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PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Knoxville mayoral candidate Eddie Mannis prepares to enter the early voting facilities at New Harvest Park.

Early voting ends Thursday

'If this election doesn't get city voters to the polls, I don't know what would!'

By Mike Steely
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The first seven days of early voting saw 3,428 people cast ballots in the five locations and the total is about what was expected.

Knox County Election Administrator Clifford Rodgers told The Focus that there's not a past election to compare the returns to and he had hoped for more voters, but the total number is right on line with anticipated numbers.

Downtown West saw the heaviest vote totals, with 1447 followed by New Harvest Market with 821 voters. So far the City-County Building saw 497 voters, Love Kitchen has 379 and the South precinct had 284 people vote.

Rodgers said the five early voting places will have extended hours Tuesday,

Wednesday and Thursday, the last day for early voting.

"We're hoping for 10,000 people to vote early. If this election doesn't get city voters to the polls I don't know what would," he said.

The election will choose from six candidates for mayor, six candidates for three city council seats and five candidates for City Council Seat C. In the mayor's race anyone getting 50% plus one would basically become the next mayor. That's unlikely with so many candidates on the ballot. The top two vote getters in the mayor and council races move on to the general election in November.

Any registered city voter may vote at any of the early voting locations.

The primary election date is Tuesday, August 27.

Voices raised at Neighborhood Advisory Council meeting

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"Unintended consequences" may be the best way to describe the bounce-back towards the Office of Neighborhood's Best Practices. The proposed policy of neighborhood recognition was the topic of the Neighborhood Advisory Council's meeting Wednesday and drew some pointed opposition from the audience.

The phrase was mentioned during the meeting by Neighborhood Coordinator Debbie Sharp as she described the proposal of categorizing the various neighborhood organizations. She said the initiative is "still in a phase of planning" and led a discussion of council members about the proposal.

One of the issues the members talked about was people speaking at public meetings purporting to represent an organization when they do not, or speakers for organized neighborhoods saying they represent the entire neighborhood.

The controversial new proposal would ask organized neighborhood groups to submit a three-page application or renewal form that includes



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Larry Silverstein of Community Forum speaks at the Neighborhood Advisory Council Wednesday about a proposed categorization of neighborhoods.

a list of board members, bylaws, non-profit status if any, a map of neighborhood boundaries, newsletters and event information, and meeting minutes when a member is authorized to speak at public meetings of the city council, planning commission, school board, etc.

Neighborhood groups wishing to be recognized by the Office of Neighborhoods would be designated in one of five categories: informal, organized, proactive, outstanding or exemplary. Each neighborhood group would be re-evaluated each year.

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Knox County Schools Introduces Aspiring Principal Participants for 2019-20

By Anne Primm

Chair Terry Hill started the Wednesday, August 14, 2019 meeting promptly at 5:00 p.m. Eight out of nine representatives were present for the meeting. Fourth District Representative Virginia Babb was absent.

Hill began by announcing that there would be a called meeting at 4:30 p.m. on September 4, 2019, before the regularly scheduled workshop where elections will take place. Next, Hill asked for changes to the agenda and there were none. Hill then asked for a motion to approve the night's agenda and a motion was made by Third District Representative Tony Norman and seconded by Fifth District Representative and Vice Chair Susan Horn. The agenda was approved.

Next, Horn began special recognition of Rebecca Fisher, a Farragut High School graduate. Fisher was awarded "Distinguished Finalist" in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Program. This is the largest recognition program for youth based solely on volunteer community service. Fisher started what is called "The Farragut Leadership Series," a program that invites community members to speak to adolescent audiences about their professions and the importance of service and leadership.

Rebecca received a bronze medallion and a

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Council candidates address Fountain City B&P Association

By Ken Lay

Several city council candidates shared their respective visions for Knoxville Wednesday at the monthly Fountain City Business and Professional Association lunch meeting at Central Baptist Church Fountain City.

In all, 10 candidates appeared at the meeting to articulate their views and take questions from the crowd before the August 27 primary election. Early voting is currently underway and

ends on Aug. 22.

Candidates in attendance were: Charles Lomax (At-Large Seat A); David Hayes and Janet Testerman (At-Large Seat B); Bob Thomas, Amy Midis, Amelia Parker, David Williams and Hubert Smith (At-Large Seat C); and Charles Thomas and Charles Al-Bawi who are vying for the District 5 seat.

Lynne Fugate, who is running against Lomax, didn't attend due to a prior commitment.

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City Council candidates Hubert Smith, Amy Midis, Charles Al-Bawi, Charles Thomas and Amelia Parker outline their respective visions for Knoxville Wednesday in Fountain City.

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Incomplete Recode passes

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Despite several changes that must be made before January 1st the Knoxville City Council passed both the text and zoning map and adopted Recode as the new standard for use in everything from zoning to how many people can live in a residential dwelling.

The council first approved the text part of the document and then combined the zoning map and the text for a vote.

The final vote was 8-1 with Councilman Mark Campen the only one to oppose adoption. The city has until the end of the year to correct several items within the 400-plus page document.

Prior to the vote Danny Kirby of Baum Drive told the council that changes to some residential zoning, such as the new RN-1, means homeowners lose the right to build duplex apartments.

"We are rezoning without notifying citizens," he said of the adoption of the 4th version of the new zoning map. Kirby said the law requires that any rezoning go through the planning commission

and said Recode "wasn't handled properly."

Councilman Marshall Stair asked city Law Director Charles Swanson about proper notification and the attorney replied the city has gone "above and beyond" the required notifications.

Councilman and Vice Mayor Finbarr Saunders then moved to adopt both the Recode text and map.

Several council members reminded Knoxville-Knox County Planning Director Gerald Green of tweaks and changes for the adopted codes which apparently will be run through the Recode Knoxville Stakeholder Committee which Green chairs.

Councilwoman Lauren Rider asked about changing "floodway" to "flood plain" in one of the sections.

Councilwoman Seema Singh said the final draft "isn't perfect" and asked that the final changes come back to the council for approval.

Councilman Andrew Roberto asked Green if the designation of EN (Established Neighborhood)

could be requested by any residential neighborhood. The planning director replied "That's a high bar to cross and would include uses, design and dimension, noting that a lot in an EN zone must be 22,000 square feet".

Councilwoman Stephanie Welch asked about the final wording on hillside and slope protection to make sure the change included commercial and residential zones.

Rider suggested some sort of "official statement" from the council to the committee and also asked for Green to prepare a list of the changes to made.

Green said he would get the list to the deputy mayor by the end of the week and will discuss the changes with the stakeholder committee.

Mayor Madeline Rogero indicated that the stakeholder committee will meet and go over the many additional changes.

"It's been a long process and we will continue to address the issues and work on it as a community," she said.

The stakeholder committee lifespan was recently extended for two years in a request by the mayor and a vote by the council. The committee members were appointed by the mayor and approved by the council to "review drafts of the ordinance and ensure identified issues are addressed" and to serve as liaison between their organizations or groups.

IN OTHER BUSINESS the council approved a \$5,000 donation to the Fountain City Lions Club for maintenance of Fountain City Park and voted to commit the city to reducing greenhouse gas by 50% by 2030 and 80% by 2050.

Greater Schools Partnership was given \$425,000 for its Community Schools project with Councilwoman Stephanie Welch passing because she directs that organization. The Community Schools project is now in 12 elementary and three middle schools.

The council also passed four resolutions to fund housing projects for a combined \$1.4 million

in contributions. The resolutions included affordable rental housing, renovations, single-parent housing and emergency and minor home repairs.

A track and field and cross country coordinator position was approved at \$32,000 for Knoxville Youth Athletics and National Building Service was hired for janitorial services at several parks including Suttree Landing.

A street name was changed although Councilwoman Rider, chair of the Property Naming Committee, said the matter should have been vetted through her committee. Councilwoman Gwen McKenzie asked that Walter Taylor Street be renamed Taylor Homes Road. The council voted to rename the part of the street subject to approval by Rider's committee.

Various zoning changes were approved including an Inskip Drive building going from Residential to Office, a Papermill Drive property going from Office to General Commercial, and a Northshore Drive property going from no zone to R-1A residential.

What is an S-Corp?

When I think of different types of business entities that exist, there are a few that come to mind first. Usually people have heard of an LLC, which is a limited liability company. Another common type of entity is a corporation. If an entity is a corporation it may have the name, "Business, Inc." The Inc. after the name stands for, "incorporated."

But what is an S-Corp? An S-Corp, is an "S Corporation" a closely held corporation that elects to be taxed under Subchapter S of Chapter of Internal Revenue Code.

If you want a very thorough and complete review of what S-Corps are and what they can and cannot do, I would encourage you to check out the Wikipedia page on them, but let's cover some of the basics in this article.

So, if you go to the Tennessee Secretary of State website to create a new business entity, there is no box to check to, "create an s-corp." Instead you would need to create a corporation, an LLC, or a partnership. Your company becomes an "S-Corp," only by nature of the election of how to be taxed.

A business has to have certain qualifiers in order to be taxed as a nS-Corp. To be taxed as an S-Corp: a business must have: no more than 100 shareholders, have only individuals (and not businesses) and shareholders, no nonresident aliens as shareholders, and has only one class of stock.

Another important point, an S-Corp. does not pay federal taxes as an entity. Instead, the earnings or losses are reported on the tax returns of the individual owners/shareholders of the S-Corp.

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Three new ethics members being sought

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The Knox County Ethics Committee has seen a few difficult complaints over the past few years. While no complaints are currently before that body of citizens there are three vacancies as Barbara Chandler, Mae Killebrew-Mosley and Roy Kruse are leaving having served their appointed terms.

Complaints that have come to ethics committee have included a charge of abuse of office by an animal control officer and three complaints against county commissioners who took part in a golf tournament. All the charges were eventually dismissed or referred to the law director.

During their quarterly meeting Wednesday Chairwoman Jennifer Roche welcomed Carleton Bryant as the new non-voting member representing the sheriff's department. Roche said that new members are being sought. Commissioner John Schoonmaker, a non-voting member, said that new members would be vetted and then considered for approval by the full Knox County Commission.

The ethics committee also discussed hiring an interpreter for the deaf since CTV is again covering the meetings. Whether the interpreter would be present at all ethics meetings or there only when a complaint is before the body hasn't been decided.



Departing the Knox County Ethics Committee after having served their appointed term are, left to right, Mae Killebrew-Mosley, Roy Kruse and Barbara Chandler.

Roche said the committee gets \$300 a year from the commission, \$50 of which is for supplies and \$250 to advertise their public meetings.

An interpreter would cost \$55 per hour plus mileage. Commissioner Schoonmaker

told the meeting he will work on funding. Roche said that the members have seen "interesting times and challenges here."

The ethics committee meets again on November 13th at 8:30 a.m. in the main assembly room of the City-County Building.

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certificate and was photographed with both Representative Horn and Superintendent Bob Thomas. Chair Hill joined in congratulating Rebecca.

Dr. Rodney Russell was next to extend congratulations to twelve exemplary Knox County Schools employees who have been chosen for the 2019-20 Aspiring Principal Program participants. Participants were joined on stage by Chair Hill and Superintendent Thomas. Participants included: Melissa Glover, Shawn Smith, David Combs, Melissa Walsh, Erin Brown, Rachel Harmon, Dr. Rebecca

Curtis, Dr. Tobi Kilgore, Yolanda Williams, Tracy Poulsen, Dr. Charlene Lewis and Jessica McDonald.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was proposed by Norman and seconded by First District Representative Evetty Satterfield. The motion carried.

Board Policies A-F passed but Policy G regarding "personal communication devices in school" was again met with controversy by Norman and Eighth District Representative Mike McMillan. Both these representatives want these devices in the 'Off' setting during the school day rather than in "silent" mode. Also, Norman and McMillan

want to restrict in-school cell phone usage to the lunch period only. The other school board representatives appear to want to afford the teachers and principals more flexibility. Nonetheless, several school board representatives recognize that changing policies after the school year has already begun is not a good idea. Vice Chair Horn expressed desire to have a serious discussion with the principals about cell phone usage to determine what is best for teaching and learning. McMillan interjected that "serious discussion rarely brings serious results."

Chair Hill asked McMillan if he wanted to propose a substitute

motion and he said that he did. The substitute motion was as follows: Use of personal communication devices are allowed before and after school, during lunch and whenever the principal or the designee deems it appropriate. Otherwise the devices should be "off."

Chair Hill called for a roll-call vote and the amendment was rejected in a 6/2 vote.

Hill remarked that the update on the Capital Plan she had previously asked for would be delayed until September. With no participants in Public Forum, there was a motion to adjourn at 5:40 p.m.



