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## City may increase funds for affordable housing

By Mike Steely  
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Plans for two apartment complexes, one at Pond Gap and the other on Young High Pike, were approved to receive development funding by the Knoxville City Council Tuesday. The proposed apartments at Pond

Gap are strongly opposed by residents there, especially along Hollywood Drive, but the approval passed despite pleas from David Williams, president of the neighborhood association there.

The city will award \$555,000 in grant money

to ECG Pond Gap, LP for the development of 19 affordable housing units in Pond Gap. Williams told the council that the apartment development, eventually to have 102 apartments, "doesn't fit" the neighborhood.

Williams also asked

the city to repair a retaining wall along Hollywood Drive. That damaged wall is being disputed by the local property owner who says the city built and has been maintaining the wall. The city claims the property owner is responsible.

Becky Wade, community

development director, told the council that the money will be forgiven after 20 years. Commissioner Andrew Roberto called the funding a "gap-filling measure" to provide low-rent units.

Mayor Madeline Rogero, speaking on the matter,

said the city is investing in affordable housing and announced plans to add an additional \$1 million to the current \$2.5 million earmarked for future city aid to similar projects.

"There is such a demand for affordable housing,"

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## County's new growth plan delayed until July

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After hours of debate and several motions the Knox County Commission voted last week to postpone any action on revising its Knox County growth plan until July. The divided commission asked that the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Staff should be looking into what it will take to rework the plan, how much it would cost, how long it would take and if an outside consultant should be hired.

The meeting went well over four hours and much of that was taken up with a back and forth disagreement on when revising the growth plan should be taken. The debate centered on a motion by Commissioner Brad Anders to postpone any action until this summer, giving the legislature time to decide if the state-required Urban Growth Plan will be renewed. The commission had discussed asking state legislature to exempt Knox County from this plan. If freed from the state's Urban Growth Plan requirements, the idea would be to work on the county's own plan.

Several citizens addressed the issue including developer Scott Davis and community activist Kevin Murphy. Davis said the Urban Growth Plan is "no longer relevant" and Murphy called for updating the county's growth plan and holding educational workshops on the plan.

Anders said moving now on revising a growth plan is "putting the cart before the horse" and urged his fellow commissioners to delay any action until the legislature recesses.

Commissioner Charles Busler said that today's population in Knox County likes to "live in little pods" and wants their ideas expressed.

Commissioner Evelyn Gill, who represents much of Knoxville in her district, responded to Busler by saying, "We no longer live in isolated communities, we are all interrelated."

During the commission's work session recently the cost of revising the county's growth plan, a separate plan from the Urban Growth Plan, was estimated at \$350,000 and could take four months or more. Commissioner Larsen Jay said during the regular meeting it was disconnected to pick a dollar amount on something not on the floor.

This estimate was disparaged as Jeff Archer spoke on behalf of the planning staff and said that revising the county growth plan could take "hundreds of meetings" adding that the staff doesn't have the manpower. He estimated that changing the plan could take "a year to 18 months."

Commissioner Randy Smith urged the commission to wait for the mayor's report on the replies

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## Mission Accomplished



PHOTO BY KATRINA WIENS / K. WIENS PHOTOGRAPHY

Webb School's Emory Lanier raises his arms in victory after the Spartans rolled past Tipton-Rosemark 75-40 for their first state basketball championship in school history Saturday night in Nashville. Please see more Division II Class A state coverage on Webb and the CAK girls plus stories on Division I region tournament play in Sports & Recreation, Section C.

## Spartans win first state title; CAK girls fall in finals

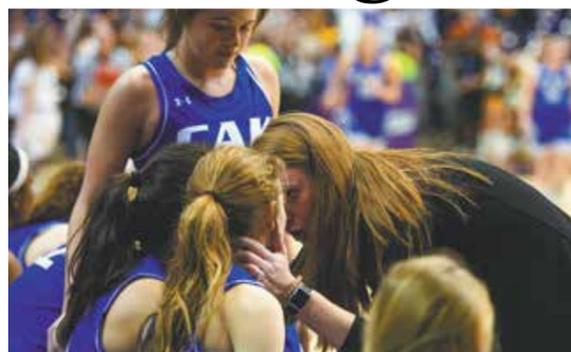


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CAK Head Coach Abby Williams consoles and talks to her players moments after the Lady Warriors' state title run fell short with a 41-29 loss Saturday.

There was nothing unlucky about Webb School's 13th appearance in the TSSAA state boys' basketball tournament. Coach Ricky Norris' Spartans captured the school's first state title with a 75-40 win over Tipton-Rosemark Saturday night in the Division II-A finals at Lipscomb University in Nashville.

Webb built a 29-18 lead in the first period and coasted to its 17th straight win against the Shelby County



team from Millington.

The Spartans were state runners-up last year, and Coach Norris said the team

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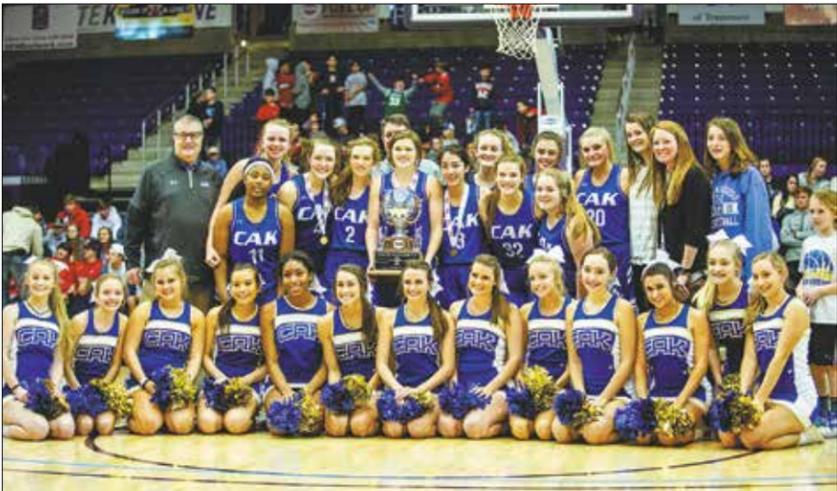


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There are smiles all around as Christian Academy of Knoxville holds the silver basketball after a 41-29 loss to Providence Christian Academy in the TSSAA Division II Class A championship game Saturday in Nashville.

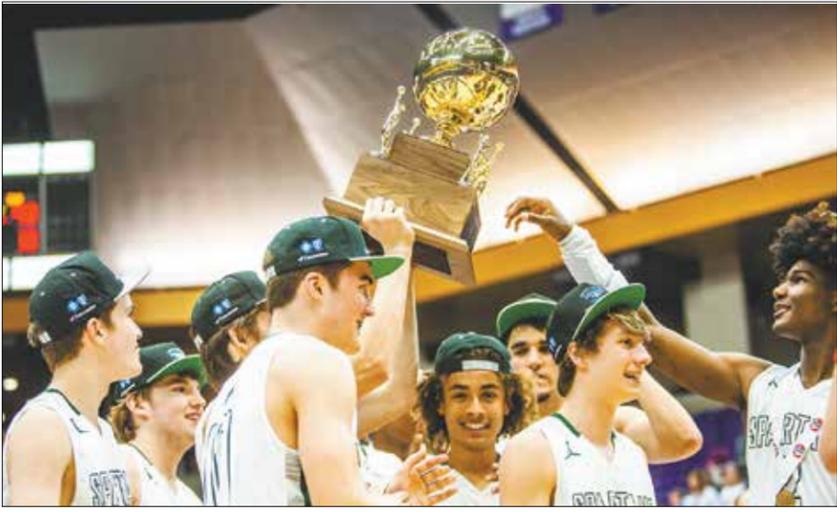
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believed it could make it back to the finals this season from Day 1.

Webb's cheerleaders were honored as they received the Spirit Award for sportsmanship.

Providence Christian Academy of Murfreesboro ended the CAK girls' state title hopes with a 41-29 win over the Lady Warriors, who also were seeking their first state, who also were seeking their first state and making just their second appearance in the state tournament.



Webb players hoist the gold basketball after capturing the school's first state championship Saturday night at Lipscomb University's Allen Arena in Nashville.



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Developer Rick Dover speaks to the Knox County Commission after being honored for his renovation of Old Knoxville High School for senior living. Dover's efforts were recognized nationally as "America's Best Senior Living Renovation Project in 2018."

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from Knoxville and Farragut. Mayor Glenn Jacobs had mailed letters to the mayors on Friday, February 22 regarding working together on updating the 20-year-old Urban Growth Plan.

"Wait and see what happens, until we know what table we're sitting at," Smith said.

"Whatever happens with the Urban Growth Plan we still have to update the general plan," Chairman Hugh Nystrom said.

It became obvious that the commission was going to delay any decision but it bogged down in a number of motions.

Commissioner John Schoonmaker moved to have a vote in the commission's March meeting and a motion to

consider the motion was approved and then the main motion failed. Commissioner Busler then moved to reconsider the vote in 60 days, that got a voice vote to consider and then was defeated.

Ander's motion to delay until July was finally before the commission and passed 7-4 with Commissioners Anders, Smith, Jay, Richie Beeler, Carson Dailey, Justin Biggs, and Michele Carriager voting for it. Voting against the July motion were Nystrom, Schoonmaker, Gill and Busler.

In other action the commission honored developer Rick Dover and architect Daniel Levy for their Historic Knoxville High project being named as America's best senior living renovation project.

After hearing that lawn cutting contracts will call for mowing every 7 to 14 working days instead of every five days the commission voted to approve contacts with Lasting Impressions Lawn Care and KMF III Services. Commissioner Biggs had inquired last month about using laborers from the jail to do some of the work could result in liability problems with that idea.

The commissioners also approved an additional \$2 charge for electronically filed submissions for the Register of Deeds office, heard a report on emergency services, and revised the ordinance dealing with lot requirements for hotels, motels and transient mobile home parks.

# What notice do you have to give a tenant before you evict them?

Perhaps you are a landlord or a property manager as your day job. Maybe you have moved to a bigger home and decided to keep your prior residence and rent it out. Possibly you have inherited a home that you would like to try to rent out and try to make some passive income.



By Jedidiah McKeehan attorneyknoxville@gmail.com

populations greater than 75,000 as of the 2010 federal census, however, you will see many counties in Tennessee applying the laws contained in the URLTA regardless of their population.

But back to our original question, how much notice do you have to give a tenant before you evict them? Well, there are a bunch of different answers depending on the specific situation. Let's walk through all of them.

The first type of notices we will discuss are where nothing specifically bad has to have had happen. The landlord or tenant has just decided to conclude the

relationship.

The vast majority of written leases are for a period of one year. If you have one of those, usually you have to give 30 days notice prior to the conclusion of the lease that you will be terminating the agreement. If it is a commercial lease, then that notice may be longer. If the written lease has expired, or there was no written lease, then the tenant is considered to be on a month to month lease. In those instances, the landlord or tenant may terminate the lease by giving a 30 day notice of termination of the lease pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated section 66-28-512.

If the lease is a week to week lease, then the landlord or tenant must give a 10 day notice of termination of the lease.

Now, let's move on to

what people really care about, and that is giving notice of the termination of a lease when something goes wrong. Those instances are generally covered by Tennessee Code Annotated section 66-28-505. If the breach by the tenant is something that they can repair, rent they can pay, remove an illegal pet from the property, or remedy some other violation of the lease, then the landlord must send the tenant a notice that if the condition is not remedied within 14 days that the landlord will evict them after the 14 days have elapsed. If the tenant actually fixes the problem, the landlord cannot evict them.

If the landlord sends out the 14 day notice, the tenant fixes the problem, but then the same problem arises again within 6

months, the landlord can send out a notice saying that if the problem is not fixed within 7 days, then the tenant will be evicted.

This statute also states, and this is important, that if the tenant signs a written lease stating that if the breach of the lease by the tenant is for non-payment of rent, that they waive the notice provision of this statute, that is great news for the landlord. That means that if the tenant does not pay their rent on the first of the month that the landlord can immediately file an eviction on the sixth of the month after the 5 day grace period for paying rent has elapsed.

The only other notice time period to be aware of is if there is violence, or threats to health, safety or welfare of persons or property because of the tenant.

Basically, if the cops are getting called to the property, or drugs are being used at the property, then pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated section 66-28-517 the landlord only has to give the tenant 3 days notice before filing an eviction against the tenant.

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# Inmate labor in city draws many questions

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Prisoners in the Knox County Jail are being transported into the city to work on projects in neighborhoods, city streets, or anywhere needed. This use of inmates drew some objections at Tuesday's City Council meeting along with questions about fair compensation for what some speakers referred to as "slave labor."

The issue arose due to an agenda item regarding the city leasing two Knox County Sheriff Department's pickup trucks.

The city has no jail facilities and those arrested by city police are housed in the Knox County Jail. Currently the city has little or no say about treatment in the overcrowded county facility.

Currently prisoners may volunteer for such outside labor and receive one day off their

sentences for each day they work. Deputy Mayor David Brace said all the prisoners involved are serving 150 or more days and he has spoken to Sheriff Tom Spangler about the program. He said the volunteers are fed by the city and supplied with tools, gloves and protective equipment.

"They express pleasure in being outside the facility," Brace said, adding that many of the jobs assigned to them are clean

up duties at cemeteries, private property, or other projects the city cannot legally perform.

"We care about these individuals," he said.

Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie said that the prisoners include those convicted of failure to pay child support and, while in jail, the amount they owe continues to increase. She said the city needs to start a conversation with the sheriff about compensating the

volunteers.

Councilwoman Seema Singh-Perez asked if the city could pay the prisoners and Brace said he would look into that. Councilwoman Stephanie Welch agreed with Singh-Perez but added that the city needs to pass the lease agreement and not end the one relationship it has with the sheriff.

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Rogero said.

In a separate vote the council voted to award \$1,320,000 from the Affordable Rental Development Fund to ACG's Young High project for the development of 44 housing units. That South Knoxville project is supported by nearby neighborhood associations.

The council split on a measure to rezone 53 properties in the Fort Sanders neighborhood so the hospital there can expand. Councilman Marshall Stair said he doesn't "see the rush for this" and said he hopes the hospital takes an interest in stabilizing the neighborhood. Stair was joined in his "No" vote by council members Mark Campen and Lauren Rider.

The council also approved changing the zoning on a Whittle Springs property from Office to Planned Residential to allow 20 units per acre. The property is on the corner of Whittle Springs Road and White Oak Lane. Zoning changes

were also approved on Atlantic Avenue and along Cedar Lane.

Code enforcement duties will shift from the Public Service Division to the Plans Review and Building Inspection Department. The council approved the move without further discussion.

The council also voted give about \$288,488 for school security training, safety improvements and technology and adding security guards. Knox County will pick up 25% of the cost.

Mayor Rogero also spoke briefly about flooding in the city and the efforts of various city departments to respond to the event. She said that initially 143 city roads were inundated and, as of the meeting, 13 streets remain closed to traffic. She said the city is moving to document the damage and asked anyone with damage to call "311" and all reports will be forwarded to TEMA for possible federal funding assistance.

## Richie Beeler opens commission meeting with inspirational words

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Before each Knox County Commission meeting, following the Pledge of Allegiance, the chairman asks one of the members to deliver the devotional. Last week Chairman Hugh Nystrom asked 6th District Commissioner Richard Beeler to do so, asking him to "set the tone for a good meeting."

Beeler is the newest commissioner, appointed by his fellow members to replace newly elected Tennessee State House member Dave Wright.

