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## Early voting up over 10K

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A total 163,303 people cast early votes during the two-week period that ended on Halloween, over 10,000 more votes than 2020's early voting numbers. The record turnout went smoothly despite long lines

at several polling places. There are 336,151 registered voters in Knox County. Knox County Elections Administrator Chris Davis thanked the poll workers and the voters, noting the huge turnout. Voters cast votes for their choice of U.S. President, U.S. Senate, U.S. House, and Tennessee

Senate and House candidates. Knoxville City voters also answered "Yes or No" on two ballot issues about how future city elections will be held. Davis said that 23,415 were first-time voters. There are over 25,000 more women than men who are registered to vote in Knox

County and early voting saw 17,246 more women voting than men. Absentee ballots accounted for an additional 7,503 early votes. Tuesday is Election Day and a heavy response is expected as people who haven't voted yet will cast ballots in their local precincts.



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY

Downtown West drew the heaviest turnout of the twelve early voting locations, followed by Farragut, EXPO Center, Halls, New Harvest Park and Karns.

## Repairs at Cecil Webb Recreation Center approved

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The Knoxville City Council approved a \$1,059,278 million contract with Petra Construction Company LLC for construction services at the Cecil Webb Recreation Center. The South Knoxville center will be renovated to update the facility's kitchen, restrooms and structure.

CDM Smith Inc. was contracted for \$33,800 for engineering design services for the repair of the Seventeenth Street Bridge and Whaley Construction LLC was approved in a \$992,495 agreement for the 2024 Sidewalk

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PHOTOS BY KEN LEINART

Wayne Hodge holds the Knox County Chamber of Commerce "big scissors" to cut the ribbon for the Big Orange Pickleball in Strawberry Plains. Standing to his left is Kim Hodge.

## Big Orange Pickleball opens courts in Strawberry Plains

By Ken Leinart

It may have taken a little longer than expected, but Wayne and Kim Hodge held an official ribbon cutting for Big Orange Pickleball (BOP) Friday, November 1. The facility is located at 7729 Strawberry Plains Pike.

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country, Wayne Hodge said. He remembered playing in West Knoxville at the Pavillion of Pickleball (POP) and having to drive 45 minutes every time he wanted to play.

As his skill improved Hodge said it was harder to find others in his skill set. "Plus, it's a 45-minute drive," Hodge said "So, one morning I was heading out there and I decided, 'I'm



Knox County Commissioner At-Large Larsen Jay and Knox County Chamber of Commerce Director of Customer Development Ashleigh Christian talk with visitors at Big Orange Pickleball at Friday's ribbon cutting.

going to build my own pickleball facility." Hodge said, "You turn a left out of here (BOP) and you can see my driveway."

Hodge received encouragement from POP owner Lee Martin and in February, 2022, Wayne and Kim purchased the property BOP is located. In October, 2023, ground was broken. "We were supposed to open in June (2024), but certain things came up, they always do," Wayne said. "But, here we are."

Two weeks before the ribbon cutting, BOP held a soft opening. Many of Friday morning's attendees are members of BOP and were on hand to get their time on the court - but gladly took time

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## Lee's 'Protecting Children' resolution back before commission

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When the Knox County Commission meets for its agenda review session on Tuesday, October 12, it will again see a resolution from Commissioner Rhonda Lee asking for a "commitment to protecting the innocence of children."

Lee introduced a similar motion last year which was tabled, effectively killing the resolution. This month she's run a slightly amended version of the resolution through the law department. Initially, the idea involved drag shows and drag queens reading stories to children in libraries.

The proposed ordinance reads: "WHEREAS, Knox County is experiencing significant budget and debt challenges and taxpayer resources need to be prioritized for public safety, education, infrastructure, and other essential services.

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## Commission OKs nondiscrimination language

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Last week's Knox County Commission voted to revise the Knox County Grants and Community Development Policy and Procedure Manual. The language of the manual is being updated to incorporate federally-required language dealing with equal rights.

District 9 Commissioner Andy Fox said he was concerned about the new language and referred to related different opinions given by the Tennessee Attorney General.

Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers said that the attorney general's opinion "is not the law" until it is upheld by a court. He said removing the required language might jeopardize future federal grants.

Commissioner Larsen Jay reminded Fox and the other members that the commission approved the federally required language in their September meeting. Commissioner Courtney Durrett echoed Jay's remarks, noting that the non-discrimination language is now

in the Knox County Code. When the vote was called, it was unanimously approved.

Fox also objected to approving a proposed \$437,080 contract with Inspire Placemaking Collective Inc. to develop a "Unified Development Ordinance" that would be approved by the law director. Mayor Glenn Jacobs described the effort as a comprehensive plan to update zoning codes. Any recommendations would be based on the Advance Knox and Comprehensive Land Use and Transportation Plan

policies already adopted. Fox questioned the term "unified." At-Large Commissioner Kim Frazier said the discussion was "going into the weeds" and said it is assured that the public will be involved.

Fox moved to defer the discussion until November "until we've had a little time to think about this issue." The motion for delay died for the lack of a second and Fox was the only "No" vote to the hiring of the consulting firm.

# Kamala Harris Can Only Win By Fooling The People

From a distance



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When Kamala Harris was running for the 2020 Democratic presidential nomination, she responded to an ACLU questionnaire saying she favored transgender surgery for prisoners at taxpayer expense.

In a separate television interview, she said, "As (California) attorney general, I pushed the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to provide gender transition surgery to state inmates."

In that interview, she added that this would further her "agenda" and

support "the movement," whatever that means.

Now, one television "journalist," obviously trying to protect her, said she contacted the Harris campaign which said Harris was "not running on that issue this year."

Harris is trying to run as far away as she can from many of her past statements, votes and positions on the issues.

The very biased television reporter could not bring herself to admit the Trump ad on this topic was true. She would only say the comment needed to be taken "in context," but the Harris quote above was not taken out of context in any way.

On another issue, Harris told Rev. Al Sharpton, on television, that she would be proud to sign a national reparations bill for descendants of slaves.

Slavery ended for most

Americans well over 150 years ago. While many African Americans have never relied on government programs at all, a much higher percentage have received government benefits of all types than have whites, based on percentages of races in the population.

All of these programs - welfare, food, housing, healthcare, and job programs - have carried monetary benefits, and while not labeled as reparations, have been done in recognition of past discrimination.

A California commission on this issue came up with a proposal of as much as \$1.2 million to each descendant, a direct cash payment over and above all these other government programs. Nothing could do more to harm race relations in this country.

Liberals seem to be very

compassionate and generous with other peoples' money. Harris, of course, is not saying anything now about reparations, and I am sure the media will cover for her on this, too.

One campaign pledge she is now bragging about is to give one million forgivable loans to black entrepreneurs. This is an obvious vote-buying scheme designed out of fear that too many black males say they may vote for Trump.

This type of race-based loan program should be, and I believe is, illegal. But the Democrats have become a very racist party.

It was racist for President Biden to say that he would only consider a woman of color to be his running mate. Does anyone believe Kamala Harris would have ever been vice president if she was white?

The widespread use of DEI (diversity, equity, and inclusion) in hiring, both public and private,

is another form of reparations.

The biggest problem with Harris, though, is that we are already ruled by a big government-big business duopoly. This is why the Democrats usually get about four times the money that Republicans do from the Fortune 500.

Harris said she "loves small business," but she would make the federal government bigger and more bureaucratic, with even more rules and regulations, making it even harder for small businesses to survive.

Her ads imply that only billionaires are going to pay more in taxes. Yet she has said she is going to do away with the Trump tax cuts.

This means that every business in this country - large and small - would be hit with higher taxes.

Every business that

wants to stay in business has to pass its taxes on to the consumer in the form of higher prices. This means a higher cost of living for everyone.

It was a lie for Biden and Harris to say that no one making less than \$400,000 a year will pay more in taxes. They will be paying more - much more - in taxes that are "hidden" in higher prices for everything.

Harris' only hope to win is that she can fool enough people into believing that she no longer supports her leftist positions of the very recent past.

And she will also have to fool the people into believing they will not have to pay for all the new give-away and environmental programs she is proposing.