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Publisher's Position

The Socialist Movement in Knoxville They Are on the Ballot



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Whether you believe it or not, there is a socialist movement in Knoxville; in fact, there is a ticket of socialist candidates running for city council. They refer to it as the "City Council Movement" without referring to themselves as socialists. The candidates running as part of the City Council Movement are David Hayes, Amelia Parker, and Charles Al-Bawi. Perhaps in order to appear to be more mainstream, these candidates have affiliated themselves with, for better or worse, Indya Kincannon. It could be that Kincannon has aligned herself with the

far left in a bid to appear to be the most progressive (i.e. meaning Leftist) candidate in the mayoral race. "Progressive" means something entirely different than it did just a few years ago. "Moderate" has about ceased to exist for some of these folks.

Several pseudo-socialists were the personal guests of State Representative Gloria Johnson at the Truman Day Dinner and I wonder if any of them knew who Harry Truman was; I do know one thing, if they knew who Harry Truman was, they surely didn't approve of or like him.

David Hayes is little more than a walking embarrassment with no understanding of public policy and is utterly lacking in the first legitimate credential to serve on the Knoxville City Council. While Hayes claims at age 26 he has devoted himself to the community, that is apparently a more polite explanation for hardly holding a job and giving back to our community in the form of attending protests of one kind or another. See

it with your own eyes; go to The Daily Focus, www.knoxfocus.com, to view a video clip of David Hayes on the University of Tennessee campus stating what he thinks about our country when he starts a chant, "F*#\$ that flag!" One spectator simply just says what is obvious, "You hate this country." Most of you reading this have gone to work daily to feed your families and pay your bills. Apparently not Mr. Hayes, who, having given himself to the community, wanders from protest to protest.

As the guest of State Representative Gloria Johnson, Amelia Parker did not participate when most Democrats stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Even former President Barack Obama, who complained of some Americans' attachment to "their God and guns," would place his hand over his heart when need be. Not Parker, who evidently thinks a makeover and a more subdued rhetoric is the key to winning a seat on the city council after a failed bid two years ago. Parker dropped the

"F bomb" on the city council during a public meeting when she tied former State Representative Harry Tindell for the right to face Lauren Rider in the general election.

Class warfare can never be confused with classy behavior and Parker's disappointment with Council's decision to give the nod to Tindell was both palpable and understandable. Parker launched a write-in campaign for the general election I will be the first to admit she won an impressive number of write-in votes, but she still ran dead last in her race. Lauren Rider won easily.

David Hayes has little, if any experience in making a living and providing for his family, but is asking for the opportunity to spend tax dollars, your tax dollars that you work hard for. Parker is, as far as I can tell, quite intelligent, but all of these candidates have no experience in running anything remotely successful. Keep in mind, a city government is like a business and no business can give out more handouts without

somebody footing the bill.

Largely socialist governments across the United States (and yes, there are some) have managed to pretty much destroy their communities in a relatively short period of time. In fact, that ability seems to be their lone super power. Homelessness has yet to be solved in any of the locales where socialist candidates have been serving up steaming, heaping helpings of rainbow stew; quite to the contrary. Despite frequent sightings of the usually elusive occasional unicorn, the homelessness problems in places like Seattle and Los Angeles are spilling over into suburban neighborhoods and making life a living hell for most everybody with drug use rampant and crime on the rise.

There is barely an iota of difference between all these candidates, those officially part of the City Council Movement and their allies Indya Kincannon and Gloria Johnson. It is certainly true Kincannon is a limousine liberal and an elitist, but she desperately

needs to appear to be "of the people" or at the very least, interested in people aside from herself. Kincannon does have one big political commonality with the City Council Movement folks; her idea of formulating a budget is simply asking for more money to spend. That was her record on the Knox County Board of Education; ask anybody who served with her or who served on the Knox County Commission. Kincannon and Jim McIntyre were there every year to ask for more money, nor did Kincannon complain when McIntyre overspent the budget by some \$30 million in two short years' time.

If you haven't voted, get out and vote. Whether you realize it or not, your property rights are already under siege by the current administration and city council. Who serves on the city council really does matter. One way or another, most of you will eventually figure that out.

Seats open on the Neighborhood Council

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Are you an activist for your neighborhood?

If you enjoy sharing, discussing policy and learning about what other neighborhoods are doing to grow and promote their area then you might consider applying to serve on the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Council.

The council has 15 seats: two for each of the six city districts and three at-large positions. Terms are for three years and members may serve two terms. Five positions are opening at the end of this year.

Applicants must be residents of the district they apply for or a city resident

if applying for the At-Large seat. Here are the seats becoming available: seat 1-A, currently held by Danny Gray for Fort Sanders and South Knoxville; seat 2-A, held by Donnie Ernst for West Knoxville; Anna Compton's seat 3-B for Northwest Knoxville; Terrell Patricks' seat 6-B for Downtown and East Knoxville and Trvetta Johnson's at-large seat B.

Applications are available online at the Appointments to the Neighborhood Advisory Council page on knoxvilletn.gov. You can also call (865) 215-3232 to have a hard copy of the application mailed to you or for more information about the council.

Council candidates address FCBPA

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The top two vote getters for each seat will run in the general election in November.

The candidates talked about how they would make a more efficient budget, their political passions and why they chose to run.

Many addressed the homeless epidemic and the need for affordable housing. They also addressed what they would cut from the current budget and how they would boost the economy.

Bob Thomas, who previously sat on county commission and ran for Knox County mayor in 2018, said that the city budget was his primary concern.

"The budget is my big concern and I'm surprised that there hasn't been more said about it," Thomas said. "I served on county commission for year and when (former County Mayor Tim) Burchett left, we left it in good shape.

"There's going to be an economic downturn and we need to be prepared for it. The county is prepared but the city is not."

All of the candidates spoke of being receptive and listening to the citizens across the city.

"I'm drawing on experience," Thomas said. "When I was on county commission,

I hosted 45 consecutive town hall meetings where I met with the people."

Williams, a Pond Gap resident and community activist, said he would like to get the young people involved in the political process.

"I've worked with our young people and helped our young people as a math tutor," Williams said. "The reason people are afraid of math has nothing to do with numbers, they're afraid to ask questions and it's the same way on city council. People are afraid to ask questions. If elected I would set it up for a high school government class to come to a city council meeting."

The candidates were also asked what they felt were the issues were the most important for the city and many said it was homelessness.

"Homelessness is a big issue and along with that, we need to find affordable housing," Lomax said. "We also need smart group and development."

Hayes cited poverty and subsequent violence along with the need for smart development and growth.

Midis said that it was important to promote economic growth.

"We need to make sure that we have the same opportunity that I had with

my family, my husband and my daughters," she said.

Bob Thomas again addressed the importance of an efficient budget and the need to properly take care of the public service officers such as police and firefighters. He also said that we need more minorities and Knoxville residents as police officers.

"It's easier to be a police officer if you come from and understand Knoxville," he said.

Smith too addressed the need to help public safety officers and the need for responsible planning.

Charles Thomas said that a big concern in his district is the future of the St. Mary's building. But he said that before he did anything that he would get input from his constituents.

"I held this seat in 2011 and I want to get input from the people," he said.

Testerman noted that businesses are divesting in Knoxville and while she said that Knoxville is the best place to live, she vows to make it better.

"We need to keep businesses here so that we can boost the economy and provide opportunities for all.

Hayes, Parker and Al-Bawi all vowed to give every voter a voice should they get elected.

Voices raised at Neighborhood Advisory Council meeting

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Designation in those categories "will allow groups to be eligible for varying levels of grant funding and awards" according to the guidelines.

"I don't want this to be a burden on neighborhoods," Sharp told the meeting and said that taking part in the initiative is voluntary. She said the designations would better assist the Knoxville Office of Neighborhoods to help groups develop leadership by training them on how to run an effective organization, how to use Robert's Rules of Order, and how to present before council or other meetings.

"Some people see this as government coming down on neighborhoods, we're just two people," she said. Sharp and Eden Slater staff the office assisted by AmeriCorps VISTA workers.

The proposed policy drew some bounce back during the meeting from several visiting representatives of neighborhood groups. Larry Silverstein, chair of Community Forum, presented a multi-page response and outlined some of the questions to the neighborhood council during the meeting.

Carlene Malone of

Fountain City Town Hall also commented as did representatives from the Oakwood-Lincoln Park and Parkridge neighborhoods.

"We don't understand why you are doing this," Silverstein said, adding, "What the Office of Neighborhoods does is great, but the idea you're going to rank people?"

He said that submitting all the information from a neighborhood group would become public record and could be used by developers. "It's intrusive," he said.

By the end of the meeting some of the visitors and some of the council members were talking rather loudly over each other.

Malone said, "Government has no place in ranking neighborhoods and the Office of Neighborhoods is not an independent third party but a part of a government administration."

Remarks by Silverstein and Malone saw some pointed responses by council members including questions about whether Community Forum represented neighborhoods.

David Nix, a Parkridge resident, told the meeting that only basic information about a neighborhood group should be asked

such as the group's name, area, and contact information. Some of the council seemed to agree and one said maybe the proposal is "overreaching."

"We don't need someone between us and the MPC or city council," Malone said.

One council member said, "We're listening and will work on our draft; you've made some valid points."

Sharp told the visitors, "We hear you." She told The Focus Thursday, "Because we hear you we are open to slowing the process down to get more public input."



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Commission may review Standing Committees

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Members of the Knox County Commission serve on various committees. Some of those boards and committees are very active and some are not. Today the commission works session will discuss adding a new rule requiring all Standing Committees to meet at least once a year and for committee chairs to submit a report to the commission chair summarizing the work of that committee.

The idea came from Commissioner Larsen Jay as he reviewed the various rules of procedure and wanted to get an indication of activity and whether or not a committee should remain or be

dismantled.

Current county standing committees are for cable TV, courts, finance, insolvency, legislative affairs, budget and rules.

Members of the commission also serve as appointed to various other county committees as representatives of the legislative body and may or may not have a vote on the bodies.

For instance the ethics and audit committees have representatives from the county commission appointed by the county mayor to serve.

Other groups or departments with commission members serving include the planning committee, technical corridor,

agriculture, arena use, codes, CAC, development board, investment, joint education, public records, retirement and pension, railroad authority, parks and recreation, Three Rivers Golf Course and Visit Knoxville.

The commission re-organizes each year and committee assignments are made by the chair who asks members which committees they wish to serve on. The rules committee has also discussed how to remove a commissioner from a committee.

In other action the school system is asking the commission to rename a portion of Stonewall Street next to Sam E. Hill School in

Lonsdale for Gloria Garner. Garner is a longtime community activist, an Urban League member, serves on several advisory capacities, and a graduate of UT.

Schaad Road may get some attention when the commission discusses an agreement with CXS Railroad to build two new bridges as part of the Schaad Road Extension Project. Vaughn & Milton Engineers may also be hired for a Right-Of-Way acquisition service on Schaad Road from Oak Ridge Highway to

Pleasant Ridge Road.

The commission may also discuss awarding a contract for the Knox-Blount Greenway Project to construct an off-road trail connecting the Maloney Road Park to the UT Farm. The acceptance of a memorial bench at The Cove Park may be approved in a donation by Walter and Annette Scott.

Commissioner Jay is asking to rename three unnamed reservoirs on private property along South I-40 near Sevier County as

Charis Lake, Golden Valley Lake and Cedar Rock Lake.

District Nine's commissioner, Carson Dailey, is asking to change the code to waive motor vehicle registration tax for active volunteer fire department members.

Chairman Hugh Nystrom may present a report on the commission's planning retreat. Members may be named to the Knox County Air Pollution Control Board, the Public Building Authority, and the Employee Insurance Benefits Committee.

Malone comments on Recode, Town Hall sets September program

By Mike Steely
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"A study in frustration" is how Carlene Malone described Recode to the other members of Fountain City Town Hall Board recently. Malone, a former city council member and an advocate for the Town Hall and Community Forum organizations, was describing the pending Recode passage to other members of the town hall last week.

"We've corrected a bunch of stuff that would have killed participation," she said. She added that under the proposed Recode map many of the older neighborhoods "will get screwed." She said the new zoning regulation does away with planned residential and commercial zones. She added that neighborhoods that have no zoning overlay to protect them may suffer.

"All you hear is they are going to go back and fix it," she said.

Malone bemoaned the setting of 7,500 square

feet in RN1 neighborhoods and 5,000 square feet in RN-1 zones.

She also was critical of the Recode Knoxville Stakeholder Committee which would be active for two years to help advise changes in Recode, noting that there's no public notice as to when the group meets and called it a "dog and pony show."

Speaking of the "Use on Review" requests from developers and property owners she said that for several years the city has rejected not one of those requests.