Here's what Beeler said before his prayer:

When Chairman Nystrom asked me to give the devotional I thought back to July when I asked the Lord and pray about whether to seek appointment to this seat. As I began to do that the Lord led me to Psalms 72. I just want to share with you the first four verses from that. "Give the king your

justice, O God and your righteousness to the royal son.

"May he judge your people with righteousness and your poor with justice.

"Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people and the hills with righteousness.

"May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the children of the needy and crush the oppressor."

There are two things we see in this Psalms that those in government must remember and the first is that we must appear to be people of justice. Several times in this Psalm is the phrase "to give justice to the king and may he defend the cause of the poor and the needy."

We just ended the pledge with the phrase "and justice for all." I think our most important job as the people's representatives is to do all within our power to ensure as level a playing field as possible



Richie Beeler, 8th District commissioner, talks with Finance Director Chris Caldwell prior to last week's Knox County Commission meeting. Beeler's address before leading the meeting in prayer was inspirational.

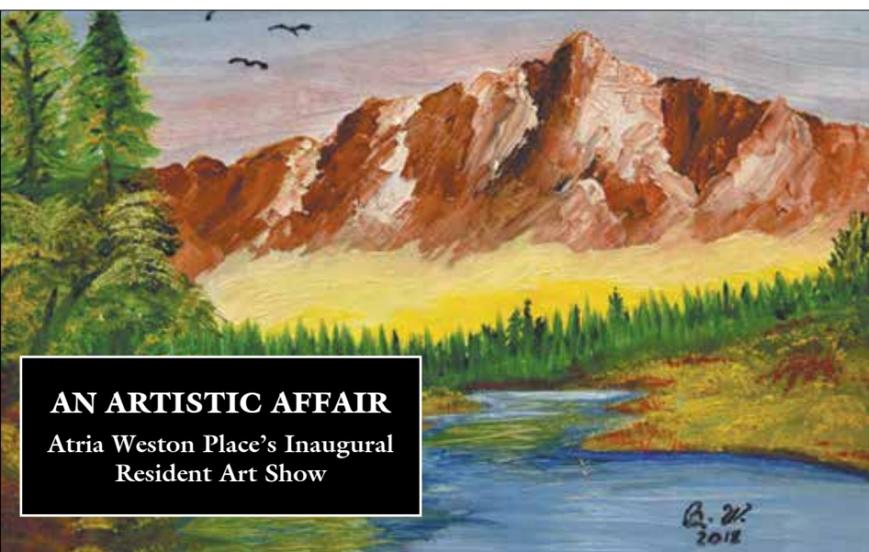
for the people we represent. In this constitutional republic we are privileged to live in we can't guarantee equal outcomes for all but we must ensure and do everything in our power that we can do to ensure equal opportunity, equal protection and equal rights for all.

It is interesting that this Psalm was written by Solomon, son of King David, who ended it by saying, "He that rules over men must be just." And in writing this Psalm Solomon

reminded us that governing has a generational impact.

For every one of us sitting here this evening, and for everyone who sits in any seat of government, the decisions we make today will impact future generations perhaps even more profoundly than our own.

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# What you don't know about Col. William Sanders

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The neighborhood of Fort Sanders has been in the news lately. The historic section of Knoxville is threatened by progress, hospital growth, and loss of historic homes. Fort Sanders property owners are rightfully proud. A Civil War earthen fort there gave the area its name and lots of other things in the area are named for Fort Sanders.

The fort was named for Col. William S. Sanders, who was shot atop the walls by a Confederate sharpshooter and died a day later in the Lamar House, which now houses the Bijou Theater. It is also thought that Sanders had a romantic relationship with a local Knoxville woman whose family included a Confederate spy.

But there's much more to William Sanders that isn't widely known.

Sanders was a Kentucky native and a graduate of West Point. He was a questionable student and ironically was dismissed by Superintendent Robert E. Lee. He was saved from dismissal at West Point by a plea from then U. S. Secretary of War Jefferson Davis, a cousin of his.

He served as a Second Lieutenant in the western territories and remained loyal to the Union. He took part in several campaigns and after the Battle at Antietam was chosen by General Ambrose Burnside to command the Army of the Ohio. He became a colonel in the 5th Kentucky Cavalry.

Prior to the Knoxville campaign, Sanders already

was a Union Army hero. His exploits are legendary among Civil War buffs. Before the Union invasion of Tennessee Sanders led a cavalry raid through East Tennessee and even threatened Rebels in Knoxville. His force disrupted Confederate operations by crossing from Williamsburg, Ky. through the mountains to Wartburg, capturing a large supply base there. The force then moved to Lenoir City where he burned the depot, captured cannons and ammunition, and destroyed the railroad there.

Sanders' force then threatened Knoxville along the Kingston Road but was forced to withdraw because of cannon fire from the enemy on Summit Hill. His Union force then continued to McMillan Station and

burned a railroad bridge there. His next mission was to attack the Confederate fortification at Strawberry Plains where he captured the enemy, and took the bridge, town and a large amount of supplies.

Sanders' Union force then moved to New Market where they were warmly greeted by the population there and then to Jefferson City where they destroyed the bridge, captured more supplies and burned a salt-peter and gun factory.

The invading Union force then looked for a way to skirt Confederate forces on Cumberland Mountain and eventually took a little known path, abandoning and destroying much of the captured supplies, eventually arriving in Boston, Ky. (near Jellico) with only two men killed, four wounded

and 13 missing.

Col. Sanders had proven that a Union force could cross into Tennessee and General Burnside used the success in planning the huge movement that resulted in the capture of Knoxville and East Tennessee in 1863, keeping the area in Union hands for the remainder of the war.

Sanders accompanied the Burnside invasion and was promoted to brigadier general but before his promotion could be conferred he was shot atop the earthen walls of then Fort Loudon, now Fort Sanders.

The colonel was at first buried in the Second Presbyterian Cemetery and later his remains were exhumed and reburied in the Chattanooga National Cemetery.

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the matter has "raised some really important questions" and said she is willing to go back to Sheriff Spangler for talks. She asked the council not to delay the vote.

"Pass this and let's continue to work on this issue," she said.

"It's the only sliver of control we have over the issue and I don't want to be part of that," Singh-Perez said.

The final vote for approval was 7-2 with McKenzie and Perez voting "No."

# An Open Letter to Teachers

Dearest Educators,

I hope this finds you doing well, though I suspect that any teachers reading this are still overworked and underpaid. I also hope that changes sometime soon. "Hope springs eternal," I suppose. I digress.

I have been holding on to thoughts unexpressed for too long, and after some recent life events, I am compelled to finally share them. While I have to acknowledge that this writing exercise might be purely cathartic, it's my intention to brighten a teacher's day just a little, and remind y'all that you're worth more than what a W-2 and benefits package might indicate. Incidentally, I'll humbly ask that you forgive my lack of formality. Throwing caution to the wind, I will use incomplete sentences, begin a sentence with a conjunction, or even end a sentence with a preposition. One of your peers once told me that harnessing my "stream of consciousness" could be an invaluable writing tool. Her advice seems solid. So, there's that.

In the 40-somethingth year of my life, I'm experiencing a midlife crisis of sorts, and it's not driving me to find a young girlfriend, buy a sports car, or get a tattoo. In a far less interesting twist, I realize that I must finish my undergraduate degree and move on to law school. What's even more anticlimactic about my epiphany is the fact that I don't fantasize about an area of law that generally garners much attention or typically yields wind-fall decisions. I just want to practice labor and employment law. I want to represent those that might not be able to fight for themselves when facing the giants of this world—say for example, workers whose contractual rights have been violated, the wrongfully terminated, or an innocent teacher that's scared and trying to make sense of a disciplinary process he or she doesn't understand. It's not the stuff of blockbuster legal dramas, but it's fascinating to me. Y'all are partly to blame for my boring pursuits, and I heartily thank you.

This part is important: With a basic public school education, I was well prepared for my first attempt at college. I only stopped because I lacked funding, and more importantly, discipline. You can't be blamed for that. Lord knows your hands are tied, but

that doesn't stop some from expecting you to pull off miracles with troubled children. Anyway, recognizing the need for a good swift kick in the tail after my first semester at UT, I took a brief reprieve to join the Marines. (I have frequently chosen the hardest route in life, sometimes to my detriment, but frequently to my benefit.) As one might guess, I got my head screwed on straight from the experience.

This is just as important, if not more so: I was equally prepared for success in the Service. Now begins my roll call of praise. Because of Ms. Reynolds, I could calculate the trajectories of indirect fire, and triangulate the origin of an SOS radio transmission. Ms. Humphrey helped me understand how political, religious, and nationalist ideologies could keep countries at war for decades, or bring them back together. Thanks to Mr. Moreno, I understood how a phosphorous mortar works, and why it can be so devastating. Ms. Ashe made it clear to me that all cellular function requires H<sub>2</sub>O, so I understood how crucial it was to stay hydrated, and how performance changes under short supply of water. Remembering Ms. Black's anatomy and physiology lessons, I recognized the need to find the bottom of the sternum and back up a width of two fingers before administering CPR, or inadvertently break the xiphoid process and puncture the diaphragm in the process. Harnessing any lick of thespian ability Ms. Burkhart instilled in me, I could look stoic during the saddest or most trying times. Coach Roberts taught me to control my breathing during distance running, literally setting me strides ahead of some of my fellow Marines. I can type all this at 35+ words a minute, because Ms. Shaw persisted, though I later hid the ability from my chain of command, lest I be wrangled into office duty. After all, I volunteered for the Infantry. (I have frequently chosen the hardest route in life, sometimes to my detriment, but frequently to my benefit.) Surprising to me at the time, I could write ten or more pages of patrol orders clearly and succinctly. Ms. Fischer might even agree I finally "found the writer in me." Truly, if I had a decent understanding of the world around me, and I could articulate my thoughts about

it, it was because I had teachers that didn't quit. In fact, I was eventually tasked, like all Marines, to pass on the things I had learned. Isn't that something? You taught me, and it enabled me (of all people) to share knowledge. Amazing. All things considered, I think I fared pretty well in the Marine Corps, and when I had completed my obligation, I decided it was time to give school another chance.

Upon my return, a professor told me, "Ninety percent of life is showing up." I didn't wholly believe him. Quickly proving him correct, I did well when I threw myself into my studies, and when I was uninspired and noticeably absent, my grades were mediocre. Truly, knowledge is power, and education improves us, but I had to acknowledge at the time that I was just going through the motions. I had no idea what I wanted to do with a degree, or what degree I should seek. During that somewhat expensive time of self-exploration, I was blessed to meet and fall in love with someone that did know what she wanted to do. In fact, she had an undeniable calling, and it involved finishing her education first. She always knew what she was supposed to do, and I will always admire her that. Lost in my own college pursuits, I happened upon a career with the railroad that would amply provide for two, finance the rest of my new bride's education, and keep me fulfilled. For some time.

Much of that fulfillment came from serving organized labor, first as a legislative representative, and later as a local chairman. They were unpaid, purely voluntary roles, but I took great pride in trying to help others, sometimes by representing an employee in a hearing, sometimes by reaching out to various federal entities on their behalf, and sometimes just being a sounding board. In every circumstance, I'm grateful that I could read and understand legislation or labor contracts, explain the same to my coworkers, and most importantly, illustrate by word how a wrong must be righted. In many cases, it was an attorney that necessarily had to fight the last ten yards to victory. It's the nature of the system, and I laud those that picked up where I had to stop.

Now, I want to be that advocate. So, I've readmitted to school, met with an advisor, and

made a plan. It's a scary plan, but I'm confident in my ability to execute. In this season of change and uncertainty, I keep remembering a time, many years ago, when I honestly thought I couldn't write. I thought I couldn't do anything like what I want to do now. Don't get me wrong; I understand there's much to learn, and I'm hardly an accomplished penman, but when I browse the syllabus and read, "Writing Intensive Course," I am undeterred. I am unafraid. I am sure. Teachers made that possible, in spite of me.

I can't overstate what a bad student I was in high school. I will never forget one educator lamenting, verbatim, "You're just frustrating. You have so much potential, and you're just wasting it." More than one other teacher expressed similar disappointment. I think now they must have understood me well, because I usually responded to that kind of guilt-tripping, and they were all right in their approach. If I could, I would personally apologize to every teacher that ever dreaded going to school the next day, knowing I would be there. I'm so sorry for trying anyone's patience. Looking back, I thought I was so clever, funny, witty, and unique. Truth be told, there are millions of students out there, just like I was, and they need you so badly, just like I did. To those that taught me—and you truly taught me—thank you for remaining steadfast in your duties. Whether you know it or not, you were reaching me, and I'm better for it. You are invaluable, if underappreciated; glorious, if unglamorous. You are deeply loved. All of y'all.

If you're still reading, and I've made you cry, it's the first time I'm pleased to make a teacher do so. Regardless, this seems like a good stopping point, as I need to pick up dinner for my wife and kids. She's working late, again. While it won't be as good as a home-cooked meal, I'm happy we can eat together as a family, even if it's in her classroom. She's so dedicated to her students, and I realize she's not the exception. To my delight, I recently got to thank a few teachers in person at the "Teacher of the Year" banquet. My wife represented her school. Needless to say, I'm fiercely proud of her. And you."

Semper Fidelis,  
Aaron Hanna



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# History Award Nominations Sought

The East Tennessee Historical Society (ETHS) invites nominations from across East Tennessee for Awards of Excellence in the field of history. Each year, the society recognizes individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the preservation, promotion, programming, and interpretation of the region's history. The awards have been presented each year since 1982.

Awards are in five categories:

The Award of Distinction recognizes a special project, such as publications, building preservation, or program, such as a conference, heritage event, lecture series, or other.

Community History Award recognizes excellence in community leadership, specifically in promoting the preservation of local/regional history and heritage.

History in the Media Award is presented to someone in the field of television, radio, newspaper, magazine, or Internet for outstanding contributions to the promotion of our region's history.

Teaching Excellence Award is for outstanding or innovative teaching of history at any level, grades one through adult education.

The Society's most prestigious recognition is the Ramsey Award for Lifetime

Achievement. This award is reserved for one who, over the course of a lifetime, has made outstanding contributions to the understanding and preservation of East Tennessee history. It is named for ETHS founder and early historian, Dr. J.G.M. Ramsey, author of *The Annals of East Tennessee to the End of the Eighteenth Century*.

ETHS Awards of Excellence recipients will be recognized at the

East Tennessee Historical Society Annual Meeting on May 14. For more information about the awards or to request a nomination form, please contact the East Tennessee Historical Society by phone at 865-215-8824 or visit the website at [www.eastTNhistory.org](http://www.eastTNhistory.org). The deadline for submission is April 13, 2019.

Headquartered in the East Tennessee History Center, the East Tennessee Historical Society was

established in 1834 and is a regional organization covering 35 counties and has 2,000 members across the United States. ETHS presents a variety of public programs, including the Museum of East Tennessee History, a lecture series, genealogy workshops, East Tennessee National History Day, and the family history programs, "First Families of Tennessee" and "Civil War Families of Tennessee."

## Atria Weston Place to host resident art show

On Friday, March 8, Atria Weston Place will feature creations from residents and local guest artist, Jill Stone during its inaugural art show. The show will include oil on canvas and various pieces of art created by Atria Weston Place residents and guest artist.

