers locals a ballfield, greenway, picnic tables, a shelter, and a very distinctive marble slab encased in a metal cage. Designed by Alan Finch and Joe Babb it was located there in 2015 with the theme of the stone as "No Place Like Home."

Upon the slab, which sits near the picnic shelter, are carvings or etching of various designs and the

meaning often puzzles visitors, apparently representing windows and a roof.

The neighborhood is also home to the Vestal United Methodist Church, a large and historic church building that graces Ogle Avenue just off West Martin Mill Pike.

Just down the street from the park is the South Knoxville Community Center. Debbie Beeler is the recreation director there and proud of the facility which also houses the Boys & Girls Club and an office of the Community Action Commission. The Center is the monthly meeting place of the Vestal Neighborhood Association that convenes there every **Continue on page 2**



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

The Mary Vestal Park in South Knoxville features a unique marble stone encased in metal with odd carvings in the stone. The park features a playground, ball field, a shelter and is part of the Vestal Greenway.

# Hardin Valley's founder

By Mike Steely  
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Hardin Valley in West Knox County may be the fastest growing section of our county, with rolling hills, lake waters, the Technology Corridor, the main campus of Pellissippi State, and an emerging commercial district.

Just 16 miles from Knoxville, Hardin Valley has become a suburban community that still has much vacant farmland. Since 1990 the population there has increased about 50 percent. Situated between Farragut and Oak Ridge, between Pellissippi Parkway and Interstate 40, the location makes it an ideal area for new homes. Melton Hill Lake provides recreation and, given the growth of the area, a new middle school is being built to join Hardin Valley Elementary and Academy.

Hardin Valley's history is interesting and a bit different from much of the rest of Knox County. The Hardin family, headed by Col. Joseph Hardin, Sr., is also linked to Texas and one of the most notorious outlaws in American history.



Col. Joseph Hardin, Sr., settled in what is now Hardin Valley. His large family were some of the earliest settlers in the state of Tennessee.

Hardin was a man of note, serving in government in the North Carolina Colony, fighting the British and the Cherokee during the Revolutionary War, joining the Overmountain Men for the victory of Kings Mountain, and co-founding the Lost State of Franklin.

Before statehood Hardin was a representative in the Southwest Territory assembly where he served as Speaker of the House. He was involved in the formation of Green County, Tennessee, and in 1786 was awarded three thousand acres further west in what was to become Hardin County, Tennessee. Although it was his descendants who settled there, a Historic Marker in the county seat, Savannah, notes him and his contributions to the territory and the state.

In what was to become Knox County Hardin was given more

than 8,000 acres for his service during the Revolution. He and his wife apparently had more than 15 children. Col. Hardin is buried in the Hickory Creek Cemetery in Hardin Valley. Numerous members of the Hardin family are buried in the cemetery.

Every family has a "black sheep" somewhere in their lineage and the Hardin family has one that also became famous, or infamous.

Like many settlers of East Tennessee many of the Hardin family continued moving west, first to settle the land grants and then on to Texas. Col. Hardin's grandson, Rev. James Gibson (Gip) Hardin was a Methodist Circuit Riding Minister who moved from Wayne County, Tennessee, to Texas and settled there.

Among the children of Rev. Hardin was one he named for the founder of the Methodist Church, John Wesley. Young "Wes" Hardin became one of the most feared

gunfighters of the Old West.

He had encounters with the law after being credited with killing at least four men by the time he reached 20 years of age. His encounters included a faceoff with Wild Bill Hickok, the killing of several lawmen and escape from custody.

By the time the Texas Rangers caught up with him he is said to have killed 43 men in stand-up shootouts, ambushes and running battles on horseback.

John Wesley Hardin was shot and killed by John Selman, Sr., because of a grudge. Hardin was shot in the back of the head in a saloon in El Paso, Texas.

East Tennessee and Knox County honor the Hardin name in streets, schools, business parks, financial offices, churches, apartments, and many more places. Hardin Valley has more than 4,000 homes now and more than seventy-seven percent of the people living in that growing area own their own homes.



John Wesley Hardin, great-grandson of the founder of Hardin Valley, was a notorious gunman and outlaw in Texas.



From State Representative Harry Brooks

This week I would like to provide you with an update on a recent change and legislation under consideration that will affect our public schools. HB 45 by Representative Dunn makes changes to the rules and requirements regarding mandated physical education in public schools. The legislation is aimed at clarifying the intent of past laws, and would require LEAs to provide a minimum of 130 minutes of physical activity per full school week for elementary school students, and a minimum of 90 minutes of physical activity per full school week for middle and high school students. An amendment also mandates that LEAs must provide at least 15 minutes of physical activity a day in order to meet

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# Mountain Majesty

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help." Psalm 121:1 (KJV)

It is a sight that brings to mind beautiful songs and inspirational scripture. I think of the breath-taking grandeur of the mountains as a gift from God. I marvel at their beauty and think of the Creator who made all of heaven and earth. Just days before spring made her entrance, winter gave us one more glimpse of her glory by dressing



By **Ralphine Major**  
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the mountains in snow white.

This spectacular photo comes from Perry McGinnis, who has been in several Focus columns. He captured this amazing view last month with a telephoto lens when the snow was on the mountains. "I took many photos since it isn't often the snow is so striking. Thought you might enjoy seeing this beautiful scene of Mount LeConte," Perry said. He was right. I did enjoy seeing it. "For perspective, the tower is located at the Spence Nicely



Picture of Mount LeConte, courtesy of Perry McGinnis

Bird Sanctuary on Petree Lane," he added.

I met Perry and Carol through my column in The Focus. It has been a joy to share about their fascinating journey in the field of dentistry and academics. I appreciate so much when

they share with me these amazing wonders caught on camera so I can share them with Focus readers to enjoy, as well. "The credit always goes to the Creator who made those pictures possible," Perry added. Indeed, it does.

# A glimpse of Vestal

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second Monday of each month.

Beeler invites local residents to come use the facilities which include a large indoor pool, the exercise equipment, the gym, pool table, etc. The center also has a crafts room, quilting room, and a dining room with a kitchen.

Daily activities there include walking, basketball, water exercise, quilting, pickle ball, Friday music, luncheons, and a monthly visit by the Knox County Veteran's representative. The center also sponsors or takes part in outings, like the recent tour of the Kern's Bakery building and even a trip to Savannah, S. C.

You can find the South Knoxville Community Center online, on Facebook, or call them at (865)573-3575.

One of the annual highlights of Vestal is the "Vestival" which features live music, crafts, food, a history booth, activities for children and a tour of the historic Candoro Arts and Heritage Center. The event is Saturday, May 13 this year from 11 a.m. until 7



Debbie Beeler, recreation director of the South Knoxville Community Center in Vestal, invites local residents to come to the facility and enjoy the indoor pool, exercise room, or any of the many activities there.

p.m. on the grounds of the Arts and Heritage Center.

You can get more information more information on the "Vestival" by calling

(865)307-0800 or (865) 640-5700. You can also find information on line at [www.candoromarble.org](http://www.candoromarble.org).

# New words for Webster?



Rosie's World

I'm not a computer nerd. At the most, I spend perhaps an hour or two a day wrestling with my computer. We usually get along but,

sometimes I am flabbergasted by innocuous words and phrases that are confusing. Such as: hashtag. What is that? If you have been on Tweeter (which I am not), you may have seen a "hashtag". To put it simply, a hashtag is simply a way for people to search for tweeters that have a common topic to begin a conversation. For example, if you search in #LOST, you'll get a list of tweets related to the TV show. What you won't get are tweets that say, for instance, "I lost my wallet" because "lost" isn't preceded by a hashtag. Well, that's self-explanatory.

Here's a new word which is pretty easy to comprehend: Chillax. In other words, chill out and relax, especially when you're on the computer. "You can dance to your favorite tune, chillax, or have friends over."

Believe it or not, there are 9,117 slang words used on the Internet. I know maybe one or two.

Then there are common everyday words that often crop up on the internet. The word "spam" brings back memories of the Depression. Remember eating spam when beef wasn't available? On the internet it's a slang word that refers to unsolicited commercial email, sometimes referred to as junk mail.

When I see the words "log on" I think of the old expression, "bump on a log," I don't know why. Log on indicates not only the action of logging in but also to make a computer system or network recognize you. I think sometimes one can feel like a bump on a log when on the computer.

In this day and age it's amazing the new words that intersperse our English language. It's hard to keep up with them all but, also interesting to learn. Never be too old to learn!

Thought for the day: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:9

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# Tennessee and American Neutrality Part Eight

## Pages from the Past



**By Ray Hill**  
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Tennessee's senior United States senator, Kenneth D. McKellar, had moved strongly behind the neutrality program of President Franklin Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull. McKellar was unquestionably the longest serving and most powerful member of Tennessee's Congressional delegation and his support for Hull's program was shared by most members of Congress representing the Volunteer State. Freshman Congressman Joseph W. Byrns, Jr., son of the late Speaker of the House, had been invited to make a speech before the National Exchange Club in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Young Byrns, a member of the House Military Affairs Committee, used the occasion to speak of the need for Congress to appropriate more money for national defense. Byrns warned the United States could expect both "internal" and external problems and should be "prepared for both." Congressman Byrns told his audience, "It takes additional money to thoroughly convince the war-mad, sabre-rattling, territory-seeking dictators of the world that we in America do not wish bombs and poisonous gas rained from the sky upon our civilian population." After painting a rather dire picture, Byrns went on to say, "I am in favor of convincing them that we have the arms to use, that we are ready to use them, and that we know how if the occasion demands."

Carroll Reece, a Republican, had represented Tennessee's First District since 1920 with the exception of two years when he had lost his seat briefly. Reece had been in the news recently, but not because of his activities in Congress. Congressman Reece, accompanied by his wife and daughter, had taken a vacation in Hawaii and upon his return to the mainland had disembarked from his ship and when he turned around to board the ship once again, had been stopped by the intrepid Sergeant Norman Smith, a custom's officer. Carroll Reece took exception to Sergeant Smith's attempt to keep him from returning to his wife and daughter and the two "tussled violently." Reece latched on to Sergeant Smith's ear, which "bled profusely." Evidently the Congressman was getting the better of the Sergeant, who needed the assistance of a private detective assigned to the pier. The detective was able to help pry Congressman Reece's teeth from Sergeant Smith's ear. Reece seemed not at all bothered by the publicity from the bizarre encounter and made a few partisan speeches on his way back east. Reece was not much sympathetic to the repeal

of the arms embargo. By late September of 1939, Congressman Reece was the sole member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation who had not announced his position on the neutrality program. Even Tennessee's newest members of Congress, Estes Kefauver who had been elected to replace Sam D. McReynolds and Wirt Courtney who had been elected following the death of Congressman Clarence W. Turner, had announced their support for the plan pushed by Secretary of State Cordell Hull and President Roosevelt. Congressman Courtney said, "I visited all 12 counties in my district and found that at least 95 per cent of my constituents favor repeal of the arms embargo. They are all bitterly opposed to our going to war," Courtney added, "I don't see how selling arms is going to involve this country any more than selling wheat, oil and other products."