Addressing current plans by the City of Knoxville Office of Neighborhoods, Malone questioned the requirement of each neighborhood group to supply names, bylaws, their election process and other information so the organizations can be categorized and reviewed annually. The information must be supplied to the city within six months.

"Government doesn't

get to evaluate us; citizens evaluate government. We call that elections," she said, adding, "This is just nuts."

"That is contrary to their purpose," she said of the neighborhood advisory council's proposed requirements and said that all neighborhoods should resist and not participate.

The Fountain City Town Hall members are busy planning their annual membership meeting to be held September 9. The speaker will be UT Professor and Landscaping Architect Garry L. Menendez. Letters are being completed to go out to Town Hall members and the board is looking for a couple of the members to step up and serve.

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City receives public input for Broadway improvements

By Ken Lay

North Knoxville residents were invited to voice their opinions on potential alterations to the Broadway Corridor at an open house at St. James Episcopal Church Wednesday night.

The affected areas run along North Broadway from Glenwood Ave. to McCroskey Ave.

The city will soon begin a study on how to upgrade Broadway and parts of downtown and North Knoxville more pedestrian friendly and better accessible for bicyclists.

The public was invited to discuss ideas with

representatives from the City of Knoxville.

Those who attended were encouraged to take part in interactive and written surveys.

Additional discussions were held on a study to be completed in February, 2020 to look at potential alternative design options for the intersection of North Broadway and Hall of Fame Drive up to Cecil Ave.

"The existing intersection works for people who are coming from the north on Broadway, but those who are approaching from the south have no options to

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PHOTO BY KEN LAY

Christopher Lambka of Toole Designs discusses potential alterations to the Broadway Corridor at an open house Wednesday at St. James Episcopal Church Wednesday. Toole and Barge Design are two firms working with the city on the study to make road improvements in North Knoxville.

Clinton 12 Commemorative Walk planned for Monday

By Mike Steely
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Sixty-three years ago and one week from today, twelve very brave students walked into Clinton High School greeted with chants, jeers, and threats of violence. Today we know those African American students as the Clinton 12.

One of those students, Bobby Cain, was to become the first of his race to graduate from a public high school in the South. White students at the school eventually and reluctantly accepted the new students but, before then, the African Americans were bullied, spit on, and threatened.

The 1956 integration led to outside white supremacists burning down the school that year and the students attending Oak Ridge High School until a new school was built. A local Baptist minister, who sided with the inclusion of everyone at the public school, was attacked by three men and beaten.

On Monday, August 26, a commemorative walk is planned to retrace those students and recall the effort to integrate schools across the nation. The walk begins at 10 a.m. at the Green McAdoo Cultural Center, the former site of the segregated black school, where the eight remaining members of the Clinton 12 will walk down to Clinton Middle School, formerly the high school that was rebuilt following the fire. Following the walk a program in the middle school's gymnasium will recognize the Clinton 12.

The original Clinton 12 were Bobby Cain, Maurice Soles, Anna Theresser Caswell, Alfred Williams, Regina Turner South, William R. Latham, Gail Ann Epps Upton, Ronald Gordon "Poochie" Hayden, JoAnn Crozier Allen Boyce, Robert

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Farragut centenarian living a happy and full life

By Steve Williams

It's often said it's not how long you live, but how you live. Ruth Jenkins has checked off both boxes.

The Farragut centenarian turned 100 on Aug. 11 and is still full of life.

Friends and residents where she lives at Park Place West, a retirement community off Kingston Pike, along with a few family members, joined in marking the milestone a couple days early on Aug. 9. Then more family members and friends came to celebrate the special occasion on Aug. 11 at the Shed building behind Two Rivers Church near Dixie Lee Junction.

Just how long is 100 years?

Look at it this way. Five-year-old Everly Sue Jenkins-Rice, Ruth's youngest great-granddaughter, can show you how old she is with one hand. Using this method, Ruth would have to hold up both of her hands and open and close them 10 times.

"I think it's rare, because barely anyone lives to be 100," said Isaac



PHOTOS BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Ruth Jenkins enjoys a special moment with great-granddaughter Everly Sue Jenkins-Rice as she celebrates her 100th birthday on August 11.

Jenkins-Rice, her 9-year-old great-grandson, and then added, "She's nice and kind."

The oldest of Jenkins' three great-grandchildren, Brianna Brooks, 20, is very impressed.

"My golly, well the fact

that she is 100 years old is absolutely insane," said Brooks, who made the trip from her home in South Florida for the occasion. "I would have never thought that I would have someone from my family that age. And her genes, she's

just so lively. She's up and at 'em. She's still walking, she's still doing really well. She's healthy. She still cracks jokes and makes you laugh. You wouldn't even know she's 100. It's like she's 85. I'm very grateful to have family like that."

Jenkins is the oldest living member of First Baptist Church Concord, said Nancy Clarke, who has known Ruth for three years and visits her regularly as a volunteer in the church's Homebound Ministry.

"She's usually cheerful and smiling," said Clarke, who attended both days of the celebration. "And I've only visited her once when she was still in her housecoat. She's always dressed and her hair fixed. You would never think she was 100 years old. And her mind is very good."

Ruth received a lot of birthday cards and said she didn't want any gifts. She was content being surrounded by loved ones and longtime friends, but did admit two days of celebration did tire her some.

Jenkins' voice reaches a high shrill sometimes when she gets tickled or excited and that happened often in the interview with this reporter.

They always ask - What's the secret to a long life - so that question was posed to the honoree on Friday.

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The 'other' mayor candidates

By Mike Steely
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The upcoming election news coverage for a new Knoxville Mayor has centered on Eddie Mannis, Marshall Stair and Indya Kincannon. Yet there are three other people in that race and, in all fairness, they deserve a chance to reach potential voters.

We've asked Fletcher Burkhardt, Calvin Taylor Skinner and Michael W. Andrews to submit a brief bio and why they are seeking the office.



Fletcher Burkhardt



Calvin Taylor Skinner



Michael W. Andrews

Fletcher Burkhardt

My name is Fletcher "Knoxville" Burkhardt. I was born and raised in Knoxville, Tennessee. I grew up in northwest Knoxville in the Inskip community. When I was 17 I knew that I wanted to be the mayor of our city. I wanted to be the mayor to make Knoxville a better version of itself every single day. I decided to attend MTSU where I got a major in political science and a double minor in psychology and religious studies. While in college I was a Young Life Leader at Oakland High School in Murfreesboro and played rugby for MTSU.

I am running a campaign centered around "People Over Politics," my campaign slogan. We need a government that makes Knoxville better for all people. We need a government that listens. I believe being elected mayor is the start of a relationship. If our mayor isn't communicating, the relationship fails. This is why I have promised to have monthly community meetings, to keep listening. We need a government that is accessible to all people.

I have also said that I want to explore a couple days of the week changing the hours of our government. We need a government that is accessible to all and working class people shouldn't have to take a day away from work to access it.

So in a nutshell, I am running to be mayor to make Knoxville the blueprint for the modern Southeast.

Calvin Taylor Skinner

Calvin Taylor Skinner sent the following information: Skinner is a faith leader, community organizer and change agent. He attended Blue Grass Elementary, Gresham and Whittle Springs Middle School, Fulton High School and UT. He has a Master of Divinity. He sites his experience in working with faith, non-profit corporations and policy leaders.

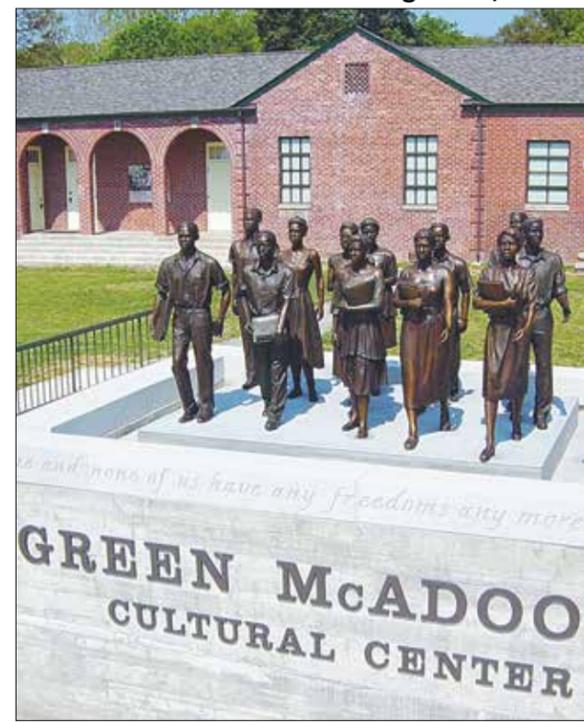
Skinner says he is compelled to salute Knoxville as a regional and national leader in social economics for everyone. His experience with local national and international projects affords him the unique perspective that qualifies him as a visionary, spokesperson and architect of Knoxville as a thriving 21st century community.

Michael W. Andrews

Andrews didn't respond directly but when he spoke at a Parkridge Neighborhood forum he said he was born in Detroit but raised in East Knoxville. He said he played basketball and baseball in the neighborhood and graduated from Austin-East High School.

He said he is a licensed barber and a chef.

Andrews said one of his goals is to bring the town together as "One Knoxville" and hold community meetings each month. He also said the city should invest to support city school children and create job training.



Statues of the Clinton 12 stand in front of the formerly segregated school and are depicted as marching down the hill to integrate Clinton High School. That event, 63 years ago, will be commemorated with a march along the route next Monday.

Clinton 12 Commemorative Walk planned for Monday

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Thacker, Minnie Ann Dickey Jones and Alvah McSwain.

A joint proclamation will be presented by the Anderson County Commission, City of Clinton and City of Oak Ridge.

Family members of the four deceased Clinton 12 will be present as will be Senator Lamar Alexander, Congressman Chuck Fleishmann and Lieutenant Governor Randy McNally.

City receives public input for Broadway improvements

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get to Hall of Fame or south of and proceed southbound on Broadway," said City of Knoxville Alternative Transportation Engineer. "It is also extremely uncomfortable to travel by foot or bicycle.

"The study will determine alternative designs for the Hall of Fame intersection for all modes of transportation to travel in a more safe and efficient manner. People have different goals and we have to get public input. We are just beginning the study and from this, we will come up with three or four concepts and then, we will narrow it down to one.

Nathan Kelly, who resides in the area and owns additional property there was pleased to see that the city was accepting community input.

"I'm here because they're asking for input and I'm here because this will have a great impact," Kelly said. "I really like the traffic circles they have."

Last summer, Kelly spent time in Spain and he was in a town the size of Knoxville with similar conditions.

"I loved how it worked in Spain," he said. "I lived there last summer and it was in a town about the size of Knoxville.

"Their traffic patterns were a lot smoother and a lot more efficient. Most of the time, I walked. I drove a few times but when I drove, it was a lot more efficient and it was a lot easier when I was on foot."

City Engineering Director said that these changes will benefit everyone in Knoxville despite some opposition from some residents.

"Any time you have something like this, you're going to have people who want change and then, you going to have people who want to keep it like it is," he said. "But you have people who have to walk. They have to travel by foot and that's the way it is.

"And we have to think about those people too."

At it again

I looked at the clock and turned off the alarm before it rang at 6:15 a.m. My eyes saw every hour as it ticked through the night. After dragging myself from the bed, dressing, and grabbing some on-the-run



By Joe Rector
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breakfast, I left home for my first day at school. "What's going on?" I thought. This must be some kind of nightmare from which I haven't yet awakened.

The fact is that once again I am participating in the education of Knox County's youth. More precisely, this is the beginning of the fourth year of subbing. Hardin Valley Academy, Byington-Solway, and Karns High have been the places where I've spent most of my time. In fact, they feel like home and house some friends that work hard and occasionally supply me with work days.

This is my 61st year of being in school in some capacity. If kindergarten

had been for children other than rich kids, one more year could be added. From 1958, I've spent most of each year in a classroom, either as a student, teacher, or now, substitute. Few people stay associated with their chosen professions this long, and I understand why. At some point, energy levels tank, and "I don't care" attitudes soar.

The most vivid memory from that very first day of school was a dark one. Children were escorted from our classroom to the stage in the gym. There they received vaccinations. I had no idea if my records were in order and fretted most of the day that someone would come to take me away and stab me with a needle. To this day, nothing strikes fear into the hearts of youngsters like the threats of shots.

Each new year of school brought anticipation for something new and concern

for what was expected. Ball Camp Elementary housed students 1st-8th grades back then. So, new school fears didn't hit until we became freshmen. My grandson Madden entered middle school this year, and he had the same jitters that most every young'un has. I advised him to keep his head down, keep quiet, and maintain a low profile the first term. Then he would know the ropes well enough to venture out. That's the warning we got upon entering Karns High School. The threat of having to push a penny down the hall with our noses, being beaten up by an upperclassman, or being thrown into Beaver Creek kept us living in terror for at least a few weeks.

