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Mayoral candidate Eddie Mannis was joined by many supporters when he opened his East Knoxville campaign office last week. Among those were Jim Jennings, Alvin Nance, June Jones and Gail Carter.

Mannis campaign officially opens East Knoxville office

By Mike Steely
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Knoxville businessman and candidate for mayor Eddie Mannis stepped into Democratic East Knoxville last week to officially open his campaign office at 900 East Hill Avenue where he was welcomed by many of his supporters.

Mannis was introduced by former Commissioner Sam McKenzie who said that Thomas "Tank" Strickland, who is hospitalized, sent his well wishes and endorsement of Mannis.

Mannis said he is committed to the future of East Knoxville and Downtown Knoxville. The HonorAir founder has a history of progressive positions and support of community projects. He said he has served on the Zoo Knoxville board for eight years and added, "There is so much potential in East Knoxville, so much opportunity in Chilhowee Park and East Towne Mall."

"I want to be intentional with our focus on East Knoxville and complete the Magnolia Corridor all the way through," he said.

"But I can't do it all alone. It takes smart decisions and I'll listen to what you say and take it into consideration," Mannis said, adding, "When we decide we'll do it collectively."

"Let's move Knoxville forward, I promise I will do that," he said.

Following the opening of the campaign office the well-wishers dined on a full meal from Jackie's Dream restaurant. Mannis then headed out for a meeting of the Parkridge Community Organization for a discussion with residents there.

Planning Commission approves zoning change for supportive housing facility

By Bill Howard

Two weeks ago The Focus reported on a Sept. 23 public-input meeting at the Knoxville Area Urban League about the proposed construction of a supportive housing facility on 5th Avenue.

After Director of Community Development Becky Wade laid out the plan – a plot of land adjacent to Caswell Park would be deeded free to the Volunteer Ministry Center, who would then build and run the facility – attendees were free to voice their questions and comments.

The free-wheeling response was, to say the least, vocal and passionate. Some were in favor of the facility; more weren't. The animus of those opposed hinged primarily on developing land that was – and should stay – a part of Caswell Park.

At its monthly meeting on Thur., Oct. 10, Knoxville-Knox Co. Planning took up the matter. At issue was whether to change the zoning designation from OS-2 (Park and Open Space) to RP-1 (Planned Residential). The original request was for designation RP-3, which would have allowed a higher density of housing units per acre.

As the Applicant, the City of Knoxville was represented by Bill Lyons, Chief Policy Officer to Mayor Madeline Rogero. Lyons was speaking on behalf of Wade, who was unable to attend.

"We're dealing with three lots on Fifth Avenue adjacent to Caswell Park," he said. "The public park was created in 1916 and updated with ball fields in 2002. At that time, the three-lot parcel was purchased for drainage and construction of an outfield fence. Since the purchase, the city has mowed the lots as a responsible property owner. A number of years ago this was placed in open space zoning, so we're dealing with a present open-space situation."

"The Community Development Department was approached by VMC as a potential site for permanent supportive housing. These supportive housing projects serve the neediest among us. Mayor Rogero has placed a high priority on both affordable housing and the challenge of homelessness. This project is the intersection of both of those challenges. This site is very well suited for the eventual use of permanent supportive housing. It has a history of residential use and underuse prior to the time of the purchase. It's within a block of a major bus line. The cost of the land won't be an issue (since the city owns it)."

Twenty or so members of the opposition wore matching T-shirts. Their spokesperson was Dr. Greta Schmoeyer, board member of the Parkridge Community Organization. Her objections to the plan were

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Memory of Coach Moore will live on in Carter football

By Steve Williams

Assistant coaches in high school football often go unnoticed and unheralded, until they are gone.

Usually fans only see and hear the head coach, the face and voice of their team.

Most assistants are satisfied with the role they have, working behind the scenes with the players. They are the nuts and bolts of the program.

Clyde Moore Sr. was an assistant coach at Carter High for 21 years until complications from diabetes ended his life here on earth Sept. 18. The 64-year-old Moore also worked as an Engineering Associate at KUB for 42 years.

Although his death was heartbreaking for many in the Carter family, it seems fitting his last public appearance was on the football field at Carter in the Hornets' Week 2 game Aug. 30.

"Coach Moore was struggling that night," recalled Jewel Brock, Carter's athletic director, during the



Morristown West High School put this stool and sign on the sideline at its Oct. 3 game with visiting Carter, a very nice gesture in remembrance of the Carter assistant coach who passed away Sept. 18. Down 21-0 after three quarters, Carter came back to win 27-21 in overtime.

Hornets' game against Halls in Week 5 and three days after his passing. "In the second quarter of the game against Campbell County,

they took him to the hospital and he'd been in it ever since."

Moore became a fixture in the Carter football program,

having served as an assistant under eight head coaches since the late 1990s.

"He related with the kids and was a holdover for a lot of (new) head coaches" when changes occurred, said Brock. Moore worked on the staffs of current head coach Scott Meadows, interim head coach Vic Wharton, Derek Witt, Jeff McMillan, Heath Woods, Kevin Catlett and Bobby Kimball.

Catlett elevated Moore to Carter Middle School head coach and freshmen coach in 1998.

Moore got his feet wet coaching in the Baby Roadrunners' youth program in the mid-1980s and also coached the Alice Bell midget team and Austin-East's middle school team on the recreation level.

"Clyde Moore was the epitome of a Hornet and a Hornet for Life," said Carter Principal Angie Messer on the night Moore was remembered prior to the Rivalry Thursday TV game

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At-Large Seat B candidates answer Focus Questions

By Mike Steely
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Early voting for the new Knoxville Mayor and four City Council seats starts Wednesday, October 16 and ends October 31. The General Election is Tuesday, November 5.

The election is getting attention because of so many qualified candidates and the two very different candidates for mayor vying to replace outgoing Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero, Eddie Mannis and Indya Kincannon. Council members who will be leaving because of term limits include At-Large Councilmen George Wallace, Finbarr Saunders, Marshall Stair and 5th District's Councilman Mark Campen.

Running for the five seats are: Lynne Fugate and Charles F. Lomax Jr. for At-Large Seat A; David Hayes and Janet Testerman for At-Large Seat B; Amy Midis and Amelia Parker for At-Large Seat C; and Charles Al-Bawi and Charles Thomas for the 5th District seat.

Every registered Knoxville voter may vote in all the races.

The Knoxville Focus has asked questions of all the city council candidates and here are the replies from candidates for At-Large Seat B:

Make a comment on body cameras for city police officers.

David Hayes: Body cams are an excellent tool for police accountability and transparency. Many opponents of body cams are against them for those very reasons. While we need to increase accountability and transparency of police officers, I believe HOW we implement body cameras should be the focus of this conversation. We need a body cam policy that disciplines officers for turning off their body cams, and we need to ensure the privacy of Knoxvilleians is fully respected. We must not allow body cams to become a tool of surveillance and criminalization towards Knoxville residents.

Janet Testerman: I support body cameras as do the number of officers I've spoken too. Transparency is key and to ensure the safety of all involved. However, the greater conversation is looking for ways to provide the resources, funding and tools for recruiting, adequate training and incentives for department retention because we are at



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Fifth District City Council candidate Charles Thomas addresses a League of Women Voters forum Thursday at the News-Sentinel building. Thomas faces Charles Al-Bawi in the general election. Early voting starts Wednesday. Although only Fifth District voters took part in the primary all registered Knox County voters will select the winner along with electing three At-Large candidates.

crisis employment levels for local KPD and must determine how to best support and retain our new talent as well as our veteran force members.

Should foreigners stopped by police and jailed at the county jail be run through ICE?

David Hayes: All Knoxville residents deserve equal and human treatment in jail. Knoxville residents who are immigrants deserve the right to live and work in Knoxville without fear of being displaced and having their families torn apart. Immigrants and refugees are part of what makes Knoxville such a beautiful city, thus I oppose cooperation with ICE and their destructive impacts on community members and families.

Janet Testerman: The city does not participate in 287-G. I support KPDs current status and want to ensure that the residents of our community feel comfortable calling KPD and together we're working to establish trust.

What do you think of the THEVERYMANY structure going up on Summit at the Cradle of Country Music Park?

David Hayes: The City must step up and do more to support local artists when creating projects and prioritize spending money in the downtown area to directly benefit houseless and working-class residents in the downtown area. Furthermore, this underscores the importance of participation in

public spending and the budget. More Knoxvilleians will support city projects if they have a chance to be involved and have a say in what the City funds and prioritizes.

Janet Testerman: This project has already passed; therefore, I feel we need to uphold our commitment. We were the last big city in Tennessee to have a public art presence and art is an economic stimulator as well as critical to providing a 360 degree experience to our city when recruiting talent and new business to Knoxville.

A very small percentage of our budget is allocated to the arts, and the city's Public Art Committee actually saved a portion of their allocated dollars over a period of several years to fund larger projects such as the Cradle of Country Music Park project.

Does East Knoxville get the same care and attention as the rest of Knoxville? Please explain

David Hayes: No. Many working-class neighborhoods across the city have struggled with neglect and inadequate infrastructure. However, now that more affluent residents are trickling in, we see more investment into infrastructure and storefronts, particularly along Magnolia Ave. When canvassing in East Knoxville neighborhoods, residents and business owners point out that these changes aren't meant to serve the current residents in the area. Residents across East Knoxville have continued to call for updated infrastructure and economic

development, and the expansion of downtown into East Knox is not an adequate response to the needed investment into these long-standing neighborhoods. All neighborhoods deserve attention, serious input and investment in community members and community members' businesses. The City must step up and equitably invest in communities who are struggling with cycles of poverty and violence.

Janet Testerman: East Knoxville has received a lot of infused capital and commitment to creating better living conditions and ultimately better opportunities for employment and resources throughout the community. \$16 million and counting has been spent on Walter P. Taylor Homes for new development, which includes affordable housing and transforming the MLK corridor. Five Points has also had a tremendous infusion of capital for residential and business investment, thanks in large part to our State Rep. Rick Staples. Austin Homes is preparing for a complete facelift with mixed-used development that will create jobs and improved living conditions without displacement of current residents. A feasibility study was commissioned to look at the future of Chilhowee Park, which should be revealed within the next couple of months. And the conversation about East Towne/Knoxville City Center is top-of-mind to determine, along with the developer, viable options to create a positive investment for that space and our city. Last, but not least, the Magnolia Ave. corridor is full steam ahead with infrastructure improvements with the goal of attracting new business and driving traffic for the

long-time, established businesses who have invested in East Knoxville for decades. Blighted properties still need attention as investment opportunities would be optimal to get them back on the tax-rolls.

What do you think about taking part of Caswell Park to be used for homeless housing?

David Hayes: I am in favor of substantially increasing the amount of supportive and affordable housing available to those in need of it, and I believe the city should step up its efforts to address the poverty and housing crisis in Knoxville.

When residents are left out of the process leading up to new major developments in their neighborhoods, they are unable to give input about ways the development can benefit the community. After listening to residents of Parkridge at their recent meetings on this issue, it was clear that residents had little input on the process. As a result, misinformation spreads and many folks often oppose a whole development project even though they personally support portions of it. If KCDC and the city moves forward with this project, serious concessions should be given to the community such as making the baseball field more accessible and useable to the Parkridge and East Knox community to make up for the loss of green space.

Janet Testerman: The section of the "park" up for discussion is actually a two-part tract of land, with the proposed parcel for development not technically designated as park space but rather as open space given there is currently no structure occupying that land. However, on the sector plan, it is zoned as multi-family. VMC approached the city to propose permanent supportive housing and given the immense amount of dialogue on the need for transitional as well as affordable housing in our community, I feel this is an option that should be considered. In a recent community forum in South Knox, residents who formally opposed Flenniken Landing now say it was a positive decision and supported by the community, which was encouraging as we look at options across our entire city.

Planning Commission approves zoning change for supportive housing facility

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multiple.

"I'd like to open with a quote from Bill Lyons," said Schmoyer. "The year was 2010. Dr. Lyons was writing in the News Sentinel about the 10-Year Plan to end chronic homelessness. 'As it has become clear in recent months, the greatest challenge to the 10-Year Plan is to find places throughout our community for the residences. Some have suggested concentration. We believe that is not the answer.'"

Schmoyer quoted Lyons further as saying that certain neighborhoods, including Parkridge, "are carrying a disproportionate amount of the community burden

through their proximity to the emergency services environment. Homelessness is a community problem that requires a community solution."

"Whether or not you agree with Dr. Lyons," said Schmoyer, "concentrated poverty in east Knoxville is poor policy. The application before you today is so riddled with errors and the process of bringing it to your consideration, so deliberately shrouded, it must not go unchecked. The proposal is in violation of the Magnolia Avenue Corridor Plan and the One-Year Plan."

Commissioner Art Clancy acknowledged that the issue was difficult and

complex. "These are never, ever, easy decisions for us," he said. "I have looked at this quite diligently. I don't see anywhere that RP-1 is inconsistent with our One-Year Plan or our general plan. The Parkridge community is well-served with parks and open space. The people in Parkridge are some of the most acutely aware of people who need housing. They're some of the most generous people and genuine people."

Commissioner Andre Canty suggested the possibility of a 60-day postponement to further study the matter. According to Lyons, VMC needs full control of the land by next Jan. 1. "If this is delayed today,

we won't be able to meet that date," Lyons said. "All the information you need is before you."

Canty then asked Lyons whether any other locations had been considered for the facility. "We are approached by folks like VMC who put together a proposal, and they saw this site as very suitable land for their proposed development," Lyons said. "We did take a look (at other places)."

The commission unanimously approved the plan for a maximum of 24 dwelling units per acre. The matter now goes before the City Council on Nov. 19. The Planning Commission next meets on Nov. 14.