Congressman Jere Cooper of Dyersburg had announced his support for repealing the arms embargo. "I have full confidence in President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull. I am sure they are keeping in touch with the situation and I think it is best to follow their leadership."

While one could certainly argue there was nothing surprising about two freshmen Democrats supporting the administration, Republican Congressman J. Will Taylor had also announced his support for repealing the arms embargo. Taylor had said, "I shall never vote to send American troops to fight and die on foreign soil unless and until our country is first invaded by a foreign foe." Taylor had warned his fellow congressmen to expect a "veritable avalanche of propaganda in this country designed to incite the passions and prejudices of our people in an effort to array them on one side or the other in this European conflict." In fact, "Hillbilly Bill" believed "this campaign of propaganda has already manifested itself." Taylor thought "the increasing volume of mail of both members of the House and Senate" was the result of propaganda efforts to sway public opinion. Congressman Taylor was not afraid to call names and charged the "insidious and mendacious" propaganda had emanated from "subversive and un-American" organizations "such as the Communists and the German-American bund" both of which he considered to "have become a real menace to our free institutions." Taylor thought the goal of the sinister organizations was to "breed war hysteria" in an effort to "confuse the merits of vital issues" facing the country. J. Will Taylor was not always an orthodox



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

*Congressman J. Will Taylor, circa 1938.*

Republican and urged support for the cash and carry provision of the neutrality law. "No matter how well an army may be equipped with arms and ammunition - - - no matter how highly mechanized it may be, if it is not properly fed it is doomed to dismal failure." Taylor came to his point, which was the idea of selling foodstuffs to belligerent nations and shipping the commodities to the buyer was "inconsistent and absurd" if the goal was for America to remain out of the war. Congressman Taylor argued that any neutrality law must "keep our merchant vessels outside of the zone of hostilities."

"Let our high officials cease saying 'We hope we can stay out of war' and 'We believe we can stay out of war' and instead say unequivocally and with determination, 'We will stay out of war!'" Taylor thundered.

One of the primary differences between J. Will Taylor and Carroll Reece was that Congressman Reece spoke with a special authority when discussing military matters. Reece had served in the First World War and was a genuine war hero but as the debate began, the First District congressman spoke in generalities. "It is true that democracies are jeopardized now as they were then," Reece admitted, "but we learned that the World War did not make the world safe for democracy."

Carroll Reece pointed out, "And we have learned that nations do not go to war merely for democracy as an abstract concept. Totalitarianism and democracy are not more mutually repellent today than they were a few years ago." Congressman Reece insisted, "Overt acts, not theories, cause wars." Still, Reece's tussle in Los Angeles received far more press attention than his views on neutrality, at least outside of Tennessee. Nor was Reece especially pleased by the special called session of Congress. The East Tennessean thought the only consideration before Congress was what will help to keep the United States out of war. "Humble though I may be,

I intend to do everything possible to prevent this nation being dragged into the European conflict," Reece pledged.

As the debate on repealing the arms embargo began in the United States Senate, Carroll Reece became the only member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation not to declare his vote. Senator K. D. McKellar was one of the first to take the Senate floor and promptly offered thirty-one reasons for opposing continuing the arms embargo and vowed never to vote for war, unless America was attacked by an enemy. McKellar had been in the Senate when America entered the First World War and had never forgotten the experience. "I voted for it in 1917 and I shall never vote that way again," McKellar declared. "I will never vote to send our boys to war again, except when another nation attacks us." Senator McKellar contended the arms embargo had been an illusion of safety for the United States. "I believe from our experience that the present embargo, not the repeal of it, is our first step toward war," McKellar said. "Let us take that step. Let us take no step which involve us in war."

Senator McKellar also engaged one of the leading isolationists in Congress, Senator Gerald Nye of North Dakota, in a brief, albeit telling exchange on the Senate floor. McKellar wondered if Nye and his co-sponsors of the present neutrality legislation had anticipated the law "would aid Germany" when it had first passed in 1935. Nye replied testily that he had "no thought about who it would aid or injure." Senator Nye snapped, "The one thought was to keep out of other people's wars." The fiery Tennessean began swinging his fists by his side and shouted the arms embargo was "aiding Nazism and Communism" while simultaneously hurting the "two great democracies" of Great Britain and France. Senator McKellar fumed the present neutrality law helped Adolf Hitler "in his war of aggression in Poland, France and England and his plan to be a world

dictator." McKellar belatedly, "And I don't intend to vote for something that will aid aggression led by a wild man." Senator McKellar spoke of his personal admiration for the German people and added "But the sooner they get rid of this crazy, war-maniacal dictator, the better it will be for them." McKellar reminded Senator Nye he had voted for American entry into the First World War and repeated he would never again vote for war unless the United States was attacked. "I am for peace," McKellar said. "That's why I favor the present bill."

Senator Hiram Johnson of California rose to sputter, "Hitler will never conquer Europe. It has never been done by anyone yet. The closest approach to any was by Napoleon, and to compare Hitler to Napoleon is absurd." Johnson insisted irrespective of who won the war in Europe, it would matter little to the United States.

Tennessee's junior U.S. senator, Tom Stewart, spoke over the radio the same day and sounded much the same theme as McKellar. "On the proposition of maintaining our peace, I think the American nation is united 100 per cent and for myself, I have little fear of future involvement in foreign wars," Stewart said. The senator cautioned against becoming overly excited or "hysterical" as the great majority of congressmen and senators were very much against war. Stewart urged his listeners to go about their daily lives secure in the knowledge the Congress would not hurl the United States into the European maelstrom.

Debate in the Senate continued and the final test was when Gerald Nye moved to substitute his own bill for that supported by the Roosevelt administration. Sixty-seven senators voted against the Nye substitution; only twenty-two senators rallied around the Nye bill. Ten Democrats, nine Republicans, a Farmer-Laborite (Henrik Shipstead of Minnesota) and one Progressive (Robert LaFollette, Jr. of Wisconsin) voted for the Nye substitute; both of Tennessee's

senators voted against the Nye substitution. By voting down the Nye amendment, a large majority of senators were signaling they favored lifting the arms embargo. The galleries were filled to capacity as senators debated the amendments. One amendment offered by Sheridan Downey of California proposed to prohibit the sale of arms to every foreign nation save for those "in the American continents at war with non-American countries", a proposal beaten back by a vote of 55 - 27. Senate Majority Leader Alben Barkley of Kentucky proclaimed the vote against the Downey amendment was "a clear cut test of strength" by those senators supporting the administration. Barkley accurately predicted "we will have even more votes when an effort is made to eliminate the section repealing the embargo."

Another amendment was offered by some Senate Republicans to prohibit the sale of chemical weapons and poisonous gases, but it failed 54 - 36. Senator Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri tried to pass two amendments; the first would have barred armed merchant ships of belligerent countries from entering American ports. That proposal was defeated 65 - 26. Senator Clark's second amendment was designed to curtail the executive powers of the President by adding four members of Congress to the National Munitions Control Board. Clark's motion failed only narrowly, 45 - 41.

The debate on the neutrality bill had yet to reach its climax.

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# Blossoming

I find it interesting how living things start at one point and manage take it to a grander level. It's a fascinating aspect about all things. A flower starts as a seed or a bulb. Given the right kind of



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As each Sunday passed, he became a bit more comfortable playing in the band. Now, Mike is performing with confidence and has featured solos in many songs.

I've enjoyed the music, but more than that, I've enjoyed watching Mike blossom into a good guitar player.

My dear wife had little confidence in herself as a younger woman. She worried that she couldn't complete jobs for which she was hired, even though she possessed the skills to do so and proved herself to be a highly intelligent individual. Over the years, Amy has changed jobs when the opportunity to grow presented itself. She worked diligently as she earned her credentials as a certified human resources specialist. In the jobs she held, Amy has led with compassion and

competency, and most of the folks with whom she has worked and directed sing her praises. From a shy, unsure person, she has blossomed into a qualified professional with exceptional skills.

My two children have also grown and blossomed. Lacey was always a driven person who knew precisely what kind of work she wanted to pursue. She dove into college with determination, and by the time she graduated, her professors recognized her abilities and rewarded it. In her work life, she has grown from an entry-level person to someone who is well-versed in licensing and other legal aspect of the music industry.

Dallas took a slower path. For much of his life, he took an uncommitted approach to school. However, at some point during college, he decided to get serious, and then he made short work of his schooling. He worked part time jobs and took a full time one at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo

for a while. Then he found his comfort spot working for a large company. He has worked hard to learn many of the phases of work in his department and now is a specialist in that area. He's ready for a new challenge in a different department when openings arise. Dallas' aggressive attitude and dedication to his work is so much different from those earlier years.

That ability to blossom is within each person. It only needs a bit of nurturing to come to the forefront. Once that happens, the openings for the person into new worlds or roles are unlimited. The determination to seek that newness is stifled by fear sometimes. At other times, the amount of energy necessary to grow and change is more than a person is willing to devote. Regardless of the negatives, blossoming is something beautiful to behold as it unfolds before our eyes.

## Jehovah-M'Kaddesh

The Hebrew word for sanctify is found a number of times in the Old Testament. It can be translated consecrate, sanctified, and holy. It is mostly translated "holy." Jehovah M'Kaddesh is found in Leviticus: "Consecrate yourselves and be holy, because I am the Lord your God. Keep my decrees and follow them. I am the LORD [Jehovah], who makes you holy [sanctified]" (Leviticus 20:7-8).



**By Mark Brackney,**  
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To be holy means to be set apart. God sanctified days, feasts, fasts, places, people, and nations. God and holy go together. The Lord our God is holy – this was the first truth

Israel learned about Jehovah. "Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19:2).

God is separate from all that is evil. In fact, God is the antithesis of evil. God wants His people to be separate from evil. So Israel is told to serve no other gods but Himself, because people become like the gods they serve. The problem is that the heart of humanity is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked (Jeremiah 17:9). There is no hope of redemption and holiness apart from God. We must partner with God to be holy. This is where our free will steps in. God will not force anyone to be holy. God gives us the power to be holy and incentives to be holy – blessings and curses. But we must choose if that is what we want.