Even teaching came with some discomfort. Herding several classes was demanding, especially if they were sprinkled with teens who wished to be anywhere else. That added stress to making sure the material was covered and students were prepared for the following year. The routine wore on me; never

being allowed to leave the campus was inconvenient, and knowing exactly what was to come each day made life somewhat boring at times. Still, I am glad that I chose a teaching career and wouldn't change if I could replay my life.

These days, I sit in classes and make sure students don't kill each other. They won't work if they don't want to, and I have no power to make them. My instructions are always to do the work or find something to keep from disturbing those who want to complete assignments. I further add that if they don't want to work, there's no need to worry; plenty always look for adult workers with no high school diploma who want careers in fast food.

I'm tired, plain and simple. With any luck, this will be my final year of working. Then, I'll rise when I wish, work if I want to, and go when and where I choose. I figure 60+ years of doing anything is long enough. I'm ready for some new challenges and adventures.



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The 1958 Senate Race in Tennessee, I

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Albert Gore had been in the United States Senate for six years and had to face the voters once again in 1958. Gore had spent fourteen years in the House of Representatives before challenging Tennessee's longest serving United States senator, Kenneth D. McKellar. The forty-four year-old Gore had toppled the formidable Senator McKellar in 1952 and the decade of the 1950s in Tennessee belonged to the troika of Estes Kefauver, Frank Clement and Albert Gore.

Clement, like Gore, had first been elected in 1952 defeating Governor Gordon Browning. Browning had been a veteran congressman before serving three terms as governor. K. D. McKellar and Gordon Browning represented Tennessee's past, while Frank Clement and Albert Gore represented Tennessee's future. Clement had served six years as governor and was term limited and could not run again in 1958. The governor thought briefly about challenging Gore for his Senate seat.

Clement's forced retirement created a host of ambitious Democrats eager to run for governor. Judge Andrew "Tip" Taylor was off and running, as was the mayor of Memphis, Edmund Orgill. The choice of Governor Clement's own organization was Buford Ellington, Commissioner of Agriculture in the governor's cabinet. The race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination was complicated by the rekindled ambitions of former Governor Prentice Cooper of Shelbyville. Cooper was the only man to be elected to three consecutive two-year terms in modern Tennessee history. The former governor had served as the American ambassador to Peru from 1946 - 1948. Cooper had also served as the presiding officer of the Constitutional convention in 1953, which revised Tennessee's Constitution. One change ratified by the voters was lengthening the governor's term of office from two years to four. The change, however, did not allow an incumbent governor to seek reelection. By the fall of 1957, Prentice Cooper was seriously contemplating running for governor again. Sixty-two years old in 1957, few could question the former governor's vigor, as after having been a bachelor for years, Cooper had married Hortense Powell in 1950. Miss Powell was the former governor's junior by a good many years, but the union produced three sons, William Prentice Cooper, III, John and James. In a

crowded field of contenders, Prentice Cooper appeared to loom as a formidable candidate. Cooper's old rival, former governor Gordon Browning, was thought to be thinking about yet another attempt at a political comeback as well. Both of the former governors attended the University of Tennessee - Ole Miss football game and were kept occupied by "shaking hands with each other and all comers." Gilbert Yarbrough, editor of the Hickman County Times considered both Browning and Cooper as eager to run, although he noted, "Gubernatorial aspirants are getting around but are making very little noise about their intentions."

It was clear Prentice Cooper was less and less reluctant to reveal his own intentions. While speaking to a civic club in Johnson City, the former governor had already prepared a platform for the 1958 gubernatorial race and when flatly asked if he was a candidate, he replied, "It could be." Cooper said he still believed in "racial segregation in public schools", but added, there was "no room for demagoguery." Cooper also pointed out, "If I do run for governor, I will be the only man in the race with past experience." Not surprisingly, the former governor firmly believed Tennessee would be much better off with "someone in the governor's mansion with experience."

The Kingsport Times wrote an editorial that Cooper's possible candidacy would certainly add "a great deal of spice" to the primary election. The Times believed the former governor "probably" had a personal following in Tennessee, despite the fact he had been out of office for more than a decade and had taken little public part "in the discussion of public questions." The Times speculated those Tennesseans who remembered Prentice Cooper's previous tenure as governor "may well feel that he has overcome some of the faults of youth that they did not like..." The Times pondered just what circumstances might lead to Cooper winning the Democratic nomination, but finally concluded that it hoped "our ex-governor does sail his hat into the ring."

That December, Joe Hatcher, the Nashville Tennessean's political columnist opined much of the sentiment for Cooper was from "some racist leaders." Hatcher wrote the "only 'all-out' segregationist" candidate thus far was Buford Ellington. With the arrival of the New Year, Hatcher penned that



FROM THE AUTHOR'S PERSONAL COLLECTION.

Former governor Prentice Cooper, circa 1958

Cooper was "stubbornly" headed to an announcement of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor. It was one occasion where Joe Hatcher was right. Prentice Cooper announced he would be a candidate on January 1, 1958. The former governor sent telegrams all across the state to media outlets saying, "I hereby announce my candidacy for governor...subject to the Democratic primary in August." Cooper deferred announcing his actual platform, but he did provide a hint, writing, "My platform of aggressive progress with common sense economy will be announced later." Cooper reminded Tennesseans his former administration was "honest, efficient and economical" and promised "the same sound and progressive government" should he be nominated. Cooper ended his announcement with a statement to remove any doubt in the minds of those who might think him less than serious. "Tell all your friends that Prentice Cooper is in the governor's race, and in to win."

Joe Hatcher was quick to write Cooper entered the gubernatorial race "without an organization or group support, without strong support by more than a few, and without any particular timing for efficiency and publicity." Hatcher wondered if the timing of Cooper's announcement he was calculated to forestall the possible candidacy of Judge Andrew "Tip" Taylor or that of Congressman Joe L. Evins, who was pondering a bid. Neither Hatcher nor the Tennessean was especially friendly to Prentice Cooper, nor would the newspaper look favorably upon the candidacy of anyone with the support of the Clement administration. Cooper may very well have believed if he made his announcement official before that of "Tip" Taylor, the judge would

not run. Taylor had managed Cooper's 1938 campaign for governor in West Tennessee and had been appointed Tennessee's Commissioner of Institutions by Cooper in 1939. Only twenty-eight years old at the time, Andrew Taylor became the youngest person in Tennessee's history to serve in a governor's cabinet.

Prentice Cooper's announcement did not bring an outpouring of support, although he did pick up the endorsement of the figurehead of the remnants of the Crump machine in Memphis. E. W. Hale, longtime Finance Commissioner and Chairman of the Shelby County Commission, eighty-three years old and retired, declared he was supporting the former governor's comeback bid.

Prentice Cooper wasted little time in beginning his campaign, traveling to Nashville to speak before a men's group at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Cooper was in Jackson for a meeting of lawyers and the Sun reported he and "Tip" Taylor drew the biggest crowds at the gathering. The former governor did not seem to lack energy as it was reported he "was buttonholing anybody who'd slow down, and probably made a hundred individual campaign speeches in the course of the evening." Taylor's appeal in Jackson, Tennessee was nothing to marvel at, as it was his home. By mid-January, Joe Hatcher was ruefully writing that the former governor's campaign seemed to be picking up steam in upper East Tennessee.

Don Binkley wrote a series of portraits of the announced candidates for governor of Tennessee and traveled to Shelbyville to interview Prentice Cooper, whom he described as a "small, greying man." Binkley mentioned Cooper's legendary reputation for what

he termed "asperity", causing the former governor to retort, "I don't think I was as bad as all that. I just didn't mind saying no." Binkley reported Cooper's time as ambassador to Peru had fostered a love for South American countries in the former governor and the topic was a constant source of conversation. Cooper pointed out he had lived through 38 earthquakes while serving in Peru. Cooper also recalled how he had gotten to know the bullfighter, Manolete, and remembered, "Two weeks before he was gored to death, he promised my mother he would stop taking so many chances in the ring." Binkley was amused when the diminutive former governor leaped to his feet to demonstrate a flourish of the bullfighter's cape made famous by Manolete.

In recalling his political career, Prentice Cooper had never forgotten how he had won an oratorical contest when he was 12 years old and his grandfather had been duly impressed. Grandfather Jacob Shofner had in turn impressed his grandson by telling him he ought to seek office and eventually get himself elected governor. Cooper told Binkley that he had kept busy outside of public office by farming, as the Cooper family owned considerable acreage, as well as practicing law and building homes. "I love construction," Cooper confessed. Apparently the former governor was quite handy and had built "beds, desks, sideboards, paneled a room" and along with two assistants had built an extensive patio behind his home. "It doesn't cost much, either," Cooper pointed out. "All you need are hammers and the right kind of chisels." Cooper had also placed a marble floor in his home and was pleased that he had "installed radiant heating under" the floor, noting, "Now, it's warm enough for my three boys to play on

it." Having married late in life and becoming a father for the first time even later still, perhaps it was no surprise that Don Binkley observed, "It is when he speaks of his children" that "his pale brown eyes gleam brightest."

Acknowledging he didn't need the salary, Cooper said he wished to return to the governor's office because "I am constantly amazed at the amount of money that could be saved and at the same time enlarge public service."

Not everyone was thrilled by Cooper's desire to return to the governor's mansion. One wag was quoted in the Jackson Sun as drawing, "Prentice only has two drawbacks as a candidate. The younger voters don't know him and the older voters do." Such opinions were to be expected in politics and it did not deter Prentice Cooper from opening his state campaign headquarters in Nashville's Hermitage Hotel on March 1, 1958.

The former governor cordially invited "all citizens of Tennessee who are interested in good conservative government, soundly, economically and progressively administered" to drop by for a visit. At the official opening of Cooper's headquarters more than one hundred folks came by to visit. Cooper used the occasion to call for raising teacher salaries, as well as spending more on "outmoded" roads in Tennessee. Attorney Sims Crownover was enthused by the prospect of Prentice Cooper running for governor. "I'm not only supporting him," Crownover cried, "I'm going to get him elected." Crownover added, "He's the only honest man I've ever met in politics." Bristol mayor W. A. S. Furlough had traveled from upper East Tennessee to be on hand and attested to the former governor's continuing popularity in his region. "He helped us in the border areas more than any other governor. We need a new deal in economy and good government," Furlough said.

Cooper was campaigning in Knoxville the first week of March and the economy-minded former governor reminded his listeners the cost of living in Tennessee had risen more than 58%, while the cost of Tennessee's government had escalated by more than 355%. Cooper also picked up the editorial endorsement of the Chattanooga News-Free Press on April 24, 1958. Cooper was also one of six gubernatorial candidates attending the Paris fish fry in West Tennessee. Yet on May 22, 1958 Joe Hatcher was reporting Prentice Cooper was being urged to run for the United States Senate. According to Hatcher, Cooper was interested in the idea.

Despite the announcement and the flurry of activity, Prentice Cooper would not run for governor. Within a few weeks, Cooper would make another announcement that would roil state politics.

Farragut centenarian living a happy and full life

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"The only one I know, the Lord has kept me alive for some reason," answered Ruth. "I don't know what that reason is yet, but I pray about it all the time.

"But I never dranked, I never smoked, I never chewed, I never dipped and I never cursed," she laughed.

"Watch that last one," one of her sons kidded.

"That last one's a fib," agreed grandson Jason. And Ruth giggled again.

This reporter believes the answer to the next question is 100 percent true ... What's something you saw that most of us younger folks never did?

"I guess the horse and buggy," said Jenkins. "And another thing - Kingston Pike was crushed gravel two ways, and then later they blacktopped it. There weren't just two lanes. There wasn't anything on Kingston Pike, not a building anywhere. Nothing. (But) horses and cows everywhere."

Imagine that.

Ruth was then asked if she has a bucket list. What do you want to do next?

"I'd like to jump out of a plane," Ruth blurted out, tipping over everyone's giggle box.

Any other plans for the future?

"I just want this (interview) to be over with," she laughs. "Just git."

Ruth continues laughing at what she had said, but when she sees that the reporter has been taken aback a little, she quickly adds, "I'm just kiddin'."

Brianna was right. Her great-grandmother is a jokester.

Jenkins was raised in the Blue Grass area of West Knox County on a small farm near Lowe's Ferry Pike, which is now known as Northshore Drive. She was the daughter of Julia Ann Suits Coker and John Coker and the oldest of five children.

Her mother was hospitalized with tuberculosis when Ruth was 12 years old and died two years later at age 44. Ruth helped her father, who worked in a quarry for Appalachia Marble Company, with the younger siblings, including three sisters and a 3-year-old brother at the time of their mother's death.

"My father didn't know what to do when my mother passed away ... It was hard on him," said Ruth. "He would get people to help us off and on."