As Sen. Bernie Sanders said about her, she is just saying what she has to say to get elected.

# Trailer trash? Who, me?

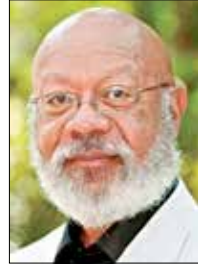
I think it's time to take a break from the Hobson's Choice facing the voters and reflect on other things.

Twenty-plus years ago a friend and I bought some land in upper

East Tennessee to hunt deer and turkey. I would get up at 3 a.m. and drive the 1 1/2 hours to get in the tree stand before sunrise. After hunting I would drive back to Knoxville and then repeat.

My other half said, "Why don't you buy a small camper so you don't have to keep going back and forth?"

I couldn't imagine living in a trailer but I went anyway to an RV show. I was shocked at the amenities, put aside my misconceived notions about trailers and



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bought a 17-foot travel trailer. I put it on the land and had electricity run to it. I now had a hunting lodge where I could take my dogs and relax after a day's hunting. That started my love

of campers. We loathe sleeping in hotels - and this was before COVID. We enjoyed going to baseball games in Cincinnati and in Tampa Bay. We also had friends near Asheville, Kingsport and in Florida. We also loved to go to motorcycle rallies. So I bought my first toy hauler. It was 38 feet long with a garage. We now could take the motorcycles with us. We could sleep in our own bed and when we took the bike out, the garage became the dogs' room. We went to

Colorado, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Asheville and Florida. One year while at Bike Week in Daytona, we saw a 42-footer with 1 1/2 baths. We bought it but only kept it for a couple of years. It proved to be too big and was too long for many state and national parks. We sold it and got another 38-foot toy hauler instead. When we turned 70, I sold the motorcycles and bought a 36-foot fifth wheel. We had plenty of room for the dogs and us. It meant that we had to unhitch the truck because we no longer had the bikes. But we adapted.

Recently, we downsized again, buying a 26-foot fifth wheel. It completed our end-of-life migration. Unlike the midlife crisis, the end-of-life is where you downsize, sell the Porsche convertible, buy a SUV, sell the motorcycles and get a three-wheeler. The shorter

fifth wheel suits us. We still hate hotels. We have had a steady stream of German Shorthaired Pointers and a couple of Scotties. Now, for the first time, we only have one dog, Lili - a nine-year-old GSP. I love dogs. I love their companionship but neither of us wants to bury another one. I have a pet cemetery at the farm in Georgia. I visit them every morning when I am there and tear up each time I pet their headstones.

We no longer go to motorcycle rallies and now we only camp close to towns where we have friends. It is likely that in a few years, we will be too old to keep traveling with the fifth wheel. When we finally sell it, we will probably spend our vacation time at the family farm near Gray, GA.

I don't look forward to the day when I am too old to go back and forth between Knoxville and Gray. I love Knoxville. It is perfect for access to hunting, fishing, riding motorcycles and camping. Now most of my friends are here. Yet I feel no greater pleasure than being on my ancestors' land. I will hate leaving Knoxville. But Georgia is home. I was born there, grew up there and educated there. I went from a totally segregated world to one of seven black students at the University of Georgia. Trial by fire is an understatement. But I am better for it and maybe so are the state of Georgia and its flagship university.

In the end, I will go back to Georgia and its red dirt. I want to die on the land that gave my family independence, dignity, economic freedom and the courage to stand against Jim Crow and southern bigotry.

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to take in the celebration. "There's not a pickleball court in East Knoxville," Wayne said. "Not an indoor one. So, I think this is something our community needed."

That sentiment was shared by Knox County Commission At-Large Larsen Jay, who attended the ribbon cutting. Jay said the Hodges are "in the right place at the right time" because the growth in Knox County is on the east side. "Cedar Bluff, 30 years ago, was farmland," Jay said. "Strawberry Plains, I promise you, in the next 30 years will grow out in the community as rich and vibrant. Lots of neighborhoods, lots of commerce, lots of people expanding towards the east end of the county. That's where the growth is coming."