Holiness is also a process, not an act accomplished once for all. It never stops as you journey with God. What Jehovah was to His people in the Old Testament, as the Holy One who sanctifies, Jesus Christ is in the New Testament. Jesus became our sanctification (I Corinthians 1:30). We are being made holy [sanctified] through the sacrifice of Jesus (Hebrews 10:10, 14). What Israel was meant to be as a nation and individually, we are meant to be in the kingdom of God and personally. "As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy" (I Peter 1:14-16).

To be separate means to be different. Holiness is repentance language. One person said, "Holiness is not just what we get rid of, it's what we chase after."

Christians need to live holy lives. Peter says, "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy" (I Peter 2:9-10).

The most effective way to engage our culture is to live life in such a way that others are won over by our actions. As the world becomes more hostile, the church must become more holy. Revival won't happen because we make it illegal for people to sin. Revival will happen when Christians start living like Christians.

## Harry Brooks

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the requirements for elementary school students. This bill was passed in both the House and the Senate and was assigned Public Chapter No. 99 on April 19th, 2017.

An additional item under discussion that could affect our schools comes in the form of new social studies course of study. Under this proposal, Local Education Authorities will have more control over the aspects of Tennessee state history they include in their curriculum. Students will have the opportunity to study portions of state history with particular emphasis on topics important to their local and regional communities. While I believe these ideas are positive, it is also important to remember

that change comes with a trade off, and adding new requirements to a school system typically implies replacing existing ones. The question is what are we not going to teach?

HB287 by Representative Byrd is another interesting piece of legislation that will affect our schools. The legislation, which the House will consider on April 24th, designates the week including September 17th as Celebrate Freedom Week in public schools. During that week, social studies classes in public schools will include age-appropriate instruction concerning the original intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution, including the Bill of Rights. This legislation is aimed at improving our children's

knowledge of our great nation's proud history, including the rich diversity of American people as a nation of immigrants, the American Revolution, the formulation of the United States Constitution, and the abolitionist movement, including the Emancipation Proclamation and the women's suffrage movement.

The "Tom Cronan Act" is currently behind the budget awaiting financing approval, otherwise known as House Bill 372 sponsored by Rep. Roger Kane. This bill requires elementary school to have PE classes that meet at least two times per week, for a total combined time of 60 minutes. If approved, this legislation would fit inside of and satisfy some requirements mentioned in House Bill 45. The approval is needed to fund the schools

that would need PE teachers to fulfill this requirement. There are actually 3 counties in Tennessee that do not have PE teachers.

As House committees continue to wrap up their duties, the next major task for the General Assembly is beginning work on the budget. Of all the duties I have as a legislator for this great State, few tasks are as important as creating and passing a budget to preserve the fiscal integrity of Tennessee.

As always, please contact me if I can be of any assistance to you in any way. My office phone number is (615) 741-6879, and if you would like to reach me on the weekends my home phone number is (865) 687-5987. It is an honor to serve you and the great state of Tennessee in this capacity.

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# HVA student-athletes sign to continue in college

By Ken Lay

Ten Hardin Valley Academy student-athletes recently finalized their college plans and they will all continue their respective athletic careers at the college level.

Four former Hawks football players were among those who signed at a ceremony in the school's auditorium on Wednesday, April

12. Nate Athey signed to play at Beloit College. Quarterback Gavin Greene will move on to play at Mars Hill. Ellis Chapman, a lineman will continue his career at Emory & Henry. Kicker Andrew Foster, a two-sport star at Hardin Valley will kick for Morehead State in 2017. Foster, a goalkeeper for the Hawks soccer team,

scored a goal in a match against rival Farragut in 2016.

That quartet of players had a historic 2016 campaign on the gridiron as they were a part of HVA's first postseason home game and first playoff victory in school history.

Volleyball player Jana Giaquinto helped the Lady Hawks make a Class AAA

State Tournament in 2016. She'll play at Case Western University.

Macey Kennedy, who played for the girls soccer team and helped the Lady Hawks make back-to-back State Tournament appearances in 2014 and 2015, will move on to Milligan.

Swimmer Sidney Ragsdale will continue her career in the pool at Berry

College.

Rebaekah Hampton will continue her track and field career at Tennessee-Chattanooga. She starred in both basketball and track while at the school. She's helped lead the Lady Hawks basketball team to the State Sectional round for the first time in school history. She's currently competing in her final season

of high school track.

Tanner Witsell, an athlete on the school's boys track team will move on to East Tennessee State University.

Drew Parks, who helped the HVA baseball team, win a Class AAA State Championship in 2015, signed with Cleveland State Community College.

## Judge Hill finds relaxation in teaching sport of boxing

By Steve Williams

The boxing ring has been Judge Hill's classroom for 45 years.

With the contributions he has made to the local Golden Gloves program and the lives he has touched, "Ace" Miller has to be looking down smiling.

Miller, who passed away in 2012, took control of Knoxville's chapter of the national Golden Gloves organization back in 1971.

"It's something that grows on you," said Hill during a break at the Southern Golden Gloves tournament Thursday night.

"You've got the fellow that teaches golf or basketball. Teaching boxing has become second nature for me.

"And it's totally relaxing," added Hill in his soothing, baritone voice.

Also a labor of love, some have noticed.

On opening night of the Southern last week, Hill did more than teach and coach. He spent time lacing up gloves before the boxing began. He even was the referee in the final open division bout of the night.

His satisfaction in

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Longtime coach Judge Hill and Christian Cruz wait for their boxing match to begin at the "Ace" Miller Golden Gloves Arena Thursday night.

PHOTO BY KELLY KEARSE

Powell High School senior tennis player Kelli Hurt signed a National Letter of Intent Thursday to continue her career at Coker College in South Carolina. Hurt, a four-year player for the Lady Panthers, has a brother who plays golf at Carson-Newman, Coker's SAC rival.



## Powell's Hurt to play tennis at Coker College

By Ken Lay

Powell High School senior tennis player Kelli Hurt signed a National Letter of Intent to play for Coker College last week.

Hurt, a four-year player for the Lady Panthers, chose Coker, a Division II School that competes in the South Atlantic Conference, along with Carson-Newman, an institution of East Tennessee.

Hurt also considered an offer from Montreat College in North Carolina.

"I like [Coker] because it's in the SAC and I liked the small classes because I think I'll need some one-on-one attention and I liked

the small classes."

She plans to study exercise science and will hope to have a career as a physical therapist or a physician's assistant.

She also noted that she was glad to have the recruiting process behind her and she said that she's not afraid of leaving home.

"It was never out of the picture," Hurt said. Hurt's family is no stranger to the SAC. Her brother, Will, plays golf for the Eagles in Jefferson County.

Kelli is the daughter of David and Judy Hurt, who will now likely split their loyalties between the two rival schools.



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# All-Staters McKinney and Collier filled up the stat sheets



PHOTO BY LEXIE GILLAND

**KeKe McKinney works inside for the Fulton Lady Falcons during the 2016-17 campaign.**

**By Steve Williams**

All-Stater KeKe McKinney's statistical averages during her senior basketball campaign at Fulton included 10.8 rebounds per game.

The 6-foot-2 University of Kentucky signee also averaged 15.9 points, 2.1 assists, 1.9 steals and 2.7 blocks per game as she led the Lady Falcons to the Class AA state tournament.

McKinney, who was named to the all-tournament team at the state, scored over 1,900 points in her career, reported Coach John Fisher.

Webb School sophomore Casey Collier also earned All-State honors, finishing the season

strong as she averaged 19 points per game in the district tournament and 20.6 in the region tournament. For the season, she averaged 12.7 points.

In addition to her scoring, the 5-6 point guard averaged four rebounds, five assists and 3.5 steals. She shot 36.3 percent from 3-point range, 51 percent on field goal attempts and 74 percent on foul shots.

Collier was voted District Player of the Year by coaches and also was named MVP in the district and region tournaments.

Other girls' statistical highlights submitted by Knox County schools included:

**POWELL:** Haley Schubert was one of Knox County's top all-around players this season. In addition to averaging 17 points per game, she also averaged 4.3 steals, shot 46 percent from the field and 79 percent at the free throw line.

Kaitlyn Lentz (49 percent) and Donna Raby (48 percent) had the Lady Panthers' top FG shooting percentages.

**CHRISTIAN ACADEMY:** Sophomore guard Claire Brock was named District 4-AA Player of the Year as she averaged 4.7 assists and 9.2 points for the Lady Warriors' balanced attack.

"We had a variety of contributors this year, which really helped

us from a success standpoint," said Coach Caitlin Hollifield, whose team finished 15-12.

**HALLS:** Panda Riggs averaged 15.3 points and Rachel Drumheller 13 points in 13 games played this season.

**BEARDEN:** Trinity Lee, junior guard, made 40 percent of her 3-point attempts and 47 percent of her 2-point shots.

**CENTRAL:** Ashton Blair was a bright spot on her team, averaging 12.6 points, 10 rebounds and five blocked shots per game (135 total), noted Coach Benjamin Collins.



PHOTO BY KELLY KEARSE

**Kendrix Miller of South Carolina takes a shot on the jaw from Alabama's Darius Beverly in a first-round match in the 178-pound division of the Southern Golden Gloves tournament Thursday night. Miller withstood the blow and won by decision to advance to the semifinals.**

# Bearden leads state in four track and field events

**By Steve Williams**

Keep an eye on Bearden's boys track and field team when this season's TSSAA state meet draws near.

Based on Tennessee Runner Mile Split Outdoor Rankings as of April 22, Coach Patty Tracy-Thewes' Bulldogs could have some big point-getters.

Brothers Jacob and Joshua Sobota currently have the top marks in three field events and Bearden sophomore Shawn Stacy is the state leader in the high jump.

Senior Jacob Sobota cleared 15 feet in the pole vault on March 28. He also finished second the Class AAA state decathlon last season.

Joshua Sobota, a junior, was an impressive double-winner at the Volunteer Track Classic April 14-15 as he recorded a throw of 62 feet, 2½ inches in the shot put and hurled the discus 182-10.

Stacy went over a high jump bar set at 6 feet, 8 inches on April 8.

Bearden finished fourth in the Class AAA state meet last year.

Knox County also has other state track leaders this spring for boys and girls.

Austin-East's 4x100 boys relay team was clocked in 42.27 seconds in the Roadrunner Invitational on April 11.

Willington Wright, Hardin Valley Academy junior, posted a mark of 46 feet, 10¾ inches in the triple jump at the recent VTC.

West's girls 4x800 relay ran a 9:33.27 at the Ben Martin Invitational in Oak Ridge on April 1.

Rebecca Story, Christian Academy of Knoxville junior, competed in her first meet of the spring Friday in the Eastern



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

**Bearden High senior Jacob Sobota competes in the pole vault event at the Volunteer Track Classic. Sobota has cleared a state-best 15 feet this season.**

Relays at Louisville, Ky., and posted a meet record time of 10:15.85 despite rainy conditions.