But much of that load fell on Ruth, who managed to get two summers of high school teaching after attending Blue Grass Elementary School.

"My teacher lived right below me, so I would walk to her house," Jenkins recalled. "She would teach me my high school through the summer. That was very hard, but I did two years of it, and that was all.

"I was the oldest sibling and I had it all to do."

Ruth married Fred Jenkins and they had two sons, Richard and Steve. They also had three grandsons and two granddaughters.

She worked in sales for Miller's Department Store on Henley Street, mostly in clothing, and continued when Miller's moved to West Town Mall.

Ruth's favorite part of the

Bible is The Lord's Prayer and she loves flowers. "I still have flowers on my patio," she said.

For fun, Ruth said, "We have everything going here (at Park Place West). We play bingo. We play horse races (with dice) twice a month.

"We take exercises. We have a movie every night. Just all kinds of stuff. There's so much going on, I can't keep up with it."

What's the best thing about turning 100?

"I thank my good Lord for it," she answered. "The Lord has really blessed me. And I've worked hard ... If working hard kills you; I'd been dead a long time ago.

"I hope my longevity goes to both of my boys. But I don't know where I get that. No one in my family has lived this long."

Are you happy?

"Very happy," said Ruth. "Well, I have my ups and downs. I've lost two granddaughters, and when you have a family, there's all the time something happening. It's not 100 percent perfect. No family is. And if you say they are, that's not so.

"Everybody has their ups and downs. You have to cope with them. You have to pray about them, because you can't do it all by yourself. You have to ask the Lord to help you through everything."

Mary Moeller of Farragut was Ruth's Sunday School teacher in the older women's class at First Baptist Concord and said "Ruth always had her opinion. She was a wonderful friend of everybody, just a real blessing to all of us."

Katy and Roy Ogle, who



Sons Richard (left) and Steve sit by their mom, Ruth Jenkins, and join other family members in celebrating Ruth's 100th birthday Sunday, August 11.

also attended the Sunday afternoon party, was a younger couple that were longtime neighbors of Ruth and her husband when they lived on Thornton Drive off Concord Road.

"We moved in 2000 to a condo in Farragut Commons and later Ruth bought one across the street after her husband passed away," said Katy.

"She was always a very good neighbor and a good Christian woman from knowing her at church. She was a little older than me so we weren't in the same Sunday School class long.

"She told me one day, 'I'm in the jumping off class,'" laughed Katy.

But her longtime "buddy" said she's not surprised Ruth has lived to be 100.

"Not really. She was a go-getter ... a very independent, self-sufficient lady."

And she still hasn't jumped off.



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High school football is back, thanks to many!

By Steve Williams

The high school football experience is more than the combatants on the field on Friday nights.

The bands and the cheerleaders and the fans also make up the spirited atmosphere that many folks in Knoxville and the East Tennessee area have enjoyed over the years.

While the players have been toiling and practicing in the July and August heat, others too have been getting ready, putting their halftime shows together and learning new cheers.

In the background, there are other students who also have contributed, helping athletic trainers keep participants safe and healthy.

All are to be commended, for it takes all to make high school football the great sport and show that it is!

Enjoy the season. It starts for real this week.



Above, GO REBELS! West High cheerleaders work on new cheers last week in preparation for the 2019 high school football season. The West varsity squad has 20 members this year.

Right, A 'COOL' JOB. South-Doyle High's Tierra Smith makes an ice pack during a practice session last week. It's Tierra's first season as an Athletic Trainer student assistant. The senior says she plans to go into cosmetology, but felt athletic training could be "something to fall back on."



PHOTOS BY STEVE WILLIAMS



The soft bell-like sounds of the xylophones will be part of what's heard from the Powell High marching band this season. PHS students had a two-week band camp, took a week off and when school opened began practicing 8:30 to 10 in the mornings and 4 to 6:30 on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Their halftime show this year is a combination of music from Pink Floyd and classical composer Shostakovich and is entitled "All in All, We Are ..."



TUNING UP. Halls High's marching band has spent many afternoons and early evenings practicing in the parking lot in front of the school to get ready for the 2019 football season.



HELPING HANDS. Summer Ballard, in her third year as a Carter High Athletic Student Trainer, received help filling the water containers from three younger sisters -- Lilly, Maddie and Ella -- on this practice day. Ballard hopes to begin a 7-year program in Physical Therapy School at UT in January. Kenzie Acres, a junior, is also an Athletic Student Trainer at Carter this season.

2019 Tennessee Football Season Preview

By Alex Norman

OK. Before you read this article let's get one thing straight. You don't know how Tennessee is going to perform this season, and I don't know how Tennessee is going to perform this season. Any season preview article is, at best, an educated guess into what the next few months will

hold for the Volunteers.

So if you are looking for some exclusive inside information that will allow you to wow your friends at the bowling alley and give you enough confidence to bet the mortgage on the over/under for Tennessee wins, you should skip the next few hundred words. (By the way, this coaching staff is allowed to speak

publicly once a millennium and leaks from the football complex are rare due to head coach Jeremy Pruitt's authoritarian ways... so anyone that tells you that they have the scoop on this program is lying.)

That all said... Tennessee will be better this year than in 2018 thanks in part to some key additions to the coaching staff. Having Jim

Chaney as offensive coordinator, Derrick Ansley as defensive coordinator, and Tee Martin as assistant head coach, passing game coordinator and wide receivers coach will be a big boost for this roster. All of those coaches know how to develop talent. This team should be disciplined once again. Now, the play-makers should get more

opportunities to flourish.

"They pay me to run an offense and do the best I can," said Chaney. "I get caught up in my own job and putting our kids in the best situation to be successful. I think it's a process... Let's go out and get better every day and see where it lies at the end of the day... I am here and I'm excited to be here. We'll see

what happens."

"The guys are a year older in scheme," said Ansley. "Going through the spring and having acclimated practices in the summer, you can also get around and develop them a little bit more. I think the familiarity with the scheme and the coaching staff kind of helps guys calm down, **Continued on page 4**

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Senior Quarterback, Weight Room Work Helps Eagles

By David Klein

The Seymour Eagles are not letting a disappointing 2-8 season last year pull them down in their preparations for the 2019 season. The team has put lots of work into offseason workouts in a new weight room and is hungry to improve. Playing in Region 2-5A against the likes of 2018 state champion Central and perennial power Sevier County, first year Head Coach Scott Branton will rely on returning senior quarterback Grayson Campbell.

Campbell had to overcome adversity early on in his high school career. He began his sophomore season as the starting quarterback. "But in the first game, I gashed my

head open. Four days later, I tore my knee. In the game I came back, I separated my shoulder, so I played maybe 1 1/2 games that year. So that was pretty tough."

However, Campbell said, "My junior year was the best year of football I've ever had. Last year was more like a learning year. This year we're finally getting everything down, becoming second nature so in the game we don't have to think about things. We can just react and play."

Branton aids him in his understanding of the offense. "He just makes everything a lot more simple," Campbell said.

Branton begins his first year as head coach after his offensive coordinator

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stint last season. Describing the offense, Branton said, "we are a spread offense with some pro-style offense mixed in, so I guess you could say it's multiple. We're just trying to do what's best for our kids."

One of the main areas that Campbell and senior defensive end Buzz King said has gotten better since they started playing football for the Eagles is the weight room. "Now we have people squatting 400 pounds easily," Campbell said. "We have people getting bigger, stronger, faster. It's a 180-degree turn."

King added, "Last year was basically just a rebuilding season. We had to start

over with a new weight room. The weight room is way better than last year and way better than it ever has been before so I think it's going to be pretty good this year. One difference is everyone is actually wanting to show up for the workouts compared to not wanting to show up."

Campbell said, "We're averaging close to 80 players showing up. It's people wanting to get there early, wanting to get a workout in."

Branton also said the team made a big focus of the weight room this year. "We made a big focus to change our bodies physically. We've seen a big

change in a lot of our kids and our bodies this year."

On the defensive side of the ball, King said the Eagles run a three-man front and a 3-4 defense. "We've got really good linebackers this year," King emphasized.

Branton said of the 3-4 defense, "We felt like it fit our kids and their abilities and what they can do. They look like they're having fun with it."

In his first year, Branton is trying to establish a servant culture in the football program. He said, "We've been talking about being high character kids and being servant leaders. We're trying to have those seniors serve freshman," he emphasized.

Perhaps the biggest rival

for Seymour is The King's Academy, right across the street on Boyds Creek Highway in Seymour. "Most of the people know each other," Campbell said. "We're definitely excited for that one."

Branton added, "A lot of those guys (Seymour and King's Academy) grew up together and played through different youth leagues together. There's a personal feel to it. I think it's going to be a really good thing for the community. We expect it to be a really big game and a good atmosphere."

The Seymour versus King's Academy game opens the season on Friday, August 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Bearden girls soccer team looks to be successful in 2019

By Ken Lay

As the 2019 girls soccer season looms, Bearden High School coach Ryan Radcliffe has a problem that many in this game would like to have.

"This will be a challenging year for me because we have so much depth and so much talent," Radcliffe said. "We'll have to find our identity and the challenge for me is to build the team into a cohesive unit. This is a good problem to have."

Radcliffe is no stranger to these kinds of teams. He also coaches the boys and last spring, the Bulldogs had a deep and talented team and they walked off the field as Class AAA State Champions in May.

"This is going to be a lot like [the 2019] boys team and we're so deep that you may not see people get a lot of minutes. And they'll have to be concerned about what's best for the team and not what's best for them as individuals," Radcliffe said. "I told them at practice when we started that it's been 12 years since the girls have won a state championship.

"We've made it to the state semifinals the last two years and I think these girls are hungry for more."

The Lady Bulldogs went 19-5-1 last season and they had a perfect 4-0 run in District 2-AA for the second consecutive year. Bearden's season ended with a loss to Collierville.

The Lady Bulldogs look to have the pieces in place for another successful campaign in 2019.

Top returners include Abby Brewer (a senior forward who was an all-state performer last season); Taylor Cross (a senior forward who was an all-district and all-region standout); Hailey Cartt (a senior midfielder, who was all-district and all-region in 2018); Hannah Wilson (senior, midfielder); Blythe Lundberg (senior, defender); Carley Scott (senior, defender); Harlie Howard (a sophomore defender who started as a freshman); Kailyn Scott (sophomore, defender); Janie Lewis (junior, midfielder); Alex Smith (senior, forward) and Alyssa Corbitt (sophomore,

defender)

In goal this season the Lady Bulldogs have a pair of solid players vying for the starting spot in senior Megan Armstrong and freshman Peyton Huber.

Radcliffe said this is his most talented freshman class in his six years as the girls coach.

Freshman forward Brinley Murphy will make a big impact at forward early. She's also a post player in basketball and was a dominant force for West Valley, who suffered its only loss in the East Tennessee Regional Final last year.

"She's the perfect combination and everything that you want in a forward," Radcliffe said.

Another key freshman in Bearden's talented crop of newcomers is Becca Roth, a midfielder who has been impressive in the preseason.

The Lady Bulldogs open the 2019 season at Cookeville on Tuesday, Aug. 20 before hosting Hardin Valley Academy on Thursday, Aug. 22.

Lady Beavers have high soccer expectations

By Ken Lay

A fast start last season sparked a renewed interest in Karns girls soccer program and now, second-year coach Jeff Monckton has some new faces in the program.

"Last year was exciting and now the excitement is really there," said Monckton, who inherited the Lady Beavers after a stint at The King's Academy. "Our numbers are up and the girls are just ready to go play."

"We had an influx of new players and we bring some talented girls back and we're excited."

Karns started last year by winning its first several games but they finished 9-5. The foundation has been laid and the Lady Beavers have some high expectations for the 2019 campaign, which opens tonight (Aug. 19) with a road match against Jefferson County in Dandridge.

Kickoff is slated for 7 p.m.

After the game against the Lady Patriots, Karns will play in the Smoky Mountain Cup in Gatlinburg.

"The team's expectation is to win the District (3-AAA) Championship, but we're going to take things one day at a time," Monckton said. "I can see us in the district championship game. We want to get there and we want to win it."

"Our goal is to win the district championship game but we have to take things one game at a time. We have to let the games come to us. We're excited. We're excited to see what we can do and our parents are excited to see what these girls can do but we have to have the mindset to take things one game at a time."

Soccer is again a hot ticket at Karns as the boys team reached the Class AAA State Tournament for the first time in school history last spring.

And Monckton commended the Beavers on their accomplishments on the pitch but noted that the Lady Beavers have the capability to have a big year.

"We all know what the boys did and we're proud of them," he said. "It was a big deal. Our strengths are that our numbers are up and this team is a lot stronger and I don't think that there's one way to defend us."