"This display is just one way we help our residents pursue their hobbies and discover new ones, when they move to Atria, and it's a great opportunity for us to encourage future generations to explore artistic expression as well," said Bonnie Parton, Engage Life® Director at Atria Weston Place. "We are honored to provide an opportunity for local artists of all ages to share their creativity."

Residents enjoy regularly scheduled art classes as part of the senior living community's diverse events calendar. Atria's signature Engage Life program provides residents with a variety of life-enriching activities that are tailored to their individual interests.

The art show at Atria Weston Place will be a formal affair held on March 8, 2019 from 6 to 8 p.m. The event is free and open to the public with wine and hors d'oeuvres while enjoying classical pianist and composer, Elyse Bruce. For more information, call (865)584-9857.

## Getting to know Charlie Rhodarmer



*You never know how Charlie Rhodarmer will appear at various functions or re-enactments. He's seen here with two other re-enactors, Robin Peeler and Kimberly Brickey, during a Fort Loudoun State Park event. (Photo courtesy of Charles Rhodarmer)*

The Knoxville Focus continues to interview interesting people in our area. Charlie Rhodarmer is a man of many hats, indeed. Rhodarmer is the director of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tennessee and active in re-enactment groups. You never know what historic outfit or character he may show up in or be playing. He is often in Knox County for events and is a popular speaker.

### How is your position working for you?

Well, I would say it's been working out pretty good! I came and took the position of manager/director at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in July of 2000. It's been a very challenging job and it's been an adventurous job as well. I've been able to utilize my past experiences to help advance our mission at the museum.

My love of living history and blacksmithing has enabled me to introduce outside exhibits and programs. One of probably the greatest pleasures is working with the different people; from our board members, to our volunteers and living historians, they turn work into a fun and learning experience.

### How has your position interfered with your private life or hobbies?

For as long as I can remember I have loved history. Around age of 14 I was introduced to reenacting and that helped strengthen my interest, passion and, to some point, obsession! I probably do spend more time than I probably should at work, but when you're dealing with subjects that you spend your leisure time reading about, some days just don't seem like work. But to counter, work is work and that's why I'm paid to come. With every job there are tasks that are not pleasant. Here at Sequoyah there is a lot of variety in a day's work.

### Tell me a bit about your family

My mom and dad were both raised in Haywood County, North Carolina near the town of Canton. Both came from rather large families. Neither of my parents had a real interest in history, but on vacations we always visited historical sites around the South. They both

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# Closing Chaos

Knox County Schools opened the doors once again on Thursday, February 21. For three days, students and teachers received an unofficial vacation as custodial staffs slaved away in efforts to scrub away the flu that had afflicted scores of folks.

Without a doubt, many parents were incensed that schools closed. They were inconvenienced with that decision. Arriving to work became an almost impossible task for some. One parent had to stay home to watch over younger children. To complicate the problem, most daycare centers run on the same schedule as the schools. Moms and dads decided who would stay with children, or they divided the chore so that neither lost too many days of personal leave.

The complaints of parents is normal; however, they might need to understand the problems that arise at such times. The most obvious is the one that deals with the illness itself. Students arrive at school not feeling particularly well. Within a few hours, they are fever-ridden; some sneeze and cough, acts that spread the virus across surfaces. Perhaps the outbreak would have

been held in check if more parents made sure children received flu vaccines, but these days, immunizations are too often viewed as "suggestions" instead of necessities.

Another reason for shutting the doors of schools involves teachers. When teachers are ill, they have no business going to work. No instructor can effectively run a class when she is ill. Besides, ill teachers also spread "bugs." A sick adult is asking for trouble when he sits in a class and runs the risk that a serious problem arises. Sapped of strength, the individual finds actively intervening in bad situations is impossible.

At the same time, a shortage of teachers sometimes leads to classes being combined. Not much teaching can be achieved when one person is overseeing his students, as well as those of another teacher. Of course, jamming even more students together in a room only increases the chances of spreading the flu.

Another determining factor concerns substitute teachers. They, too, fall ill to the viruses that invade a school. Those people are the last line of defense. When a shortage of subs hits and scads of teachers are ill, no one is available to cover any classes.

With all of those things working together, the only action for schools to take is the closing of buildings. Doing so causes problems for parents. At the same time, however, teachers are

pressured to cover materials that are included in year-end testing. They fret that student scores will be lowered because they haven't learned materials, and teachers also know that their own performance evaluations are influenced by their students' scores.

Students might like the break, but they also miss out on participation in school sports and other activities. When schools are closed, things associated with the school are supposed to be suspended. At the same time, it takes little time for students to grow bored by being stuck at home. They are social creatures and enjoy the interactions with friends, but that is interrupted when the doors are closed.

I feel for parents who have to hustle to find ways to make their lives run smoothly, both at home and at work. I was lucky to have taught school and to have been on the same schedule as my children. Let's hope that moms and dads understand the decisions of schools when they close in order to safeguard their children.

Now it appears that the floods around Knoxville will cause more inconveniences for families. However, this time, many folks will stay home together since the waters are so high they can't leave their subdivisions. All can take deep breaths and try to make the best of an unusual situation. Try to enjoy the together and know that this, too, shall pass.

# March winds and windflowers

Anemone Blanda also known as Grecian windflower, grows from corms that are planted in fall for flowers the following spring. These low-growing plants have mounding, finely textured foliage and daisy-like flowers. Anemone Blanda is an ideal companion for other spring blooming bulbs such as tulips and daffodils.

Anemone Blanda thrives in light shade but may also be grown in full sun. They like moist soils but well-drained.

Plants typically grow to only 4-8 inches tall and feature attractive dark-blue flowers resembling daisies. They are also available in white and pink. The foliage is fern-like. They flower for three to four weeks. They make great cut flowers for vases.

These flowers are hardy in zones 4-9 and will come back to bloom each year. Plant them in groups or masses, naturalizing drifts. They are a great choice for woodland paths, rock gardens, and beds or borders. They are much loved by bees, butterflies, and helpful pollinators. They are deer and rabbit resistant.

Once they bloom, leave the foliage until it dies back naturally. Once the foliage is completely yellowed or browned out, remove it from the garden.

Interestingly, although they are named Windflowers, it is best to shield them from strong winds.

"The little windflower, whose just opened eye is blue as the spring heaven it gazes at"- Bryant, A Winter Piece.

"The starry, fragile windflower, Poised above in airy grace, Virgin white, suffused with blushes, Shyly droops her lovely face."—Elaine Goodale, The First Flowers.



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By Mike Cruze,  
Master Gardener

# Winners of the 37th Annual Orchid Awards Announced

On Thursday, February 28, 2019 Keep Knoxville Beautiful hosted the annual Orchids Beautification Awards at The Press Room, 730 N. Broadway, Knoxville TN. The event honored Knoxville's most beautiful properties by presenting Orchid Awards in seven different categories: Redesign/Reuse, Outdoor Space, Community Garden, New Architecture, Public Art, Restaurant/Café/Bar/Brewery, and Environmental Stewardship. These awards are given to individuals who are beautifying our dynamic city. Additionally, the Mary Lou Horner Beautification Award was presented, as well as the Felicia Harris Hoehne Award being presented for the third time.

The winner for redesign/reuse was The Tombras Group. The winners for Outdoor Space were Cumberland Avenue Corridor Project and Hyatt Rooftop Bar. The Christenberry Elementary Outdoor Classroom won Community Garden. The winners for New Architecture were KCDC Five Points Phase 2 and the Ken and Blaire Mossman Building. For Public Art, the winner was the Firefly Mural on the Downtown Knoxville Clinch Avenue Pedestrian Ramp. The winner for Restaurant/Café/Brewery was Kefi. Lastly, the winners of Environmental Stewardship were the Gastrointestinal Associates Medical Office Building and the Knoxville Convention Center.

The Mary Lou Horner Beautification award was given to University of Tennessee Gardens for their continued commitment to beautifying Knoxville.

City of Knoxville Public Service Director, Chad Weth, presented The Felicia Award Tom Salter. Tom Salter was KKB's executive director from 1997-2007 and the Director of Knox County Solid Waste from 2007-2018. The Felicia Award is presented and was created to honor someone who exemplifies KKB's mission of

making Knoxville's a "clean, green, and beautiful" city.

Over 300 people attended the event, and guests enjoyed music from Old City Buskers, a complimentary beer and wine reception provided by Elkmont Exchange and Raddy's Liquor Center. Post Modern Spirits also provided specialty cocktails for the guest. The night's guest speaker was Mayor Madeline Roger with a special guest from Keep America Beautiful, Randy Hartman.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful announced the 2019-2020 "Community of the Year" will be Northwest Knoxville. Keep Knoxville Beautiful also announced plans to celebrate their 40th Anniversary with an Environmental and Sustainability Summit on November 8, 2019. Partners include the City of Knoxville and the Knoxville Utilities Board. More information will be announced in the coming months.

All proceeds from the Orchids Beautification Awards will go to benefit Keep Knoxville Beautiful education and beautification programs.

The nominees were:

## Redesign/Reuse

Knoxville High Senior Living, Cowan Cottage, Loch and Key Productions, The Tombras Group, The Press Room, Kefi, Cumberland Avenue Corridor Project, Hyatt Place, Downtown Knoxville, Chesapeake's West, The Orangery Village, The Mill and Mine, Maple Hall and The Parlor, KYBRA Athletics, The Swift, Bliss Clothing Store & Cruze Farm Ice Cream (Miller's Building), KCDC Five Points Phase 2

## Outdoor Space

UT Volunteer Blvd. Streetscape, Dogwood Elementary Nature Trail, Cumberland Avenue Corridor Project, Central Filling Station, Hyatt Place Rooftop Bar, The Mill and Mine, Waterfront Drive, Jackson Avenue - Old

City Redevelopment, The Mabry Hazen House

## Public Art

Firefly Mural Downtown Knoxville/ Clinch Avenue Pedestrian Ramp, KNOX Letters at the Knoxville Convention Center, Karns Senior Center - 1 Karns Mosaic Mural, State Street Garage Sculpture, Gay Street Viaduct to Jackson Avenue Steps, Right Angle Reply (Tall Grasses)

## New Architecture

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hardin Valley Middle School, Gastrointestinal Associates Medical Office Building, Tate's School Multipurpose Building - "The Barn", Ken and Blaire Mossman Building, Regions Bank- Northshore, Tennessee Cancer Specialist, Gibbs Middle School, Greater Knoxville Dermatology, Hardin Valley Internal Medicine & Urgent Care

## Community Garden

Christenberry Outdoor Classroom, New Hopewell Community School, Marble City Community Garden, All Saints Catholic Church Community Garden, Saint John's Prayer Garden

## Restaurant/Cafe/Brewery

Full Service BBQ, Kitchen 919, Kefi, Central Filling Station, Chesapeake's West, Maple Hall and The Parlor, Bliss Clothing Store & Cruze Farm Ice Cream (Miller's Building)

## Environmental Stewardship

Gastrointestinal Associates Medical Office Building, Cumberland Avenue Corridor Project, Knoxville Convention Center, Tennessee School for the Deaf High School and Dining Hall



This family photo was taken last year at the church as the Stevens family celebrated Father's Day, courtesy of Jeff Stevens.

# Jeff Stevens, Pastor to Children

He is all things KIDS! Jeff Stevens

is the Pastor to Children and Families at Wallace Memorial Baptist Church in Knoxville, Tennessee. Last year, the Knoxville native celebrated his ten-year anniversary in this position at the

church. Interestingly enough, Jeff attended Wallace when he was a youth. Now, he is leading the children at Wallace in their walk with Christ.

Jeff seems to have as much energy as the kids. He leads the kids lodge worship on Sunday mornings and then makes his way to the sanctuary to serve as one of the counselors at the

close of morning worship. His umbrella of activities includes Upward basketball, Vacation Bible School, and Wallace's weekday children's ministry. Jeff, his wife Laura, and their three children--Addie, Hudson, and Micah--have contributed so much at Wallace Memorial. While this pastor approaches his calling with boundless energy, he humbly acknowledges his limits. "None of it would be possible without the team of people that make it happen each week," Jeff said.

John Green, the lead pastor at Wallace, shares his thoughts about the children's pastor. "Everyone at Wallace loves Pastor Jeff—but his biggest fans are the children. They love to hear him teach and to be around him. He brings excitement and joy to learning about Jesus that impacts our children in great ways. We are blessed to have Pastor Jeff on our ministry team."

## SPRING CLEANING FOR YOUR GARDENING TOOLS AND GRILL

Is your BBQ grill greasy and disgusting? Are your favorite gardening tools dull, rusty, and crusted with last year's hardened clay? Are you afraid that when you use a chainsaw to cut a tree limb that you might instead cut off one of your limbs? If so, then join the UT Arboretum Society for a series of talks by Downtown Hardware Company's Roger Clary on Saturday, March 9, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the UT Arboretum Auditorium, 901 S. Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge. Come for all or part of the program, according to your interests:

9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Grill Care: Prep your grill for spring cleaning and

learn safety inspection tips 10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Chain Saw Safety: Cleaning, safety inspection tips, and safety apparel

Noon—1:00 p.m. Tool Sharpening: Sharpening (for free!) and maintenance of digging tools, cutting tools, and striking tools

Downtown Hardware will have discount coupons and door prizes to hand out to attendees. This popular Oak Ridge business has been serving the community for 64 years and is not associated with any "big box" chain. The UT Arboretum Society will offer water, coffee, and light snacks throughout the program.

# The Last Years of Lawrence D. Tyson

Part Three

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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Lawrence Davis Tyson was Tennessee's junior United States senator and while not a professional politician, the senator continued to demonstrate he had learned quite a lot in the short time he had served in the Senate. Possessing a gentlemanly nature, Tyson apparently also possessed a very good memory. Senator L. D. Tyson could be quite frank with other Tennessee politicians. Luke Lea, who was positioning himself as the boss of Tennessee politics during the decade of the 1920s, was in a powerful position due to his ownership of daily newspapers in the state. Lea was strongly for reelecting governor Austin Peay in 1926 and naturally looked to the popular Tyson for help inside the Democratic primary. While Luke Lea's Nashville Tennessean had been bitterly against Senator John Knight Shields in 1924, it had not been especially pro-Tyson, a fact the senator remembered all too well. Nor had Peay done anything to help Tyson in his campaign against John K. Shields. When Peay solicited Tyson's support in 1926, the senator remained neutral, telling the governor, "I believe that is the attitude which you assumed toward me when I was running for the nomination for the United States Senate." Tyson did send Peay a terse and rather perfunctory telegram of congratulations upon his renomination in 1926.

In August of that year, Senator and Mrs. Tyson vacationed briefly at Tate Springs in Tennessee and despite owning a magnificent home in Knoxville, spent several days at the Farragut Hotel. From Knoxville, the Tysons went to spend a few weeks at the Battle Creek, Michigan health resort. Senator Tyson had selected a veteran to serve as his secretary, or Chief of Staff; Major J. G. Sims was a native of Maryville in East Tennessee and quite active in the American Legion. Indeed, Sims was a member of the American Legion's national executive committee. While the Senator and Mrs. Tyson were vacationing, Major Sims set off for Tennessee to attend the annual state convention of the American Legion. Sims intended to meet Senator Tyson in Knoxville while he visited Tennessee over the course of several weeks. While attending the American Legion state convention, Sims won an endorsement of approval for Senator Tyson's work on behalf of disabled veterans. Senator Tyson was in Paris, Tennessee to join

1,000 "visitors, delegates, Legionnaires and members of the auxiliary" who were pouring into the city for the convention. Another Tennessee congressman who was prominent in veterans' affairs, Gordon Browning, also attended the convention. From Paris, Senator Tyson traveled to Chattanooga where he spoke to the Association of Credit Men where he addressed national agricultural problems.