Story placed eighth in the New Balance Nationals Indoors meet's two-mile run March 12 at the Army Track and Field Center in New York, posting a PR time of 10:26.36.

Story was named the Gatorade girls' Cross Country Runner of the Year in Tennessee for 2016 in January.

The annual Knoxville Interscholastic League Track and Field Championships will be held May 2 and 3 at Hardin Valley Academy.

# Cruz and Hinton win decisions in Southern GG prelims

**By Steve Williams**

Christian Cruz didn't come out on the short end of the scorecards.

Cruz won by decision over Crighton Stock of LaFollette in preliminary action to the Southern Golden Gloves tournament's open division Thursday night.

Stock was a head taller than the stocky Cruz, a 15-year-old Halls High sophomore. But Cruz battled and won the three-round 140-pound novice bout at the Ace Miller Golden Gloves Arena despite having a point deducted for losing his mouthpiece a third time.

"He was busier than the other fellow," said Coach Judge Hill, explaining how Cruz overcame his taller foe. Translation: Cruz threw more punches that connected.

"He doesn't have the reach. We're going to take him down to 132."

In the opening 85-pound junior bout, 10-year-old Daniel Hinton, a fourth grader at Spring Hill

Elementary School in Knoxville, won a decision over Kyle William of Crossville. Hinton won his first-ever bout just two weeks ago at Red Bank.

"Daniel really did well," said Jeremy Hansen, who has been coaching six years. "He has some conditioning to work on because he was really out of breath."

Hansen has an average of 12 to 15 boxers he coaches in the Knoxville program.

"Daniel has a sister who is ready to fight, too," said Hansen. "It's just hard for us to find her a match right now."

Natalie Hinton, 12, is a seventh grader at Holston Middle School and has been in boxing about five months.

Hansen's daughter, Kayleigh, 13, also is boxing.

"One thing I told my daughter - I just want her to get used to boxing, be able to protect herself and just have fun with it."

In the 98-pound weight class, Knoxville's Hayden

Davis lost to Gavin Macon of Monroe County when the referee stopped the bout at the end of the first round.

Monroe County's Bryan Smith won by decision over Keegan Cable of Red Bank in a 125-pound prelim.

**OPEN DIVISION:** Cody Pridemore of Johnson City, the East Tennessee Golden Gloves champion representing the Knoxville team franchise, won by decision over Michael Santos of Alabama in a first-round 152-pound bout.

Pridemore, 21, is a 2014 Science Hill High School graduate.

ET champion Aaron King of Crossville, also representing Knoxville, lost by decision to Travon Lawson of Alabama in the 132-pound weight class.

In "best fight of the night," Raekwon Johnson of Georgia won by decision over Alijah Dumas of Alabama in the 141-pound weight class.



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# TKA wins Gibbs Invitational, face tough games to end season

By Ken Lay

Despite winning a Division II-A State Championship in 2016 The King's Academy softball team has flown under the radar this season and the Lady Lions have quietly put together another successful season.

But don't look for TKA to remain under the radar much longer. The Lady Lions recently won the Gibbs Invitational over Easter Weekend and they did so in impressive fashion.

The King's Academy (24-3 overall, 10-0 in conference play) won Knoxville's elite holiday softball tournament with a 12-2 victory over two-time defending District 4-AAA and Region 2-AAA Champion Hardin Valley Academy at Caswell Park on Saturday, April 15.

In that game, the Lady Lions spotted the Lady

Hawks a pair of first-inning runs and pulled to within 2-1 by the end of the opening frame.

TKA then exploded for eight runs in the bottom of the second thanks to an RBI double by shortstop Cayden Baker and scoring singles by Katelyn Norris, Taylor Weekly, Madison Webber, Haydyn Jenkins and an RBI groundout by Regan Weekly.

That big inning all but clinched the tournament title for TKA but the Lady Lions scored three more runs in the bottom of the third thanks to an RBI double by Jenkins and a scoring single by Bri Conatser.

The King's Academy coach Marc Weekly was humble after winning the tournament championship.

"Things just kind of fell our way today," he said.

"Hardin Valley coach] Whitney [Hickam-Cruze] and [Gibbs coach] Carol [Mitchell] both do a great job with their programs.

"Any time you beat Gibbs, you know that you've done a good job and Hardin Valley has won two championships in one of the toughest districts in the state. They've also won two region titles."

The Lady Lions have lost just three games thus far and those losses have come to Halls, William Blount and Powell. At press time the Lady Devils and Lady Panthers were atop of the District 3-AAA race along with the Lady Eagles and the Lady Governors were embroiled in a tough District 4-AAA race with Farragut and the Lady Hawks.

The Lady Lions, who were on Spring Break last week earned the right to play HVA by knocking off Gibbs in the

semifinals. TKA also posted tournament victories over Murfreesboro-Siegel, Hendersonville and Mt. Juliet. Its lone loss over the holiday weekend came to Powell.

The King's Academy has a bevy of talented players but coach Weekly said that he's not necessarily concerned with wins and losses.

"We want to develop the girls and we want them to have fun and do their jobs," he said. "If we concentrate on developing our players, the wins will take care of themselves."

"Our philosophy is that winning is a by-product of fundamental development. We do things a little differently. We have a really young team and most of our starters have already committed to play in college. When we came here and started this program, we wanted to make this a

prep school for girls who wanted to play college softball. We've done that and you'll be seeing that in the next couple of years."

College softball may very well be in the not-too distant future for King's Academy's current players.

But for now, there's plenty of high school diamond action for the Lady Lions.

"We're a young team," coach Weekly said. "We start five sophomores, two seniors, a ninth grader and an eighth grader. Maddie Webber has 10 home runs as a sophomore. My niece, Taylor Weekly, is a great leader and she was an all-state third baseman last year. Regan, my daughter, was an all-state second baseman during her eighth and ninth-grade years. Haydyn Jenkins was an all-state player last year."

TKA's No.1 pitcher, Kaylan

Cole, is a freshman from Newport.

The Lady Lions are seeking another State Title but their next five games represent an extremely tough stretch. They open the week today (April 24) with a home game against Halls (the second-ranked team in Class AAA). They then travel to Grace Christian Academy Tuesday to play (a top-10 Class A squad). The Lady Lions then host Chattanooga Girls Preparatory School (a top team in its classification) and then they play Christian Academy of Knoxville on May 2 in a matchup between two defending state champions.

"We want to play this competition to get ready for our postseason and that's just around the corner," coach Weekly said.

# Eagles nab first place with win at Powell 4-0

By Ken Lay

Gibbs High School left Powell Wednesday night in sole possession of first place in the District 3-AAA baseball standings.

The Eagles got a stellar pitching performance from junior right hander Cameron Hill in a 4-0 victory over the host Panthers at Danny T. Maples Field.

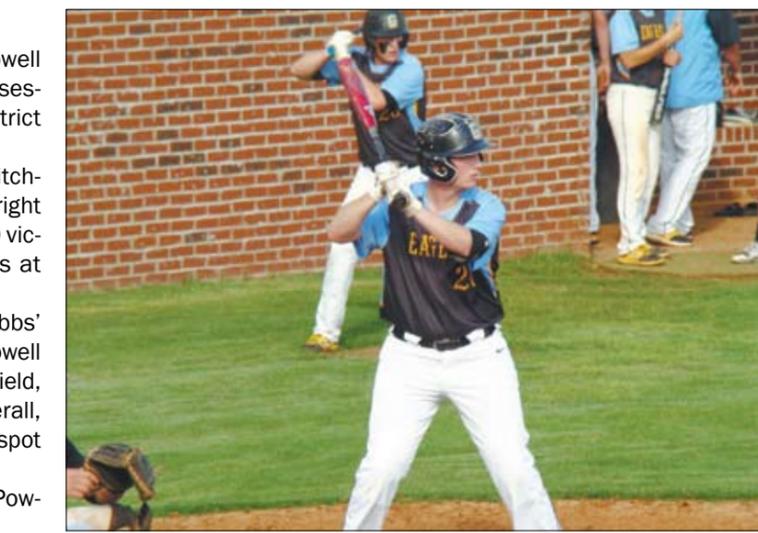
That win, coupled with Gibbs' 5-4 comeback victory over Powell on Tuesday at Steve Hunley Field, netted the Eagles (18-4 overall, 9-1 in District 3-AAA) the top spot in a hotly contested race.

Tuesday night's loss was Powell's first league setback.

Early Wednesday afternoon Hill (4-1) and Powell southpaw Matt Grim were locked in a classic pitchers' duel.

Grim (3-1) retired the first 12 Eagles he faced and fanned four Gibbs hitters during that stretch.

Ironically, it was Hill, who reached base first against Grim. He singled to lead off the top of



Gibbs designated hitter Blake Merritt awaits a pitch in the Eagles' 4-0 victory over Powell Tuesday night. Gibbs swept the Panthers in a two-game series and left Danny T. Maples Field in sole possession in the District 3-AAA baseball standings.

the fifth and was lifted for courtesy runner Dalton Shelbaugh. One out later, Shelbaugh scored on a two-run homer by Riley Williams that sailed over the left-

field fence. Hill said that Williams' round-tripper changed the complexion of the contest. "Once [Williams] hit that home

run, it gave us a spark," said Hill, who walked two and struck out 10 while surrendering just two hits. "Before that, we were struggling a little bit at the plate."

"It really feels good to leave here and be in first place."

Hill had as many hits in the game as the Panthers (13-8, 5-2)

But he was masterful and dominant on the mound as he kept Powell off-balanced all night.

"He did a good job tonight," Gibbs coach Geff Davis said of Hill. "His changeup was great and he throws [his fastball] at about 85-88."

"We played great defense behind him. With Cameron throwing, you probably have to make about 10 or 12 [defensive plays]. And we made the plays that we had to make."

The Eagles scored two more runs in the sixth as designated hitter Blake Merritt drove in a run on a fielder's choice with

the bases loaded to make it 3-0. Gibbs added another run when Brennan Davis came home on a Powell error.

Hill hit Parker Stinnett with two down in the bottom of the opening frame and walked the Powell third baseman the fourth. Stinnett swiped second in the first. He, however, was gunned down trying to steal after he drew a base on balls.

The Panthers picked up their first hit in the fifth when Jonas Payne doubled but Hill would elude damage.

Powell mounted one last threat in the sixth as Courtney Payne led off with a walk and Mason King singled to put runners at first and second.

Hill again escaped as he induced a flyout from Shade Powell and fanned both Stinnett and Levi Everett to end the inning.

Hill closed the game by striking out the side in the seventh.

# Judge Hill finds relaxation in teaching sport of boxing

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working with the youngsters?