"I've heard other coaches say that and when I hear that from my peers, it makes me feel really good. This team can really be special."

The Lady Beavers also have a new coach as former Karns star and Tusculum College player Lindsey Kelly will assist Monckton.

"I'm just glad to have her," Monckton said of Kelly. "She's a competitor and she's good for these girls. She came over from Anderson County. She was over there last year and she helped them make it to the regionals."

Top returners for the Lady Beavers include: Hailey Paulsen (junior, goalkeeper); Sarah Roberts (senior, forward); Hannah Stafford (sophomore, midfielder); Ryan Branson (junior, midfielder); Zoey Applea (junior, midfielder); Haley Rayfield (senior, defender); Julianna Friel (junior, defender); Alyssa Crenshaw (senior, defender) and Meggie Farmer (junior, midfielder).

Key newcomers are: Emma Cooke (freshman, goalkeeper); Nicole Gilmore (freshman, midfielder); Kendall Harvey (junior, midfielder) and Emma Brummitt (junior, forward).

Lady Hawks stress accountability on soccer field

By Ken Lay

When Hardin Valley Academy's girls soccer team begins its 2019 season Tuesday night against Powell, it will begin the second season for Jessie Stephens.

And Stephens will hold herself and her team accountable for what happens on and off the field and expectations will be extremely high for the Lady Hawks.

"I think I've always had high expectations, no matter what program I've been in," said Stephens who played at nearby Farragut High School before playing collegiately at Carson-Newman and returning to her alma mater to serve as an assistant coach. "I've always had high

expectations for myself and my girls."

"These girls have high expectations and we all want to get this program where it's successful at a consistent level. We want to be mentioned along with the Beardens, Maryvilles and Farraguts of the world. All those teams are great teams."

When Stephens arrived at HVA, she was the team's third coach in four years and after a slow start in 2018, the Lady Hawks finished 12-7-2 last season and reached the state sectionals where they lost to Bearden. The Lady Bulldogs made it to the Class AAA State Semifinals for the second year in a row.

And the coach and assistant Maddie Warren wasted

little time putting their respective stamps on the program. Just ask senior Karly Livingston.

"We're just excited to get the chance to start playing," said Livingston, who plays both in the midfield and on the back line. "We ran every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and we had 'hell week' for seven weeks. Jess has pushed us and supported us and so has Maddie. The summer for us was about hardcore conditioning."

The Lady Hawks are talented and experienced but the road to Murfreesboro may again run through Bearden depending how both the regional tournaments shake out.

"I hope we don't have to go through Bearden,"

Stephens said. "There are great teams and Ryan (Radcliffe) is a great coach. I have nothing but respect for him and his team."

Stephens may not want to see the Lady Bulldogs when the weather cools in October, but she and the Lady Hawks will invade Turner-Allender Field on in the midst of the dog days of summer on Thursday, Aug. 22.

"We have one heck of a schedule. We open at home against Powell and then we go to Bearden," Stephens said.

Things won't get much easier for the Lady Hawks after that as they face a District 4-AAA slate that includes the likes of Maryville and the Lady

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South-Doyle's Kinsey Galyon going into Hall of Fame

By Steve Williams

Kinsey Galyon, former South-Doyle High player, will be inducted into the Reinhardt University Athletics Hall of Fame Aug. 26 in Waleska, Ga.

Galyon was Reinhardt's second leading all-time basketball scorer when she graduated in 2011. Kinsey and her twin sister Kelsey also were both starters on the Lady Eagles' 2011 NAIA team.

The two graduated from South-Doyle in 2007, one year ahead of their younger sister Kaitlyn.

All three are granddaughters of former South-Young head football coach and longtime TSSAA wrestling referee Pete Stafford and his wife Faye.

The Staffords' daughter Kim Galyon, who is a guidance counselor at Gibbs High, is their mother.

Kinsey Galyon is currently the Minister of Youth and Community Connections at Southwinds Church in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.



Kinsey Galyon is to be honored by Reinhardt University.

She began serving with Southwinds as a summer intern in 2008 and joined the church's staff in 2018, after teaching high school for several years.

Galyon, who majored in sports administration, also was selected as a 2011 National Undergraduate Scholar by the American Kinesiology Association. She graduated with a 4.0 GPA, a minor in Business, completed more than 750 hours of internship work at Southwinds Church and

was a multiple selection All-Appalachian Conference player.

She holds a bachelor degree from Reinhardt and a Masters of Arts in Teaching from Carson-Newman University.

KOC KICK-OFF CLASSIC: Webb played Gibbs in the first of eight quarters Friday night at Neyland Stadium and shut out the Eagles 14-0.

In other action, Campbell County got past Austin-East 13-6, South-Doyle toppled Bearden 14-7, Central blanked Karns 7-0, Farragut and Fulton battled to a scoreless tie, West downed Carter 14-0, Powell beat Hardin Valley 14-0 and Halls edged The King's Academy 7-6.

WEEK 1: Local high school football fans could see three games this week if they wanted. After Powell hosts Greeneville Thursday and Friday's action, there also will be two Saturday games matching South-Doyle at Fulton and

Bearden at West.

Friday headliners include A-E at Webb, Cleveland at Central, Halls at Gibbs, Hardin Valley at Oak Ridge and The King's Academy at Seymour.

SCRIMMAGES: There were several surprising one-sided scores posted in pre-season action this year. So, local coaches were asked how much stock should high school football fans put in scrimmage scores?

Out of 10 replies, nine pretty much said "not much at all," while one said final scrimmages might provide a decent gauge.

West Coach Lamar Brown: "They should not put much stock into scrimmages. Most coaches don't game plan for a scrimmage. I know we try to run every play that we have in. We want to see the plays on film. Scrimmages are a glorified practice."

A-E Coach Jeff Phillips: "The scrimmage format is really the biggest thing to look at. I wouldn't put

much stock into scrimmages because I know in our scrimmages I'm not trying to win. I'm more worried about trying to get things in film. Fans should look at scrimmages and see which players look good but as far as a score those can be totally misleading."

South-Doyle Coach Clark Duncan: "You can't tell how good a team will be once the season begins based on preseason scrimmages. The teams that do it right are the ones that not only use preseason scrimmages to get their starters ready, but they are working on gaining depth for certain positions. Therefore, scores are not always a sign of how good or how bad a team is going to be by the end of the season."

Catholic Coach Steve Matthews: "I think it depends, probably not a whole lot of stock in the early scrimmages. But in the later scrimmages, most coaches are starting to get ready for the season."

PRESEASON ALL-STARS:

The 2019 Knoxville Area High School Kick-Off pocket size publication recognized 17 preseason all-stars: SB/CB Ke'on of Austin-East, QB Collin Ironside of Bearden, WR/DB Max Smith of CAK, RB/LB Kenneth Cox of Carter, OL/DL Cooper Mays of Catholic, QB Dakota Fawver of Central, QB Gavin Wilkinson of Farragut, OL/DL Demarcus Cash of Fulton, RB Ethan Humphries of Gibbs, RB/SS Jake Parris of Halls, RB/DB/KR/P Kelton Gunn of Hardin Valley, ATH/DB Jalen Tucker of Karns, WR/DB Bailor Hughes of Powell, RB/LB Elijah Young of South-Doyle, WR/LB Grissim Anderson of Webb and LB Drew Francis of West.

This year's issue also named Sydney Mynatt, a sophomore at West High School, as its Miss High School Kick-Off. She is a member of the West soccer team and on Teen Board Knoxville.

The pain of last season is now motivation for Panthers

By Steve Williams

It's more of a carryover season than a new season for the Powell High football program.

Returning players from last year haven't forgotten what happened in 2018 and won't. It's a strong source of motivation for the Panthers, said Bailor Hughes, a senior leader.

"It's a lot of motivation for us and it really helps," said Hughes, following a preseason practice this summer.

Powell rolled to a 6-1 record last year and appeared to be headed for its first playoff berth since 2012, but was notified by the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association before its Week 8 game that it would have to forfeit its six wins and pay fines for using an ineligible player.

Running back Fernando Francis, who played at West his freshman season, was the ineligible player. His family had moved into the Karns zone and Francis was granted a transfer to Powell by Knox County Schools for his sophomore season, but that didn't make him eligible per TSSAA rules.

The six wins that were changed to losses ended up costing Powell a playoff berth.

Players on the Powell team, particularly the

seniors, were crushed when they heard the news from the state office.

"It was hard, particularly for the upperclassmen," recalled Bailor. "It hurt a lot."

Tears were shed.

"I know I was crying all day at school," said Hughes. "It was devastating for the seniors because that was their year to make it to the playoffs after all they had been through. They had been 1-9 twice, their freshmen and sophomore years. It was hard. It was really hard."

Still hopeful of winning enough games to make the playoffs, the hurt but inspired Panthers posted an impressive 36-21 win over West in their Week 8 game.

"The best thing that happened last year was the response of a bunch of high school kids," said Matt Lowe, Powell head coach who is heading into his second season back at his alma mater. "Last year's events made this team much stronger."

It also shocked the Powell community, said Lowe.

"There were a lot of people that were hurting on that Friday when we walked into the (West) stadium. There were a lot of people who walked out of there with a lot of pride in their community.



Bailor Hughes carries the football for Powell in its 14-0 win over Hardin Valley Academy in Friday night's KOC Kick-Off Classic at Neyland Stadium.

"Those young men inspired not only me; they inspired an entire community. What they did that night was outstanding and will stay with most of us forever."

Powell lost at Oak Ridge in a must-win situation in its next game and closed the regular season with a win at South-Doyle to officially end the season with a 2-8 record. The Panthers would have been 8-2 had it not

been for the forfeits.

To this day, everybody still brings up the forfeits and what happened last season when Powell is mentioned in conversation, said Hughes, who plays strong safety, slot receiver and punts.

"It's for them, definitely for sure," said Hughes of dedicating this season to last year's seniors.

"One of my best friends, Riley Bryant, who played the same position as me, is going to East Tennessee State, but I know that we

want to win this year for his class because of what happened last year."

Powell will face a tough test in its opener, hosting two-time defending Class 4A state champion Greeneville in the Rivalry Thursday TV Game of the Week. Kick-off is at 7.

"It's a great measuring stick for both programs," said Coach Lowe.

CHAD SMITH, Powell athletic director, said last week that Francis is eligible this season even though he is

still living at the same residence where he lived last year, because he has been officially enrolled as a student-athlete at Powell High for over a year.

Francis, however, is reportedly injured. He was on crutches and watched from the sidelines as his teammates played in the KOC Kick-Off Classic Friday night at Neyland Stadium.

Despite Francis' absence, Powell defeated Hardin Valley Academy 14-0.

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Lady Hawks stress accountability on soccer field

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Admirals.

The Lady Rebels won both the district and region championships by knocking off the Lady Hawks after the two sides played to a draw during the regular season.

"We played Maryville three times and every time we played them, the game was a little harder," Stephens said. "That's a credit to (Maryville coach) Steve (Feather)."

"Steve is a great coach

and his teams always get better as the season goes on and it's the same thing with Farragut."

Top returners for the Lady Hawks include: Caroline Fults (senior, forward); Lauryn Smith (senior, defender); Emily Whitley (senior, forward/midfielder); Livingston; Claire Palya (sophomore, midfielder/defender); Kaiya Cruze (senior, forward) and Kyra Ranvek (senior, forward/midfielder).

Key newcomers include freshmen Norah Jacomen (forward/midfielder) and Abigail Davis (defender).