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Handmade signs protesting the zoning change were placed at Caswell Park by Parkridge residents against the city giving park land to Volunteer Ministry.

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Publisher's Position Hoyos Claims Misleading



By Steve Hunley,
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Rene Hoyos has made the expected announcement she is running for Congress again in 2020. Hoyos ran against Tim Burchett in 2018 and won a whopping 33% of the vote. Now she's off to the races once again and telling anybody who will listen she's seen signs of a shift in the voting patterns of the Second Congressional district. Incidentally, ours is the most Republican district in the nation as it has

never elected a Democrat since the GOP has been on the ballot. Still, Rene has high hopes and manages to keep a straight face when she tells local TV stations "Our district is changing." Hoyos claims she's seen a move toward the Democrats in the last five elections. Evidently Hoyos thinks if she keeps running for Congress she'll finally get there about 2028.

Apparently Rene has never bothered to look at the election returns past the last five elections. I asked our resident historian Ray Hill if any Democrats have run better races than Rene Hoyos. The answer was, not surprisingly, yes. Howard H. Baker, father of Senator Baker, was reelected in 1952 when Dwight D. Eisenhower was carrying Tennessee with 68% of the vote. Baker's Democratic opponent, Tally Livingston, won 29% of the vote, which is just

four percentage points less than the percentage won by Hoyos against Burchett.

Congressman Baker died in 1963 and his widow, Irene, was elected in a special election that year. Irene Baker won 55% of the vote against Squire Willard Yarborough, who also happened to be City Councilman Mark Campen's grandfather. Yarborough won 44% of the vote, which is eleven percentage points more than Hoyos won in 2018. Yarborough tried again and was the Democratic nominee for Congress in 1864 when Lyndon Johnson was winning Tennessee against Barry Goldwater. John J. Duncan, the GOP nominee, won 54% of the vote in Tennessee's Second Congressional district while Yarborough won 45% of the vote, twelve percentage points better than the showing made by Rene Hoyos against Tim Burchett in 2018.

Duncan's son, John J. "Jimmy" Duncan, Jr., ran to succeed his father in 1988, facing Democrat Dudley Taylor in a special and regular election. Duncan with about 56% of the vote in both the special and regular election. Dudley Taylor's 44% of the vote was eleven percentage points better than that of Rene Hoyos.

When Hoyos brags she got more votes than any Democrat running in the Second Congressional district, that may well be true, but it is a bit misleading. Mr. Hill told me the best showing made by any Democrat in recent times, relatively speaking, was that of John T. O'Connor, once mayor of Knoxville. O'Connor was running against incumbent Republican congressman J. Will Taylor in 1936 during the Franklin Roosevelt landslide. O'Connor lost to Taylor 38,991 - 40,595, a difference of 1604 votes out of 79,586

ballots cast. O'Connor carried Knox County by 4,886 votes; Hoyos did not come close to carrying Knox County. O'Connor carried at least one other county in the Second District and ran closely behind Taylor in several others. Hoyos was obliterated in the outlying counties of the Second Congressional district.

The fact is Rene Hoyos didn't run the best race by a Democrat in Tennessee's Second Congressional district. Hoyos claims she is against the "special interests" who "threaten our way of life"; I wonder what way of life she is speaking of in particular. Hoyos is simply one more ultra-liberal in the mold of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. I very much doubt the people of the Second Congressional district want to add another member to The Squad. I wouldn't be at all surprised if Hoyos is another one of those Democrats

appalled that Governor Bill Lee would call for a day of prayer and fasting by and for Tennesseans.

Another sign that Rene Hoyos is delusional is the fact Madeline Rogero is not running for Congress. If there was a chance in the world the district were truly changing and a Democrat could be elected to Congress, you can be sure someone like Madeline Rogero or Gloria Johnson would be running hard. Rene Hoyos isn't a top tier candidate and if and when the demographics indicate a Democrat can be elected to Congress from our district, you can bet it won't be Rene. Odds are Tim Burchett will beat Rene Hoyos like a drum once again next year. Twenty years from now, as many people will remember Rene Hoyos and her campaigns for Congress as they do that of Tally Livingston.

Guest Editorial

Parkridge madness must stop

By Christopher Salmons

I am a Parkridge resident and am one of many who have organized to fight the city of Knoxville in its efforts to illegally convey public parkland to a private entity for development. For those who may not be aware my neighborhood discovered in May of this year the city's efforts to sneak a rezoning of a section of Caswell Park through via a change in the Recode Knoxville Map. The city chose this risky route because city parks are protected through a zoning law called Open Space (OS) that was enacted in 2010 which prevents the sale and private development of all city parkland. Once busted the city made a mediocre apology and promised *IF* they were going to pursue this it would be through open and transparent public process. Throughout the summer my neighborhood organization sent multiple emails to city officials asking if this plan to rezone our park were going to continue to which we received no reply. Subsequently we made a grant proposal to develop a section of the parkland in question for a garden which was denied as "the use of the land in question is on review".

Finally, in early September, Mayor Rogero sent the president of my neighborhood organization a letter outlining her decision to move forward with conveying and rezoning our park and the time

frame in which this land grab was to move through the planning commission and then city council for approval, with the public input meeting "to be determined." On September 23 the city held the FIRST and ONLY public meeting about this after providing only a week's notice of the meeting date and location. The meeting was packed - standing room only in the community room of the urban league building with the crowd spilling out into the foyer and front sidewalk of the building. After much vocal opposition from the community and after the city confirmed the land that cost taxpayers almost a quarter of a million dollars would be gifted, free of charge, it was also learned that the city had considered NO OTHER SITES before deciding our park was to be forfeit. With only a vague promise that they would "look into the possibility" of green space somewhere else we were then told that the opposition and concerns raised at the meeting were not enough cause for the city to delay and allow more public input.

Fast forward to Thursday, October 10 and we find ourselves at the city county building attending the MPC meeting to determine whether the MPC would recommend our park for rezoning to council or if they would adhere to the boundaries of their authority and deny the rezoning.

The topic of our park began

with a sanctimonious statement from Gerald Green (the director of the MPC) lecturing "the public" to not involve emotions and stick to the issue at hand that MPC can deal with. The issue that should have been at hand was MPC asking the commission if the OS2, which in 2010 commanded MPC to resolve any conflicting sector plans, redevelopment plans, one year plans, and any other plans, would allow this rezoning to happen. Since the sector plan map the City is referencing was a direct copy of the map in the 2009 Magnolia Corridor Plan, either MPC was negligent in its duties to correct the plans or they presumed that no idiot would ever imagine that the parks were subject to development.

This question, of course, was never presented because the response would assuredly be against the City's position. Instead, we were lectured by one commissioner about how she couldn't sleep at night and this was a difficult issue for her to vote on. Commissioner Clancy gave us a stern lecture on how this grassy area cost too much to maintain and was full of unmaintained play equipment and trash strewn and unworthy of being a park. (Mind you, he stated he drove by the park 3 times last week wrestling with his conscience.... There is no play equipment on this section of the park—it's a grassy hill)

This is a government that is out of control. The MPC Commissioners were led to believe they were simply voting either for parks or for housing the homeless; this is not a question that is within MPC's realm of decision making. MPC far exceeded their jurisdiction and overstepped into the legislative responsibilities of City Council. There were no questions from MPC commissioners to MPC staff about the OS2 ordinance and what their limits were. There were no questions about the Sector Plan, the Greenway and Open Space plans, or even they very overlay MPC was basing jurisdiction for even entertaining this proposal instead of denying it outright.

In fact, Commissioners asked no questions at all about the ordinance. Commissioner Cante asked Bill Lyons if the City had investigated other possible alternative sites. Bill Lyons of course lies, telling the Commissioner that the City has investigated the two sites suggested by the Parkridge neighborhood—the City has conducted no such investigation other than generating false reasons why those sites wouldn't work and then spreading those false reasons to City Council members and others. Not that whether or not the City has or has not investigated other locations is even relevant—that isn't within the decision making authority of the MPC and can't

be used in consideration of their decision making.

The MPC, as a quasi-legislative body, has to adhere decision making to the set of rules given to them from City Council so as to avoid creating legislation. MPC staff should have denied this application immediately upon receipt because the OS2 ordinance passed in 2010 directed MPC to resolve any conflicts with the purpose and intent of the OS2 ordinance in any of the Planning plans. If this ordinance was passed in 2010 and since the properties were included, it could only be logically concluded that the Sector Map from 2014 must still be in compliance with this ordinance as the OS2 hadn't been repealed or amended. This reason alone should make MPC deny any rezoning from OS2 to any other zone.

When a rezoning application is denied, the applicant may appeal to City Council. This is where elected officials (not appointed commissioners or paid staff) can decide to overturn or amend the OS2 ordinance that prevents the rezoning.

This madness has to stop. Government officials must work within the boundaries of the law.

Publisher's note: The Parkridge community informed me that they have set up a GoFundMe page to help with their legal expenses. You can find it at:

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Appointments, improvements approved in super quick city council meeting

By Mike Steely
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The Knoxville City Council breezed through one of its shortest meeting in recent history Tuesday evening, approving two companies with \$100,000 contracts each to service the Citywide Traffic Signal Infrastructure Program annually. Progress Electric LLC and Stansell Electric Company Inc. were both approved after Jim Hagerman, director of engineering, explained having two separate companies ensures quicker response. Casey Fox was named to the Historic Zoning Commission and Jamie Ballinger was named to the City Service Merit Board. Both were nominated by Mayor Madeline Rogero. Fox is the wife of former City Communications Director Jesse Mayshark.

The contract with Southern Contractors Inc. for the Cumberland Avenue Intersection Improvements Project, was increased by \$496,772, bringing the total contract to \$1,895,458. The improvements made earlier along Cumberland will be expanded further east toward downtown in a similar style. Councilwoman Stephanie Welch called the improvements an "exciting project."

A donation of \$19,890 from the Knoxville Fire Fighter's Association was accepted for the "Learn Not to Burn" child safety program. Mayor Rogero said the contribution shows the firefighters "care for the

community even when they are off duty."

Baseline Sports was hired by the city to maintain four tennis court locations and the Blount Mansion Association was contracted for maintenance and development of the 200 West Hills Avenue property to complement the historic nature of the property and preserve the city waterfront.

Some funds were shifted from the Save Our Son's program, giving \$15,000 to the Penult Leadership Program and \$4,900 to the Next Step Initiative for a series of block parties throughout the city.

Three street names were approved to be changed: Walter Taylor between Keener and Bethel Avenues becomes "Taylor Homes Road" and the portion of Western Avenue, between Keith and Tennessee Avenues, becomes "Sterchi Street." The unnamed alley between Keith and Richmond Avenues becomes "Joseph Schofield Street."

The John Sevier Scenic Highway Corridor Study was adopted. The action amends the Knoxville-Knox County General Plan 2033, and the South and East County Sector Plans..

Two properties received approval for zoning changes: 210 E. Jackson Avenue goes from C-3 to C-1 Commercial and 4654 Holston Drive moves from C-3 to R-1, low density residential.

Aldi Market No. 8 was granted a certificate of compliance for retail food store wine.

Memory of Coach Moore will live on in Carter football

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against Halls. "He spent his life right here on this field. He would rather be here than anywhere and I think that's proof with his family choosing to come tonight in honor of Clyde, to represent and be here for him."

Earlier that evening, a moment of silence was held in memory of Moore and a football signed by the Carter players was presented to Moore's family, including his wife Tina.

"He will be sorely missed," added Messer. "Every single player he ever coached loved Coach Clyde. His passion for coaching these young men and developing these young men into young adults was just what he was made to do."

"We love him and will miss him."

Messer recalled going to the field house when she became band director at Carter in 2001. "Clyde was the first football coach I met. He opened the door. He's been kind and nice to me ever since. He was never too tired or too busy."

Raymond Wynn, the school's Sports Information Director, added Moore also was the type of coach who cared about a player's needs on and off the field. If a player was short on money for something important, he would reach into his own pocket and help.

During a preseason practice this past summer, I took some pictures of Coach Moore working with defensive linemen in a drill. He was coaching from an electric wheelchair due to having



Clyde Moore Sr. assisted eight different head coaches in his 21 seasons at Carter High.

lost part of his left leg to diabetes about five years ago.

I noticed he wanted the younger players to get their techniques right and when some didn't, he stopped the drill and patiently explained what needed to be corrected. He didn't raise his voice. He just communicated and got his point across.

Having been a TSSAA football official for some 20 years and working a few of Coach Moore's games on the JV and varsity levels, we also renewed our relationship during a break in practice that afternoon. I took some notes with the idea of doing a feature on Coach Moore in the future.

Moore recalled being a defensive tackle under

Coach Hoyt Carroll at Holston High in the fall of 1972.

He also told me his son, Clyde Jr., a former Carter running back, had been a detective with the Knox County Sheriff's Department since 2005, and his grandson, Davontae, who also was a running back for the Hornets, was now Carter's running backs coach. I could tell he was very proud of both.

About a month later, Coach Moore was gone, and as I walked to the field the night Carter was in the close game with unbeaten Halls, I could sense the Hornets were playing for him. My feelings were confirmed after a field goal attempt fell just short in the game's closing moments and Halls held on

for a 19-18 win.

"My hat's off to Carter," said Halls Coach Scott Cummings. "After what they've been through this week, to come out here and battle like they did, they had our number tonight."

Coach Meadows was asked what he had told the Hornets before the game.

"The biggest thing was 'You're playing for Clyde.' Clyde loved this community and loved these kids and the only thing he ever asked from them to do was just give him effort."

Carter High basketball great and UT player Jordan Bowden made the official coin toss for the Rivalry Thursday game and was interviewed during the telecast. He had known Coach Moore as a youngster growing up.