"In the midst of a great emergency a great people do not sit supinely down and let things take their course," Senator Tyson told his listeners. "A great and forceful nation takes action. We have talked for 50 years and done but little for the farmers." Tyson pointed to the fact wheat farmers benefitted from a tariff while cotton farmers did not. Tyson said he saw no chance of reducing the tariff.

Senator Tyson returned to Knoxville to speak to the convention of the Reserve Officers' association at the Farragut Hotel. Tyson's subject was the attitude of the Congress toward military preparedness. At the beginning of October, Tyson joined Senator McKellar in cooperating with the fall campaign of Governor Austin Peay. Originally, Tyson had said he could not attend a conference in Nashville of party elders to consult about the general election campaign. Evidently, Senator Tyson was able to rearrange his schedule as every Democratic member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation was attending. Tyson made the statement, "Governor Peay is the most popular Democrat in East Tennessee who ever sat in the governor's chair." Tyson scoffed at the notion some Democrats who had supported Hill McAlister in the very close gubernatorial primary might desert to support a Republican in the fall. Governor Peay reciprocated by appointing Senator Tyson to a special committee to meet in Memphis to discuss the price of cotton. "Some way, if possible, must be found to keep the price of cotton to the point of affording the farmers of the South a living wage," Tyson said.

Senator Tyson had gone to Dyersburg, where he was scheduled to speak to a reunion of Confederate veterans. Tyson began a campaign swing for the Democratic ticket in October and traveled to Bristol where he extolled the administration of Governor Austin Peay. Tyson chided Republicans, saying if the GOP truly believed in progressive

government, they would back the governor for reelection, especially as Peay had run a "non-partisan" administration. Both senators McKellar and Tyson were on hand in Maryville for the annual convention of the Womens' Christian Temperance Union. Senator Tyson hurried back to West Tennessee to speak in Union City on behalf of Austin Peay and the Democratic ticket. Tyson stopped in Nashville to rest for a day or two at the Andrew Jackson Hotel while campaigning for his fellow Democrats. Senator Tyson told a reporter he was confident the state ticket would win by a big majority. In recent days Tyson had given speeches in Union City, Blountville, Paris and Franklin. The senator said he was closing his campaign for the Democratic ticket in Sparta. Once back home in Knoxville, Senator Tyson predicted the success of the Democrats nationally would make it impossible for President Calvin Coolidge to be renominated in 1928. "I doubt now if he will permit his name to be considered as a candidate for President," Tyson told a reporter. Tyson conceded if his predication was accurate, it made it more likely New York governor Alfred E. Smith would be the Democratic nominee. A Catholic and a "wet", Smith would almost surely be a controversial nominee, especially in the South. Tyson complained that "...the East, including Pennsylvania is wet and all the rest of the country is dry." Both predications proved to be accurate, as Calvin Coolidge announced he "did not choose" to run again and Al Smith won the presidential nomination of his own party. Senator Tyson's hope the Democratic Party had been revitalized proved to be far less accurate. Herbert Hoover won in a landslide, with many usually Democratic states, including Tennessee, voting for the Republican instead of Smith.

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Senator L. D. Tyson of Tennessee at his desk, circa 1926

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Some prohibitionists grumbled when Tyson

sold the Knoxville Sentinel in November of 1926 to Scripps-Howard. The Scripps-Howard chain favored modification of the Volstead Act, but one columnist wondered "are dollars wet or dry?"

Perennial candidate and persistent political gadfly Dr. John R. Neal popped up again two years after Lawrence D. Tyson's election to the United States Senate to claim the General's 1924 campaign spending was "excessive." The Republican chairman of the committee on campaign expenditures "invited Mr. Neal to submit evidence." Neal charged Tyson had spent the astonishing sum of \$1.6 million in his bid for the U. S. Senate. Senator Tyson said loftily he was hardly paying attention to Neal's accusations as there was "no foundation whatever for them." The Clarksville Leaf-Chronicle huffed Neal was doing nothing more than trying to get into "the spotlight" and proclaimed "the wonder is that anybody pays any attention to him." The Kingsport Times published an editorial insisting any senatorial investigation into Tyson's campaign was "the height of absurdity." "The implied charge is ridiculous upon its face," the Times thundered.

Dr. Neal pressed K. D. McKellar to force an investigation into Tyson's campaign spending, a plea the senator rejected. McKellar wrote Neal stating the perennial candidate needed to provide proof of his allegations. Senator McKellar also revealed the source of Neal's dislike of L. D. Tyson. "And to be truthful, I have understood that your animosity toward Senator Tyson grows out of an unfortunate" editorial published by the Knoxville Sentinel when the newspaper had been owned by Tyson.

John R. Neal was, in truth, little more than a minor irritant, although his charges bore some hint of truth. L. D. Tyson likely did exceed the law then in place on campaign expenditures.

Senator Tyson largely ignored Neal and was more

interested in the Senate debate on a treaty to ban the use of poisonous gas in the time of war. As a former general, L. D. Tyson spoke with more authority than most members of the U. S. Senate. Tyson said the support for the treaty came almost entirely from pacifists, a point of view the Tennessee senator did not much appreciate as practical. "My idea of war is to make it effective," Tyson said on the Senate floor. "Every organization I know of connected with the World War is against ratification of the treaty." Tyson said he had personally talked to "many, many men" who had fought in the First World War and "knew something about it and every one of them is against" the proposed treaty. Senator Tyson pointed to opposition from the American Legion. "At the last session of the American Legion, a resolution was passed against the ratification of this treaty," Tyson said. "I believe it will be a very serious and grave mistake if we pass this treaty."

Apparently readers of Tennessee newspapers always found the holiday plans of their elected representatives of interest. Most of Tennessee's Congressional delegation went home to Tennessee for the Christmas holidays in 1926. Senator McKellar remained in Washington, while Senator and Mrs. Tyson divided their time between their daughter's home in Virginia and visiting the senator's mother in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Tyson returned to the Senate where he pressed for action on his bill to aid the retirement of emergency officers. Senator Tyson's push drew the attention of Senator David A. Reed of Pennsylvania. Both men had fought in the World War; Tyson, of course served as general, while Reed had attained the rank of major. The two debated back and forth, with Tyson irritated enough to shake his finger at Senator Reed. Tyson finally got consent to have an hour of debate the following day reserved for his legislation. Tyson

was less successful in stemming the tide of words the next day when his motion failed by seven votes in the Senate.

Congress adjourned on March 4, 1926 and Senator L. D. Tyson told John D. Erwin, the Washington correspondent for the Nashville Tennessean, he would remain in the nation's Capitol for a few weeks before heading home to Knoxville. Senator McKellar was leaving for Tennessee, traveling by automobile so he could make numerous stops throughout the Volunteer State along the way home to Memphis. McKellar was up for reelection in 1928 and likely wanted to use the recess to bolster his own popularity in the state. Senator McKellar's itinerary included stops in Bristol, Johnson City, Greeneville, Morristown and Knoxville. Lawrence D. Tyson would not face the voters again until 1930 and felt no pressure to travel the state. He would leave the operation of his Senate office in Washington to his administrative assistant, Major J. G. Sims.

Both McKellar and Tyson seemed popular enough and the Elizabethton Star published an editorial praising the work done by the former general in Congress. While the Star thought it "unfortunate" that Tyson was a Democrat, the newspaper noted he was indeed a "war hero" and steadily gaining influence in the United States Senate despite being just two years into his freshman term of office. The Star thought Senator Tyson exemplified a particular quality much prized by East Tennesseans: that of "gumption."

Lawrence D. Tyson certainly did have gumption and he was enjoying his work in the U. S. Senate. There seemed to be little threat to his continued tenure in office, but few realized the ultimate threat looming over the General. Tyson had barely two years left to live.

# Getting to know Charlie Rhodarmer

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encouraged me to find a job which I felt was rewarding and that I enjoyed more so than for the paycheck. There has been a day or two, I wished they would have pushed me to be a doctor. And then I think to myself: would I want me to operate on me? Oh no! I'm certainly enjoying walking down the path that I have started.

**Where were you born and how did you come to East Tennessee?**

I was born in Asheville, North Carolina and raised in Canton. Back in 2000, I was working at the National Scouting Museum in Murray, Kentucky. One morning the director walked into the staff meeting and announced that the museum was closing its doors at the end of the season and we were to pack all the artifacts up and move. But he didn't say where we were locating to. I called a contact at the national office in Dallas and asked if he knew where we were going.

He told me that that was the biggest secret in the national office and no one was to say a word. He then said that he was told to clean out the office building next door. I certainly thanked him. I love the Boy Scouts, but not enough to move to Dallas, Texas. I'd heard about the position at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum the previous week. I got in touch with Maxwell D. Ramsey, the chairman, and we met for an interview. And I've been here since July 2000.

**What are your hopes for our region?**

My hope for this region is that it does not become overdeveloped. When I go back to Western North Carolina, so many areas have built all over the mountains. People don't come to look at houses, they come to look at mountains. Change is always inevitable, but we need to plan for that change. For me the environment or historical sites should be preserved and or restored. Recently some friends and I went to Savannah to do some living history. During our free time we went to the historical sections of Savannah. I don't remember any of our group wanting to go visit the mall. But

hey we were all History Geeks!

**What is your main hobby or interest in your private life?**

My hobby is living history. For those that may not understand living history, typically you dress in period-correct clothes or uniform and generally you travel to an event and set up a period-correct camp. Spend the night and talk to the general public about that particular site or time over the weekend. Currently some of the events that I've been involved in is at Sergeant York's State Historic Area doing World War I. Participating at Fort Loudoun State Historic Area doing the French and Indian War. Last year I was involved in some events in Texas with the Texas Independence portraying 1762 Lieutenant Henry Timberlake in London with the three Cherokee head-men.

Being involved in living history has provided me the opportunity to meet some really incredible people and develop great friendships. One of the highlights of an event after the public is gone, is just sitting around the fire and talking about history. It's one of those million-dollar moments! Probably one of the most exciting things I've done in living history has been driving reproduction German tanks and working on a functioning German 88 mm artillery piece. It's incredible to see how powerful those flak guns were and still are!

One of my uncles was a pilot of a B-24, he was wounded by flak from a German 88. Over hostile territory they would use lighters to signal the planes next to them. My uncle had set his lighter on the dashboard of the cockpit, when one round jarred the plane and the lighter fell to the floor. When he bent over to pick the lighter up flak took out the back part of his seat. He got some pieces of flak in his backside. But if he had been leaning back in the seat, it would have killed him.

**What do you see as your main accomplishments in life?**

My main accomplishments, personally, to be a good son, family member and to be a good friend. Professionally, to preserve

the past and a hand it down to the next generation.

**How do you think other people see you?**

I hope as a history nerd! But more than likely, a little off. The reason I don't have a problem with the way people see me, is that my parents raised me to not let other people's opinions bother me or affect me. The most important opinion is your own. Even in high school, I had no problem wearing a kilt or wooden shoes to school. To my friends, I hope they see me as a good friend.

**If you had to do one thing over in your life what would that be?**

I like the way my life has gone and is going. I don't think I would do anything over. I don't have any regrets. There are some things I'm not proud of, but even those events helped me grow.

**You wear many hats (and outfits). Why so and tell me about the re-enactors and other organizations you are involved in.**

As I mentioned earlier I just seem to have always loved history. I had two different aunts who gave me their husbands' World War I uniforms when I was in elementary school. Those uniforms led me to wanting to learn and experience more. Mr. Judge Fox introduced me to gun and military shows. He also introduced me to a Civil War artillery reenactment group at the age of 15.

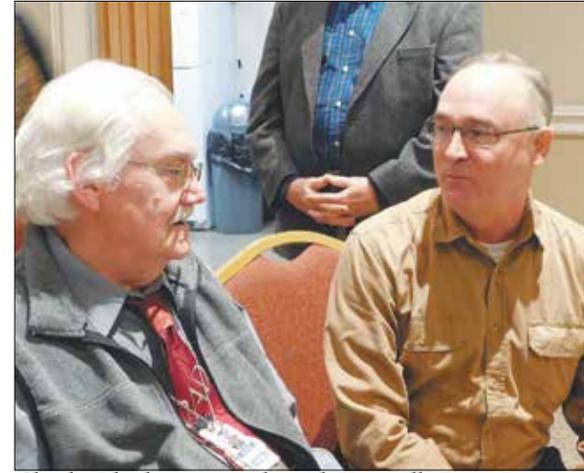
At 18 I went into the real army. I ended up in the 82nd Airborne Division as a paratrooper in the field artillery. For several years after, I pretty much had enough of sleeping on the ground and loud noises. But during an internship with the U.S. Marshals office in Asheville, I met several folks interested in the American Revolution.

So after several months, we started a re-enactment group, the Catawba Militia. In that group we visited Fort Loudoun State Historic Area, a French and Indian War site. Around 1988 I joined the Independent Company of South Carolina garrisoning Fort Loudoun. This group has been kind of the mainstay or the place I always come back to.

In my professional life, I've lived in a number of different places; but I

always came back to Fort Loudoun. And now I work across the street. I don't know really why, but I really enjoy the French and Indian War period. Also during college I found the Scottish Tartans Museum in Highlands, North Carolina. I began to volunteer and was influenced by people about Highland folkways and Highland dress. I have Scottish uniforms and outfits that spanned three centuries. My love of history has led to four trips to Scotland, three trips to Nova Scotia, a trip to France to participate in the bicentennial of the French Revolution. Also recently, I went to London with a number of my friends, portraying Lieutenant Henry Timberlake who went to London in 1762 and 1765. He escorted two different groups of Cherokee, and we re-enacted parts of their visit over this past New Year's.

Over the last 35 years, I've been involved in historical events from the 1745 Rebellion (both sides), the French and Indian War (British and Highlander), the American Revolution (both sides), the Regency period (Civilian and Military), The War of 1812 (both sides), the Texas War for Independence (Tennessean in Texas), the Civil War (both sides), World War I (German, Scottish and US), World War II (US, German and British), Korea



Charlie Rhodarmer speaks with Knoxville Focus Reporter Mike Steely. Rhodarmer is a man of many hats including being Director of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tn.

(US), Vietnam (US) and I've even re-enacted when I served in the 82nd Airborne Division in the 1980s. The first step is admitting you have a problem! No problem, it has been fun and educational!

**If you chose one thing in your position that is very satisfactory what would that be?**

At the museum or at a living history event, what I find very satisfactory is when you see in a young person's eyes, they get it! You see their eyes light up. When you tell them something they didn't know or something they didn't quite understand and it becomes clear for them. It's a wonderful feeling. I've been at several events where we were doing layouts of equipment and we would have veterans come through. It's an incredible feeling when

you put a piece of equipment or let them put on parts of a uniform and you see then revert back to the days of their youth, when they served in the military.

**What's your favorite meal or place to dine?**

Boyd's Jig and Reel in The Old City. It certainly is the best Scottish Pub in the US! Great food, great music, great friends and an incredible atmosphere! And on occasion I have to get my German fix at the Linderhof or the Schulz Brau. Here in Vonore it would be Cielito Lindo Mexican Grill or Pizzeria Venti.

**How would you like to be remembered?**

As a good friend. That I did my best to preserve and remember the past and to hand it to the next generation. And that I had fun doing it!