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	WEEK 1 Aug. 22-24	WEEK 2 Aug. 29-30	WEEK 3 Sept. 5-6	WEEK 4 Sept. 12-13	WEEK 5 Sept. 19-20	WEEK 6 Sept. 26-27	WEEK 7 Oct. 3-4	WEEK 8 Oct. 10-11	WEEK 9 Oct. 17-18	WEEK 10 Oct. 24-25	WEEK 11 Nov. 1
TSD	OPEN	OPEN	vs. South Haven	vs. South Carolina	vs. Alabama	vs. Mississippi	vs. South Carolina	vs. Florida	vs. TN Heat	OPEN	OPEN
AUSTIN-EAST <small>D1, Class AAA, R2</small>	vs. Knox Webb	vs. Alcoa	vs. Kingston	vs. Fulton	vs. Greenville	vs. Brainerd	vs. Scott County	vs. Gatlinburg-Pittman	vs. Pigeon Forge	OPEN	vs. Northview Academy
CARTER <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. Rhea County	vs. Campbell County	vs. Seymour	vs. Lenior City	vs. Halls	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Morristown West	OPEN	vs. Central	vs. Gibbs	vs. Sevier County
CENTRAL <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. Cleveland	vs. Fulton	vs. Sevier County	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Seymour	vs. Knox Central KY	vs. Halls	OPEN	vs. Carter	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Gibbs
GIBBS <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. Halls	vs. Seymour	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Morristown East	vs. Campbell County	vs. Rhea County	vs. Sevier County	OPEN	vs. Lenior City	vs. Carter	vs. Central
HALLS <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. Gibbs	vs. Karns	vs. Clinton	vs. Union County	vs. Carter	vs. Powell	vs. Central	OPEN	vs. South-Doyle	vs. Sevier County	vs. Seymour
SEYMOUR <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. The King's Academy	vs. Gibbs	vs. Carter	vs. Campbell County	vs. Central	vs. Heritage	vs. South-Doyle	OPEN	vs. Sevier County	vs. Lenior City	vs. Halls
SOUTH-DOYLE <small>D1, Class 5A, R2</small>	vs. Fulton 8/24	vs. Grace Christian	vs. Gibbs	vs. Anderson County	vs. Sevier County	vs. Carter	vs. Seymour	OPEN	vs. Halls	vs. Central	vs. Powell
FULTON <small>D1, Class 5A, R3</small>	vs. South-Doyle 8/24	vs. Central	vs. Powell	vs. Austin-East	vs. Karns	OPEN	vs. Maryville	vs. Clinton	vs. Campbell County	vs. West	vs. Oak Ridge
KARNs <small>D1, Class 5A, R3</small>	vs. Walker County	vs. Halls	vs. West	vs. Powell	vs. Fulton	vs. Campbell County	vs. Oak Ridge	OPEN	vs. Heritage	vs. Rhea County	vs. Clinton
POWELL <small>D1, Class 5A, R3</small>	vs. Greeneville	vs. Anderson County	vs. Fulton	vs. Karns	vs. Clinton	vs. Halls	vs. Campbell County	OPEN	vs. West	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. South-Doyle
WEST <small>D1, Class 5A, R3</small>	vs. Bearden 8/24	vs. Farragut	vs. Karns	vs. Jefferson County	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Clinton	vs. Powell	OPEN	vs. Fulton	vs. Campbell County
BEARDEN <small>D1, Class 6A, R1</small>	vs. West 8/24	vs. Maryville	vs. Dobyns-Bennett	vs. Bradley Central	OPEN	vs. McMinn County	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Jefferson County	vs. Farragut	vs. Morristown West	vs. Science Hill
FARRAGUT <small>D1, Class 6A, R1</small>	vs. Bradley Central	vs. West	OPEN	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Morristown West	vs. Maryville	vs. Science Hill	vs. Dobyns-Bennett	vs. Bearden	vs. Hardin Valley	vs. Jefferson County
HARDIN VALLEY <small>D1, Class 6A, R1</small>	vs. Oak Ridge	vs. Cleveland	vs. Science Hill	vs. Central	vs. Dobyns-Bennett	vs. West	vs. Bearden	OPEN	vs. Jefferson County	vs. Farragut	vs. Morristown West
KING'S ACAD <small>D2, Class A, East</small>	vs. Seymour	vs. Gatlinburg Pittman	vs. Grace - Franklin	vs. Mt Juliet Christian	vs. Webb School	vs. Friendship Christian	vs. Mid Tenn Christian	vs. Onieda	vs. DCA	vs. Grace Chattanooga	OPEN
CAK <small>D2, Class AA, East</small>	vs. Volunteer	vs. Clinton	vs. White County	vs. Stone Memorial	vs. Silverdale Academy	vs. Chattanooga Christian	vs. Notre Dame	OPEN	vs. Boyd Buchanan	vs. GCA	vs. Knoxville Webb
WEBB <small>D2, Class AA, East</small>	vs. Austin-East	vs. McCallie	vs. Boyd Buchanan	vs. David Crockett	OPEN	vs. Notre Dame	vs. GCA	OPEN	vs. Silverdale Academy	vs. Chattanooga Christian	vs. CAK
GCA <small>D2, Class AA, East</small>	vs. Stone Memorial	vs. South-Doyle	OPEN	vs. York Institute	vs. Notre Dame	vs. Silverdale Academy	vs. Knoxville Webb	vs. Chattanooga Christian	vs. Trinity Academy	vs. CAK	vs. Boyd Buchanan
CATHOLIC <small>D2, Class 3A, East/Mid</small>	vs. Chuckey-Doak	vs. Highlands Corbin, KY	vs. Ensworth	OPEN	vs. McCallie	vs. Science Hill	vs. Brentwood Academy	vs. West Greene	vs. Baylor	vs. Brentwood	vs. Father Ryan

2019 Tennessee Football Season Preview

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 take a deep breath and see things a little bit clearer.”
 “I never thought I was going to come back and coach here,” said Martin, who of course was the starting quarterback for the 1998 SEC and BCS national champion Volunteers. “The way it worked out and the timing of it was great. I am just as excited to get started as our fanbase is...

It’s time to go. We had a really good offseason. I’ve been talking to them and they were all here for the summer, everyone is excited and ready to go.”
 As far as the on field talent, Jarrett Guarantano is back for his redshirt junior season. He took a battering in 2018, and was knocked out of multiple games. His development, and perhaps most

importantly the development of the Tennessee offensive line, will go a long way towards finding out if this team will be playing in a bowl game this winter.
 “You look at these guys (the offensive line), and when they walk into a room, whether they’ve been here for a year, two years, three years, you can see how their bodies have changed in a positive

way,” said Pruitt. “We’ve got guys that have experience and that have played in a lot of games. We’ve got guys that are new on the campus and they’re looking for the opportunity to play. We have competition in the room. We have smart guys that demonstrated to me in the spring some physical toughness or some physicality... I’m excited about the group.”

Wide receiver Marquez Callaway reportedly ran a 4.4 40 this off season. If Chaney can find a way to get him the football, it will mean big things for the Volunteers offense.
 Senior linebackers Daniel Bituli and Darrell Taylor are two of the leaders counted on for this Tennessee defense. Look for sophomore Alontae Taylor and senior Nigel Warrior

to play at a postseason award levels in the Volunteers secondary. The loss for the year of defensive lineman Emmitt Gooden to a knee injury will be one the Vols must work past this season.
 Tennessee starts the 2019 next Saturday (August 31) against Georgia State. The game will kickoff at 3:30 p.m. at Neyland Stadium.



The Doctor is in

a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Enlightened

Not infrequently, readers ask me why I sometimes use words that might not be commonplace. I'm not trying to be pedantic (ostentatiously learned), but challenging! And sometimes the perfect word is just that - the perfect word which succinctly expresses my thoughts.

English has more words than any other language, and seemingly has a word for everything. In fact, I once came upon the term for "the perfect word." Unfortunately, I "misplaced" (forgot) the word and have searched repeatedly for it, but to no avail. If any of you know this word, I would appreciate being enlightened.

I've frequently said that words are the tools we use to express ourselves. And, a man needs an adequate supply of tools. I have a small Craftsman tool set that is usually sufficient for a contemplative doctor. Actually, I rely on my wife,

Becky, who is our "Handy Ma'am." And if I need additional tools, I have access to my son-in-law's much larger tool collection which, by analogy, is like a larger dictionary or thesaurus, where you can find the perfect word-tool.

English has borrowed extensively from other languages, including Russian, German, French, and Spanish and so on. Many of our words, and especially medical terms, derive from Latin and Greek. Like us, the ancient Romans borrowed from other cultures and languages, including the ancient Greeks who called themselves the Hellenes. The Romans conquered the Hellenistic world and absorbed the Greek culture. The Romans collectively referred to the Hellenistic people as Graecoi, derived from the first Greek tribe the Romans encountered. And now, having absorbed the Greco-Roman culture, we still

use the Roman/Latin name for Greece today.

I learned a new Greek word last week. It was not in my lexicon. Akrasia is defined as motivated irrationality. It seems an appropriate descriptor of the current Democrat leadership and their media handlers who are driven to irrationality by hatred. In last week's column entitled Apostasy, I posited group insanity as the result of evil. You should read the column in the archives section of knoxfocus.com and draw your own conclusions for the mess we find ourselves.

Though the Greek people were the first to use the scientific methods of observational reality, I never had the luxury of studying ancient Greece and Rome, aside from a college freshman course on western civilization. While my formal education was science-based, my informal education in the humanities occurred over the last thirty years and was self-taught. I'm not embarrassed that I don't have academic degrees in the classics which formed the foundation of western civilization. Abraham Lincoln was also largely self-taught. I've come to admire sages like Socrates who once opined, "When debate is lost, slander becomes the tool of the losers." Socrates was apparently prescient (displaying foresight) in his

prediction of the modern left's mode of operation (modus operandi), the ad hominem (personal) attack.

Recently, Becky asked me the origin of the political terms, left and right. I didn't know. However, a quick search of the Internet enlightened me and my beloved. In 1789 the leaders of the French revolution met in the National Assembly to discuss the formation of a new government. Supporters of the king (the more conservative, traditionalists) congregated to the right of the speaker, while the more revolutionary, progressive members stood to the left. Apparently, the more modern terms of conservative/traditional and progressive/liberal have their origin in the French Revolution! I'll leave you to reflect on older (3000 years) reflections of the Teacher in Ecclesiastes 10:2 who observed, "A wise man's heart inclines to the right, but the heart of a fool to the left."

Other interesting political idioms are "Blue Dog Democrats" and "Red Dog Republicans." The Blue Dog Congressional Coalition said of its name, "'Blue Dog' originates from the long-time tradition of referring to a strong Democratic Party supporter as being a 'Yellow Dog Democrat,' who would 'vote for a yellow dog if it was listed on the ballot

as a Democrat.' Leading up to the 1994 election the founding [moderate] members of the Blue Dogs felt that they had been 'choked blue' by the extremes of both political parties.

"Somewhat similarly, Red Dog Republicans are thought to be "fiscal conservatives who think social issues are not the government's business.

"[They are] individualists with a strong belief in the separation of religion and government."

As additional color enlightenment, the modern identification of red and blue states and their political nom de guerre philosophies is largely a contrivance of the media. Republicans were once blue and Democrats were once red. And remember, there was no color in television until the seventies. Interestingly, in the 20th century with the Soviet "red scare," the media moved to associate red with Republicans.

What amazes me is how anyone can still believe anything the major news media say. Why would you believe a proven liar like CNN or the New York Times? Furthermore, how can anyone trust a politician or the government to fix our problems? After all, the Feds could not keep Epstein, locked in a padded cell, from killing himself. Yet some are prepared to let Democrat loons and government

have even more power over our lives. I can only surmise that enlightenment is an elusive entity.

Sometimes I become discouraged in these troubled times and ask myself if my column is worth the effort? And yet my work to enlighten pales by comparison to the efforts of the police, firemen, EMTs and the military.

I write as an avocation, not for notoriety or a paycheck. And I write out of duty and service to the country in this modern Civil War we find ourselves. I have the love and support of family, but admittedly I occasionally become discouraged. And then a friend called to say "Thank you" for writing and giving voice to his thoughts.

So in closing, the doctor recommends you stop and thank those who support and love you. And even extend charity to the confused. The enlightened and pithy words of Emily Dickinson poetically work for me:

If I can stop one Heart from breaking,
 I shall not live in vain
 If I can ease one Life the Aching,
 Or cool one Pain,

Or help one fainting Robin
 Unto his Nest again,
 I shall not live in vain.

You may email Dr. Ferguson at fergusonj@knoxfocus.com



Rosie's World

by Ray Charles or classical songs from movie themes, but hymns are the mainstay.

One time while I was playing, I noticed a lot of hymns were written by Fanny Crosby. I googled her and was amazed at the facts pertaining to her life. A Methodist, American mission worker, poet, lyricist, and composer, she wrote more than 8,000 hymns, despite being blind shortly after birth. She could not see with her eyes, but she could see with her heart.

Born in New York, she became ill within two months. Unfortunately, the family doctor was away, and another man-pretending to be a certified doctor-treated her by prescribing hot mustard poultices to be applied to her eyes. Her illness eventually relented, but the treatment left her blind. When the doctor was

revealed to be a quack, he disappeared. A few months later, her father died, and her mother was forced to find work as a maid to support her family.

When noted evangelists, such as Dwight Moody, used her hymns in their crusades, they became more popular. Among them are, "Blessed Assurance," "All the Way My Savior Leads Me," "To God Be the Glory," "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior," "Safe In the Arms of Jesus," "Rescue the Perishing" and "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross."

When you sing these hymns, think of the woman who never could see. She is also known for her memorable quotes. "If I had to choose, I would still choose to remain blind...for when I die, the first face I will ever see, will be the face of my beloved Savior." Also, she

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Pastor Daryl Arnold gives devotional about Katrina, palm trees

By Mike Steely
steelym@knoxfocus.com

Before the Knox County Ethics Committee meeting last week Daryl W. Arnold gave a brief talk about what he witnessed in the Katrina hurricane several years ago. Arnold is pastor of Overcoming Believers Church and an ethics committee member.