"Coach Moore, he's always been close to me," said Bowden. "Davontae and I actually grew up together. I've always been around their household. They took me in as one of theirs, so it means a lot to me to come back and support this moment. I hope they get the win tonight for him. But he's in a better place now."

Although the Hornets just missed getting the win that night, Coach Moore would have been proud of their effort.

The Hornets continue to honor Coach Moore with "CM" memorial stickers on their helmets. No doubt what's in their minds and hearts is even more inspiring.

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‘Sole legal issue’ in Pension Suit on Commission Agenda

By Focus Staff

Did the Knox County Mayor and Commission violate the Knox County Charter by forcing the settlement of a lawsuit against the Retirement and Pension Board? That’s the question before Chancery Court. Mayor Glenn Jacobs sought and received permission of the commission to bypass the Knox County Law Director and hire an outside attorney to battle the lawsuit filed by 12 Knox County citizens that contests the pension board suit settlement. Jacobs recently told the commission he feels the

Law Director is “conflicted” in the matter. A resolution placed on the commission work session agenda by Commissioner Richie Beeler seeks to direct no other action in defense of the county until the Chancellery Judge rules on the main question of authority under the Charter: “Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, to direct the attorney hired by the Mayor to represent Knox County in the lawsuit styled Chris Etters, et al, v. Knox County ... to continue with all expediency

to proceed to have the sole legal issue decided by the Chancellor and to not expend taxpayer money to attempt to dismiss the case prior to the Court ruling on this important public issue.” The case against Knox County filed by the citizens refers back to the settled lawsuit regarding the pension board’s inclusion of vacation days accumulated over two years by retiring Knox County Sheriff employees as part of their monthly retirement. The charter, as amended by county voters, capped the retirement pay at 75% of their salaries.

Inclusion of the unpaid vacation days has increased the retiree benefits to 85 or more percent. When the Knox County Law Department discovered the increase and unsuccessfully warned the pension board of the charter violation the law department filed a suit against the board. By the charter those vacation days were supposed to be paid outright when the retiree leaves employment. The chancellor was prepared to issue a ruling when the mayor prompted the commission to pull the law director from the case

and seek a settlement favoring the pension board. The pension board, mayor and commission also retro-actively voted to limit the number of unused vacation pay to 43 days for inclusion into retirement pay. The “sole legal issue” questions the commission’s powers to settle the case as a violation of the charter amendment as approved by county voters. Whether the Beeler resolution is discussed during the October 21 Work Session or in the Commission’s Regular Meeting may be decided by the other commissioners.

Honor Guard raising funds



Veterans Honor Guard members man their station on Broadway at Roses Mortuary to raise funds to help the organization earlier this month. Other fund raising efforts in the region by Honor Guard units included Rose Mortuary’s Mann Heritage Chapel on Kingston Pike, Overholt Funeral Home in New Tazewell, Loudon Funeral Home and at the Smoky Mountain Opry in Pigeon Forge.

Honors, tax break and growth plan on commission agenda

By Mike Steely
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The Knox County Commission faces a fairly long agenda when it meets in Work Session on Monday, October 21. Agenda items to be discussed in that meeting will be chosen by the chairman and each commissioner may also add items or select agenda items for public discussion. Among the items that will probably be passed along to the regular meeting are honors for retiring E-911 Board Director Alan Bull. Ironically Commissioner Brad Anders is sponsoring the honors and Anders has been named as Bull’s replacement. Ott Defoe may be honored for winning the 2019 Bassmaster’s Classic. Two new ethics committee members may be named and the sheriff may name his one ethics member. The Volunteer Ministry Center may be given \$50,000 for the low barrier night shelter for the homeless. Grassy Creek LLC may be granted a tax break for a mixed-use retail development the firm is planning for 30 acres along Oak Ridge Highway and Schaad Road. The Trustee and Knox County Sheriff’s satellite office at 4728 Centerline Drive may be authorized for expansion to better serve the public.

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Police shooting still under investigation

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Although she still can’t talk about the investigation of a police shooting on Merchant Drive that resulted in the death of the suspect, Knox County District Attorney General Charme Allen did speak of the process recently when addressing the final meeting of the East Knox Community. Allen addressed the meeting, the last of 77 monthly meetings hosted by Michael Covington, about the duties of her office. Covington asked her about the shooting and Allen said the death of Tom “Philly” Pheap in August by Officer Dylan M. Williams is still “under investigation” and added that the “rules of professional conduct” prohibits her from speaking about it. Pheap was shot after encountering the officer and wrestling with him. The officer says the suspect, wanted in a hit-and-run incident, tased him in the struggle prior to the shooting. Autopsy results showed Pheap was shot in the back. Allen said every defendant is due a fair trial. She said that once the investigation is complete the officer may be tried in court. Allen was asked if the dash camera footage would be released in the Pheap shooting and Allen said the footage is evidence and cannot be released until a decision is made to try or dismiss charges against the officer. “There’s not a timeline,” she said, adding, “Tons of things have to be looked at including witnesses, TBI labs, collecting 911 data, autopsies, medical records, statements, reports, etc.” The attorney general was also asked if the officer would be tried if the evidence points to a murder.. The citizen added, “I hesitate to believe that.” Allen answered after the case is thoroughly investigated, and if the evidence deems it, a charge against the officer will be made. She then addressed what she called “mistake of fact with no criminal intent.” She said the term comes from a Tennessee legislature decision. She explained that if someone commits a crime out of a mistake of circumstances then they may not be charged. Allen demonstrated by interacting with Covington as if she were a criminal threatening his family’s life if he didn’t hold up a bank and give her the money. She said that such a person, committing a bank robbery under duress, had no criminal intent and would not be charged with the crime. Allen also told the Burlington Library meeting

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PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

Knox County Attorney General Charme Allen interacts with East Knoxville Community's Michael Covington to explain "under duress" and "mistake of fact" defense in a criminal case.

Police shooting still under investigation

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that domestic disputes are the most common cases her office investigates, followed by DUI and drugs. She said that Fentanyl has overtaken other drugs in area overdoses and noted that 300 local people die each year from a drug overdose.

She said her office is now treating drug deaths as homicides.

She also said that most incidences of guns being fired happen in homes and apartments and often on a Saturday or Sunday in the early morning.

Allen also spoke about the office's Bicycle Anti-Truancy campaign to give free bicycles to a selected elementary school each year for students with perfect attendance. She said that the Rotary Club has donated \$10,000 to the

program and West Hills Elementary School was selected this year for the awards.

The Police Advisory and Review Committee (PARC) meets Wednesday, October 23rd, in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building at 6 p.m. Executive Director Clarence L. Vaughn III, said since the shooting is still under investigation it will not be discussed.

"However, we will discuss cases related to the code of conduct and policy violations. We will be sure to inform community members and the media of the date in which the case involving the officer-involved shooting resulting in death will be reviewed publicly," Vaughn told The Focus.



Rosie's World

Healthy for Life

My son works for BlueCross/Blue shield, so, naturally I enrolled in their Sapphire insurance plan. Recently they sent me a booklet titled "Healthy for Life" and in it was an article I'd like to share with you.

Six New ways to Stay Sharp:

1. YOU SLEEP, YOU WIN--If you've got a big day coming up tomorrow, you'll recall and retain information better if you get at least six hours of sleep, it's suggested.
2. SNACK ON SOME

NUTS--- Nuts of all kinds are full of magnesium, a mineral linked to improvements in short--and long term memory. Magnesium seems to promote new connections between brain cells.

3. COOK LIKE AN ITALIAN--Not so much the pasta, but fish, veggies drizzled with olive oil, and a little meat and vino. With age, the brain starts to develop damage that can lead to difficulty with thinking and memory, but research shows that eating a Mediterranean diet may improve cognitive function and lower the risk of cognitive impairment.

4. GO BLUEBERRY--Blueberries may help keep your brain firing. A study in the journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry suggests that the fruit's wealth of anthocyanins--the

antioxidant that create the blue hue-- foster neuron-to-neuron communication in the brain, which may help delay memory loss.

5. PLAY MORE SCRABBLE--Exercising your word skills might protect against memory loss. Stay in shape with a word-of-the-day e-mail--and pick up a book any chance you get.

6. RELAX TO REMEMBER--Your busy life can make you so anxious that your brain simply can't take in new info, let alone remember it.

Frank Felberbaum, president of Memory Training Systems in New York City developed memory workshops for major corporations, says regular deep breathing will help. A nature walk or yoga will quiet your mind, too.

I am proud to say I do

all of these six steps--honestly, except for the nature walk and yoga. I'm not great at walking, but I might try yoga. Thank goodness, my memory, so far, is pretty good. I think I will drink my blueberry smoothie and relax with my Scrabble game. Try it, you might like it!

Thought for the day: Do you have eyesight? It's a gift. Do you have a good mind? It's a gift. How about dexterity in your fingers? Or special skills that allow you to work in your occupation? These are all gifts from God's hand. Reflect on His numerous gifts to you. It will increase your joy. It will make you smile! Chuck Swindoll, Great Attitudes

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

The Old Mill



Picture of The Old Mill in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, by Ralphine Major

It is one of the most photographed scenes in the Smokies. The gristmill in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee,



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links the past with today. The photo shown here is a throw-back to the eighties. The Old Mill was one of our father's favorite places. It also became one of mine. Perhaps it was the water bubbling over the rocks of the Little Pigeon River or the turning of the gigantic wheel that intrigued me. I decided to try my hand at capturing the image I had seen reproduced on mugs, shirts, postcards, and more.

The date written on the back of the picture is 1983. It was the year

after we had bought a 35-millimeter camera to take pictures at the 1982 World's Fair. I wanted my own photo of the historic Old Mill in Pigeon Forge. With camera in hand, I walked across the bridge and distanced myself far enough from The Old Mill so I could get the entire image in the camera's viewfinder. With The Old Mill centered

in the camera's tiny window, I clicked the shutter. My own photo of The Old Mill was on film. Thirty-six years later, it is still one of my favorites in our photo collection!

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Tennessee's Hermitage District, III

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Joseph W. Byrns, Jr. had successfully managed to defeat freshman Congressman Richard Atkinson in a hard fought race. The Democratic nominee - - - and the general election in the Hermitage District was a mere formality, as it was as Democratic as had been the owner of the Hermitage, General Andrew Jackson. For twenty-eight years, the congressman from the Hermitage District had been Joseph W. Byrns. By the time he died unexpectedly in June of 1936, Jo Byrns was Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives. His son had declined to run for Congress to succeed his father in 1936, but had run two years later. The thirty-four year old Byrns vaguely resembled his father; one could certainly see Jo Byrns in the features of the son. Like the late Speaker, Joe Byrns, Jr. was seldom seen without a cigar in hand.

Byrns had run for Congress as an ardent supporter of Franklin D. Roosevelt and had made much of the few times Congressman Atkinson had parted company with the President. It has been a close race and the Hermitage District was composed of seven counties: Davidson, Macon, Montgomery, Robertson, Stewart, Sumner and Trousdale. Atkinson had carried every county in the district except Davidson. Byrns had run well enough that his margin inside Davidson County proved to be decisive.

As the primary campaign had come to a close, Richard Atkinson made the astonishing charge Joe Byrns, Jr. had earned the then princely sum of \$20,000 annually from holding no less than three government jobs. Byrns snarled the accusation was nothing less than "a malicious lie." During one of his last personal appearances before the election, the younger Byrns declared, "My father instilled into me two principles before his death, first, that I was no better than anyone else, and second, that the man in a hickory shirt and blue overalls would stand by me long after the man in the silk hat tromped on me."

As Byrns celebrated his victory, he was heartened by a letter he received from President Roosevelt, which the young congressional candidate quickly made public. FDR congratulated Byrns upon his victory in the Democratic primary and expressed special pleasure "to learn that your majority was about the same as your father received in his first campaign 30 years ago." The letter from President Roosevelt somewhat dampened the idea FDR was the

warm personal friend of Congressman Richard M. Atkinson. Ironically, the President had engaged in his infamous "purge" to rid the United States Senate of those apostates who had given him such trouble when he sought to expand the U. S. Supreme Court. That bid to defeat truculent senators had been an abysmal failure, much to Roosevelt's chagrin and embarrassment.

Richard Atkinson was at least smart enough or loyal enough to his political party to join a drive to campaign all across Tennessee by a united Democratic party. Tennessee Democrats had witnessed a titanic struggle between two factions of the Democratic Party; one faction consisted of Senator Kenneth D. McKellar and E. H. Crump, leader of the Shelby County political organization. The other faction was headed by Governor Gordon Browning. McKellar and Crump had parted political company by supporting competing candidates for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1936. McKellar had backed Burgin Dossett, while Crump made no endorsement until late in the primary campaign. The Memphis Boss had finally announced he was for Browning. Gordon Browning, a former twelve-year veteran of Congress, had made a credible statewide race against Senator Nathan L. Bachman in 1934, but lost. McKellar, who rightly suspected Browning had a strong yearning to sit in the United States Senate, was thoroughly opposed to any political advancement for the former congressman. Crump likely calculated Burgin Dossett's candidacy was not resonating with Tennessee Democrats and chose to endorse Gordon Browning, who won 60,000 votes in Crump's domain of Shelby County. The heavy majority given to Browning in Shelby County did not put the former congressman over the top in the primary; Browning would have won even had the Memphis Boss chosen to support Burgin Dossett.