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## HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TIME

# Fussell fuels CAK girls' semifinal win over Northpoint



PHOTO BY KATRINA WIENS / K. WIENS PHOTOGRAPHY

The CAK Lady Warriors celebrate their win over Northpoint Christian Friday in the TSSAA Division II-A state semifinals.

By Steve Williams

The Christian Academy of Knoxville girls picked up the slack for their ailing leader.

Senior standout Claire Brock played 26 minutes but could only produce two points in CAK's 47-39 semifinal win over Northpoint Christian Friday in the TSSAA Division II-A state basketball tournament at Nashville. Senior teammate Ellie Fussell stepped up big for the Lady Warriors.

"Tonight was a whole team effort," said CAK Coach Abby Williams. "Claire had been sick all night and morning, and did more than I expected of her

today. We weren't sure she would even play a minute. Ellie stepped up and understood what her team needed from her and she delivered."

Fussell scored a team-high 16 points and hit 9 of 11 free throws at Lipscomb University's Allen Arena. Caroline Meyers contributed 13 points on 5 of 7 shooting from the field and collected five rebounds.

"Caroline had one of the best games I've seen from her," said Williams. "She was the spark we needed on both ends of the floor and dominated inside."

CAK (26-5) also got seven points each from Hannah Carroll and

Kennedy Smith. Carroll also pulled down five rebounds.

The Lady Warriors made just 1 of 7 attempts behind the arc but sank 14 of 19 foul shots.

Amara McKay stood out for the Lady Trojans (26-8) with 20 points, making 9 of 13 field goal attempts. Northpoint, however, made only 2 of 6 free throws.

The contest was tied 29-all heading into the fourth period. Mackenna Mzingo's layup with 7:41 on the clock gave CAK the lead.

The Lady Warriors kept the lead but saw Northpoint cut the deficit to two

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# Bearden Turns Back Oak Ridge Runs, Wins 65-51

By David Klein

In the Regional 2AAA Championship game last Thursday, February 28, at Oak Ridge, the Bearden Bulldogs used effective defense to turn back the Oak Ridge Wildcats each time the Wildcats made a run to defeat Oak Ridge 65-51. Shamarcus Brown led the Bulldogs with 20 points followed by Ques Glover's 16 points.

Bearden led the entire game, jumping out of the gate to a 18-5 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Wildcats cut the Bulldogs' lead to 22-17, but the Bulldogs went back to work on defense to hold a 31-25 halftime lead.

Every time the Wildcats made a run, Bearden answered the call on defense and used its defense to create offense.

"I wasn't too worried about us when they made their runs," Bearden Head Coach Jeremy Parrott said. "I thought we settled down. I was o.k. with the way the game was going. You always worry about a team that's at home, and they get hot and things get going their way. But our guys have been in a lot of games and a lot of tough situations and always managed them really well so I relied on them and they did well."

Glover said, "I feel like we did a pretty good job of stopping their playmakers. Going into the year our goal was to win the district championship and also win the region, so it's just another step to get to the state tournament and I'm proud we did it



PHOTO BY LUTHER SIMMONS

Bearden guard Trent Stephney looks to shoot inside as Oak Ridge sophomore center Jonathan Milloway defends in the Region 2-AAA championship game Thursday night. The Bulldogs pulled away for a 65-51 victory.

as a team."

In the third quarter, Brown's three-point play pushed the Bulldogs' lead out to 45-31 with 3:28 left in the quarter. Oak Ridge made a brief run to cut Bearden's lead to five after forcing four Bulldogs' turnovers in a row, but Bearden steadied the ship as Trent Stephney scored a layup at the buzzer to put Bearden up 50-40 going into the fourth quarter.

Bearden continued to build its lead in the fourth quarter as 6'10 senior Drew Pember continued to be a shot-blocking force down low. Pember bailed out his

perimeter teammates on defensive breakdowns and also put the exclamation point on the Bulldogs' win with a thunderous dunk.

"It was gritty," Pember said of Bearden's defensive effort. "They're a very athletic team; we're a little bit bigger than them. We have a little bit more length so Coach Parrott told us to rely on that a little bit, play help side (defense), be there for each other. I think we were gritty and tough as a team which helped down the stretch."

Oak Ridge Head Coach Aaron Greene

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# Spartans shoot down CPA 69-47 in Division II-A semis

By Steve Williams

Webb School's boys smelled blood in the water.

Their semifinal opponent in the TSSAA Division II-A state basketball tournament was without its top player, 6-3 senior point guard Bryce McCormick, who had suffered an ankle injury earlier in the week in a quarterfinal win over Grace Christian.

Webb Coach Ricky Norris decided to "push the tempo" and that strategy plus outstanding shooting propelled the Spartans to their 69-47 semifinal win over Christ Presbyterian Academy at Lipscomb University's Allen Arena in Nashville Friday.

"I thought our first half was really good," said Norris. "We controlled the game most of the way."

Webb (29-6) jumped out to an 18-7 lead in the opening eight minutes and increased its advantage to 20 points (39-19) by halftime.

The sizzling Spartans connected on 16 of 23 field goal attempts in the middle quarters and finished the game making 63 percent of their field goal attempts. They also hit 7 of 15 shots from behind the arc.

"Shooting has been one of our strengths this season," said Norris. "We're difficult to guard when we take good shots and share the ball."

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Fulton High players and cheerleaders celebrate the Falcons' 59-56 win over Austin-East in the Region 2-AA basketball championship game Thursday night at Gatlinburg-Pittman.

## A-E - FULTON ROUND 4: Falcons prevail again, 59-56, in another epic

By Bill Howard

This past Dec. 8, Fulton High School's boys' basketball team beat Austin-East 77-68. Four weeks later, the Roadrunners returned the favor 52-40 in Round 2.

On Feb. 19, the District 4-AA rivals played Round 3 for the district championship. Unsurprisingly, the back-and-forth affair went down to the wire, as Fulton won 61-59 on a jumper by Tommy Sweat that just beat the final buzzer.

The teams were probably destined to meet yet again - in Round 4 - for the Region 2-AA championship, and on Feb. 28 at Gatlinburg-Pittman High School, that's exactly what happened.

As expected, the game didn't disappoint. Led by Tournament MVP Deshawn Page's 15 points and seven rebounds, the Falcons (25-4) overcame a late, seven-point deficit to win 59-56, to add the regional championship to their district title. Jaiohn Foster's three-point attempt to tie it bounced away at the final horn.

Falcons' coach Jody Wright thought his squad's late toughness was the difference.

"That was just a typical Fulton-A-E game," said Wright. "Came down to a couple possessions late. Dominic Holland made a good strong finish there. I'm proud of our guys for how tough we were."

The game wasn't real pretty. The play was physical and scrappy, and both teams committed numerous turnovers. A-E had a decisive 9-0 advantage in blocks, as well as slight advantages in both assists and steals.

Where the Roadrunners (23-5) arguably lost the game was at the free throw line, where they made only three of nine attempts. Fulton connected on eight of 12.

Roadrunners' coach Marcus Stanton didn't mince words in explaining why his team didn't hold its late lead. "We made crucial mistakes down the stretch," Stanton said. "We got veteran players that are doing things that are just not what we do. We played selfish down the stretch. It was a selfish team down the stretch. In the beginning of the game we played as a team and passed the ball around. We didn't do that in the second half. We started playing one-on-one basketball."

The first half was characterized by momentum swings. Down 4-2, Fulton ran off seven straight points to lead 9-4. A pair of layups by A-E brought the Roadrunners to 9-8. JaShaun Fenderson's layup gave the Falcons an 11-8 lead after one.

In the second, Fulton extended the lead to 13-8 on a layup by Page, but A-E tied it on a jumper by KaJuan Bullard and a trey by LaRon Dixon. The Falcons then ran off nine straight points to take their biggest lead, 22-13.

After trading buckets, an eight-point run by the Roadrunners tied the game yet again. Connor Haskell's layup with one second left gave Fulton a 26-24 lead at intermission.

"I told 'em at half we gotta be the tougher team," said Wright. "We had to be the tougher team and I felt like late in the game we were."

An 11-6 run in the third gave A-E a 42-35 lead with 1:23 left, but the

final minute of the quarter might have changed the game. After a three-point play by Haskell, Fulton inbounded the ball at midcourt with four seconds left. Point guard Edward Lacey got the ball, took two steps past the midcourt line, and let it fly. The ball banked in, and A-E's lead after three was but a single point.

A 7-0 run in the fourth gave A-E a 53-46 lead with 3:39 left. But down the stretch Page and Holland took control for the Falcons. A three-point play and put-back by Page, and consecutive layups by Holland gave Fulton its first lead since early in the half, 57-56.

An A-E turnover led to two free throws by Lacey, setting up Fosters missed final attempt.

"They were up six there but we got some stops," said Wright. "They missed a couple one-and-ones which helped. Late in the game you gotta get stops and you gotta rebound."

Lacey and Trey West each chipped in 11 for Fulton. The Roadrunners were led by Dixon and Ronney Pierson with 14 each.

Bullard, Dixon, and Pierson made the All Tournament team for A-E. Fulton was represented by Lacey, Holland, and MVP Page.

Both teams will play tonight (Mar. 4) in the sectionals. Fulton, state champions three years ago and runner-up in 2015 and last year, hosts Johnson Co., while A-E travels to Greeneville. The winners head to Murfreesboro for the state tournament starting Mar. 13.

"We can go as far our toughness takes us," said Wright.

## Bearden falls, ending Region 2-AAA semifinals

By Ken Lay

OAK RIDGE --- Bearden High School girls basketball coach Justin Underwood may have seen his team's season end on a bitter note early last week.

But the veteran coach was a bit reflective and had plenty of good things to say about his 2019 squad.

"I told the girls that I was proud of them," Underwood said after his team fell 50-43 to Oak Ridge in the Region 2-AAA Semifinals on Monday, Feb. 25 before a packed and spirited house at Wildcat Arena. "I'm a blessed man to coach these girls and to work at a great school.

"It stinks to lose but these girls have set the bar so high at Bearden High School. I told these girls that I would go down with them anytime."

Bearden, which reached the Class AAA semifinals in 2018, saw its season end early. But the Lady Bulldogs (27-4) appeared poised to make their second state tournament appearance in three seasons.

Bearden opened a 39-35 lead when junior center Jakhya Davis scored with 4 minutes, 55 seconds remaining in the contest.

But that would be Bearden's final field goal of the season. The Lady Bulldogs scored just four points after that and all came from the free throw line.

"In any game, you have some possessions that you'd like to have back," Underwood said. "Some shots didn't fall and sometimes, we didn't get exactly where we needed to be on defense.

"You just had two great teams out there. You had two great defenses out there getting after each other."

The Lady Wildcats (31-2) would eventually win the region tournament title when they outlasted Maryville Wednesday night.

The Lady Bulldogs got off to a fast start in the semifinals and opened a 5-2 lead when Davis, who finished with 18 points, converted a layup just past the midway point of the opening frame.

Davis accounted for all of Bearden's offense in the first quarter but Oak Ridge closed the period with a 7-0 run and opened a 9-5 advantage.

The Lady Wildcats maintained the upper hand in the second quarter of this roller coaster ride of a defensive struggle.

But the Lady Bulldogs pulled to within 19-18 by half-time thanks to a bucket by Zneyah McLaughlin with 51.9 seconds remaining until halftime.

The battle continued with Oak Ridge holding a 33-30 lead heading to the final eight minutes.

Bearden outscored 10-4 to open the fourth quarter but it would go cold and Oak Ridge's Jada Guinn came alive. She scored eight of her game-high 21 points in the frame.

"They went cold and Jada decided that she wanted to play," Oak Ridge coach Paige Redman said. "They got too many offensive rebounds early but we did a good job rebounding and holding them to one shot in the fourth quarter.

For Underwood and the Lady Bulldogs, it was the end of a truly magical season.

"We went 27-4 and we won the regular-season district championship and we had a 17-game winning streak, so it was a good season and I'm proud of these girls."

## New coach to oversee rebuild for Catholic softball

By Ken Lay

When Catholic High School hits the softball diamond it will have a new coach and she comes to the Lady Irish after winning a Class AAA State Championship.

Lindsay Rakes, who won a state title as Powell High School's pitching coach in 2018, takes the helm for the Lady Irish. She replaces Sarah Bailey, who left for Alcoa after last season.

Rakes, a Halls High School graduate, spent time as pitching coach at her alma mater before heading west on Emory Road and joining coach Jeff Inman's staff.

At Catholic, she inherits a program that won just eight games last season. But she's looking to put those days in the rear view mirror. The Lady Irish will compete in District 4-AAA this season before moving to Division II-AA in 2020 and rebuilding in any district is a tall order, but District 4-AAA is going to make that challenge even tougher for Catholic, which has to battle well-established foes such as Farragut, Hardin Valley Academy, Maryville, William Blount and Heritage.

Lenoir City can also be dangerous and Bearden looks to continue its upward trend while West High has struggled in recent years.

"We play in a really tough district," said Rakes, who is one of two new coaches in the league this year along with Farragut's Nick Green.

Where the Lady Irish end up remains a mystery but Rakes certainly has no complaints with her new team.

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## Spartans shoot down CPA 69-47 in Division II-A semis

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But Norris was asked if he had ever had a team shoot so well in the state tournament.

"Probably not," he chuckled.

Emory Lanier led the way with 18 points and didn't miss from the field in eight attempts. Luke Burnett contributed 12 points. Charlie Wyrick added nine and was 4 for 5. Tariq Daughton and David Sanger chipped in seven points each.

Jordan Dewalt (10) was the only CPA player to score in double digits. The Lions (26-11) committed 16 turnovers.

Webb was scheduled to play Tip-ton-Rosemark (23-8) in the finals Saturday night. The Rebels rallied past Webb School of Bell Buckle 67-62 in the semis.

The Spartans, making their 13th appearance in the state tournament, were looking for their first gold ball. They lost to Grace Christian in last season's title game.



PHOTO BY KATRINA WIENS / K. WIENS PHOTOGRAPHY

Webb School Head Coach Ricky Norris gives directions to his team in the Spartans' 69-47 win over Christ Presbyterian Academy in the TSSAA Division II-A game Friday.

# HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS NOTEBOOK

## Hardin Valley teams take second in state indoor track

By Steve Williams

Hardin Valley Academy's girls and boys teams each placed second in this year's Tennessee State High School Indoor Track Meet. In the girls' team scoring, Brentwood took top honors with 45.5 points, while Hardin Valley was runner-up with 39 points.

The Hawks scored 28 points, finishing two points behind boys team champion Whitehaven. Knoxville Catholic came in third place with 26 points. The meet was held Feb. 23 at Vanderbilt in Nashville.

Ellie Bachmann, a junior, was the top point-getter for the Hardin Valley girls as she won the 800 run in a meet record time of 2:13.70. The Lady Hawks' 4x400-meter relay had a second-place showing.

HVA sophomore Dominique Romain came in fourth in the 60 dash and freshman Madison Romain was fourth in the 400. Hardin Valley also got fourth-place points from its distance medley and junior Sidney Wallace in the triple jump.

Senior Kensi Gray added a fifth place in the 800 and junior Anjonae Benson contributed a fifth place in the weight throw.

HVA's boys took first place in the 4x400-meter relay.

The Hawks also got a third-place showing by senior Miguel Parrilla in the 800 run.