"Just watching them grow," answered Hill. "And my motto is: I don't care if you win or lose, it's what we learn. That's been our philosophy."

Hill himself was an athlete at Fulton High, Class of 1969. He ran on the track team, boxed and played on the school's ice hockey team.

"I fought back in 1967, '68 and '69 and then went into the military," he recalled. "When I got out of the military in 1972, I started coaching.

"My career as a boxer was short."

But he has enjoyed plenty of success as a teacher and coach in the sport.

"I was part of the John Tate team years ago," he said. "I've coached several other pros and good amateurs as well."

Knoxville's Big John Tate, who was trained by Ace Miller, was an Olympic bronze medalist and won the WBA heavyweight championship in 1979 against Gerrie Coetzee in South Africa.

Hill is one of six coaches in the Knoxville Golden Gloves program. "Each coach gets a group

of kids and it's up to each coach to keep his group together," he said. "I may have 20 on my list."

The status of the program?

"We have been pretty low," said Hill. "We have quite a few new kids in here and we have quite a few girls in here. The program is on the upswing now."

Hill said the news about the effects of concussions in contact sports in recent years hurt boxing.

"But now ... I think it's a pretty safe sport," he said. "The equipment that's been made by the manufacturers

... the gloves and head-gears are safer."

Hill spends four nights a week year-round at the gym. Outside of boxing, he has been with AT&T for 45 years.

"Judge Hill is working very hard with a great group of kids that is growing up in the program," said Tracy Miller-Davis, who became general manager of the program and the arena after her father died. "He is so super dedicated to his love of boxing and coaches from his heart. It's all about the kids for him."

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# Career path lands Central grad a coaching job in Georgia

By Ken Lay

Katie Argall probably never expected to be where she is today.

The 2005 Central High School graduate and one-time basketball player for the Lady Bobcats left Fountain City after graduating. She went on to play basketball at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio.

She went to the Buckeye State as a pre-med major but her plans changed and she went into education and was recently tapped to coach the high school girls basketball team at the Westminster Schools in Atlanta, Georgia.

"I went in to study pre-med," Argall said. "But when it came time for graduate school, I had a professor who told me that there were private schools that would pay me to be a jack of all trades, and they

would also let me coach basketball.

"I didn't quite believe it because I had always been in public schools in Knox County until I went to Kenyon. I couldn't believe that there were places where I could teach math, teach music and be a basketball coach."

Well, she found those places and appears to have no regrets about the changes that she made.

"I often play that game where I wonder what might've been if I hadn't gone to Kenyon and what might've happened if I would have studied pre-med and became a doctor," Argall said. "But right now, I love where I am and my family is good and my school is good.

"Most of my family has moved here from Knoxville because I have a 14-month

old and they wanted to be close to the family."

Argall (formerly Katie Woods), didn't play organized basketball until she was in middle school. She began her career at Gresham Middle School, where she played for middle school coaching legend Bob Wallace.

From there, she moved on to Central, where she played for J.D. Lambert and later Tony Scott. Under Lambert, Argall played for the best Lady Bobcats squad in recent memory in 2002-03.

Central won 16 games that season and all five starters have dabbled in coaching and teaching at various levels. Lindsey Clark and her twin sister Heather Fox once coached at Gresham Middle. Jessica Warren, now a teacher at Northshore Elementary

school, was Lambert's assistant during his tenure at Halls High School. Whitney Hickam-Cruze, the softball coach at Hardin Valley Academy, has led the Hawks to consecutive district and regional championships.

Argall's coaching stops have landed her in Indiana, Virginia and Georgia.

Lambert, now the athletic director at Central, was surprised that all five starters from that team went into education.

"It blew me away that all five starters from that team went into teaching and coaching," Lambert said.

It was certainly no surprise to Argall.

"J.D. knew that I had the opportunity to get this job even before my husband did," she said. "He took me from a player who played

basketball casually to a player who really learned to love the game. He pushed me and he taught me to love the game.

"He stayed up all night before you had DVR's and DVD's and he made tapes. He showed us what you were supposed to do and what you weren't supposed to do in certain situations. We watched a lot of Kentucky clips and we watched a lot of NBA clips. I haven't had a coach, before or since, who has worked that hard to help us get better."

Like most coaches, Argall has had several career stops early but she's found a home at Westminster, where she teaches match and also works as the middle school volleyball coach.

She was recently appointed to the head

high school girls basketball position after being an assistant last season. She oversees all the girls basketball programs there and she's also found a home in North Georgia.

"This is the first time that I've been somewhere where I decided that I was going to coach whatever they asked me to coach and do whatever they asked me to do," Argall said. "We have great kids who are disciplined and they achieve in the classroom."

Argall and her husband Joel are parents to 14-month old Sam and she remains an avid Big Orange football fan even in Georgia."

# Josh Dobbs will be an NFL quarterback

By Alex Norman

During his four years at Tennessee, Josh Dobbs was seemingly known first and foremost as a smart kid that also played quarterback.

That was the narrative. There were seemingly endless stories in print, on-line and on your television about how Dobbs was an aerospace engineering major. He was named one of the 14 smartest college football players in the country by NFL.com. His favorite subjects were reportedly physics and math.

Leading up to his senior season, most expected there was a much stronger possibility of Dobbs joining NASA after graduation than suiting up for an NFL team.

Well, the space program is going to have to wait because this week Josh Dobbs will hear his name called at the NFL draft.

Dobbs opened up the eyeballs of a lot of scouts during his final year in Knoxville when he collected 3781 total yards of offense in the 2016 season, a number second only to Peyton Manning in program history. When asked at the NFL combine if he could handle learning an NFL playbook, Dobbs said, "My senior year I was taking astrophysics, propulsion and an aerodynamics class... all on the same day... At the same time as football season when I was leading an SEC team. I think I can handle it."

Former NFL head coach and Tennessee grad assistant Jon Gruden thinks that some big things are in store for Dobbs at the next level.

"I would love to get my hands on him. He, to me, is a great sleeper in this draft," said Gruden in conference call with the media. "He played in an offense where there weren't a lot of pure drop-backs. He was a running quarterback and he has over 400 attempts rushing. He ran for over 2,000 yards in the SEC. But if you watch the second half of the Florida game, watch the Nebraska game in the bowl game, you see passing ability.

I think he stood out at the Senior Bowl as a guy who could make a quick transition. This kid is smart, he loves it and he'll be a quick study. And his athleticism is going to be hard to keep off the field. This guy has the heart of a champion."

Another ESPN analyst, Louis Riddick, appeared on the mind numbing Mike & Mike radio program. We listened so you didn't have to. Riddick said, "His name is going to be called higher than people think... You're going to see the best of Josh Dobbs when he gets to the NFL."

One of the things that Dobbs has going for him is certainly maturity. Former Tennessee quarterback Tyler Bray was at one point projected to be a first round draft pick. But while he had a thunderbolt for a right arm, his mental game was weak. He dropped out of the entire draft and had to sign a free agent deal with Kansas City. Bray has yet to appear in an NFL game and currently is second on the Chiefs' depth chart.

Dobbs understands that he isn't going to be Joe Montana on day 1, but if called upon early could be this year's Dak Prescott. The former Mississippi State quarterback subbed for an injured Tony Romo and led the Dallas Cowboys to a division title in 2016.

The Cowboys future is bright with Prescott. There's another team out there that could find themselves in a similar situation, with a fragile starting quarterback, in need of a young signal caller that will be prepared to play if needed.

Josh Dobbs fits that description to a "T."

So later this week, when former Tennessee defensive end Derek Barnett and running back Alvin Kamara get selected in the first couple of rounds, pay close attention to the moment when Dobbs gets the call as well.

If nothing else, some NFL team is getting a smart kid that plays quarterback.



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**The Doctor is in**

a weekly column by  
**Dr. Jim Ferguson**

*Modern Life*

At the risk of being labeled insensitive, it is obvious to me that men and women are different. And despite the media and the PC culture working overtime to tell us otherwise, we are created male and female. Of course there are exceptions in sexuality because being human comprises a spectrum of traits. There are manly men, pajama boys, feminine women and Amazons.

The bell shaped curve is a statistical description of normality. For example, if you took 100 humans and plotted a trait you would find that 95% of individuals fall within two standard deviations of the mean. And by statistical convention, 5% would fall outside the curve, and yet by definition they would

still be normal. There are folks among us who are just different. I view the LGBTQ controversy similarly. It is interesting that this cohort comprises about 5%, and yet this minority shapes the politics of our country.

I suspect that I would stand out in a women's restroom, even in North Carolina. Similarly, an iPhone stuck in my wife's back pocket is not fetching. Let's be honest, female clothing is not designed for or forgiving of extraneous bulges. And this is where my story begins.

We detected a bump as we drove along Alcoa Highway amidst the other NASCAR contestants. And with a sickening sensation we realized that Becky had left her iPhone on top of the car. The process of

loading and harnessing grandchildren into a car seat is a complicated process. I have to admit that I once lost my favorite coffee mug when I drove off with it on the roof of my truck.

By contrast my iPhone stays in my pocket and there is less risk of me absentmindedly laying it down somewhere. Most female clothing does not have pockets, and even if it did there's no guarantee that an iPhone won't drop out a pocket and into the commode as happened to my nurse as she approached the throne.

Stopping on the roadside of Alcoa highway to look for a missing iPhone would be equivalent to walking the black top of Daytona during the 500 race. Fortunately, the Apple company has an app entitled "find your iPhone." We thought this would give us a closer approximation of where we should look. We were wrong. The app identified Becky's iPhone in the middle of Fort Loudoun Lake at the latitude of Looney Island.

Life is complicated. We are in the process of downsizing by building a smaller retirement home on our farm. As our girls grew up and moved away,

we realized we were using only half of our home. Fortunately, one of our daughters needed more space for her growing family, and wanted to take over the Big House. This is great because she and her husband are our partners on Thistle Farm. The only problem is their condo sold and they have now moved upstairs since our New House isn't finished. The good news is that our grandkids will grow up in the midst of our 20-acre farm, and I get to see them every day.

Philosophically, I am trinitarian at heart. Becky says I can always find three choices in any situation. I reason that four or more choices are too many. And one or two choices is either not a choice or too few. I have discovered the trinity concept of building. Whatever your plans may be, everything takes longer, gets bigger and costs more. And I might add, puts more pressure on everyone's nerves. I swore I would never build again and instead go straight from the Big House to the "old folk's home." You should never say never.

We moderns are slaves to our technology. What I mean is that we love our

smart phones which connect us to the world and to each other. We even use our phones to send messages to family members on the farm rather than hollering out the back door or ringing a ranch bell for dinner. And the trill on my wife's phone is a better locator of misplaced cellular accoutrements than an iPhone app.