The alliance between Crump and Browning did not last long. Nathan L. Bachman died in April of 1937, just four months into a new six-year term of office. Browning journeyed to Memphis where, according to Crump, the governor proposed a trade. Governor Browning wanted to run for the U. S. Senate in 1938 against his own appointee, George L. Berry and wanted Crump's support for himself and Lewis Pope for governor; in return, Browning and Pope would support Crump for the Senate in 1940 against McKellar. The Memphis Boss made



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(From left to right) Mrs. Cornelia Park Byrns, wife of Joseph W. Byrns, Jr., Mrs. William B. Bankhead, wife of the Speaker of the House, and Mrs. Julia Byrns, mother of Congressman Byrns gather to watch Joseph W. Byrns, Jr. be sworn-in as a Member of Congress.

the logical observation had Browning wanted Crump in the Senate, he could have been appointed instead of George L. Berry. Whatever the circumstances surrounding the private conversation of Browning and Crump, the end result was the governor returned to Nashville and launched an all-out assault on the Shelby County machine, culminating in a fierce struggle inside the Tennessee General Assembly when Browning attempted to force through a "county unit" bill that would have made the big majorities produced by Shelby County meaningless. Crump, shocked and stung, found himself in a fight for his political life and had to run to Senator McKellar for aid and comfort. McKellar readily joined his old friend in fighting off the county unit bill. The 1938 election in Tennessee had been hard fought and a bitter contest between the two factions and was won by McKellar and Crump.

The bitterness of the infighting necessitated a unified effort by Tennessee Democrats against the Republicans in the fall. Several candidates who had lost in bitterly contested Democratic primaries joined the victors on the campaign trail in the fall, including Dick Atkinson. The willingness of Atkinson to stump for his fellow Democrats was likely an indication he was not through with politics and had his eye on running for office in the future.

Joseph W. Byrns, Jr. was welcomed to Washington by Senator McKellar, who had long been friends with the new congressman's parents. The newly elected congressman told reporters he hoped for an assignment to the House Agriculture Committee, which likely gives readers an idea of how rural the Hermitage District was in 1939 compared to today. The Nashville Tennessean published a photograph of Byrns shaking hands with House Speaker William B. Bankhead beneath a portrait of the late Joseph W. Byrns. The younger Byrns had taken the oath of office as it was administered by Speaker Bankhead and witnessed by his wife and mother. Byrns stood beside another newly elected congressman from a district adjoining his own, Albert

Gore. Both Byrns and Gore cast their first votes as Members of Congress by voting for William Bankhead to serve as Speaker of the House.

The widow of Speaker Byrns had seen the official portrait of her husband previously, but wandered down the Speaker's corridor where it now hung. Mrs. Byrns, wife of one congressman and the mother of another, gazed at the likeness of her husband before leaving to rejoin her son and daughter-in-law.

On January 12, Joe Byrns, Jr. presided over the House of Representatives, something his father had done many times, as the House considered the deficiency relief appropriation. Speaker Bankhead left the presiding officer's chair and gave the gavel to the congressman from Tennessee's Hermitage District. Byrns remained in the Speaker's chair for two hours while members debated the merits of the bill. Mrs. Joseph W. Byrns watched her son preside over the House from the gallery.

Congressman Joe Byrns, Jr. and his wife attended their first White House reception on the evening of January 19, 1939. It was President Roosevelt's reception in honor of the Members of Congress. Mrs. Byrns made an impression in "a crepe gown of deepest pink and pale rose, with two gardenias in her hair." Byrns was appointed to serve on the House Committee on Post Offices & Post Roads, while his colleague Albert Gore was assigned to the Banking and Currency Committee. More surprising still, Byrns was the only freshman member of Congress to be appointed to the chairmanship of a subcommittee. At thirty-four, Joseph W. Byrns, Jr. had the prospect of a long and successful career in the House of Representatives.

Byrns quickly made headlines when he sent a letter to Congressman John J. Cochran, Chairman of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department, taking aim at his former employer, the Home Owners' Loan Corporation. The Byrns missive was interesting because he had been an attorney for the HOLC before

being elected to Congress, as well as his assertion it was "the most mismanaged independent agency" of government. Congressman Byrns charged Charles A. Jones, general manager of the HOLC, with having violated the law by utilizing taxpayer funds to lobby against legislation. In his letter to Cochran, Byrns wrote, "Between the middle and latter part of October, 1937, Mr. Jones interested himself in a bill pending before Congress, introduced by Ellenbogen of Pennsylvania to reduce the rate of interest on Home Owners' Loan Corporation loans and to extend the time for their maturity." Byrns went on to detail the supposed misuse of public funds by Charles Jones as having used "the long distance, at government expense, and the government frank (the free mailing privilege enjoyed by Members of Congress and various government agencies) in sending throughout the country copies of a statement made by him lobbying against the Ellenbogen bill in a direct attempt to get people throughout the country to write their representatives to vote against the bill."

Congressman Byrns wrote he believed it was "a violation of the United States criminal code prohibiting use of appropriations to pay for personal service to influence members of Congress to favor or oppose legislation." Byrns having been employed by HOLC gave weight to his accusations.

Byrns did not long remain on the House Committee on Post Offices & Post Roads. In what appeared to be another sign Joe Byrns, Jr. was a favorite of the House leadership, the young congressman was elevated to membership on the House Military Affairs Committee, taking the place of the late Clarence W. Turner of Tennessee. The appointment of Byrns was unanimously approved by the Democratic members of the Ways & Means Committee, which doled out committee assignments for the members of their party. The appointment of Byrns to the Military Affairs Committee was duly noted in Tennessee, especially as it dealt with projects of importance to the Volunteer State, not the least of which

was the Tennessee Valley Authority. The Clarksville Leaf-Chronicle noted the appointment of Byrns to the committee in an approving editorial. Governor Prentice Cooper selected Joe Byrns, Jr. as Tennessee's designated representative for the observance of "Tennessee Day" at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania in April of 1939. The young congressman was also the principle speaker at the National Exchange Club state convention held in Richmond, Virginia.

The most anticipated social event in Washington, D. C. in 1939 was the visit of King George and his Queen, Mary. When it was announced a party would be held for a group of carefully chosen senators and congressman at the British Embassy, Washingtonians went wild. People inundated their representatives with requests for tickets to the event. Byrns managed an invite to the reception for their Britannic Majesties, but later told reporters he was less than impressed. Byrns then made a comment many Tennesseans thought ungracious, if not down-right rude. Referring to the king and queen of Great Britain, Congress Byrns said, "What a couple of flat tires they turned out to be." Byrns was the only member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation to say anything remotely unkind about the royal pair. Senator McKellar described the king and queen as "altogether lovely and fine." The senator said he was "impressed by their graciousness and friendliness and sociability."

Things would soon get much less friendly for Congressman Joe Byrns, Jr.

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Talking points

A few weeks ago, I traveled with my brother and two high school friends to play in a golf tournament. It was held by a church that another high school friend pastors, and we've tried to support the man and his cause for the last few years.

The course is located in the mountains in Lafollette, and the drive there is as twisty and curvy as a road through the Smoky Mountains. By the time we'd registered, eaten lunch and loaded our carts, the day was half gone. Sometime around 7:00 p.m. I arrived home. The day was long, our golf games were mediocre, and old aches and pains resurfaced. What was best about the day was the time spent with friends.

What we realized about half-way through the day was that the four of us have changed our topics of conversation. In high school, our conversations were varied. Because we were in band, much of the time we discussed the trips we would take to competitions or ball games. That included who we would sit with (female), and what we might try to get away with. We also worked out how in the world we were going to sell our quota of socks and wrapping paper, items used in fundraising campaigns.

Like most teen-aged boys, we had our discussions of weekend plans. Before dating became a real thing in our lives, we found our fun by "running



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around" with groups of boys. We had a standard plan for each weekend outing. It included, shooting pool at the bowling alley or skating at the rink at the edge of the county. We also laid plans for fights that might break out and how we'd help each other. For most of us, those brawls were limited, but we talked about them as if they occurred every time we stepped foot outside. Of course, a few guys actually did participate in fighting as if it were a sport. They planned their strategy for where they would meet, whom they would fight, and when they would leave.

Another big topic included alcohol. Individuals had fake identifications that were accepted by most liquor stores and beer sellers. We'd talk about what we'd buy, who had the money, and who would make the purchases. Many were the nights we engaged in half-drunken babble and bravado as the effects of that illegal liquid coursed through our bodies.

The subject of girls also arose. Hormone-driven teens were constantly talking about females to whom they were attracted and how much they wanted to go out with them. We exchanged ideas of the best places to go on dates and the best places to "park." We knew in our hearts that the discussions were more dreams than realities, but they continued.

Fifty years later, our topics of conversation have

changed. These days, guys exchange tales of doctor visits. We discuss how much joints ache and how we dread the next procedure that encompasses drinking some kind of goop that will keep us trapped at home for hours. All are quick to share experiences with maladies that others might be experiencing.

Politics is also a major conversation area. We don't necessarily agree with others, but our debates are always civil. Each side can't understand the other's rationale for their beliefs, and on occasion, one person will try to convince an adversary to swap sides. It doesn't happen.

No conversation is ever complete without spending a few minutes wondering what the world is coming to. It's the same story for every generation; our concerns now are that young folks don't know how to work hard and that they spend too much time playing video games instead of games outside.

I remember my grandparents and the conversations they had. Surprisingly, they were similar to those my friends and I have now. The realization that we've become like the people we considered old and boring is upsetting. I suppose that aging automatically brings about changes in conversation topics. Before any young person laughs, let me assure you that your time is coming. Before you can blink your eyes, you'll be complaining about aches and pains and young people. It's the natural course of events.

Anne Wallace gives update on McClung Warehouse project

By Mike Steely
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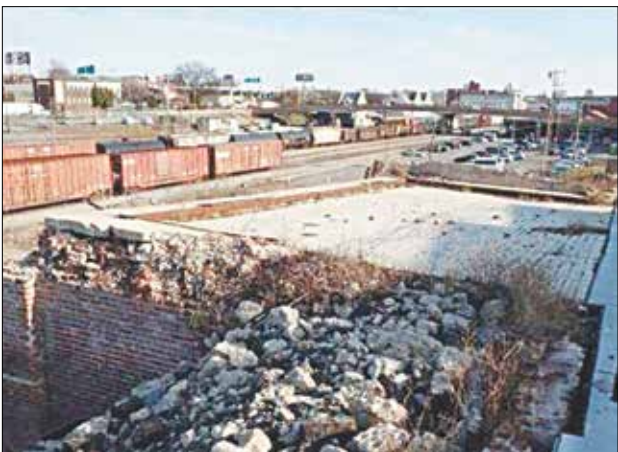
Speaking before the Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory Council Wednesday, Anne Wallace, deputy director of the city's Office of Redevelopment, recounted the city efforts to clean up "brownfield" properties and detailed the history and potential of the McClung Warehouse property.

The old Jackson Avenue warehouse was built in 1893 and was an important part of Knoxville's history. In the recent past the huge brick building was privately owned but sat unused and abandoned. Wallace said that abandoned buildings tend to have problems and when a woodworking shop caught fire next door, the fire spread and the empty building was badly damaged.

When the city acquired the old warehouse and was considering what to do with the structure, homeless squatting resulted in a second fire which destroyed much of the remaining building.

"It is a unique five-acre site of historic land but had environmental problems," Wallace said, noting the structure had once been used as an auto dealership among other purposes. She said the site had water, soil and air problems there along with asbestos.

"The EPA gave us \$150,000 to help clean it up and the city gave 20%, putting \$180,000 into



The site of the former McClung Warehouse is a vacant lot now and will be used for parking construction vehicles during the next three years for construction of the Broadway Viaduct.

the cleanup," she said. The building was leveled and the city is now looking for possible future uses. She said a parking deck is being considered and that possible plans are detailed on the city's website.

Wallace said all plans are on hold at present and the vacant lot will be used for construction truck parking for the next three years for vehicles being used in the Broadway Viaduct construction. That TDOT project should start next month. At some point the city will issue a request for proposals from companies who may be interested in purchasing the McClung site.

Wallace also spoke about the current project to replace the Jackson Avenue ramps to North Gay Street and efforts to restore the Sanitary Laundry Building. She said no one wanted the old building that was used as a laundry until 1993.

"It had issues," she said regarding the ground contamination from volatile liquids left from its days as a laundry and the city wrestled with whether to demolish or clean it up. She said the demolition and clean up cost as much as preserving the building and doing clean up. The effort ended in September but only after the initial clean up the roof was collapsing and new supports and roof had to be built. She said the restored 30,000-square foot building is now ready to receive bids on a purchase.

Wallace also spoke about the ongoing North Central Street streetscape project including restoring sidewalks, reworking curbs and crossings, and adding medians along the street.

She said that the city's restoration projects process includes public input through meetings, the city website, and Facebook updates.

Honors, tax break and growth plan on commission agenda

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A second reading on a resolution by Commissioner Carson Dailey would give a local tax break on vehicle tags to local active members of the rescue squad. It was spurred by a similar amendment passed by the commission for volunteer firefighters.

Commissioners Evelyn Gill and Michele Carringer are asking for an update on indigent care from Health Department Director Dr. Martha Buchanan. Commissioner Charles Busler wants a report from the schools on the spread of the flu virus.

Chairman Hugh Nystrom wants a discussion about funding for Knoxville-Knox County Planning for the County Growth and General Plans. Commissioner Carson Dailey wants a discussion about the Tennessee Valley Fair 4H students and the impact to Knox County.

The commissioners may also consider approval of the Governor John Sevier Scenic Highway Corridor Study.

The sheriff's department is asking for a grant contract of \$73,780 from the state's Safety and Homeland Security to provide police traffic services. The commission may also discuss supplementing a CSXT agreement for replacement, construction, widening and maintenance of a bridge carrying the Topside Road over the rail tracks.