Hardin Valley junior Kelton Gunn was fifth in the 400 dash and freshman Kaden Keller fifth in the 2-mile run. In the weight throw, HVA picked up points from junior Luke Filipkowski and sophomore Ian Salyer, who placed fourth and fifth, respectively.

**AUSTIN-EAST SOFTBALL:** Willie Anderson has taken on a challenge as the new head coach of the Lady Roadrunners and a program he says hasn't tasted victory in "something like 15 years."

Anderson, who retired in 2016 from his Knox County Schools' position as Contract Administrator for the Facilities Department, overseeing construction and renovation of schools, is now going to try to build a softball program.

"The thing about it," he said before his first practice last week, "it's not where you've been, it's where you're going. We're going to try to start a new streak - a winning streak."

Austin-East's season opener is scheduled for March 12 against Jellico at Claude Walker Field.

"We won't lose because

of a lack of desire, because these girls want to compete," said Anderson.

**COMING ON STRONG:** Drew Pember, Bearden's 6-10 senior wing, who missed a lot of early season action recovering from a foot injury, was impressive in last week's Region 2-AAA tournament.

In the quarterfinal win over Central, the UT signee's game stats included 14 points, 6-7 FGs, 2-2 FTs, 10 rebounds, three assists and six blocks.

Pember also was a force in the Bulldogs' title win over Oak Ridge, releasing outlet passes for fastbreak scores, rejecting at least six Wildcat shots and stuffing a pass from Ques Glover for two points as the Bulldogs pulled away in the final period.

**BRIGHT FUTURE:** Catholic Coach Mike Hutchens will have a lot of talent coming back in the 2019-20 season, including 6-9 Akeem Odusipe and 6-11 Handje Tamba plus talented young guards like BJ Edwards, Sam Sompayrac and Presley Patterson.

Odusipe, who will be a senior, scored 17 of his game-high 19 points in the second half in the Irishmen's 65-58 semifinal loss to Oak Ridge in the Region

2-AAA tournament.

Tamba, only a freshman, appears to have made a lot of progress this season. Edwards, a freshman, scored 10 points in the season finale, after having a triple double (34 points, 13 rebounds and 11 assists) in a quarterfinal win over Clinton. Patterson, also a freshman, tallied 13 in the loss to Oak Ridge.

Catholic, which defeated Maryville in the District 4-AAA semifinals, finished the season 25-7.

**PREPS OF THE PAST:** Ten years ago, on March 3, 2009 -- Carter knocked off Austin-East 72-70 in double overtime in the Region 2-AA semifinals at Fulton. The stunner ended A-E's season and put the Hornets in the finals against Fulton and guaranteed Coach Tony Buell's team a sectional berth.

Senior guard Landry Stanton scored 19 points to lead Carter (20-10), with 16 of them coming in the fourth period and the two OTs. Sophomore Lester Wilson added 16. Joe Meady and Zach Ballinger each hit a free throw in the closing seconds for the final margin.

A-E's Brandon Lopez missed a long 3-pointer as time expired. Chance Jones tallied a game-high 20 for the Roadrunners (26-2).



Akeem Odusipe, Catholic's 6-9 power forward, will be among returning starters for the Irishmen next season.



Every possession became crucial in the Region 2-AAA semifinal game between Bearden and Maryville. On this play, the Rebels' Emilio Cornelio (left) and the Bulldogs' Drew Pember hit the floor in pursuit of the basketball, while Trent Stephney (1) eyes it, too. Bearden survived and advanced.

## McClerkin 'hyped' about upcoming softball season

By Ken Lay

When Angelica McClerkin arrived to take the reins of the Bearden High School softball team four years ago, she inherited a program in shambles.

The school unceremoniously dumped coach Leonard Sams after he took the Lady Bulldogs to their first-ever Class AAA State Tournament. When Sams left, most of his players followed him out the door.

McClerkin took over and the program has shown slow but steady improvement under her leadership and now the coach has her first-ever senior class that has spent four years with her.

Bearden has four seniors, including Rachel Colwell, Jersey Patterson, Shakara Goodloe and Alexis Prince and those veteran players were there when the team was going through some off its leanest times.

"I'm really proud of these girls," McClerkin said. "They really stuck it out and they took some lumps."

"I'm excited and I'm hyped for the season."

Things won't be easy in District 4-AAA. They never are when you compete against the likes of Farragut, Hardin Valley Academy, William Blount, Maryville, Heritage, Catholic and Lenoir City.

"We play in the toughest district to come out of," McClerkin said. "I'm just looking for us to compete and I'm looking forward to seeing our girls come together as

one. I'm their biggest cheerleader.

"Our biggest strength is how the girls can build each other up but we need to work on our consistency. We need to become more consistent on both sides of the ball."

Top returners for the Lady Bulldogs include Colwell (pitcher/first baseman); Goodloe (outfielder); Patterson (pitcher/catcher/shortstop); Prince (first baseman); Christina Kosier; Emma Davis (junior, third baseman); Holly Craddock (junior, second baseman); Katie Murphy (junior, outfielder); (junior, pitcher/utility player) and Avery Perkins (sophomore, second baseman/outfielder).

Key newcomers are: Laney Barber (a freshman who will move to the outfielder after playing in the infield on her youth teams); Nicole Couvertierre (freshman, outfielder); Bradynn Belcher (freshman, catcher); Braelyn Risher (freshman, infielder) Abigail Mutta (freshman, outfielder) and Whitney Carr (freshman, pitcher/first baseman/third baseman).

Bearden has four pitchers this season including three (Colwell, Patterson and Kosier) with varsity experience but McClerkin will not name an ace.

"We are a pitching staff," she said. "This may be the last year that we have four of them."

The Lady Bulldogs will open their 2018 campaign at home against District 4-AAA rival West High on Monday, March 11.

## New coach inherits veteran squad at Farragut

By Ken Lay

As the 2019 high school softball season looms, Farragut High School is preparing for what it hopes is another successful campaign.

One face has left the program as David Moore, the longtime coach, retired after last season. But his replacement is no stranger to the program, which is now in the hands of longtime assistant Nick Green.

The Lady Admirals won the District 4-AAA regular-season championship before finishing second in the postseason tournament. Farragut qualified for the Region 2-AAA Tournament where it dropped a heartbreaker to eventual Class AAA State Champion Powell.

While the head coach may be new to his position, the Lady Admirals who finished 26-9 overall and 15-1 in the district, have several returning veterans, including three pitchers who saw time in the circle in 2018.

"With our returners, I'm hoping not to coach quite as much this year, Green said. "We have several juniors and seniors

who have played a lot. We're pretty well-rounded and we'll have a little more depth this year.

The trio of returning pitchers includes: Lakyn Moore (a senior who hurled a pair of no-hitters against West High last season and is a four-year letterman); Cameron Young (a sophomore who could also see time at third base) and junior Abigail Greene.

Incoming freshman Avery Flatford will add depth in the circle.

Pitching and defense have long been staples for the Lady Admirals and Green doesn't expect it to change.

"I think we'll play good defense this year and we have good pitchers back," he said.

Hitting may be cause for concern early. Farragut lost last year's lead-off hitter Andrea Sarhatt to graduation and Kelsie Tuggle, one of the county's top power hitters, also graduated in 2018.

"I don't know if we'll steal a lot of bases and we don't have that one hitter in the lineup that can hit 10 or 11 home runs. We have some

hitters who may hit one or two," Green said.

Other key returners for Farragut include Katie Tuggle (junior, catcher); Bailey Myers (junior, infielder); Devon Weller (junior, second baseman); Emily Littrakis (junior, first baseman); Anna Lynn (junior, outfielder); Joely Gruhn (senior, outfielder); Jordan Kanipe (sophomore, outfielder) and Kaleigh Taylor (sophomore, outfielder).

Top newcomers include: Flatford; Kallie Overcash (a junior third baseman who transferred from South Carolina); Lauren Brakovec (freshman, first baseman); Vivian Boles (freshman, second baseman/shortstop); Emily Musco (a freshman infielder who is recovering from a major knee injury); Sarah Livingston (freshman, outfielder); Ace Strickland (freshman, outfielder); Autumn Caywood (freshman, catcher) and Kelsie Orricko (freshman, catcher).

The Lady Admirals will open the season at home on Monday, March 11 against Morrystown East. First pitch is slated for 5:30 p.m.

The award is based on Attitude, Careacter, Grades, Community Service and Performance as a Person.

- BOYS BASKETBALL**  
(Weeks 7 and 8 Honorees)
- Austin-East - Wesley Allen
  - Bearden - Drew Pember
  - Berean Christian - Cameron Shelton
  - CAK - Turner Heitzman
  - Carter - Ty Hurst
  - Catholic - Hanje Tamba
  - Central - Greg Moore

- Concord Christian - Owen Prince
- Farragut - Andrew Howell
- First Baptist Academy - Bradley Miles
- Fulton - Dominic Holland
- Gibbs - Jackson Bradford
- Grace Christian - Luke Kirby
- Halls - Korey Mulberry
- Hardin Valley - Cade Huff
- Karns - Caleb Keeter
- Powell - Cole Judy

- Seymour - Brody Haynes
- South-Doyle - Quenton Carr
- TSD - Malcolm Williamson
- The King's Academy - Tommy Gange
- Webb - Tariq Daughton
- West - Will Eggleston
- Johnson University - Kenton Gullion

# LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS' COLLEGE SIGNEES

The following student-athletes signed college athletic scholarships on National Signing Day, Feb. 6, or since that date, according to athletic directors of local high schools.

The list also includes some football players who signed early in December and took part in a signing ceremony at their school in February.

## BEARDEN

Fred Cooper, Lindsey Wilson College, football

## CARTER

Colin Norton, Tusculum, football

## CATHOLIC

Max Suchomski, Mount St. Josephs, football

Kelsey Craighead, Randolph Macon College, swimming

Emma Kochanowski, Berry College, soccer

Adam Jones, Central Michigan, football (preferred walk-on)

## CENTRAL

Trafton Garner, Tennessee Wesleyan, track

Demetrien Johnson, Tennessee Tech, football

Xavier Washington, Tennessee Tech, football

Jalynn Clemons, University of the Cumberland, football

## CAK

Claire Brock, Emory University, basketball

Annie Lukens, Berry College, soccer

Annalise Cole, Wheaton College, softball  
Stewart Howell, UT-Martin, football  
Will Sterchi, Berry College, football  
Luke Simpson, Carson-Newman, football

Jack Flynn, Carson-Newman, football

## FARRAGUT

Tyler McKeefery, Ottawa University, wrestling

Brooke Thayer, Ohio State, dance

Caleb Kuhn, Wheaton College, football  
Kyle Carter, Wheaton College, football

Tanner Corum, Southern Illinois, football  
Isaiah Gibbs, UT-Martin, football

Jaden Gibbs, UT-Martin, football  
Ethan Gossage, Campbellsville, football

Joey Dietz, Carson-Newman, football  
Jake Parsons, Carson-Newman, football

Zach Lowe, Tennessee Wesleyan, soccer

Alec Arnold, King University, soccer  
Chase Lahr, Johns Hopkins, swimming

## FULTON

Deshawn Page, Marshall, football

J'Coryan Anderson, Marshall, football

Dashaun McKinney, ETSU, football  
Xavier Malone, University of Pikeville, football

Michael Hobby, University of Pikeville, football

JaShaun Fenderson, University of Pikeville, football

Jeryn Cole, Tusculum, football

Kenny Buley, Tusculum, football

Kevin Johnson, Union College, football

## GRACE CHRISTIAN

Wes Dorsey, Western Kentucky, football

## HALLS

Clayton Campbell, University of the Cumberland, soccer

Stanton Herd, Maryville College, football

## HARDIN VALLEY ACADEMY

Loch Hardin, Missouri Southern, football

Luke DeFur, Birmingham Southern, football

Grayson Vaughn, Birmingham Southern, football

## KARNS

Marique Lucas, University of the Cumberland, football

## POWELL

Riley Bryant, Lindsey Wilson College, football

Alvin Stacey, Bethel University, football  
Carson Sneed, University of the Cumberland, soccer

Jackson Young, University of the Cumberland, soccer

Ashley Harbison, Tusculum, soccer  
Abby Garrett, Maryville College, soccer

## SEYMOUR

Olivia McCarrell, University of the Cumberland, lacrosse

## SOUTH-DOYLE

Ton'Quez Ball, Tulane, football

Phoebe Deering, Maryville College, soccer

Braden Hickey, Cleveland State, baseball

Braden Jones, MTSU, baseball

## THE KING'S ACADEMY

Brandon Anderson, Maryville College, football

Drew Blair, Maryville College, football

## WEBB

Jahill Jefferson, UVa-Wise, football

Roderick Lewis, UVa-Wise, football

## WEST

William Savoy, University of the Cumberland, football

Will Eggleston, Wheaton College, football

Demarcus Nelson, Carson-Newman, football

Cedarius Bost, Georgetown College, football

Carter McAdoo, Maryville College, soccer

Anna Katherine Anderson, UT-Chattanooga, soccer

Shea DeGraaf, Southwest Missouri State, track

Brandon Langenberg, Roane State, baseball

Joey Miller, Hiwassee, baseball

Jake Wilkinson, King University, baseball  
Bailey Ensley, Maryville College, softball

Coleman Kredich, Duke, swimming  
Hunter Connell, Milligan College, cycling

*Note: Athletic Directors from the following schools reported they did not have anyone sign during the recent national signing period in February: Berean Christian, Career Magnet Academy, Concord Christian, First Baptist Academy, L&N STEM Academy, TSD.*

## Will Tennessee Get To The Final Four?

By Alex Norman

College basketball is tricky come tournament time. It's all about getting the right matchups at the right time. Amongst the programs that have never been to a Final Four, Tennessee is one of the winningest programs out there.

But this year seems to be their best shot at finally cracking that glass ceiling.

This Vols team is experienced. They are unselfish. They have a coach that will someday be in the Hall of Fame. They spent four weeks at the top of the national rankings.

But in recent weeks there are some disturbing signs that don't necessarily give Vols fans confidence that a trip to Minneapolis is one they'll be able to take.

First of all, that feeling of invincibility was lost when their 19 game win streak was snapped during a 76-59 loss at fifth-ranked Kentucky. It was the Vols first defeat since the day after Thanksgiving, when they fell in overtime to then second-ranked Kansas.

"We were phonies tonight," Tennessee star forward Grant Williams said after the loss to the Wildcats.

"It really is very disappointing," said Tennessee head coach Rick Barnes. "And plain and simple, they beat us every way you could be beaten."

The Vols didn't learn their lesson as a week later they lost 82-80 in overtime at thirteenth-ranked LSU. This was a bizarre contest, one with phantom calls and a referee that was later outed on social media as possibly being an LSU fan. A few years ago he posted a picture of himself holding an LSU t-shirt and typed "Geaux Tigers."

But the big issue was Tennessee's defense. LSU guard Ja'vonte Smart torched the Vols for a career high 29 points, driving into the lane time and time again.

On offense, the Vols got to the free throw line 16 times to LSU's 31. Yes, you can blame the awful officiating if you like, but Tennessee must find ways to get to the free throw line. Grant Williams was at the line 10 times in this game, with his teammates there for only six free throws. This has been a problem throughout the season, and one that could cost the Vols once tournament play begins.

With three losses as of the writing

of this article and a tough finishing regular season stretch, plus the SEC tournament, there is no guarantee that Tennessee is going to be a one seed in the NCAA tournament, and that means the road to the Final Four could be more difficult.

But as we discussed earlier, it is all about the matchups.