Here's his devotional:
 Next week will mark the anniversary of something that all of us wept about years and years ago, Katrina. In about eight days we will mourn the death of about 2,000 people. I remember it like it was yesterday when I was watching it on the news. People were on



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Ethics committee members John Schoonmaker, Michael Covington, Jennifer Roche and Daryl Arnold chat following a meeting. Arnold delivered an inspiring devotional at the beginning of the meeting.

the roofs, babies dying, transfer trucks just rolling across the street and buildings turned upside down.

One of the things that

hit me after the storm is that I noticed the palm trees were still there. When buildings were torn down and trucks were on

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NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: WILLIAM JASON McMAHAN

IN RE: CALEB DALTON McMAHAN
NO. 198028-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, WILLIAM JASON McMAHAN 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 WILLIAM JASON McMAHAN it is ordered that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Hal E. Watts, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 85 Knoxville, TN 37901, 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, Division III, 400 W. Main Street, Suite 125, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 24th day of July, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR VOLUNIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

THE PETITION OF JASON ROBERT CONARD, Petitioner
vs.
CASE NO.: 2019 31033 FMCJ
DIVISION: 36
Respondent

TO: SEBASTIAN GLENN

2ND Amended
NOTICE OF ACTION
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on petitioner or petitioner's attorney:
JEFFREY A KLEIN 747 S RIDGEWOOD AVE
STE 108 DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32114
on or before August 19, 2019 and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at P. O. Box 6043, Deland, FL 32721-6043 before service on Petitioner or immediately hereafter. If you fail to do so, a Default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's Office notified of your current address. (You may file Florida Family Law Form 12.915, Notice of Current Address.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the Clerk's Office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, require certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: July 25, 2019.

LAURA E. ROTH
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Posted @ City Island Courthouse and Deland Courthouse

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NOTICE OF ACCOUNTING AND SETTLEMENT

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, PROBATE DMSION

TO: JARVIS MCCANE
IN RE: Estate of: LEE O'DELL MCCANE JR
Docket Number: 78751-3

In this cause, it appearing that an accounting/settlement has been filed by the personal representative, which is sworn to, and it further appearing that the following beneficiaries and unknown heirs are non-residents of the State of Tennessee or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, to wit: JARVIS MCCANE, pursuant to TCA § 30-2-603 this notice is published to advise the above beneficiaries and all interested parties that the Clerk and Master will take the account of the personal representative on the 22 day of AUGUST, 2019 in the Probate Courtroom, Room 352 City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902. The settlement may be continued from time to time as provided by TCA § 30-2-605.

This 24TH day of JULY, 20 19

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: DOUGLAS E. LANDON
IN RE: RUBIN LUBLIN, TN PLLC
v. DOUGLAS E. LANDON
NO. 197354-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant DOUGLAS E. LANDON, 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 DOUGLAS E. LANDON, it is ordered that said defendant, DOUGLAS E. LANDON, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Patty Whitehead, an Attorney whose address is, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30071 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, Division 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 19th day of July, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE,
IN RE: HUDSON MICHAEL GRIMES
DOB: 7/22/2011
NO. 197860-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE, 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 ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE, it is ordered that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Adam M. Bullock, an Attorney whose address is, 124 Independence Ln. LaFollette, TN 37766, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 1st day of August, 2019.

Clerk and Master

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE, 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 ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE, it is ordered that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Adam M. Bullock, an Attorney whose address is, 124 Independence Ln. LaFollette, TN 37766, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 1st day of August, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

MOISES VENTURA CRUZ -Vs-
JESSICA MARIE FAITH ODELL
Docket # 146745

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 JESSICA MARIE FAITH ODELL 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 JESSICA MARIE FAITH ODELL.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by MOISES VENTURA CRUZ, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with MOISES V. CRUZ/PRO SE, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is 165 TALUWA CT. KNOXVILLE, TN 37920, 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 31ST day of JULY, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ANTIONE LEE DEVAULT
IN RE: JAMIE MARIE SHERWOOD
v. ANTIONE LEE DEVAULT
NO. 198100-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, ANTIONE LEE DEVAULT, 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 ANTIONE LEE DEVAULT.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Glen B. Rutherford, an Attorney whose address is, P.O. Box 1668 Knoxville, TN 37901, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 1st day of August, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: TOMMORRA SONNA HACKLER,
IN RE: SEUN ADEMOLA OKESOLA v.
TOMMORRA SONNA HACKLER
NO. 198412-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the Defendant, TOMMORRA SONNA HACKLER, 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 TOMMORRA SONNA HACKLER.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant 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 201B, Knoxville, TN 37923, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 5th day of August, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: MATTHEW HENSLEY
IN RE: LIAM FRANCIS COLLINS
v. MATTHEW HENSLEY
NO. 197740-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant, MATTHEW HENSLEY 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 MATTHEW HENSLEY it is ordered that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Patty Whitehead, an Attorney whose address is, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30071 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, Division 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 7th day of August, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE,
IN RE: HUDSON MICHAEL GRIMES
DOB: 7/22/2011
NO. 197860-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the defendant DOUGLAS E. LANDON, 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 DOUGLAS E. LANDON, it is ordered that said defendant, DOUGLAS E. LANDON, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Patty Whitehead, an Attorney whose address is, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30071 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, Division 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 19th day of July, 2019.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ELIJAH HARRIS GAGE,
IN RE: HUDSON MICHAEL GRIMES
DOB: 7/22/2011
NO. 197860-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is verified, that the defendant DOUGLAS E. LANDON, 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 DOUGLAS E. LANDON, it is ordered that said defendant, DOUGLAS E. LANDON, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Patty Whitehead, an Attorney whose address is, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30071 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, Division 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 19th day of July, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: WALTER R. LANE, JR.

IN RE: DONALD RYAN TRAMELL
v. WALTER R. LANE, JR.

NO. 198536-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant WALTER R. LANE, JR., 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 WALTER R. LANE, JR., it is ordered that said defendant, WALTER R. LANE, JR., file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Gregory H. Harrison, an Attorney whose address is, 800 S. Gay Street, Suite 1650, 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 John F. Weaver in the Knox County Chancery Court, Division 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 August, 2019.

Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GENE V AABY
DOCKET NUMBER 81973-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of AUGUST 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GENE V AABY who died Jun 7, 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 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 6 day of AUGUST, 2019

ESTATE OF GENE V AABY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KEN AABY; EXECUTOR
19805 WESTERLY AVENUE
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PAULA LYNN BILBREY
DOCKET NUMBER 81995-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of AUGUST 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of PAULA LYNN BILBREY who died Jun 13, 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 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 6 day of AUGUST, 2019.

ESTATE OF PAULA LYNN BILBREY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KEVIN BILBREY; ADMINISTRATOR
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JIMMY TERRY ADMINISTRATOR
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MILDRED IRENE BROWN
DOCKET NUMBER 82003-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of AUGUST 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MILDRED IRENE BROWN who died Dec 27, 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 1 day of AUGUST, 2019.

ESTATE OF MILDRED IRENE BROWN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA MOYERS; CO-EXECUTOR
4504 MOCKINGBIRD LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37918

MICHAEL E MAPLES; CO-EXECUTOR
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF O. HENRY BURKHART
DOCKET NUMBER 82006-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of AUGUST 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of O. HENRY BURKHART who died May

1, 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:

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

This the 1 day of AUGUST, 2019

ESTATE OF O. HENRY BURKHART
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RENDA JEAN BURKHART; EXECUTRIX
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOYCE M GILBERT
DOCKET NUMBER 82021-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of AUGUST 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOYCE M GILBERT who died Sep 6, 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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This the 6 day of AUGUST, 2019.

ESTATE OF JOYCE M GILBERT
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
G GREGORY GILBERT; EXECUTOR
2634 CREEKSTONE CIRCLE
MARYVILLE, TN. 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARNIE ALEXANDRIA GRAHAM
DOCKET NUMBER 81998-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of AUGUST 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MARNIE ALEXANDRIA GRAHAM who died May 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 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 2 day of AUGUST, 2019.

ESTATE OF MARNIE ALEXANDRIA
GRAHAM PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL GRAHAM; ADMINISTRATOR
6248 CHRISTIAN SPRINGS
DRIVE CORYTTON, TN. 37721

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RUTH LEE HARRIS
DOCKET NUMBER 81941-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of AUGUST 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of RUTH LEE HARRIS who died Jun 11, 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 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 6 day of AUGUST, 2019.

ESTATE OF RUTH LEE HARRIS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
PAUL HARRIS; ADMINISTRATOR
404 WOODLAND TRACE DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37934

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TOM HATCHER, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 82015-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day

The Nieces (Part II)

I was too young to remember the occasion, but a rare black and white photo captured the special day. Upcoming freshmen Dorothy Stormer, Wanda Shaver, and Georgia Ann Major brought their young nieces to school with them on the last day. The nieces had not yet started school.

By **Ralphine Major**
ralphine3@yahoo.com

Karen Shelby was a year behind me at Gibbs. Both of us played clarinet in the Gibbs High School Band. I vaguely remember that Karen suffered loss at a young age when she lost her mother. Karen was only

eight years old at the time. Karen Shelby Conard enjoyed a long career with the City of Knoxville. Unfortunately, our paths did not cross during the brief time I worked for the City of Knoxville. Karen has two children and three grandchildren.

Sherry Lynn Stormer lived in LaFollette, Tennessee. Sadly, her young life was tragically taken in a car accident in September 1966. She was only 12 years old. Sherry Lynn had already become an outstanding twirler. A pair of crossed batons are engraved on her pink granite tombstone. I remember going to her funeral. Years later, I often thought of the talented twirler during my senior year of high school when I was a member of the major-ette squad.

(Upcoming: The Aunts)



Picture of "the nieces" (L-R) Karen Shelby (in front), Ralphine Major, and Sherry Lynn Stormer, with beloved Gibbs teacher Ms. Lenice Clapp on the front lawn of Gibbs High School, 1959, provided by Ralphine Major.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful to Host Second Annual North Knoxville Community Cleanup

Keep Knoxville Beautiful will be hosting the second annual North Knoxville Community Cleanup on Saturday, September 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The event will kick off at Edgewood Park, 3109 Ocoee Trail.

The North Knoxville Community Cleanup was first held in 2018 while North Knoxville was KKB's "Community of the Year." The cleanup will be KKB's largest event in North Knoxville this year. The first cleanup had over 230 volunteers participate. KKB is now seeking groups and individuals to participate in the 2019 cleanup. Volunteers can register at www.KeepKnoxvilleBeautiful.org/ under North Knoxville Cleanup.

Leaders from various North Knoxville neighborhoods and local community organizations will collect cleanup supplies at Edgewood Park, then return to volunteers waiting at their designated locations to pick up litter. Participating neighborhood association include Fountaincrest and Oakwood Lincoln Park. Other clubs and groups that are participating are UTK's American Society of Civil Engineers Student Chapter, Veterans Heritage Site Foundation, Tennessee Track and Field, and the Knox County Youth Health Board.

Individuals who do not have an official group can pick up litter in the areas surrounding Edgewood Park or let KKB know if they want to clean in their

North Knoxville neighborhood. Kids will be invited to participate in the Smoke-Free Knoxville Cigarette Butt Challenge. All kids that participate in the challenge will receive a prize courtesy of the Knox County Health Department.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful would like to thank the generous sponsors of the North Knoxville Community Cleanup: Bluhren Botanicals, Three Rivers Market, First

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anchor ourselves in something. My faith is that I anchor myself in Christ. Some may anchor themselves in another religion or serenity in spending time with the creator. The challenge today is to make sure we are anchored because when we know we are children of God we know we are stormproof.

It is because palm trees have roots that go down so far and anchor themselves to rock. And no matter what comes their way, they bend but after the storm is over they bounce right back up.

That's an allegory story and picture for all of us. All of us will go through storms and we can't stop all of the storms that hit our lives, but we can

anchor ourselves in something.

My faith is that I anchor myself in Christ. Some may anchor themselves in another religion or serenity in spending time with the creator. The challenge today is to make sure we are anchored because when we know we are children of God we know we are stormproof.

So, my challenge to all of you is to anchor yourselves in something that is bigger than you so when storms come you'll be able to bounce back up.

A musical miracle

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quoted: "It's not enough to have a song on your lips. You must also have a song in your heart." How many people today prepare for Heaven with these thoughts?

She continued to write poetry up until a month before her ninety-fifth birthday. "You will reach

the river brink, some sweet day, "bye and bye", was her last stanza.

Thought for the day: "This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long." Fanny Crosby

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