Two paving contracts may also be approved and the Community Development Department is asking for a contract with Innovative Emergency Management Inc. to provide homeland security consultant services. The agreement would set the cost at \$188,472 in support of the Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Grant Program.

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Fulton finally in the win column, 36-13 over Clinton



Fulton's Adrian Roberson hauls in a pass with Clinton defensive back Elie Deshomme in pursuit Friday night. In a battle of two winless teams, the Falcons prevailed 36-13 in the Region 3-5A game.

By Bill Howard

It was a long time coming, but Fulton High School finally experienced the sweet taste of victory Friday night, Oct. 11, on the road at Clinton.

Behind a versatile offense, and a stout, opportunistic second-half defense, the Falcons pulled away from the Dragons to notch their first win of the season, 36-13. The regional (3-5A) win puts them at 1-6 overall, 1-2 in the region. Clinton fell to 0-8, 0-4 in the region.

"We got the monkey off of our back tonight," said Fulton coach Rob Black. "It feels good. Hopefully our guys have a chance to celebrate this weekend and enjoy this. It's gotta be short-lived because every one of them matters from here on out."

The Falcons jumped to a 7-0 lead in the blink of an eye when, on second and six from their 41 on the game's opening drive, junior running back Mac McCovery went up the middle and bolted 59 yards for the score. A failed pass attempt afterward gave the Falcons a 6-0 lead.

Later in the first, a Dragons' three-and-out led to a short punt, which Marcellus Jackson returned to Clinton's 13. On second and 12, McCovery went around left and took it in for a 13-0 lead.

McCovery had a slight ankle twist in the second quarter and had but two carries in the second half. He still had 98 yards on but 10 carries, and two scores for the game.

"He started really strong, twisted his ankle and we didn't run him as much in the second half," said Black. "But I thought when he ran it he ran it hard."

The Dragons cut it to 13-7 on the last play of the half when quarterback Trace Thackerson hit Evan Winchester for an 18-yard score. Suddenly it was a close game.

By the end of the third, it wasn't. The Falcons scored twice in 24 seconds to put it away. A 19-yard keeper by quarterback Tommy Sweat finished off a 43-yard drive and made it 20-7 with 3:34 left in the quarter.

On the first play of the ensuing drive, Thackerson was hit as he attempted to pass. The loose ball went right into the arms of defensive end James Coleman who returned it to the two. Sweat then hit Keenan Vaughn for the score, and the 26-7 lead was more than enough.

Sweat, who had but three passing yards in the first half, connected on nine of 13 for 91 yards and two scores after halftime.

"I thought Tommy played well," said Black. "He missed two or three in the first half but those are correctable. He's a smart kid and he'll learn from those."

The Falcons' defense was vital in the win. In Clinton's first five possessions of the second half, they netted a total of 23 yards. Their late touchdown – a 34-yard pass from Thackerson to Edwin Resendiz – was only cosmetic.

"I think we had a good plan," said Black. "I think

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Austin-East beats Gatlinburg-Pittman

By Alex Norman

The Roadrunners proceeded to go 54 yards in six plays for the opening score of the night. Isaiah Ligon took the direct snap, bounced to the far corner and scored from a yard out. It was 6-0 A-E with 6:46 to go in the first quarter.

G-P drove deep into A-E territory on their next drive but had to settle for a short field goal attempt, which was wide left.

The Roadrunners took possession at their own 20. On the first play of that drive, Ligon broke a tackle, made a man miss, and scampered 37 yards up the middle to the G-P 43. However, that drive would stall and Austin-East (5-3, 3-1 in Region 2-3A) had to punt the football away for what would be a touchback.

A 41-yard pass play from J.D. Shults to Jayden

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Catholic avoids trap, runs past West Greene, 49-7

By Ken Lay

Knoxville Catholic High School football coach Steve Matthews doesn't take any game lightly. In fact, he sees every contest as a precious opportunity.

"We approach every game the same and you know that you're only given 10 opportunities to play every year and you want to make the best of each of those and we talked about that with our team," Matthews said after the Irish toppled West Greene 49-7 Friday night at Blaine Stadium. "We don't want to take anything lightly."

"We want to keep getting better. We had some things that might not have seen that we need to improve on, that we have to get better at."

If any game had the possibility of being a trap, it was this game against the Buffaloes (4-3).

The Irish (5-2) were coming off an emotional victory over four-time defending Division II-AAA State Champion Brentwood Academy on Thursday, Oct. 3 and they have a crucial road game this week against Chattanooga Baylor that could determine their postseason fate.

But senior linebacker Cody Duncan said that Catholic couldn't fall into the trap.

"We look at every team as Team X," said Duncan, who had a 28-yard interception return for a touchdown in the first quarter. "We don't look at the names on the front of their jerseys and we don't look at them as any better than us, any stronger than us or any weaker than us."

Matthews agreed, but said he thought his squad was at a distinct advantage against the Buffaloes, who like Catholic, entered the game with a two-game winning streak.

"This could've been (a trap game) but I think we had West Greene outmanned," Matthews said. "I don't think there was any real chance of them catching up against us."

That was certainly evident from the outset as the Irish scored on their first four offensive possessions.

KCHS stopped the Buffaloes on the game's opening possession after West Greene made a big play and the Irish were penalized twice.

On Catholic's first possession, Keondre Jarmon scored on a 1-yard plunge to make it 6-0. Paxton Robertson's extra point made it 7-0 with 8 minutes, 18 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

Sophomore quarterback Kaden Martin made it 14-0 a short time later when he scored on a 20-yard scamper.

He would also throw a 51-yard scoring strike to Jack Jancek, who opened the season as the Irish's starting quarterback, to make the score 21-0 with 3:34 remaining in the opening frame.

Duncan's first career interception

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Ready and alert on defense in a District 4-AAA semifinal volleyball match Thursday against Powell are West players (from left to right) Kara Brantley, Ryn Gaertner, Elie Creswell, Avery Jolley and Alisa Elmore. The Lady Rebels won 3-0 to advance to the district finals and secure a berth in this week's Region 2-AAA tournament.

Lady Rebels overcome injury to top player to take second place

By Steve Williams

West High's volleyball team ran into adversity two days before the District 4-AAA tournament began. The No. 2 seed Lady Rebels lost their best player, senior setter Sophie Cain, to an ankle injury in practice last Monday. The Appalachian State University commitment was the district MVP during the regular season. Without Cain, West still managed to get past Powell in Thursday's semifinals to qualify for the Region 2 tournament before falling to top seed Oak Ridge in the district championship match at Bearden High. "Hopefully, Sophie will be able to play by Tuesday (the day of the region tourney)," said West Head Coach Jessica Lee, after her team eliminated Powell 25-10, 27-25, 25-14 in the do-or-die semifinals. "We still took care of business and advanced, even though we had to play with people who had never (played the set position)." Powell, the No. 6 seed, had upset No. 3 seed Halls in the quarterfinals. Oak Ridge ousted No. 5 seed Karns 25-12, 25-15, 25-16 in other semifinal contest. The Lady Beavers had toppled No. 4 seed Bearden in the quarterfinals. West battled Oak Ridge close in the opening set of the title match and led 6-4 early. A 9-2 run by the Lady Wildcats, however, turned things around and put OR ahead 13-8. A successful return shot by West's Avery Jolley and two winning serves by lefty Karly Kamman cut the deficit to two.

Jacinda Huff's serve put West ahead 17-16 and a forceful return shot by Mary Austin Slate pulled the Lady Rebels even at 20-all. West then grabbed the lead 22-20, but didn't score again. Tourney MVP Ainsley Patrick took over at the end, scoring two of Oak Ridge's last three points as the Lady Wildcats captured the opening set 25-22. Her first point came on a block at the net. Her set-winner was a powerful return from left front court to deep right on the West side. Oak Ridge built a 19-6 advantage in the second set and again Patrick's strong play at the net produced a 25-12 decision. The Lady Wildcats pulled into a 3-3 tie early in the third set, despite two great saves by West freshman libero Kara Brantley. Ahead 12-9, Oak Ridge steadily pulled away for another 25-12 win that clinched the title. "We came out real slow in that first set, and between sets we got our minds together, and I told them to go out and have some fun and just play volleyball," said Oak Ridge Head Coach Dave Kolodney, whose team raised its record to 33-4 overall and remained unbeaten this season against district opposition despite not having any senior players. The OR coach said Patrick, a 5-11 junior who has played three seasons at the varsity level, is "our rock" and "go-to" player. "When we need a big a moment, when we need a big hit, when we need a block, you know she can come up with it."

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No celebration for Gibbs despite reaching region tournament

By Ken Lay

Gibbs High School's volleyball team may have punched its ticket to Tuesday night's Region 2-AA Tournament last week. But there was no celebration. "They're mad," Lady Eagles' coach Sarah Sharp said of her squad after it dropped a 25-14, 25-19, 25-14 decision to top-seeded Anderson County in the championship match of the District 4-AA Tournament at Gibbs High School Wednesday night. It was a long night on the court for Gibbs, which advanced to the title match with a four-set victory over Grainger earlier on Wednesday. The Lady Eagles (16-14) might've prevailed against the Lady Grizzlies but that match also had its tense moments as Gibbs was behind in all four sets but Gibbs would prove resilient as it nabbed a 26-24, 25-16, 23-25, 25-17 win. But the Lady Eagles spent most of their evening digging themselves out of holes. "We dig ourselves out of holes a lot," Sharp said. "We've had trouble finishing this season. "We have to learn how to finish and we have to figure that out before (the region tournament)." Gibbs will open tournament play Tuesday at Alcoa. The Lady Eagles will face the host Lady Tornadoes, who won the District 3-AA Tournament in the semifinals. The Lady Mavericks will play District 3 runner-up Central. The semifinals will be played concurrently at Alcoa and those are elimination matches. Match times were not set at

press time. The semifinal winners will meet later Tuesday night and both will advance to Thursday night's state sectional round with state tournament berths hanging in the balance. Against the Lady Mavericks, Gibbs fell behind 16-4 in the opening game but the Lady Eagles got a spark from Macie Smith. Smith had a service run that pulled the Lady Eagles to within 17-10. Her surge included an ace that made the score 17-9. In Game 2, the closest of the three sets, Gibbs fell behind 11-5, 16-9 and 21-15. Megan Turner, who recently committed to play college volleyball at Middle Tennessee, was able to push the Lady Eagles, with three consecutive points, to a 16-13 score. Makenzi Rogers pulled Gibbs to within 22-18 before Anderson County took a 2-0 advantage in the match. The Lady Eagles scored first in the third set and the two teams were knotted in a 10-10 deadlock before the Lady Mavericks reeled off five consecutive points to go up 15-10. From there, Anderson County (32-9) would cruise to victory. **ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM:** The Lady Eagles had Rogers and Turner named to the all-tournament team. **SEYMOUR WINS DISTRICT 2-AA CHAMPIONSHIP:** Sevier County's Lady Eagles won their district tournament with a 3-1 victory over Greeneville last week. Seymour enters this week's regional play with a 22-5 record.

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made it 28-0 just 19 seconds later. "It feels good to get that first interception, said

Duncan, who entered the game as Catholic's leading tackler. "And I was glad I could take it to the house too.

"I'm really happy." Jarmon, who finished with 104 yards and two touchdowns on just four carries, added an exclamation point

to the inaugural stanza with a dazzling 76-yard scoring scamper in the waning seconds. And when the dust had settled, the Irish put 35 points on the scoreboard in the opening 12 minutes. Martin's second TD pass to Jancek covered 23 yards and made it 42-0 with 10:21 left in the first half and the officials invoked the mercy rule and the Catholic starters retired to the bench. Freshman Samuel O'Leary scored Catholic's final touchdown on an 18-yard run with 3:32 left in the second stanza. The second half was

played entirely with a running clock and the third and fourth quarters were shortened to eight minutes each. A late West Greene touchdown spoiled the Irish's shutout bid. Now, Catholic can turn its attention to the Red Raiders (6-1 overall, 2-1 in the Division II-AAA East/Middle Region) and Catholic (1-2 in league play) desperately needs to come back to Knoxville with a victory. The Irish have handled Baylor recently, but Matthews said the Red Raiders are better in 2019. "The last two years, we've beaten them pretty bad,"

he said. "But they're a lot better now. They're good. They have a great tailback and their defense is a lot stronger than it used to be." The tailback that Matthews referenced is now stranger to Knoxville Area football fans. It's Tennessee commitment and former Webb School of Knoxville star Elijah Howard. Howard, now a junior, transferred during the off-season and was an all-state performer for the Spartans in both football and track. He began his career at Webb as an eighth grader and was a star upon arriving on campus.

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Irish volleyballers (24-6) prepare for post-season play

By Steve Williams

Catholic wrapped up regular season play with a 25-22, 25-15, 24-26, 25-13 home win over Baylor last Tuesday and is in the midst of a 10-day stretch between matches.

"We do not have a district / regional tournament in East Tennessee for Division II-AA," explained Catholic Coach Brent Carter last week. "Everything is decided

by the regular season.

"We play next on (Saturday) Oct. 19 with a home sub-state match against a team to be determined from the Middle Tennessee area."

Catholic finished the regular season with a 24-6 record and is regarded as one of the top teams in the state. But how will the Lady Irish stay sharp until its sub-state match?

Coach Carter planned for a simple practice and film session last Wednesday and then gave the girls the rest of the week off.

"Starting Monday (today) we will continue to add new plays, work on our weaknesses and do some fun stuff to keep it interesting," said Carter. "As the week wears on, we will bear down and have some tough practices where they really have

to think, so hopefully the new stuff becomes simple in games."

Catholic went undefeated this season on the local scene and in its region, which Coach Carter called a major accomplishment.

"The region we are in now is highly competitive and we play the best local teams so there (have been) no easy matches for us," he added.