Back in 2010, Tennessee was a six seed, yet got a break when three seed Georgetown was upset by Ohio. The Vols beat the Bobcats in the second round, then upset a team they knew very well (second seed Ohio State) on their way to the Elite 8.

In 2014, Tennessee barely got into the NCAA tournament, beating Iowa in a play in game. But then were blessed to play a weak six seed from UMass, and a fourteenth seed Mercer team that had upset third seed Duke. The Vols advanced to the Sweet 16, falling by only a bucket to seven seed Michigan.

Should the Vols finally get to a Final Four, they need to figure out some answers to their issues on offense and defense. And they'll need to get a little luck along the way.

Just like every year...

## The elimination games are the best at tournament time

The region semifinal game.

For years it has been my favorite high school basketball game to watch at tournament time.

Why that one you ask?

The finality of it, something the region finals doesn't have.

Lose in the region finals and you still have a berth in the Sectionals and a chance to advance to the state tournament.

Lose in the region semifinals and your season is over. There is no tomorrow.

That's why I went to Oak Ridge last Monday and Tuesday. I saw the Bearden girls' season end against Oak Ridge the first night and the Bearden boys' season live for another day the next night.

In Division II of TSSAA basketball, the state quarterfinal game is comparable to the region semifinal game in Division I. It too is an elimination game.

Perhaps you got to see Katrina Wiens' photograph in the Feb. 25 issue of The Focus. The thrill of winning could clearly be seen in the faces of the CAK Lady Warriors after they defeated University School of Jackson on their home court to secure a berth in the Division II Final Four in Nashville.

The Lady Bruins passed through Nashville that night on their long trip back home, after losing to CAK 62-59 in overtime. It was one of the most enjoyable games I've covered this season, because of the finality of it.

Fast forward to Oak Ridge



By Steve Williams

... I thought Jada Guinn's poise down the stretch was the difference in the Lady Wildcats' 50-43 win over Bearden. Her two clutch free throws

with three minutes to go gave Oak Ridge a lead (41-40) it never relinquished. The Tennessee Tech signee also calmly sank both ends of a 1 and 1 with 37.6 seconds on the clock to stretch a three-point lead to five.

The Bearden boys' win over Maryville was even more suspenseful. The Bulldogs looked sharp in building a 20-4 advantage in the first period.

Amazingly, the tough-minded Rebels caught up at 40-all with 5:20 left in the fourth period and would have taken the lead if 6-8 senior Elmo Gara had made a point-blank shot moments later. Sharpshooter Joe Anderson also missed a go-ahead 3-pointer on Maryville's next possession.

The Rebels were still within three points with 37.6 seconds on the clock, but Bearden's Shamarcus Brown got a huge offensive rebound after Ques Glover missed the front end of a 1 and 1. That sequence turned into an old fashion three-point play by Drew Pember and a more comfortable six-point advantage.

The final score of 55-43 didn't tell the story. The Bulldogs got a scare. Their dream almost became a nightmare.

Such a thing has been known to happen in a region semifinal game.

## Fussell fuels CAK girls' semifinal win

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on a jumper by McKay with 2:49 to go.

CAK responded with a game-deciding six-point run as Smith hit a jumper, Meyers a layup and Fussell two free throws. That gave the Lady Warriors an eight point command (45-37) with only 44 seconds left.

Christian Academy was scheduled to play Providence Christian

Academy (21-7) in the finals Saturday. PCA defeated Harding Academy 56-40 in the semis.

"It has been an unbelievable season and we are hoping to make history by bringing home a state championship Saturday," said Williams, who is in her first season as head coach at CAK.

The Lady Warriors lost in the semifinals in 2013, their only other state tourney appearance.



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CAK senior guard Ellie Fussell (3) steps up big in the Lady Warriors' 47-39 semifinal win over Northpoint Christian Friday in the TSSAA Division II-A tourney at Lipscomb University's Allen Arena.

## New coach to oversee rebuild for Catholic softball

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"These girls will run through a brick wall for me," she said. "They're absolutely great.

"It's definitely a rebuilding year but we have a lot of talent. It's just a matter of if we can piece together the puzzle. We have a lack of playing experience.

But we have a great work ethic. These girls will do anything it takes to win."

Top returners for Catholic include: Anne Carter (senior, third baseman/catcher); Emma Schaad (sophomore, pitcher/first baseman); Brianna Costello (sophomore, pitcher/second baseman); Emily Wilson (junior, outfielder) and Terra Schaeffer (junior, right fielder).

Those battle-tested veterans will be joined by some newcomers looking

to make an impact on Catholic's softball program including: Samaha Duffy (freshman, utility player); Kate Timbes (junior, center fielder); Sam Kaczmarek (junior, infielder); Laila Stempkowski (sophomore, infielder); Jodie Spangler (freshman, infielder); Emma Acord (freshman, infielder), Allison Freitag (sophomore, infielder); Sarah

Noe (freshman, outfielder); Sarah Morton (sophomore, infielder); Ana Hern (freshman, outfielder) and Sherylinn Sittniewski (sophomore, infielder).

The Lady Irish open their 2019 campaign against The King's Academy in Seymour on March 11 at 6 p.m. The Lady Lions won back-to-back Division II-A State Championships in 2016 and 2017.

## Bearden Turns Back Oak Ridge

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said. "Against a team like that, as talented as they are, you've got to play well for a long period of time. We'd probably play well for 4, 5-minute stretch here, 4, 5-minute stretch there. You just can't have those lapses against a team like that. and when you have

them, they make you pay for them."

Despite losing, Oak Ridge will play in a Class AAA State Sectional game at Sevier County tonight at 7 p.m. By winning the regional final, Bearden hosts King-sport Dobyns-Bennett in a Class AAA State Sectional game tonight at 7 p.m.



**The Doctor is in**

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

**Turning Homeward**

What was I thinking!? One of the things I love about Knoxville is that we have four seasons. I even like winter snow through the Holidays and perhaps January, but by February, I'm over it. So, I talked Becky and our friends, John and the Lady Di, into a winter cruise in the Southern Hemisphere, where February is their summertime. Perhaps, I was a bit disingenuous in my pitch. I did not remind them that if you go south far enough you arrive in Antarctica!

In last week's essay, I described how our group began retracing Ferdinand Magellan's epic voyage to find a short cut across South America to the riches of the Spice Islands. He finally found the shortcut that bears his name, but it was at the tip of South America rather than near the equator as he had hoped. We cruised the

same passage which connects the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, and the majestic fjords of the Beagle Channel, named for the ship which carried Darwin to the Galápagos Islands. It's hard to describe the beauty of the surrounding, rugged, snowcapped Patagonian mountains, scalloped by glaciers which extend to the channel's edge. So, I've added a picture to my inadequate prose.

When I talked Becky and our friends into a "southern" cruise, I emphasized the trip was of an adventure rather than lolling on a Caribbean beach. Fortunately, as we rounded Cape Horn, at latitude fifty-five degrees south and only 400 miles from Antarctica, they embraced our adventure to the "Deep South."

Weather in this part of the world is capricious and even in their late summer we experienced 39°F

temperatures and sleet in the Tierra de Fuego National Park, at Fin del Mundo (the end of the world) of Ushuaia, Argentina. A local axiom advises, "Don't let the weather ruin your day." And we didn't, seeing the sights and then warming up with a pint of local Beagle Ale with our friends. Amazingly, John's ESPN app allowed us watch the Tennessee-LSU basketball game from the bottom of the world! Even the loss didn't dampen our spirits... too much.

Cruise ships don't always tie up at a port's quay. Like Magellan, we sometimes used ship tenders (life boats) to ferry us ashore when the port was too shallow for a large vessel. Unfortunately, as we rounded Cape Horn the stormy Southern Ocean aborted our landing at the Falkland Islands because the sea was too rough for the tenders. As the philosopher Forrest Gump once said, "Stuff happens."

Some years ago, a Mediterranean storm caused my cruise ship to be diverted from Sicily to Tunisia in North Africa. I was disappointed, but on landing in North Africa, I was able to use my pidgin French to rent a cab and visit the ruins of ancient Carthage where Hannibal once stood

in the 2nd century BC! When you travel you have to be flexible and sometimes make lemonade from lemons.

No one wants to get sick, and this is especially true when traveling. One of my Fergisms holds, "It's bad to be sick, but it's worse to be sick far from home." Because cruise ships are large and carry numerous guests, viral gastroenteritis is a significant risk in confined populations. These days, hand disinfectant dispensers are now as common a feature on cruise ships as they are in hospitals.

People going on a cruise often ask me about sea sickness and available remedies. Interestingly, Magellan's crew experienced seasickness early in their voyage. Magellan's small caravel must have bobbed like a cork on the vast ocean's stormy waves. Our cruise ship is massive by comparison and is equipped with lateral stabilizers to minimize the rocking motion that makes some people sick.

Shifting fluid in the semicircular canals of your ears allows you to perceive movement and orientation. Excessive fluid or irritation of the semicircular canals produces vertigo. Surprisingly, vertigo is often

associated with stones in the semicircular canals, analogous to stones in the kidneys. A bobbing ship also produces shifts in ear fluid and can cause vertigo and nausea known as seasickness. As a boy, I remember my father taking me deep-sea fishing on rough seas. He averred I was the greenest teenager he had ever seen. One helpful trick I've learned is to keep your eyes focused on the stable distant horizon rather than the shifting deck and rolling waves.

Stormy twenty foot seas made Becky sick the second day out, but she responded to a seasickness remedy called Dramamine and finally got her "sea legs." In rough weather, cruise ships use their stabilizers and pass out Dramamine like candy, because if their guests become sick they may not cruise again. It's bad for business. A preventive medication is a scopolamine patch which is well tolerated, but is usually not necessary.

We saw dolphins swimming beside the ship while walking on the promenade deck this morning. We've also seen seals and sea lions, and even sighted whales, probably feeding on krill and shrimp in the cold waters of the Pacific

and Southern Oceans. And our next port will take us to a penguin rookery.

We're heading north now and toward home. Only a half dozen times in my life have I been away from home for two weeks. My mother is a travel sage, and taught me travel brings moments of homesickness, but the benefits still outweigh the longing.

We flew 5000 miles to begin our 4000 mile circumnavigation of South America's tip. We've been awed by the Creator's wild beauty of Patagonia and the vast Argentinian Pampas. We've experienced the passion of the tango and the energy of flamenco's castanets and zapateado. We've enjoyed more elegant dining in two weeks than Becky and I ordinarily do in two years. And we've shared the experience with friends while enjoying more than a few bottles of Malbec!

It's been a great trip, but I will be ready to see "the cute ones" and home. They say home is where the heart is. I am blessed to be traveling with the best aspect of home, my love, Becky, and our dear friends. But, as Dorothy taught us, "There's no place like home!"

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# Dealing with Bitterness

Looking at the life of Joseph affords many lessons we can gain about life. One of those lessons is how to deal with bitterness. If anyone had a right to be bitter, it was Joseph. But instead of hanging on to hurts from his past, Joseph released them to God which allowed him to love and serve his brothers who wronged him. So, Joseph, after spending

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thirteen years as a slave and prisoner beginning at age seventeen, is now in the palace and second in command of all Egypt. After one setback after another, we are told: "The Lord was with Joseph." It may look like God was not with Joseph, but he was. It may not feel like God is with us, but he is. It may appear that struggles in life are indicative of the absence of God, but this is not the case. Joseph grew to recognize that in both the good and the bad, God was always with him. So, Joseph is put in charge of overseeing the storage and distribution of grain during the seven years of famine.

Joseph is now around

the age of thirty-eight when he starts selling the grain during the first year of the famine. One day he recognized ten of his brothers who came from Canaan to Egypt at the request of their father, Jacob, to get food before they all starved. Joseph talks to them through an interpreter and they do not recognize Joseph. He learns of his younger brother Benjamin and comes up with a series of tests to find out if Benjamin is doing well and if they have learned from their past mistakes. Joseph accuses them of being spies and imprisons one of them, Simeon, until they return with their

younger brother, Benjamin, to prove they are not spying. This causes the brothers to confess among themselves that what they did to Joseph twenty years earlier was coming back to haunt them (Genesis 42:21-22) and God was paying them back. Joseph, overhearing their words, is moved to the point of tears because he now knows that they realize their sin. For twenty-two years these brothers have been living in a prison of their own.

Eventually, they do bring Benjamin back with them to get more food and to gain the release of their brother who has been left behind. Jacob does not want them

to go out of fear of what would become of Benjamin, but he relents. Judah takes responsibility for Benjamin. Upon returning, Joseph has been eagerly waiting their arrival. They bowed down to Joseph, one of four times, just like his dreams foretold at a young age. Simeon was released to them and a meal prepared for everyone. After the dinner, Joseph's silver cup is placed in Benjamin's grain sack, making it look like Benjamin was stealing from him. Benjamin's sack was opened by the Egyptian authorities and Benjamin was arrested. One of the older brothers, Judah, said, "Don't take Benjamin, take me. I offer

my life in his place." One of Judah's ancestors would later do the same thing - Jesus.

Joseph finally revealed his identity. Joseph is not going to be defined by what was done to him, but by the purpose of what God had for his life (Genesis 50:20). He looks at his story through the lens of God's redeeming work. His brothers intended to hurt Joseph, but God was writing a bigger story. Joseph never became bitter nor sought vengeance. Joseph had confidence in God's plan for his life. Let us do the same when we encounter discouragement and obstacles.



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# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

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### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated 08/05/2009, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded 08/10/2009, in Instrument No. 200908100011007, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Knox County, Tennessee, executed by Judith M. Paxton, conveying certain property therein described to Robert G. Connelly, Jr., Acting State Director of Davidson County, Tennessee as Trustee for USDA Rural Development, as nominee for Rural Housing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, its successors and assigns; and the undersigned, The Sayer Law Group, P.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by Robert G. Connelly, Jr., Acting State Director of Davidson County, Tennessee, as trustee for Rural Housing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of The Sayer Law Group, P.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by Robert G. Connelly, Jr., Acting State Director of Davidson County, Tennessee, as trustee for Rural Housing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, will, on **04/03/2019** at or about **12:00pm**, at the North side of the City County Building, Knoxville, TN, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Knox County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

SITUATED in the Eighth (8th) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, and without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee and being known and designated as all of Lot 24, of the SCOTCH MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, as the same appears of record in Instrument No. 200211280048553, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee, and to which specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

BEING the same property conveyed to Judith M. Paxton, unmarried from Carl Perry Construction, LLC by Warranty Deed, dated August 5, 2009, recorded as Instrument No. 200908100011006, in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee.

THIS CONVEYANCE is made subject to all applicable easements, restrictions, and building setback lines.

ALSO KNOWN AS: **7644 Applecross Road, Corryton, TN 37721**

Parcel ID: 021BE011  
This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; 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. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-described property:

Judith M. Paxton  
Spouse of Judith M. Paxton  
Centurion Capital Corporation  
Parties in Possession

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option 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.