Are we happier for the Information Age in which we live? There is a saying that "ignorance is bliss." Well, if that's true there must be a lot of blissful people in the world today. I feel it is my duty to stay informed, though I must sift through the news and parse both the real and fake offerings. I graduated from high school in 1969, a time when we were winding down from the Vietnam war. I participated in the draft lottery, but drew a high number and stayed in school. My "tour of duty" is today as I try to speak the truth in these columns in an informative and entertaining way.

We certainly live in trying times. It is apparent that our republic is in danger because the rule of law and the Constitution, which have historically defined us as a people, are under assault by ideology.

If you doubt me turn to any offering of the alphabet media and listen to the sound of globalism, open borders and subversion couched in disingenuous anti-Trump rhetoric.

Maybe I need a vacation, some R&R. A friend of mine told me she has just turned off the "news," but I can't bring myself to do this. However, when the media sours my soul with their anti-Americanism, I turn it off, for a time. Years ago, my Dad often said, "The world is going to h\*\*\* in a handbasket." The metamorphic origin of this idiom is obscure, but I understand the meaning. The point is that the world has always been a mess and we do not have utopia, a term coined by Thomas Moore meaning nowhere.

I have a friend who challenges all of us to "get informed, get involved and get inspired." So, this Doctor's advice is to do your best and your duty to God and country and to those you serve. And if you need a break, don't feel guilty. Just step back, recharge your batteries and then get "back in the saddle again."

You may email Dr. Ferguson at [fergusonj@knoxfocus.com](mailto:fergusonj@knoxfocus.com)

# A Homeless Journey

I am a strong believer that God puts us in situations to challenge us and, at the same time, knows we will do the right thing. For me, the hardest things to work through and accept have always made me stronger and changed my life in significant ways for the better. For those reasons I stress very little over the things I cannot control.

This story happened during one of those times when everything in my day seemed to take one wrong turn after another.



By **Howard Baker, RN BSN**

All of the day's disastrous events were culminating until I chance overheard a conversation about a homeless man and his dog. The man had been

injured and was having to choose between medical treatment and his dog. Being homeless the man had no one to care for the dog while he sought treatment—it was an impossible predicament.

I could not get the man and his dog out of my mind; I knew I had to meet him and his dog to see if

we could somehow help. When I met with him and his dog I simply said, "I want to help, I understand you have a problem with your dog." He told me his dog's name was Journey and said, "She is everything to me." With the help of my friends and family, I cared for Journey over the next forty-eight hours.

Depending on what research article you read on homelessness in America, the statistics vary. I think the estimate of 640,000 homeless nation-wide is probably on the low end. Research suggests that five to ten percent of the homeless population live with a companion animal or

somewhere around thirty to sixty thousand homeless people are on the streets with a dog or cat. This population is further challenged by shelters' no pet policies, making it nearly impossible to tap into community resources and food. The homeless who have pets depend on them for companionship and security. Many will feed the animal first and do without to provide for them.

When we took Journey we could not help noticing how clean and happy she was. She was an instant sensation with everyone she met. Journey is a lapdog who loves being held, being the center

of attention, and is very affectionate. She was a beautiful dog wearing a tattered scarf as a collar and a robe belt for a lead. A few friends said they wanted her and could give her a wonderful home—they could make her a princess in the lap of luxury. One friend offered to pay her owner two hundred dollars for Journey and was quickly turned down.

You see, Journey isn't about money and the finer things in life; she represents unconditional love and affection that money can't buy. She proves no matter how low or high you go in life the only thing that matters

to her is being together. When I reunited the two it was obvious the dog was happy and grounded the man; she is the oxygen to the fire and his purpose to carry on. No matter where their lives take them, it is clear the journey has meaning and is the reason for their happiness in an often cruel world.

Journey may not live in luxury by our standards, but for her she has purpose and meaning far stronger than most can comprehend. What finer thing could we give our pets than the love and bond we share? I believe Journey is the center of his world—right where she is supposed to be.



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This the 28th day of MARCH, 2017.

#### ESTATE OF ROBERT STEVEN WALKER

#### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) SANDRA PATTI WALKER; EXECUTRIX 3037 TIPTON STATION RD. KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

#### J. NOLAN SHARBEL ATTORNEY-AT-LAW 9111 CROSS PARK DR., BLDG. D, STE. 200 KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### ESTATE OF FRED ELMO WALLACE DOCKET NUMBER 78768-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of FRED ELMO WALLACE Who died Dec 3, 2016, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate

are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (6) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 29th day of MARCH, 2017.

#### ESTATE OF FRED ELMO WALLACE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

#### DAVID L. WALLACE, EXECUTOR 8209 POINT OAKS DR. KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

#### BROOKE GIVENS ATTORNEY-AT-LAW 110 COGDILL RD. KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### ESTATE OF ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 78778-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of MARCH 2017, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR. Who died Jan 26, 2016, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 30th day of MARCH, 2017.

#### ESTATE OF ARTHUR B. WARDNER, JR. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

#### JOHN WILSHIRE; EXECUTOR 5321 ROBERTS ROAD CORRYTON, TN 37721

#### ROBERT A. COLE ATTORNEY AT LAW 3715 POWERS STREET KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

#### TO: ROBERTO LOPEZ, JR.; IN RE: DANIELLE RENEE MERRITT - v. ROBERTO LOPEZ, JR. NO. 193305-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ROBERTO LOPEZ, JR. a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ROBERTO LOPEZ, JR. it is ordered that said defendant ROBERTO LOPEZ, JR. file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with W. Brian Starnes, an Attorneys whose address is, 9041 Executive Park Drive, Suite 106 Knoxville, TN 37923 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pridemore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 18th day of April, 2017.

Howard Hogan  
Clerk and Master

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

#### TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, IN RE: AVA MARIE THORNTON NO. 192031-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, UNKNOWN FATHER, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon UNKNOWN FATHER.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Joseph Della-Rodolfa, an Attorney whose address is, 120 Suburban Road, Ste. 203, Knoxville, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 27th day of March, 2017

Howard Hogan  
Clerk and Master

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

#### TO: HECTOR BARON-VILLA; IN RE: ELIZABETH BARON V. HECTOR BARON-VILLA NO. 193404-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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

upon HECTOR BARON-VILLA it is ordered that said defendant HECTOR BARON-VILLA file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Charles Deas, an Attorneys whose address is, 384 High Street Maryville, TN 37804 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Clarence E. Pridemore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 27th day of March, 2017.

Howard Hogan  
Clerk and Master

4/3; 4/10; 4/17; 4/27

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

#### TO: ALYSSA MONIQUE BECERRA COZART IN RE: DORIAN DONNELLE COZART v. ALYSSA MONIQUE BECERRA COZART NO. 192889-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, ALYSSA MONIQUE BECERRA COZART, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ALYSSA MONIQUE BECERRA COZART.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Donny M. Young, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 30993 Knoxville, TN 37930, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 27th day of March, 2017.

Howard Hogan  
Clerk and Master

4/3; 4/10; 4/17; 4/27

## MISC. NOTICES

### LEGAL SECTION 94

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

Bid 2541, Food for Children's Special Services, due 5/17/17;  
RFP 2542, Sale and Redevelopment of the Andrew Johnson Building, due 6/13/17;  
RFP 2544, School Volunteer Verification System, due 5/17/17;  
RFP 2545, Broadcasting Rights for Sporting and School Events, due 5/17/17;  
Bid 2547, Ozone Monitoring Equipment, due 5/18/17

For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/purchasing. To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to www.govdeals.com.

## FORECLOSURE NOTICES

### SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **May 18, 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 BRITTNEY HOPE RUYLE, to susan voss, Trustee, on January 9, 2014, as Instrument No. 201401100041492 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Regions Bank  
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:

Beginning at an iron pin on the South side of Avis Lane at a point 2,949 feet, plus or minus, East of Strawberry Plains Pike (25 feet from the center line of Avis Lane);  
Thence S 09 deg. 20 min. 00 sec., E 134.87 feet to an iron pin, the point of beginning;  
Thence N. 76 deg. 27 min. 42 sec. E. 119.88 feet to an iron pin, thence S. 16 Deg. 55 min. 05 sec. E25 feet to an iron pin; thence S. 29 deg. 01 min. 00 sec E. 144.70 feet to an iron pin,  
Thence S 88 deg, 01 min 40 sec. W 198.23 feet to an iron pin;  
Thence N 09 deg. 20 min. 00 sec. W. 125 feet to an iron pin, the point of beginning containing .547 acre as shown by survey dated July 14, 1999, by Ronnie Keener and Assoc. RLS#841, 620 Amanda Lane, Kodak, Tennessee 37764.

To include previously conveyed right-of-way easement to an from Avis Lane to the described premises which easement is recorded as Instrument No. 200009180019186 in the Register of Deeds office of Knox County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 083K-A-016  
Current Owner(s) of Property: BRITTNEY HOPE RUYLE  
The street address of the above described property is believed to be 5132 Avis Ln., Knoxville, TN 37914, 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.

# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THIS LETTER IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

NAMES OF INTERESTED PARTIES:  
KRISTEN E. HORNER  
DAVID L. HORNER  
HANNA PLACE OFFICE PARK, III  
TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
SUNTRUST BANK  
UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

ACQUIRED CAPITAL II LP  
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Investor's Trust Company, Trustee, by that certain Trust Deed executed to Investor's Trust Company, Trustee, by Cora Lynn Horner, recorded as Instrument No. 200905290077853, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, the undersigned will, at about 11:00 o'clock A.M. on May 19, 2017 inside the front door of the City-County Building, Main Avenue entrance near the Main Assembly Room, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee, offer for sale, and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, and in bar of all homestead rights, the statutory right of redemption and the equity of redemption, which are waived in said Trust Deed property conveyed by said Trust Deed, which is described as follows:

TRACT ONE:  
SITUATED in District Eight (8) of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, this is a tract of land that lies on the Southwest side of Osborne Road, approximately one-half mile North of Old Strawberry Plains Pike, being fully described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the right-of-way of Osborne Road on the Southwest side and running with the property line of the original tract of property now or formerly owned by Luttrell, South 4 deg. 15 min. West, a distance of 153 feet to a stake; South 87 deg. West, a distance of 117 feet to a stake; North 5 deg. 40 min. West, a distance of 77 feet to a stake; North 15 deg. East, a distance of 51 feet to a stake; North 45 deg. 30 min. East, a distance of 102 feet to the right-of-way of Osborne Road; thence along the right-of-way of Osborne Road, South 50 deg. 30 min. East, a distance of 63.4 feet to the BEGINNING.

There is contained in this conveyance an easement for driveway or an entry into both the original tracts and also to a lot in the Southeast corner of the original tract conveyed to W. M. Luttrell, Jr. This easement covers a strip 15 feet wide along the East border and running from Osborne Road, South 4 deg. 15 min. West, 153 feet.