"Our biggest win this year

is not a match, it's our culture. We have a great group of seniors and I know this, if we lose, we will have left everything on the floor."

Statistical leaders per category for the Green and Gold during the regular season were senior Maya Alves in kills (287), sophomore Grainne McGrath in blocks (45), freshman Devyn Dunn in assists (663) and aces (41) and junior

Cassie Kuerschen in digs (390).

Senior Carlee Hart ranked second on the team with 211 kills. Freshman Izzy Amet ranked third with 199 kills and also third with 136 digs.

Alves has committed to sign a beach volleyball scholarship with Morehead State and Kuerschen has already committed to UT, according to Coach Carter.

Long night nets regional berth for Farragut volleyball

By Ken Lay

Hard work brought handsome rewards for the Farragut High School volleyball team last week.

The Lady Admirals, the fifth seed in the District 3-AAA Tournament toiled and their efforts paid off and they'll be making a trip to Oak Ridge for the Region 2-AAA Tournament Tuesday night.

Farragut (20-16) didn't quite claim the district championship. In fact, the Lady Admirals were swept 25-15, 25-14, 25-20 by third-seeded Maryville but they earned their way into the regional tournament with a dramatic five-set victory over Heritage Thursday night at Hardin Valley Academy.

Farragut beat the Lady Mountaineers for the second time in three nights when it notched a 26-24, 25-22, 25-27, 25-27, 15-13 victory. The two teams met in the winners' bracket semifinals on Tuesday with the Lady Admirals prevailing in a five-setter and both matches lasted more than two hours.

Only this time, the thrilling



PHOTO BY KEN LAY.

Region Tournament bound: The Farragut Lady Admirals punched their ticket to Tuesday's Region 2-AAA Tournament with a runner-up finish in last week's district tournament. Farragut won a five-set thriller against top-seeded Heritage before falling to Maryville Thursday night in the title match.

victory would mean a quick turnaround and a match with the Lady Rebels, who were rested, having gone undefeated en route to the title tilt. And that would

prove to be a tall order that the Lady Admirals couldn't quite pull off.

But Susan Davidson, Farragut's longtime coach couldn't have been happier.

"That's a tough feat," Davidson said. "I'll be honest, after five games (in the semifinals), I've never been so proud of my girls and the team and the

coaches that work with me because we exerted a lot of energy.

"That was back and forth and back and forth and that's a lot of energy. Then

to have to turn around and play a team that went home around 5'clock and rested. I'll take nothing away from Maryville. They've got a really good team. They're strong.

Against the Lady Rebels, senior Lauren Loveday and sophomore Kate Priest had six kills each. Junior libero Reese Schroeder finished with 34 digs and 10 assists. Ashley Hilbelink had 24 assists and Megan Carlton finished with 50 assists.

Farragut will return the court Tuesday night when they tangle with District 4-AAA Champion Oak Ridge at Wildcat Arena. The elimination match will begin at 5:30 p.m.

In the other regional semifinal, Maryville will tangle with West High in a battle of Rebels.

The regional championship match will follow at approximately 7:30 with both finalists advancing to the state sectional round on Thursday.

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM: Schroeder and Loveday made the all-tournament team for the Lady Admirals.

Austin-East beats Gatlinburg-Pittman

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Schober got G-P down to the Roadrunners 16. Three plays later, Bryce Akey ran off right tackle from four yards away for a score. With 6:34 left in the half, G-P took a 7-6 lead.

The Roadrunners responded with a 10 play, 80-yard touchdown drive, which finished as Trey Foster pushed his way into the end zone from a yard out. It was 12-7 Roadrunners at the half.

One of the biggest plays of the game happened about midway through the third quarter by the Roadrunner special teams. Ligon caught a punt at the Highlanders 40 and returned it all the way for the score, making it 18-7. "He has a lot of determination and great vision," Phillips said of his running back. "You see some of the cuts that he makes... he's just a natural running back. We always tell him he has to keep going and the more he trusts in himself and not look to make the home run hitch... when he stays the course, takes the one yard or two yards and every now and then busts a long touchdown run because the defense has to continuously tackle you."

Gatlinburg-Pittman (7-1, 3-1 in Region 2-3A) came back with a 43-yard pass from Shults to Ethan Stinnett, down to the A-E 7. On the next play, Akey ran around the right side and into the end zone, pulling the Highlanders within 4.

A-E coach Jeff Phillips took a huge risk by going for it on 4th and 1 from his own 29, but they converted

when Ahmad Warren got the football across the 30 by a few inches.

A couple of plays later, Ligon broke a tackle, hit the sideline, and sprinted 62 yards for a touchdown, his third of the night. With under a minute to go in the third quarter, it was 25-14 Roadrunners.

A G-P field goal made it 25-17 with 6:20 to go.

A fake punt with under two minutes to go was stuffed near midfield when Foster was stopped a couple of yards short of the line to gain. With 1:45 to go, G-P needed to travel 52 yards to have a chance to send the game to overtime.

Shults let it fly... but A-E defensive back Keon Smith was there to intercept the pass in the end zone with 35 seconds to go, securing the victory for the Roadrunners. But they weren't done. Ligon ran 80 yards for the capping score, making the final tally 32-17.

This win put the Roadrunners into the two seed in that region. Win their remaining region games and they'll host a first-round playoff game. "It keeps the pecking order in the region with Alcoa number one," said Phillips. "Every year you want to make sure you get a home playoff game. We knew G-P was having a good season, but we knew our team was capable of beating them and taking care of business."

On Friday night the Roadrunners will make another trip to Sevier County to face another region rival, Pigeon Forge.

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Let's hear it for Young, South, S-Y and Doyle again!

South High 'Rocketing Along' in 1969

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Hannah Hobby leads cheers for the Falcons at Clinton Friday night. Fulton defeated the Dragons 36-13 for its first win of the season.

Fulton finally in the win column, 36-13 over Clinton

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our guys executed most of it. We still had some drops out there that could have been huge plays for us. We gotta get that cleaned up. I think the big thing is we were able to make some big plays tonight that we haven't been making. Big plays sometimes become contagious. So once one guy makes one then another guy wants to make one. We made several of them tonight." Despite going into the game 0-6, Friday night's win keeps the Falcons' playoff hopes alive. They're now tied in the win column

for fourth in Region 3-5A with Campbell Co, whom they play on the road Friday night, and Karns. A down-to-the-wire fight for fourth between the three is likely. Black remains confident. "We're in the hunt," he said. "You know, a lot of our losses have been non-district games. So yeah, we have a chance to get in and we're treating every week like it's a playoff game. I think we can. If we can take what we did tonight, you know, the positives that we saw and build on those, this group is talented enough to do it. We just have to grow up."

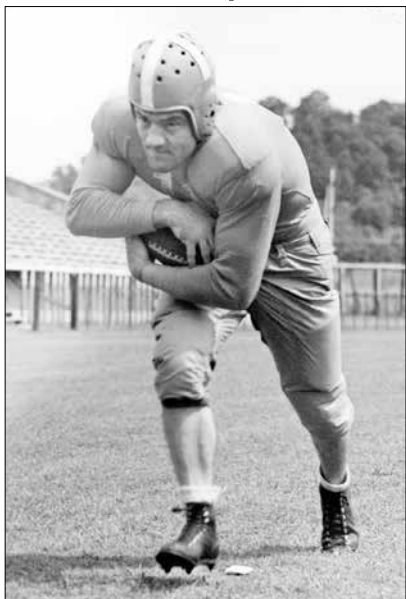
1939: A Year to Remember for the Tennessee Vols, IV

By Tom Heck

Were the Auburn Tigers at home the Vols' biggest challenge? Was this the game the major spoke of when he referred to "Championship propaganda?" The championship propaganda was there and the Vols hung on to win their 10th game and their 10th straight shutout 7-0. Knoxville and the Vol faithful were excited. The season had gone perfectly and now what would the post season bring?

The boys from Tennessee had accomplished many of the major's goals and had raised the bar for all Volunteer teams that followed. They had topped the 1938 team by not only winning 10 games, but had gone the whole season by not allowing a single point! The Vols had scored 212 points and allowed zero points, an amazing accomplishment. Tennessee's streak of shutouts in the regular season was now 14 and it would extend to 17 in the undefeated 1940 season. The Vols 17 consecutive shutouts

and 71 consecutive shutout quarters are still NCAA records.
1938-Chattanooga, Vanderbilt, Kentucky, Mississippi State
1939-NC State, Sewanee, Chattanooga, Alabama, Mercer, LSU, The Citadel, Vanderbilt, Kentucky, Auburn
1940-Mercer, Duke, Chattanooga
Major Neyland had just completed his second of three straight undefeated regular seasons. Where to go from here?
The News-Sentinel said it best:
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Len Coffman's seniors picture.

Tom Heck coached high school football in Knoxville for thirty years and is also Len Coffman's nephew. Coffman was the fullback on the 37, 38 and 39 Tennessee football teams.

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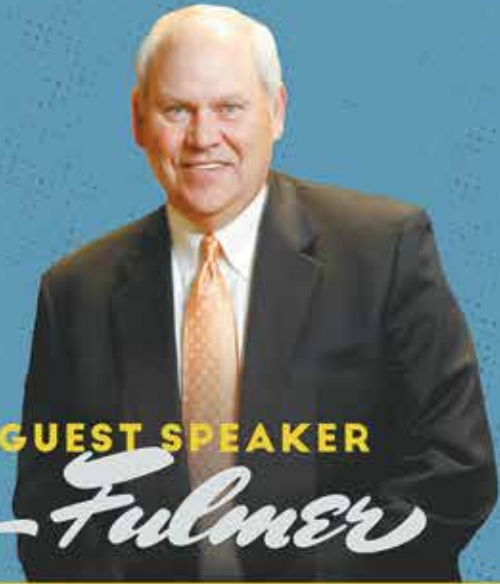
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Week 8

Austin-East - Bryson Steen

Bearden - Timyathus Spike

CAK - Grant Sterchi

Carter - Edward Russell

Catholic - Hayden Todd

Central - Jonathan Mynatt

Farragut - Pierce Vaught

Fulton - Joseph Mojica

Gibbs - Storm Tolliver

GCA - Riley Burnette

Halls - Jake Marcantel

HVA - Luke Filipkowski

Karns - Logan Ewing

Powell - James Whitehead

Seymour - Caden Burnette

South-Doyle - Tate Hunter

TSD - Gage Conger

TKA - Nathan Hoffman

Webb - Jackson Bradley

West - Ricky Clabough

University of Tennessee

- Jauan Jennings (UT

recipient following

Georgia game).

Lady

Rebels

overcome

injury

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As an outside hitter, Patrick starts way off the court, allowing her to see the whole floor and time to recognize the defense before she roars in to make a play.

Patrick had 14 kills against Karns and a career-high 23 against West.

The district title was Oak Ridge's fourth in a row under Kolodney. "It's a nice little notch in the belt, but in the end it's just one step," he said. "We make the state our goal each year."

His teams haven't been able to get beyond the region tourney the past three years.

"We came out and played really well in the first set," said West's Coach Lee, "then I think we started to get tired because we had people playing all the way around that aren't used to having to do that. Our hitters had to play setter and we're not used to having to do that without having someone come in and play the back row for them. We just ran out of steam towards the end of the second and third sets."

Oak Ridge will play Farragut and West (27-7) will face District 3-AAA champion Maryville in the Region 2 tourney Tuesday at Oak Ridge High with the semifinals set to start at 5:30, followed by the championship match. The top two teams qualify for Thursday's state sectionals.

Coach Kolodney said Oak Ridge defeated Farragut in their only meeting this season and split their two matches with Maryville.

ALL TOURNEY TEAM: Kara Brantley and Avery Jolley, West; Emily Engle, Karns; Cassie Norris, Halls; Paige Halcrow and Ansley Patrick (MVP), Oak Ridge.