DATED February 22, 2019  
THE SAYER LAW GROUP, P.C.,  
AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

### 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 April 30, 2013, executed by JACK H WIEDEMANN, conveying certain real property therein described to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded May 22, 2013, at Instrument Number 201305220076712;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. 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 **April 4, 2019** at **10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, 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:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF KNOX, STATE OF TENNESSEE AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN KNOX COUNTY, STATE OF TENNESSEE, AS DESCRIBED IN DEED DOC NO. 200511030040763, ID NO. 107BC010, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS: SITUATED IN DISTRICT FIVE (5) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHIN THE 48TH WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOTS 17, 18, AND 19, BLOCK "C", UNIT ONE, FAR VIEW HILLS, AS SHOWN UPON THE MAP OF SAME OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 23, PAGE 114, REGISTERS OFFICE, KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. THERE IS EXCEPTED FROM THIS CONVEYANCE THAT PORTION OF LAND LYING OUTSIDE THE CURVE FORMED BY THE INTERSECTION OF NOCONA DRIVE AND PAWNEE ROAD, THE RADIUS OF SAID CURVE BEING 25 FEET.

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### 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 January 26, 2009, executed by JUDITH S. CONNER, conveying certain real property therein described to ARNOLD M. WEISS, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 13, 2009, at Instrument Number 200902130049979; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company 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 **April 4, 2019** at **10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, 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:

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PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **4700 NOCONA DR, KNOXVILLE, TN 37909**. 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): JACK H WIEDEMANN  
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 LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 12, 2016, executed by CHELSEY M. ANDERSON, THOMAS I. ANDERSON, conveying certain real property therein described to CONCORD ENTERPRISES, LLC, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded May 13, 2016, at Instrument Number 201605130065791;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to FREEDOM 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 **March 21, 2019 at 12:00 PM** in the lobby of the Knox County Courthouse City-County Building 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN, 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 SIXTH CIVIL DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, AND BEING LOT NO. 5-R ON THE PLAN OF RE SUBDIVISION OF LOT 5 OF THE DEWEY WILLARD WELCH ESTATE OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET P, SLIDE 58-D, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAN REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY, AND ALSO SHOWN BY SURVEY OF EDDY R. GARRETT, RLS 1544, DATED 7/25/97, DRAWING #97-225. SUBJECT TO ALL RESTRICTIONS, COVENANTS, RESERVATIONS, AND MINIMUM BUILDING SETBACK LINES AND INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENTS AND INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UTILITY AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES AS STATED ON RECORDED PLAT OF RECORD, IF APPLICABLE, AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO RECORDED, AND FURTHER TO ANY MATTER AND/OR CONDITION WHICH WOULD BE DISCLOSED BY A CURRENT AND ACCURATE SURVEY OR INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED. SUBJECT TO ALL NOTES, MATTERS, RESTRICTIONS, AGREEMENTS, COVENANTS, EASEMENTS, SETBACK LINES, RIGHT-OF-WAYS AND ALL OTHER CONDITIONS OF RECORD IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 004 0906  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **9236 BROCK RD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37938**. 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): CHELSEY M. ANDERSON, THOMAS I. ANDERSON  
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated October 10, 2017, executed by PAUL ELDRIDGE, conveying certain real property therein described to ALAN PRITCHARD, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded October 18, 2017, at Instrument Number 201710180024572;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Planet Home Lending, LLC who is now the owner of said debt;

and WHEREAS, the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee. NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Ruben Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **March 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, 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. NINE (9) OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND WITHOUT CORPORATE LIMITS, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS ALL OF LOT 1R-1A, BROWNING PROPERTY, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF THE SAME IN INSTRUMENT NO. 200803120068163, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Parcel ID: 138-003.01  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **601 E HENDRON CHAPEL RD, 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): PAUL ELDRIDGE  
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 12, 2006, executed by JOSHUA LEONARD, ERIC LYKINS, conveying certain real property therein described to WESLEY D. TURNER, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded May 22, 2006, at Instrument Number 200605220097718;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for registered Holders of Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-6, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-6 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 **March 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, 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:

LOCATED AND BEING SITUATED IN THE FIFTEENTH (15) WARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, AND SECOND (2ND) CIVIL DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF KNOX, STATE OF TENNESSEE, AND BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: LOT 19, BLOCK F, COLD SPRINGS ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, AS SHOWN OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 3, PAGE 106, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION THEREOF, AND ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF HINDS SURVEYING, DATED OCTOBER 28, 1998.

Parcel ID: 082JS003  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **2308 Woodbine Ave, Knoxville, TN 37917**. 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): JOSHUA LEONARD, ERIC LYKINS  
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 13, 2013, executed by LILLIE MAE MILLS and WILTON JAMES MILLS, conveying certain real property therein described to STEWART TITLE, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded February 25, 2013, at Instrument Number 201302250055621;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc. 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 **March 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the City/County Lobby of the Knox County Courthouse, 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:

LAND IN KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND BEING ALL OF LOT 190 IN BLOCK 17 IN THE ROSEDALE LAND AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY'S ADDITION TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET B, SLIDE 236B REGISTER'S OFFICE OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SAID LOT FRONTING 50 FEET ON THE WEST SIDE OF TEXAS AVENUE AND EXTENDING BACK BETWEEN LINES TO AN ALLEY.  
Parcel ID: 081LC010  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **1123 TEXAS AVENUE, 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): LILLIE MAE MILLS and WILTON JAMES MILLS

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

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Ad #151658 02/18/2019, 02/25/2019, 03/04/2019

## NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated January 2, 2007, executed by MARY LECLAIR, MATTHEW A LECLAIR, conveying certain real property therein described to ROBERT M WILSON JR, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Knox County, Tennessee recorded January 9, 2007, at Instrument Number 200701090055920;

and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWALT, INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-2CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2CB 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 **March 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the North Side Entrance of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Knox County, Tennessee, to wit:

SITUATED IN DISTRICT SIX OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WITHOUT THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE, BEING ALL OF LOT NO. 16, IN WOOD HARBOUR SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, AS SHOWN BY MAP OF RECORD IN MAP BOOK 85-S, PAGE 38, (MAP CABINET F, SLIDE 188D), IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH MAP SPECIFIC REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF SAID LOT, BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MATTHEW A. LECLAIR BY WARRANTY DEED DATED MAY 14, 2003, FROM SCOTT MACDONALD AND WIFE, JULY S. MACDONALD, RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 200305190105941 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SUBJECT TO A 25 FT. MINIMUM BUILDING SETBACK LINE FROM FRONT; 35' FROM REAR. SUBJECT TO A 5 FT. UTILITY AND DRAINAGE CASEMENT INSIDE ALL LOT LINES; 10' INSIDE FRONT AND REAR LOT LINES. 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: 143NA075  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **834 PINTAIL ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**. 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): MARY LECLAIR, MATTHEW A LECLAIR  
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Discover Bank Issuer of Discover Card, Internal Revenue Service (TN), Suntrust Bank, Y-12 FEDERAL CREDIT UNIONThe 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.

In addition this sale shall be subject to the right of redemption by the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 7425(d)(1) by reason of the following tax lien(s) of record in Instrument Number 201411100026306. Notice of the sale has been given to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA in accordance with 26 U.S.C. 7425(b).

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## COURT NOTICES NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

BRIGID CHEPKEMEI CHEMOSIT -Vs- CHARLES LEONARD HYDELL  
Docket # 144479

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant CHARLES LEONARD HYDELL 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 CHARLES LEONARD HYDELL.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by BRIGID CHEPKEMEI CHEMOSIT, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with SAMUEL B. TIPTON, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 200 E. BROADWAY AVE, SUITE 410 MARYVILLE, TN 37804, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This the 28TH day of FEBRUARY, 2019.  
Mike Hammond  
Clerk

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ROBERTA LANI LOY;  
IN RE: GREGORY SCOTT LOY v. ROBERTA LANI LOY  
NO. 196803-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ROBERTA LANI LOY 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 ROBERTA LANI LOY it is ordered that said defendant ROBERTA LANI LOY file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Laura E. Metcalf, an Attorneys whose address is, 800 S. Gay Street Suite 1600 Knoxville, TN 37929 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 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 26th day of February, 2019.

Clerk and Master

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TRACY ANN HOFFMAN -Vs- BENJAMIN LEE HOFFMAN, II, Docket # 145145

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant BENJAMIN LEE HOFFMAN, II 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 BENJAMIN LEE HOFFMAN, II.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by TRACY ANN HOFFMAN, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with TROY S. WESTON, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 400 WEST CHURCH AVE, SUITE 101 KNOXVILLE, TN 37902, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This the 15TH day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

Mike Hammond  
Clerk

Deputy Clerk

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN RE: ABIMBOLA AKERELE V. AMANDA RENEE MARSHALL  
NO. 197390-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant AMANDA RENEE MARSHALL, non-residents of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon AMANDA RENEE MARSHALL, it is ordered that said defendant, AMANDA RENEE MARSHALL, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Danny C. Garland, II, an Attorney whose address is, 103 Suburban Road, Suite 201-B, 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 John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Part I, at 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 12th day of February, 2019.

Clerk and Master

## NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: RYANN SHANTAY HANTHORN, IN RE: BRIAN D. HANTHORN v. RYANN SHANTAY HANTHORN NO. 197374-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, RYANN SHANTAY HANTHORN, 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 RYANN SHANTAY HANTHORN.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with JAMES E.

FOGLESONG, an Attorney whose address is, 8717 Grospoint Drive 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 W. Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 7th day of February, 2019.

Clerk and Master

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARTHA LAFERNE DAVIES DOCKET NUMBER 81361-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARTHA LAFERNE DAVIES who died Nov 23, 2018, 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 14th day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

ESTATE OF MARTHA LAFERNE DAVIES PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) MARTHA DAVIES YARNELL; CO-EXECUTOR 4408 BUFFAT MILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

RICKY ALAN DAVIES; CO-EXECUTOR 4400 BUFFAT MILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THOMAS ROYDEN WEBBER DOCKET NUMBER 81321-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THOMAS ROYDEN WEBBER who died Jan 3, 2019, 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 the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death  
This the 14th day of FEBRUARY, 2019

ESTATE OF THOMAS ROYDEN WEBBER PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) DEBORAH ELLEN WHALEY; EXECUTRIX 4824 MACMONT CIRCLE POWELL, TN. 37849

LAUREN E SMITH ATTORNEY AT LAW 110 COGDILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOSEPH A ALBERT, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 81381-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH A ALBERT, JR. who died Jan 18, 2019, 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 the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death  
This the 25th day of FEBRUARY, 2019

ESTATE OF JOSEPH A ALBERT, JR. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) JOSEPH A ALBERT, SR.; EXECUTOR 523 CHARLEEN LANE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DORIS S CHANDLER DOCKET NUMBER 81414-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DORIS S CHANDLER who died Dec 10, 2018, 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:

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death  
This the 28 day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

ESTATE OF DORIS S CHANDLER PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) HOME FEDERAL BANK OF TENNESSEE; EXECUTOR 515 MARKET STREET, SUITE 500 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

DONALD J FARINATO ATTORNEY AT LAW 617 W MAIN STREET KNOXVILLE, TN. 3

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**CAC Beardsley Community Farm Egg Hunt**  
CAC Beardsley Community Farm is hosting its 2nd annual Community Egg Hunt on April 7th, 2019. All skilled egg hunters ages 2 to 10 are invited to participate in CAC Beardsley Community Farm's 2019 Egg Hunt on April 7th from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.! The rain date is April 14.

The event is FREE and suggested donations of \$5 per child will be accepted. Don't forget your egg baskets.

The Easter Bunny will be here to take photos with children. Bring your own camera or phones!

This year's Egg Hunt includes over 4,000 eggs containing candy hidden across three locations. Each location is specific to age groups either 2-4, 5-7 or 8-10. Each age group will begin their hunt at 1:30 p.m. in different zones. There will be a concession stand at the event and DJ Sterling will provide musical entertainment. More details to be announced soon.

The rain date is April 14. The Egg Hunt will take

place on the farm on 1741 Reynolds St, which is located in Malcolm Martin Park.

For more information, visit [beardsleyfarm.org](http://beardsleyfarm.org) or email us at [beardsleyfarm@gmail.com](mailto:beardsleyfarm@gmail.com).

**DAR Meeting**  
The Samuel Frazier Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will meet on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 10:45 a.m. For more information on the location and membership please call Martha Kroll at (865) 603-4655.

**Fort Sumter Community Cemetery Board of Directors meeting**  
The required annual meeting of Fort Sumter Community Cemetery Board of Directors and the community is scheduled for March 21, 2019 at 7 o'clock at the cemetery office at 4826 Salem Church Road. The annual report will be given and questions answered at this meeting.

**Inskip Baptist Church 100th Anniversary Celebration**  
Inskip Baptist will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary on Sunday, June 9, 2019. All members past or present are encouraged to attend. Worship starts at 10:45 a.m. with lunch following the service. There will be an additional service following lunch.

All are welcome to come celebrate the 100th Anniversary.

Inskip Baptist Church is located at 4810 Rowan Road, Knoxville, TN 37912.

**Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting**  
Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87, Sons of Confederate Veterans, will have their monthly business meeting and cleanup day on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 9 a.m. at Confederate Memorial Hall (Bleak House), 3148 Kingston Pike, Knoxville. The meeting is free and open to the public.

**Loudon County Veterans Resources and Job Fair Program**  
A job fair for veterans will be held March 16 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the War Memorial Building, 103 B St., Lenoir City, Tn.

In addition to the Job Fair, there will be Clothing Vouchers, General Legal Assistance and General Medical Screenings/Consultations.

Meet the new Loudon County Veterans Service Officer.

Transportation Available by calling 630-673-6400.

All veterans, spouses and children welcome.

Identification requested (DD214 or VA I.D.)

For information call John Lacko 630-673-6400 or email [lcvrjf@gmail.com](mailto:lcvrjf@gmail.com).

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120, American Legion Post 256, VFW Post 5150 - Loudon, VFW Post 12135 - Tellico Village, The Good Samaritan Center of Loudon County, The Good Neighbor Shoppe of Lenoir City, Veterans Affairs of Loudon County, American Job Center TN Veterans Outreach, Tennessee Valley Coalition for the Homeless, Buddy Bradshaw - Loudon County Mayor

**Town Hall East Meeting**  
Schools support neighborhoods and neighborhoods support their schools. Come Monday, March 11 and join Town Hall East in celebrating and supporting our schools. The public is welcome!

The meeting will be held 7-8:30 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 4904 Asheville Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37914.

**UDC Meeting**  
The Captain W. Y. C. Hannum Chapter 1881, UDC, will meet on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, please call Rebecca at (865) 382-1979.

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# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF JAMES BISHOP STINSON DOCKET NUMBER 81405-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JAMES BISHOP STINSON who died Sep 24, 2017, 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.

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

This the 27 day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

ESTATE OF JAMES BISHOP STINSON  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
LATRAVIA N WILLIAMS; ADMINISTRATRIX

1920 WHEELER STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**ESTATE OF DAVID MADDEN TRAVER DOCKET NUMBER 81387-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of FEBRUARY 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DAVID MADDEN TRAVER who died Jan 21, 2019, 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

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

This the 21 day of FEBRUARY, 2019.

ESTATE OF DAVID MADDEN TRAVER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
MARGARET T MADDEN; CO-EXECUTOR  
722 BLUFF DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

DOUGLAS D TRAVER; CO-EXECUTOR  
3358 LAKE VIEW DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

DAN W HOLBROOK ATTORNEY AT LAW  
900 S GAY STREET, 14 FLOOR  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

**MISC. NOTICES**

**LEGAL SECTION 94**

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:  
Bid 2783, Visually Impaired Braille Equipment, due 4/10/19;  
Bid 2794, Metal and Plastic Pipe, due 4/4/19;  
RFP 2797, Professional IT Monitoring Services, due 4/3/19

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

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