TRACT TWO:  
SITUATED in District Eight (8) of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, being a certain parcel or tract of land located off the Northwest side of Osborne Road, and being more fully described as follows:

BEGINNING on an iron pin that marks the Southeast corner of the property presently owned by Elmer Horner and wife, Cora Lynn Horner; thence running from the iron pin, South 4 deg. 15 min. West, a distance of 232 feet to an iron pin, corner to property now or formerly owned by W. M. Luttrell, Jr.; thence with line of property now or formerly owned by W. M. Luttrell, Jr., North 86 deg. 10 min. West, a distance of 167 feet to an iron pin, corner to property retained by McKinley Luttrell; thence North 27 deg. 45 min. East, a distance of 130.9 feet to an iron pin; thence North 2 deg. 27 min. East, a distance of 95.5 feet to an iron pin, the Southwest corner of the property of Elmer Horner and wife, Cora Lynn Horner; thence North 87 deg. 00 min. East, a distance of 117 feet to the BEGINNING, containing 0.68 acres, more or less.

BEING the same properties conveyed to Elmer Horner and wife, Cora Lynn Horner aka Cora Lynn (Luttrell) Horner by Deed of record in Deed Book 1022, page 232 and Deed Book 1523, page 225, both of record in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee; and BEING the properties passing to Cora Lynn Horner aka Cora Lynn (Luttrell) Horner as the surviving tenant by the entirety of Elmer Horner who died January 28, 2004.

THIS CONVEYANCE is subject to Boundary Line Agreement of record in Instrument No. 200005160032528, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1614 Osborne Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37914, Control No. 084FA-014, 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 herein shall control.

In the event the high bidder at the foreclosure sale should fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Trustee shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply, or re-advertise and sell at a second sale.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time set forth above.

Said sale is being made upon the request of Home Federal Bank of Tennessee, the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by said Trust Deed due to the failure of said maker to comply with all provisions of said Trust Deed.

IDENTIFICATION OF LIENS  
Federal Tax Lien filed by the Internal Revenue Service against David L. Horner, 1211 Whitower Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, dated June 2, 2015, and of record as Instrument No. 201506080067178, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, in the original amount of \$24,759.42; bearing ID No. xxx-xx-0769 and Serial No. 160168415.

Notice required by 26 U.S.C. Section 7425(b) to be given to the United States has been timely given.

The sale of the land described herein shall be subject to the rights of the United States to redeem the land as provided for in 26 U.S.C. Section 7425(d)(1).

State Tax Lien filed by the Tennessee Department of Revenue against David L. Horner, d/b/a David L & Beth Horner, 1211, Whitower Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, dated October 1, 2009, of record as Instrument No. 200910120026250, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Notice required by Tenn. Code Ann. §67-1-1433(b)(1) to be given to the Tennessee Department of Revenue has been timely given.

The sale of the land described herein shall be subject to the rights of the State of Tennessee to redeem the land as provided for in Tenn. Code Ann. §67-1-1433(c)(1).

Judgment against Classy Lady, Inc. and David L. Horner, in favor of Suntrust Bank, dated March 24, 2015, and recorded as Instrument No. 201504270058053, in the original amount of \$58,857.79.

Judgment against Classy Lady, Inc. and David L. Horner, in favor of Suntrust Bank, dated March 26, 2015, and recorded as Instrument No. 201505110061297, in the original amount of \$54,117.75.

Judgment against Elizabeth Tate Horner, David Horner and Classy Lady, Inc., in favor of Acquired Capital II LP successor to U.S. Bank, successor to FDIC for Bank East, dated August 31, 2015, and recorded as Instrument No. 2015083100113961, in the original amount of \$622,991.07.

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

INVESTOR'S TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
M. JOYCE CANNON,  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 9, 1998, executed by CHARLES L BAILEY, PATRICIA BAILEY, conveying certain real property therein described to ROGER B. TIPTON, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 17, 1998, in Deed Book 3353, Page 185at Instrument Number 52180; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (successor to The Bank of New York, successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor to the Chase Manhattan Bank, successor to Chemical Bank), as trustee for IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-3 who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin 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, Rubin 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 May 25, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, located in Knoxville, Tennessee, 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. SIX (6) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A STONE IN THE TIPTON LINE AND ON THE OLD ANDERSONVILLE PIKE; THENCE IN THE SOUTHEASTWARDLY COURSE WITH SAID TIPTON LINE 273 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE WESTWARD AND PARALLEL WITH SAID ANDERSONVILLE PIKE 273 FEET TO THAT POINT; THENCE NORTHWARD AND PARALLEL WITH THE FIRST LINE 273 TO THE SOUTH LINE OF ANDERSONVILLE PIKE; THENCE IN A NORTHEASTWARDLY DIRECTION WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF ANDERSONVILLE PIKE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Parcel ID: 018-157  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 9044 OLD ANDERSONVILLE PIKE, POWELL, TN 37849.

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): CHARLES L BAILEY, PATRICIA BAILEY

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.

Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee  
119 S. Main Street, Suite 500  
Memphis, TN 38103  
www.rubintlublin.com/property-listings.php  
Tel: (877) 813-0992Fax: (404) 601-5846  
Ad #115715

04/24/2017, 05/01/2017, 05/08/2017

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated November 19, 2009, executed by LEANN R. THOMPSON, RICHARD M. THOMPSON, conveying certain real property therein described to LARRY N. WESTBROOK, ESQ., as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded November 25, 2009, at Instrument Number 200911250036635;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PHH Mortgage Corporation 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 May 25, 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 THE FIFTH CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHIN THE 43RD WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 16R, BLOCK B, MASCARENE HILLS, UNIT 1, EXTENSION, RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 15 AND 16, BLOCK B AS SHOWN BY PLAT OF RECORD IN SLOP BOOK 75-S, PAGE 28, (MAP CABINET F, MAP 29-A) REGISTER'S OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT REFERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Parcel ID: 093HB057  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 5139 RENDOVA LN, KNOXVILLE, TN 37921. 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): LEANN R. THOMPSON, RICHARD M. THOMPSON

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 IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

INVESTOR'S TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE

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.

Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee  
119 S. Main Street, Suite 500  
Memphis, TN 38103  
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Tel: (877) 813-0992Fax: (404) 601-5846  
Ad #115587

04/24/2017, 05/01/2017, 05/08/2017

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 19, 2005, executed by CLAUDE ROBINSON, conveying certain real property therein described to SECURITY ESCROW & TITLE, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded August 24, 2005, at Instrument Number 200508240017761;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for SPECIALTY UNDERWRITING AND RESIDENTIAL FINANCE TRUST MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-AB1 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 May 25, 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:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT NO. THREE (3) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 25TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF KENNETH D. CHURCH, SURVEYOR, DATED NOVEMBER 27, 1995 AND BEARING WORD ORDER NO. 95-11-68 AS FOLLOWS TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A NEW IRON ROD WITH PLASTIC CAP IN THE SOUTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLEN STREET AT ITS SOUTHEAST TERMINUS, SAID IRON ROD BEING IN THE LINE OF LOT 5, J.W. OWEN ADDITION (MAP BOOK 14, PAGE 16) AND BEING LOCATED IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION 344 FEET, MORE OR LESS, FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLEN STREET AND AVENUE "A"; THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING AND RUNNING WITH THE LINE OF J.W. OWEN ADDITION, SOUTH 50 DEG. 35 MIN. 37 SEC. WEST, 125 FEET TO A NEW IRON ROD WITH PLASTIC CAP IN THE NORTHEAST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE KNOXVILLE, SEVIERVILLE, AND EASTERN RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY; THENCE WITH SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY, NORTH 23 DEG. 02 MIN. 32 SEC. WEST, 101.50 FEET TO A NEW IRON ROD WITH PLASTIC CAP, CORNER TO PROPERTY NOW OR FORMERLY OWNED BY MCNUITT (DEED BOOK 1740, PAGE 516); THENCE WITH MCNUITT, NORTH 52 DEG. 34 MIN. 25 SEC. EAST, 100 FEET TO AN EXISTING IRON ROD UNDER ASPHALT IN THE SOUTHWEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ELLEN STREET; THENCE WITH SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY, SOUTH 37 DEG. 15 MIN. EAST, 94 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THIS CONVEYANCE IS SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL RESTRICTIONS, EASEMENTS, SETBACK LINES, CONDITIONS, PLAT OF RECORD, AND ENCUMBRANCES OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR THE AFORESAID COUNTY.

Parcel ID: 123HB-004  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 409 ELLEN ST, 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): CLAUDE ROBINSON

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: MERS AS NOMINEE FOR MILA INC. 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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04/24/2017, 05/01/2017, 05/08/2017

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, KNOX COUNTY  
WHEREAS, Libby Sherrill aka Libby R. Sherrill executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Regions Bank d/b/a AmSouth Bank, Lender and FMLS Inc., Trustee(s), which was dated November 7, 2006 and recorded on November 16, 2006 in Instrument No. 200611160042125, Knox County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, Regions Bank DBA Regions Mortgage, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Knox County, Tennessee, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust; and

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and

payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on May 25, 2017, at 10:00AM at the usual and customary location at the Knox County Courthouse, Knoxville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED in District No. Six of Knox County, Tennessee, being the real property plus the improvements, situated thereon, bearing CLT Identification No. 129-112, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the western right-of-way line of Buttermilk Road, said iron pin located 1,842 feet or more less, southwest of the intersection of Buttermilk Road and Marietta Church Road; thence leaving Buttermilk Road, North 41 deg. 05 min. 30 sec. West, 220 feet to an iron pin; thence, South 46 deg. 06 min. 30 sec. West, 200 feet to an iron pin; thence, South 39 deg. 04 min. 10 sec. East, 220 feet to an iron pin in the western right-of-way line of Buttermilk Road; thence along the western right-of-way line of Buttermilk Road, North 46 deg. 15 min. East, 208.23 feet to an iron pin, the point of BEGINNING, according to survey of Perry Walker, dated August 5, 1989.

BEING the same property conveyed to LIBBY R. SHERRILL, UNMARRIED, by Deed from Joshua Steven Maddox, unmarried, dated August 23, 2002 and filed of record on August 27, 2002 bearing Instrument # 200208270016750, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: 129 112  
Address/Description: 12261 Buttermilk Road, Knoxville, TN 37932.  
Current Owner(s): Libby R. Sherrill.  
Other Interested Party(ies): Republic Finance, LLC.

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any and all liens against said property for unpaid property 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; a deed of trust; and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and

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 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.