PREP

FOOTBALL

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| | WEEK 1 | WEEK 2 | WEEK 3 | WEEK 4 | WEEK 5 | WEEK 6 | WEEK 7 | WEEK 8 | WEEK 9 | WEEK 10 | WEEK 11 |
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| | Aug. 22-24 | Aug. 29-31 | Sept. 5-6 | Sept. 12-13 | Sept. 19-20 | Sept. 26-27 | Oct. 3-4 | Oct. 10-11 | Oct. 17-18 | Oct. 24-25 | Nov. 1 |
|  TSD | OPEN | OPEN | vs. South Haven L, 20-56 | vs. South Carolina W, 56-21 | vs. Alabama L, 0-38 | vs. Mississippi L, 36-60 | vs. South Carolina W, 64-24 | vs. Florida | vs. TN Heat | OPEN | OPEN |
|  AUSTIN-EAST D1, Class AAA, R2 | vs. Knox Webb L, 0-3 | vs. Alcoa L, 0-42 | vs. Kingston W, 34-22 | vs. Fulton W, 70-36 | vs. Greenville L, 22-49 | vs. Brainerd W, 46-36 | vs. Scott County W 46-10 |  Gatlinburg-Pittman, W, 32-17 | vs. Pigeon Forge | OPEN | vs. Northview Academy |
|  CARTER D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. Rhea County L, 6-42 | vs. Campbell County L, 21-24 | vs. Seymour W, 27-7 | vs. Lenior City W, 20-7 |  Halls L, 18-19 | vs. South-Doyle L, 0-42 | vs. Morristown West W, 27-21 | OPEN | vs. Central | vs. Gibbs | vs. Sevier County |
|  CENTRAL D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. Cleveland W, 51-20 | vs. Fulton W, 13-12 | vs. Sevier County W, 55-13 | vs. Hardin Valley W, 16-7 | vs. Seymour W, 49-3 | vs. Knox Central KY W, 43-7 | vs. Halls W, 45-3 | OPEN | vs. Carter | vs. South-Doyle | vs. Gibbs |
|  GIBBS D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. Halls L, 21-32 | vs. Seymour W, 41-23 | vs. South-Doyle L, 17-62 | vs. Morris-town East W, 31-6 | vs. Campbell County W, 42-14 | vs. Rhea County L, 0-49 | vs. Sevier County W, 55-48 | OPEN | vs. Lenior City | vs. Carter | vs. Central |
|  HALLS D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. Gibbs W, 32-21 | vs. Karns W, 45-0 | vs. Clinton W, 34-26 | vs. Union County W, 35-6 |  Carter W, 19-18 | vs. Powell L, 0-49 | vs. Central L, 3-45 | OPEN | vs. South-Doyle | vs. Sevier County | vs. Seymour |
|  SEYMOUR D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. The King's Academy W, 24-17 | vs. Gibbs L, 23-41 | vs. Carter L, 7-27 | vs. Campbell County L, 13-35 | vs. Central L, 3-49 | vs. Heritage W, 37-14 | vs. South-Doyle W, 7-3 | OPEN | vs. Sevier County | vs. Lenior City | vs. Halls |
|  SOUTH-DOYLE D1, Class 5A, R2 | vs. Fulton W, 42-3 | vs. Grace Christian W, 61-7 | vs. Gibbs W, 62-17 | vs. Anderson County L, 22-31 | vs. Sevier County W, 60-20 | vs. Carter W, 42-0 | vs. Seymour L, 3-7 | OPEN | vs. Halls | vs. Central | vs. Powell |
|  FULTON D1, Class 5A, R3 | vs. South-Doyle L, 3-42 | vs. Central L, 12-13 | vs. Powell L, 0-34 | vs. Austin-East L, 36-70 | vs. Karns L, 28-20 | OPEN | vs. Maryville L, 19-49 | vs. Clinton W, 36-13 | vs. Campbell County | vs. West | vs. Oak Ridge |
|  KARNS D1, Class 5A, R3 | vs. Walker County L, 40-42 | vs. Halls L, 0-45 | vs. West L, 0-45 | vs. Powell L, 6-49 | vs. Fulton W, 20-28 | vs. Campbell County L, 20-27 | vs. Oak Ridge L, 13-60 | OPEN | vs. Heritage | vs. Rhea County | vs. Clinton |
|  POWELL D1, Class 5A, R3 | vs. Greenville W, 19-17 | vs. Anderson County W, 48-36 | vs. Fulton W, 34-0 | vs. Karns W, 49-6 | vs. Clinton W, 48-7 | vs. Halls W, 49-0 | vs. Campbell County W, 49-6 | OPEN | vs. West | vs. Oak Ridge | vs. South-Doyle |
|  WEST D1, Class 5A, R3 | vs. Bearden W, 34-31 OT | vs. Farragut W, 24-13 | vs. Karns W, 45-0 | vs. Jefferson County W, 49-22 | vs. Oak Ridge W, 49-22 | vs. Hardin Valley W, 52-20 | vs. Clinton | OPEN | vs. Powell | vs. Fulton | vs. Campbell County |
|  BEARDEN D1, Class 6A, R1 | vs. West L, 31-34 OT | vs. Maryville L, 14-47 | vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 14-39 | vs. Bradley Central L, 21-49 | OPEN | vs. McMinn County L, 13-37 | vs. HVA W, 34-28 | vs. Jefferson County W, 42-22 | vs. Farragut | vs. Morristown West | vs. Science Hill |
|  FARRAGUT D1, Class 6A, R1 | vs. Bradley Central W, 37-30 | vs. West L, 13-24 | OPEN | vs. Oak Ridge L, 14-21 | vs. Morristown West W, 42-14 | vs. Maryville L, 24-35 | vs. Science Hill W, 35-25 | vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 13-38 | vs. Bearden | vs. Hardin Valley | vs. Jefferson County |
|  HARDIN VALLEY D1, Class 6A, R1 | vs. Oak Ridge W, 13-6 | vs. Cleveland L, 19-31 | vs. Science Hill L, 14-52 | vs. Central L, 7-16 | vs. Dobyns-Bennett L, 0-42 | vs. West L 20-52 | vs. Bearden L, 28-34 | OPEN | vs. Jefferson County | vs. Farragut | vs. Morristown West |
|  KING'S ACAD D2, Class A, East | vs. Seymour L, 17-24 | vs. Gatlinburg Pittman L, 20-55 | vs. Grace - Franklin W, 48-7 | vs. Mt Juliet Christian W, 65-49 | vs. Webb School W, 77-35 | vs. Friendship Christian L, 7-42 | vs. Mid TN Christian W, 42-21 | vs. Onieda L, 21-28 | vs. DCA | vs. Grace Chattanooga | OPEN |
|  CAK D2, Class AA, East | vs. Volunteer W, 36-16 | vs. Clinton W, 24-14 | vs. White County W, 32-29 | vs. Stone Memorial W, 59-20 | vs. Silverdale Academy W, 28-14 | vs. Chattanooga Christian L, 3-14 | vs. Notre Dame W, 26-6 | OPEN | vs. Boyd Buchanan | vs. GCA | vs. Knoxville Webb |
|  WEBB D2, Class AA, East | vs. Austin-East W, 3-0 | vs. McCallie L, 7-42 | vs. Boyd Buchanan L, 21-28 | vs. David Crockett L, 21-28 | OPEN | vs. Notre Dame W, 26-7 | vs. GCA L, 7-14 | OPEN | vs. Silverdale Academy | vs. Chattanooga Christian | vs. CAK |
|  GCA D2, Class AA, East | vs. Stone Memorial W, 34-6 | vs. South-Doyle L, 7-61 | OPEN | vs. York Institute W, 28-7 | vs. Notre Dame W, 35-6 | vs. Silverdale W, 36-11 | vs. Knoxville Webb W, 14-7 | vs. Chattanooga Christian W, 38-21 | vs. Trinity Academy | vs. CAK | vs. Boyd Buchanan |
|  CATHOLIC D2, Class 3A, East/Mid | vs. Chuckey-Doak W, 48-0 | vs. Highlands Corbin, KY W, 31-28 | vs. Ensworth L, 28-33 | OPEN | vs. McCallie L, 19-56 | vs. Science Hill W, 48-17 | vs. Brentwood W, 42-37 | vs. West Greene W, 49-7 | vs. Baylor | vs. Brentwood | vs. Father Ryan |

South High 'Rocketing Along' in 1969

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always been an intense rivalry and in 1967 Knox County Schools created a new rival for South Knoxville with the creation of Doyle High School.

On Thursday, September 25, the Rockets met the Yellow Jackets of Young High with a visit to Duff Field. The crowd was huge and rowdy, I was there (I did not let Coach Carroll know I was out the night before a game) to watch friends play. The game was hard fought and intense, the South quarterback, Buddy Browning, later told me the thing he most remembered was how linebacker David Clinton had turned his head completely around. The Rockets won 27 to 0. The next week on October 3 the Pioneers of Doyle visited Rocket Field and fell to the Rockets 43 to 19. South High had accomplished a major goal of the 1969 season, the South Knoxville Football Championship.

Next the Rockets played visiting Churchill and handed them a 13 to 0 loss. The 1960s were no different than 2019, a game with the Maryville Rebels was not to be taken for granted. The Rockets played Maryville at home on October 17th and suffered their only regular season loss 8 to 14.

South could not afford another loss if they wanted to make the playoffs. October 24 brought a trip to West Knoxville to play the Karns Beavers. The Rockets took care of business with a 28 to 6 victory. Homecoming with the West Rebels occurred on October 31. At halftime Susan Anderson was crowned Homecoming Queen and the game ended with a Rocket 49 to 16 victory.

There was one more game to play on the road against a talented Webb team that included two future Tennessee Volunteers Chip Howard and

Hank Walters. To make it even more difficult the Rockets would have a week off before the game that could put them into the TSSAA playoffs. The game was on November 14th and Coach David Sexton told me he told me he had never been so cold in his life. Quarterback Buddy Browning said it snowed and snowed! The Rockets prevailed against a tough team, on a cold, snowy night with 14 to 7 victory. The South Rockets were now the first Knoxville team to make the TSSAA football playoffs with a 9 and 1 record.

November 21st was an historic day for high school football in the State of Tennessee. The TSSAA Playoffs had arrived and across the state 6 playoff games would be played, 2 in each classification. Class AAA featured Morristown East. Franklin County, Memphis South Side and Murfreesboro. Class AA included Loudon, Knoxville South,

Humboldt and Lafayette. Class A had South Pittsburg, Oneida, Tennessee Prep and Lake County.

It was also an historic day at a historic site in Knoxville. The Rockets had started their season at Evans Collins Field and now the first playoff game in Knoxville history would be played on this field where many classic Knoxville games had been played. In fact before the game began Isham Garley was presented with a bronzed down marker to honor his service for working the chain crew at Evans Collins Field since 1938. South was set to play the Loudon Redskins under the direction of the legendary Chig Ratledge. The Rockets scored on the first drive of the game only to have the touchdown reversed by a penalty. The Redskins were more than South could handle the rest of the way as the eventual state champions Loudon won the game 28 to 0. The

work that needed to be done mentioned by Coach Willard Brown in the pre-season article certainly got done because the 1969 South Rockets certainly accomplished a great deal. They won nine games, won the South Knoxville Championship and became the first team from Knoxville to appear in the TSSAA Playoffs. This group of young men needs to be celebrated for their accomplishments and South-Doyle High School will host the 1969 South High Rockets in the school library on October 18 before the Cherokees play Halls. The team will be honored at half time of the South-Doyle Halls game. Come out and honor the Rockets and watch the Cherokees battle the Red Devils.

Tom Heck coached at Doyle for one year and South-Doyle for 10 years and manages a Facebook page dedicated to football history called Glory Days.



The Doctor is in

a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Energy Density

If my father had survived to 2019 he would have joined the ranks of a small group who, like my mother-in-law, are centenarians. We westerners marvel at those who have lived so long. Asian cultures often go further; they honor the accumulated experiences and wisdom of the aged and deem them venerable.

I was thinking about this and other things as I was driving down the interstate in my wife's aging 2013 Toyota Avalon. Becky loves cars and especially her Avalon, which is her third. My father would not have approved of purchasing a Japanese product because of his experiences in the Pacific during WWII. However, I feel much better knowing that Toyota vehicles are, these days, largely made in the United States.

As a boy I remember various products labeled "Made in Japan." Later,

items were inscribed "Made in Taiwan" and now we so often read "Made in China." Perhaps we are coming to our senses and supporting products made in the USA.

Our Avalon is a hybrid vehicle with both a gasoline and an electric motor to maximize fuel efficiency. I assure you, despite what liberals say, conservatives are sensitive to environmental issues - at least this conservative is. We get forty miles to the gallon of gasoline because our car sequentially and alternatively uses both engines, synchronized with a third-generation transmission technology. As I was describing our car's mechanical attributes to my son-in-law, he zinged me quipping, "Obama will be pleased."

Becky's car will snap your head back if you stomp on the accelerator. I'm not

an engineer so I'll use Mr. Webster's definition of torque as "a force that produces or tends to produce rotation or torsion." At a traffic light, when I step on the Avalon's accelerator the electric engine produces instantaneous force to turn the wheels. There is no time lag as with an internal combustion engine. However, an electric battery has only so much storage capacity defined by physics, despite what Elon Musk says. (I heard the other day that a battery replacement on a Tesla is \$33,000; and lithium ion batteries eventually have to be replaced.) The Avalon's hybrid battery is continually recharged by the gasoline engine to keep it from running out of "juice."

I'm not a physicist - but I once stayed in a Holiday Inn Express. Recently, I was introduced to a new term "energy density" by a good friend of mine who is a real physicist at Oak Ridge. We were discussing climate change and various sources of energy in our eclectic reading group euphemistically entitled the Salon. (If you're interested in the meaning of that name you can look it up.)

My friend sent me a chart of selected energy densities. Noteworthy is a lithium ion battery with the least stored energy density

(<1MJ/Kg). Fossil fuels are in the middle of the chart at around 40-50 MJ/Kg (million joules per kilogram of mass). Nuclear fission such as in nuclear reactors produces ~80,000,000 joules of energy per kilogram of mass. (France produces 70% of its electrical needs from nuclear reactors.) Hydrogen fusion which powers our sun and the stars produces ~160,000,000 joules/kilogram. Someday, we may have the technology to magnetically contain nuclear fusion within a reactor vessel which will solve the energy crisis. Hello, Star Trek! I mention "solar power" in passing because it is merely reflected energy from the sun which can be converted into electrical energy. However, the limitations are the physics of battery storage, the current technology of photogalvanic cells and the fact that the sun does not shine at night or in stormy weather. I did not mention switch grass because it is a joke and a political ruse. You cannot fly an airplane with wind mills, solar power or switch grass.

My friend then explained other techniques of using stored kinetic energy for power generation. Imagine water stored behind a dam and slowly released to turn a turbine and generate

electricity in a hydroelectric dam project. Might it be possible to mount a massive object on magnetic levitation (maglev) tracks thereby reducing friction and the energy necessary to move the mass up a ridge to generate and store potential energy? You then attach the object by cables to counterweights and turbines. As the object slides back down the tracks the stored energy turns turbines which generate electricity. Physicists think of such things which admittedly are beyond my pay grade.

I have no doubt that the energy crisis will be solved by the ingenuity of man unless we tear ourselves apart first. When the problem of hydrogen fusion containment is mastered we will have "oceans" of energy (H2O).

I have become a skeptic of anything the media or politicians say. I certainly do not believe the al-goritan hoopla or the rants of clueless Congresswoman AOC (Alexandria Occasia Cortez) or those of the terrified, teenage climate "expert" from Sweden.

I remember predictions of a new Ice Age in the 1970s. Now they say we are causing the world to heat up because we drive cars and use HVAC. A thousand years before The Industrial

Age of the 1800s, Greenland was warm and "green" between 800-1300 AD. Then the world became so cold that in the 1700s (known as the Maunder Minimum) French winter wheat crops failed causing famine sparking the French Revolution. The 1880s and 90s were extremely cold in America, but the 1930s were hot contributing to drought and the dust bowl in the Midwest. Actually, I am glad that we live in the warm Holocene interglacial period. I do not want to return to the Wisconsin Ice Age (75,000-11,000 years ago) which produced glaciers a mile deep at Niagara Falls and in the Lake Superior region.

Conservation and frugality are foundational principles for me. These are parts of "healthy" stewardship of the earth. However, I refuse to sit in the dark and either roast or freeze because of the latest politically motivated climate crisis. And make no mistake. If the environmental justice (climate) warriors have to tell the XYZ generations they must turn off their iPhones and Internet connections because of energy shortages, the guil-lotines will again come out.

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Knoxville's Tom Black and 'Tom's Potato Chips'

Cherokee Mills sits at the corner of Sutherland Avenue and South Concord next to the city's Safety City. The old Mills building, now the home of many companies, was built in 1917 and operated as a textile mill until 1956.

Recently Magnolia Cherokee Mills LP bought the 184,000 square foot building for \$16.5 million. An icon of Sutherland Avenue, the mill has hosted many different functions over the years, probably the most memorable being the Tom's Potato Chips

More Than A Day Away



By Mike Steely

factory.

Tom Q. Black, a Tellico Plains native, bought the building in 1956 and operated Snack Food Manufacturing in the western end of the building. There's some local confusion over

Tom Black and Tom's Potato Chips which were made there.

Many local people probably believe that Black started the hugely successful Tom's Potato Chips but, actually, he only produced them.

Tom's Potato Chips was developed by another Tom,



Cherokee Mills was recently sold for \$ 6.5 million. The iconic former textile mill building now houses many local businesses but, at one time, was the manufacturing place for Tom's Potato Chips.

Tom Huston, who started Tom's Roasted Peanuts back in 1925 in Columbus, Georgia. His growing company, Tom's Food, maintained manufacturing in several states including Knoxville.

Tom Black's Tom's Potato Chips were widely distributed in the region and he leased part of Cherokee Mills to Atlantic Mills which operated a department store there for years. Atlantic Mills predated big

box stores like Kmart and Walmart.

Black became a huge supporter of the University of Tennessee and especially the track team there. He loaned the track coach use of the wooden floors of a tobacco barn he owned for winter training. He later contributed funds for the construction of an outdoor track just west of the university. Today "Tom Black Track" continues to serve as an athletic field and has hosted many tournaments over the years.

Tom Black died in 1970 and is buried in the Highland Memorial Cemetery.

Several companies have owned the Tom's Food brand over the years including General Mills, Rowntree-Mackintosh, and, in 2005, Lance

Inc. bought the company. Tom's products today, in the small and large bags, include potato chips, corn chips, fries, tortilla chips, and pork skins. Bugles are also made under the Tom's brand.



Tom's Potato Chips is a brand most of us know and many think the product began in Knoxville's Cherokee Mills. Actually it didn't but Tom Black's contribution to the product and to UT's track team are notable.



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The Breastplate of Righteousness

Anyone who has lived long enough recognizes that we live in a broken world. When bad things happen to us, how do we keep from succumbing to anger, bitterness, and revenge? How are we to protect our hearts from storing up these feelings when evil is done to us or to those we love?



By Mark Brackney,
Minister of the
Arlington Church
of Christ

Paul gives us an answer and it is found in one of the pieces of the armor of God. “Put on the breastplate of righteousness” (Ephesians 6:14). The breastplate of a Roman soldier was a very

important part of his uniform. It was often made of hardened, reinforced leather. If you were an officer, the leather was covered with metal plating for added protection. The body was covered in this way to protect vital organs, especially the heart.

Paul uses the breastplate as a powerful metaphor to show how the spiritual heart of the Christian is protected, for the heart is the spiritual center of one's life. The believer's breastplate is not one of leather

or metal, but of righteousness. Righteousness is defined as acting in accord with divine or moral law; to be free from guilt or sin; to be morally right or justifiable. As disciples of God, we receive the righteousness of Jesus.

Before we start to address evil around us, we need to look at the evil that lies within. Jesus points out that there are those who called Jesus “Lord,” but would not enter the kingdom of heaven. They are called “evildoers” by Jesus (Matthew 7:21-23). That should cause every person who has claimed Jesus as Lord to take a deep look into their heart and root out

any evil within. The heart is capable of unbelievable evil. Every person that has ever lived has dealt with sin and evil in their life (Romans 3:10-12). We should never say, “I would never do something that evil.” The bad news is that we can't deal with the evil within us. The good news is that Jesus can. Through his death on the cross, he offered us his righteousness. Paul reminded the Corinthians: “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Cor. 5:21).

When we put our faith in Jesus, we take on his

identity as the righteous Son of God. When we are forgiven, we receive his righteousness. The New Testament points out that when we believe that Jesus is the Son of God, repent of our sins, confess that Jesus is Lord, and are baptized into the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus, we receive the righteousness of Jesus. It doesn't stop there. We get to go and live for God's glory as we love him and others.

Once we have dealt with the evil inside of us, we are ready to deal with the evil all around us. Paul gives some ways to do this (Romans 12:17-21). We are not to seek revenge. We are

to live at peace with others. We are to let God take care of avenging wrongs done to us and others. To our enemies, we seek what is best for them. The way we are not overcome by evil is to do good.

Dr. David Jeremiah wrote, “To repay evil for evil is to become like Satan. But to repay evil for good is to become like God.” When you love your enemy, watch out. It will change your life. It will change this world. Let us overcome evil with God, for this is what the follower of Jesus does to guard his heart against retaliation and vengeance.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN E CARPENTER DOCKET NUMBER 82121-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters of administration c.t.a in respect of the Estate of JOHN E CARPENTER 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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to the date that is (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 1 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF JOHN E CARPENTER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL D CARPENTER;
ADMINISTRATOR CTA
8505 ISLANDIC STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEANNINE BROWN CHAPMAN DOCKET NUMBER 82243-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JEANNINE BROWN CHAPMAN who died Sep 9, 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 OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF JEANNINE BROWN CHAPMAN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JACKSON G KRAMER;
EXECUTOR P.O. BOX 629
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

JACKSON G KRAMER ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901-0629

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARCUS D DAILEY DOCKET NUMBER 82238-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARCUS D DAILEY who died Aug 4, 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 OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF MARCUS D DAILEY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES G DAILEY; CO-EXECUTOR
3174 HWY 360
VONORE, TN. 37885

WAYNE RUSSELL; CO-EXECUTOR
516 ENSLEY DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MICHAEL H ELMORE DOCKET NUMBER 82172-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of SEPTEMBER 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL H ELMORE who died Jul 25, 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 30 day of SEPTEMBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL H ELMORE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARY JANE ELMORE;
ADMINISTRATRIX P.O. BOX 53182
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37950

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GRACE M GREENE DOCKET NUMBER 82245-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GRACE M GREENE who died Jul 20, 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 3 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF GRACE M GREENE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GLENN STEPHEN GREENE; EXECUTOR
1808 EAST GOV JOHN SEVIER HIGHWAY
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY RUTH HAMMER DOCKET NUMBER 82253-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY RUTH HAMMER who died Aug 16, 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 4 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF MARY RUTH HAMMER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CYNTHIA LOU DEADERICK; EXECUTRIX
1201 DEADERICK ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BONNY JO SMITH HICKMAN DOCKET NUMBER 82241-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 2 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BONNY JO SMITH HICKMAN who died Aug 27, 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 OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF BONNY JO SMITH HICKMAN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
J SCOTT HICKMAN; EXECUTOR
1510 PLANTATION DRIVE
BRENTWOOD, TN. 37027

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NASHVILLE, TN. 37201

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JEAN ELIZABETH HOBOCK DOCKET NUMBER 82192-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 19 day of SEPTEMBER 2019, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JEAN ELIZABETH HOBOCK who died May 30, 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 19 day of SEPTEMBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF JEAN ELIZABETH HOBOCK
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
HEATHER FLESHMAN; ADMINISTRATRIX
1512 SMALLMAN ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

TREY JACKSON ATTORNEY AT LAW
250 HIGH STREET MARYVILLE, TN. 38704

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA WILKERSON LUTHER DOCKET NUMBER 82191-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 19 day of SEPTEMBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BARBARA WILKERSON LUTHER who died Aug 4, 1919, 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 19 day of SEPTEMBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF BARBARA WILKERSON
LUTHER PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BARBARA LUTHER CORDEN; EXECUTRIX
1904 COTTINGTON LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

TREY JACKSON ATTORNEY AT LAW
250 HIGH STREET MARYVILLE, TN. 38704

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF VIRGINIA LEE OAKES DOCKET NUMBER 82173-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIRGINIA LEE OAKES who died Aug 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 1 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF VIRGINIA LEE OAKES
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JUDITH KAY MCCARTNEY
MEYERS; EXECUTRIX
316 THORN AVENUE
MOUNDSVILLE, WV 26041

REBECCA D ABBOTT ATTORNEY AT LAW
118 HUXLEY ROAD, SUITE I
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF VIRGIE GRIFFIN OWEN DOCKET NUMBER 82252-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIRGIE GRIFFIN OWEN who died Aug 18, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against 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 4 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF VIRGIE GRIFFIN OWEN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CYNTHIA OWEN HUFF; EXECUTRIX
701 CENTEROAK DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DELORES FROST SEARCY DOCKET NUMBER 82236-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DELORES FROST SEARCY who died Jul 4, 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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This the 1 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE O.F DELORES FROST SEARCY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
HOME FEDERAL BANK OF
TENNESSEE; EXECUTOR
C/O KATHLEEN L WALDROP
515 MARKET ST., SUITE 500
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37902

REBECCA D ABBOTT ATTORNEY AT LAW
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KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT ROY WALLACE DOCKET NUMBER 82247-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 3 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters of administration c.t.a in respect of the Estate of ROBERT ROY WALLACE who died Aug 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:

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

This the 3 day of OCTOBER, 2019.

ESTATE OF ROBERT ROY WALLACE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROBERT S COPPOCK; CO-
ADMINISTRATOR CTA
11105 JOINER WAY
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1836 STONEBROOK DRIVE
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DANIEL J CHUNG ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARY LEE WILHOITE DOCKET NUMBER 82161-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 19 day of SEPTEMBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARY LEE WILHOITE who died Feb 26, 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 19 day of SEPTEMBER, 2019

ESTATE OF MARY LEE WILHOITE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SCOTT L WILHOITE; EXECUTOR
10634 RIVERMIST LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

STEPHEN L CARPENTER
ATTORNEY AT LAW
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KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARK STEPHEN WYATT DOCKET NUMBER 82259-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of OCTOBER 2019, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARK STEPHEN WYATT who died Sep 17, 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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(1)(A);or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
This the 7 day of OCTOBER, 2019

ESTATE OF MARK STEPHEN WYATT
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
J WESTON STOKES; EXECUTOR
2011 HOUSER ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

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UT Gardens' October 2019 Plant of the Month: Coral Bells

Submitted by Alexandria Smith,
Plant Collections Curator and
Horticulturist, UT Gardens,
Knoxville

As fall approaches and tender perennials start to die back, one of my favorite plants starts to take center stage in the shade garden. Heuchera, commonly known as coral bells or alum root, have long been a favorite of gardeners, prized for the large variety of colorful cultivars and their evergreen foliage. Several species of Heuchera are native to the U.S., and coral bells were among the first plants to be sent back to Europe in the 1600s by early American explorers. They were sent to be studied for medicinal properties. Native Americans used the roots for their astringent properties for sore throats, ulcers and nose bleeds. The leaves are also astringent, thus generally left alone by rabbits and deer.

As a woodland plant, coral bells prefer part sun to full shade and well-draining soil that has high organic matter content. Once established, coral bells are fairly easy to maintain and have minimal pest issues. To keep coral bells from getting leggy and drying out in the center, they should be divided every three to four years. Along with beautiful foliage, coral bells also provides lovely blooms. Starting in late spring and continuing into summer months, slender stems rise above the mounded foliage with tiny bell-shaped flowers. Flower colors range from white to light pink and the blooms make excellent additions to flower arrangements.

Both H. americana and H. villosa have contributed

significantly to the hybrids seen on the market today. Several new varieties tout tolerance of full sun and humidity, but the effects of our hot Tennessee summers are visible as signs of leaf scorch become prevalent during extreme heat if coral bells are planted in full sun. For our area, the humidity and heat tolerance of H. villosa hybrids have increased performance and vigor. In recent years, hybridized varieties have given gardeners a lush palette of color shades. Shades of foliage range from greens, reds, purples, silvers and oranges—making this plant a must have for multiseason interest in the shade garden.

A few cultivars that have stood out at UT Gardens, Knoxville, include 'Caramel', 'Midnight Rose', 'Autumn Bride', 'Plum Pudding' and 'Southern Comfort'.

Coral bells look their best when planted with companion plants such as hosta, astilbe, ferns and ornamental grasses. Coral bells also make great container plants for year-round interest. Like hosta, you can't have just one of these gems in your garden. With each cultivar being different, coral bells are the perfect, fuss-free plant to add color to your shade garden.



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