This office is attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.  
Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee  
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department  
4360 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Ste 310  
Atlanta, GA 30341  
PH: 404-789-2661 FX: 404-294-0919  
File No.: 15-25328 FC03

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on May 24, 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 COLLONIA 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 TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None  
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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-002839-670

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN,  
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## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on May 11, 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 JIMMIE THOMPSON, TO BROADWAY TITLE, INC., Trustee, on October 24, 2013, as Instrument No. 201310300027539 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Ocwen Loan Servicing, 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 5th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, being all of Lot 30, in Lee and Kent McClains first addition to Ridgefield, as shown by map of record in map book 19, page 8, Register's office for Knox County, Tennessee. Said lot fronting 105 feet on the North side of Davida Road, being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin in the North line of Davida Road, a distance in an easterly direction 525 feet to the point of intersection of Davida Road with Victor Drive, said iron pin marking a common corner of Lots 36 and 30; thence in a northeasterly direction with the dividing line between Lots 26 and 30, 153.87 feet to an iron pin, a common corner to lots 25, 26, 29 and 30; thence in a Southeasterly direction, with the line between lots 29 and 30, 103 feet to an iron pin, marking a common corner to Lots 29, 30, 33 and 34; thence, in a Southwesterly direction with the dividing line between lots 30 and 34, 152.25 feet to and iron pin in the dividing line between lots 30 and 34, 152.25 feet to an iron pin in the North line of Davida Road; thence in a Northwesterly direction with Davida Road, 105 feet to the point of beginning, as shown by survey of W.E. Lack, engineer, dated November 5, 1952.

Being the same property conveyed to Jimmie Howard Thompson, deed dated March 4, 1966, recorded March 8, 1966 and shown of record in Deed Book 1316, page 288 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

This conveyance is subject to any and all restrictions, easements, setback lines, conditions, plat of record, and encumbrances of record in the Register's Office for the aforesaid county.

Tax ID: 068KB-014  
Current Owner(s) of Property: JIMMIE THOMPSON

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 5712 Davida Rd, Knoxville, TN 37912, 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 TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None  
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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, 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

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where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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Sale at public auction will be on **May 30, 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 MARY HICKS AND WALLACE & WALLACE, INC., to FNC TITLE SERVICES, LLC, Trustee, on September 11, 2014, as Instrument No. 201409240017447 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP  
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:

All the following described premises, to wit, situated in Knox County, Tennessee:

Parcel 1: Situated in district five of Knox County, Tennessee, and within the 41st Ward of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of lot 25 in book A of Bradshaw Gardens Subdivision, 1st unit, as shown by map of record in map book 9, page 57, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

Parcel 2: Situated in district no. 5 (five) of Knox County, Tennessee, being located in the Bradshaw Gardens Addition to Knox County, Tennessee, the map of which is of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee, in map book 9, page 57, to which specific reference is hereby made as follows. Being all of Lot No. 24, Block A, and lying on the West side of Paris Avenue.

Being the same property conveyed to Mary K. Hicks by deed from William W. Jones, dated July 26, 1988 and recorded May 12, 1993 at Book 2104, page 1191; and

Being the same property conveyed to Mary Katherine Moore by deed from Ray William Moore, dated October 7, 1975 and recorded March 2, 1976 at book 1574, page 193.

Property address: **1911 Paris Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37912**  
Tax ID/Parcel No: 080KC014  
Tax ID: 080KC-014  
Current Owner(s) of Property: MARY HICKS AND WALLACE & WALLACE, INC.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1911 Paris Road, Knoxville, TN 37912, 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 TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER.

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OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: DISCOVER BANK

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 17-000051-220  
MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN,  
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**SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Sale at public auction will be on **May 4, 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 JAINE SUDDERTH AND RALPH SUDDERTH, to WESLEY D. TURNER, Trustee, on June 22, 2005, as Instrument No. 200507060001424 in the real property records of Knox County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-R6

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. FIVE (5) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND WITHIN THE 42ND WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 4, FINAL PLAT OF MIDDLERIDGE SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 69-S, PAGE 99, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAT SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF KENNETH D. CHURCH, SURVEYOR, DATED APRIL 24, 2000, BEING WORK ORDER NO. 00-04-24.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JANIE A. WINE ON 04/26/00, BY DEED FROM

SHARON DIANE DAVIS, FILED FOR RECORD ON 04/28/00, IN INSTRUMENT NO. 20000428-0028140, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Tax ID: 79E-E 4

Current Owner(s) of Property: JAINE SUDDERTH AND RALPH SUDDERTH

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 5112 MIDDLE RIDGE LANE, KNOXVILLE, TN 37921, 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 TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: DISCOVER BANK

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If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 17-000564-670  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

THIS LETTER IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

NAMES OF INTERESTED PARTIES:  
Internal Revenue Service  
Ft. Sanders Regional Emergency Department  
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned, Investor's Trust Company, Trustee, by that certain Trust Deed executed to Investor's Trust Company, Trustee, by Timothy C. Keith and wife, Sheila K. Keith, recorded as Instrument No. 200211190044445, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, the undersigned will, at

about 11:00 o'clock A. M. on May 19, 2017 inside the front door of the City-County Building, Main Avenue entrance near the Main Assembly Room, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee, offer for sale, and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, and in bar of all homestead rights, the statutory right of redemption and the equity of redemption, which are waived in said Trust Deed property conveyed by said Trust Deed, which is described as follows:

SITUATED in District Six (6) of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

TO FIND THE POINT OF BEGINNING, commence at an iron pin in the Southeastern line of Griffith Road, which said iron pin is located 1354 feet, more or less, in a Northeasterly direction from the point of intersection of the Southeastern line of Griffith Road with the Northeastern line of Andersonville Pike, said iron pin also being corner to property now or formerly belonging to Ford; then along the Ford line, South 73 deg. 00 min. East, 1.72 feet to an iron pin; then continue along the Ford line, South 18 deg. 24 min. East, 38.94 feet to an iron pin, the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence in part along the line of property now or formerly belonging to Bowling, South 61 deg. 45 min. East, passing an iron pin at 29.13 feet, a total distance of 286.74 feet to an iron pin, corner to property now or formerly belonging to Ailor; then along the line of Ailor, and continuing along the line of property now or formerly belonging to Collette, and along an old barbwire fence, South 07 deg. 53 min. East, 815.57 feet to an iron pin in the line of property now or formerly belonging to Hammons; thence along the line of Hammons and continuing along the line of property now or formerly belonging to Herrell and the line of property now or formerly belonging to Widner, North 79 deg. 30 min. West, 287.46 feet to a set-stone in the line of property now or formerly belonging to Fraker; thence along the Fraker line, North 18 deg. 39 min. East, 337.88 feet to an iron pin; thence continuing along the line of Fraker and continuing along the line of property now or formerly belonging to Ford, North 18 deg. 24 min. West, 601.86 feet to a set stone; thence in a Westeasterly direction, 7.29 feet to an iron pin, the POINT OF BEGINNING, and containing 3.60 acres, more or less.

THERE IS ALSO CONVEYED HERewith AND THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE SUBJECT TO A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS TO GRIFFITH ROAD, of record in Deed Book 1031, Page 132, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and as set forth in Deed of record in Deed Book 1288, Page 481, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin in the Southeastern line of Griffith Road, which said iron pin is located 1354 feet, more or less, in a Northeasterly direction from the point of intersection of the Southeastern line of Griffith Road with the Northeastern line of Andersonville Pike, said iron pin also being corner to property now or formerly belonging to Ford; thence along the Ford line, South 73 deg. 00 min. East, 1.72 feet to an iron pin; thence continuing along the Ford line, South 18 deg. 24 min. East, 38.94 feet to an iron pin; thence South 61 deg. 45 min. East, 29.13 feet to an iron pin; thence North 18 deg. 24 min. West, 64.32 feet to an iron pin; thence North 73 deg. 00 min. West, 15.59 feet to an iron pin; thence South 17 deg. 00 min. West, 15 feet to an iron pin, the point of BEGINNING.

BEING the same property conveyed to Timothy C. Keith and with, Sheila K. Keith by Wilma L. Coker by Warranty Deed dated July 19, 1991, of record in Deed Book 2047, Page 419, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above described

property is believed to be 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, Control No. 028-175, 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 herein shall control.

In the event the high bidder at the foreclosure sale should fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Trustee shall have the option of accepting the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply, or re-advertise and sell at a second sale.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time set forth above.

Said sale is being made upon the request of Home Federal Bank of Tennessee, the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by said Trust Deed due to the failure of said maker to comply with all provisions of said Trust Deed.

IDENTIFICATION OF LIENS  
Federal Tax Lien against Timothy and Sheila Keith, 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, dated December 15, 2009, and recorded as Instrument No. 200912210042284, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee in the original amount of \$72,693.99 bearing ID No. xxx-xx-6114 and Serial No. 607806409.

Federal Tax Lien against Timothy and Sheila Keith, 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, dated May 9, 2011, and recorded as Instrument No. 201105160066367, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee in the original amount of \$878.62 bearing ID No. xxx-xx-6114 and Serial No. 784180511.

Federal Tax Lien against Timothy and Sheila Keith, 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, dated December 7, 2012, and recorded as Instrument No. 201212140039202, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee in the original amount of \$2,302.13 bearing ID No. xxx-xx-6114 and Serial No. 910768112.

Federal Tax Lien against Timothy and Sheila Keith, 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, dated March 6, 2012, and recorded as Instrument No. 201203120050286, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee in the original amount of \$4,104.43, bearing ID No. xxx-xx-6114 and Serial No. 853575612.

Federal Tax Lien against Timothy and Sheila Keith, 7804 Griffith Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37938, dated April 18, 2012, and recorded as Instrument No. 201204270060411, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee in the original amount of \$6,302.44, bearing ID No. xxx-xx-6114 and Serial No. 862235912.

Notice required by 26 U.S.C. Section 7425(b) to be given to the United States has been timely given.

The sale of the land described herein shall be subject to the rights of the United States to redeem the land as provided for in 26 U.S.C. Section 7425(d)(1).

Judgment against Shelia K. Keith, in favor of Ft. Sanders Regional Emergency, entered October 12, 2009, and recorded as Instrument No. 201607290066695, in the original amount of \$327.00.

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INVESTOR'S TRUST COMPANY, TRUSTEE

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
M. JOYCE CANNON, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

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PUBLIC AUCTION KARN'S CENTRAL STORAGE, 7440 OAK RIDGE HWY. KNOXVILLE TN 37931 ONLINE AT WWW.STORAGETREASURES.COM. TO END ON 04/28/17. AT 5:45PM. MUST HAVE SUFFICIENT MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION, CASH OR CREDIT CARD ONLY. CALL 690-7773 TO VERIFY SALE.

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