He congratulated the Hodges for their work. "When you find people that risk capital and invest in loving what they do, it's a celebration for business in Knox County."

Before cutting the ribbon Wayne Hodge addressed the opportunity and thanked his wife, Kim. "Dreams come true ... Kim and I had a dream to build Big Orange Pickleball, and it has been a journey," he said. "To be standing in the facility today, I can't even describe it ... And I want to thank my right hand and left hand woman (Kim). She has stuck with me."

"There are so many people I want to thank,

but I always forget a few, so thank you all."

BOP is a state-of-the-art, multimillion-dollar facility designed to serve the growing demand for pickleball. Key features of the facility include:

- Six SportMaster cushioned courts with six layers of rubber for longer, more comfortable play with less stress on the body.

- A climate-controlled environment (maintained between 68°-71°), ensuring a pleasant playing experience free of outdoor elements such as wind, rain, and sun.

- Customized LED uplighting that reflects off the ceiling to create an even glow, optimizing ball tracking and reducing glare.

- 8-foot nets between courts to prevent interference from errant balls.

Ashleigh Christian, director of customer development with the Knox County Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber was not only excited about BOP opening, but also employing four people.

One of which is Cassie Quast, who is managing and teaching at BOP. She has played with and against some of the top pros and has experience with teaching tennis and pickleball players alike. Pickleball is her passion, and she is excited to bring her knowledge and love of the sport to our facility members and community. She is a PPR Certified Pro and Wayne has attained his PPR Associate Coach certification as well.



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# Publisher's Position

## Leftist Democrats Have No Platform ... Just Lies And Hate



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The election has descended into calling a former president of the United States "Hitler." Kamala Harris and her allies are accusing Donald Trump of being Hitler. First of all, to put it politely, only someone suffering from Trump derangement syndrome would think such a thing. Adolf Hitler was one of the bloodiest tyrants ever to rule over a country and was responsible for the deaths of millions. Hitler was directly responsible for one of the worst atrocities in the history of the world, the Holocaust and systematic murder of at least 6 million Jews. Many of those who accuse Trump of being Hitler had little or no sympathy with the people of Israel following the systematic murder of dancing young people by terrorists. They sympathize with the terrorists who are still holding hostages, some of them Americans. America has seen an alarming rise of the virus that so deeply infected Hitler and his Nazi minions: antisemitism.

That same virus has infected people here in America and they are on the Left, not the Right. Two members of the leftwing "Squad" in Congress are as bitterly antisemitic as any Nazi: Rashida Tlaib and Ilhan Omar. Cori Bush, another deranged leftwing congresswoman from Missouri who was defeated in her primary this year, is another antisemite.

The authoritarians and would-be totalitarians in this country are not Donald Trump and his supporters as the American people know all too well. It comes from the Left and those supporting Kamala Harris. The most fundamental aspect of democracy and freedom is the right to free speech. A person's opinion, right or wrong, is the very root of political freedom in America. It was not Donald Trump who conspired with Big Tech in this country to label any thought, statement, or comment he didn't like as "misinformation" or "disinformation." No, that was the Biden-Harris administration and their allies in the news media. The mainstream news media in this country fail to represent both sides of the question, and long ago, they abandoned honest journalism. Instead of journalists, we have political activists masquerading as reporters. They deliberately report mistruths, conspiracy theories, and anything else that supports whatever narrative they are attempting to press on the American

people. That same mainstream media will also fail to report anything that undermines whatever narrative they are attempting to sell to the American people just like the non-stop propaganda machine of Joseph Goebbels, Hitler's highly efficient Minister of Propaganda. It was Goebbels who said tell a lie often enough and people will begin to believe it.

The Left in this country has called for defunding the police, enforcing identity and gender politics by edict, waged a war on fossil fuels, and anyone who objects or disagrees is to be destroyed. The Left, as represented by Biden-Harris, wants to force you out of your car and into an EV, if you're lucky. The truth is they would prefer to pack us all together and have us either ride bikes or public transportation, as they do in China. Only the top Communist officials in China have the use of a car. The Left wants to ban your right to have a gas stove in your home while they retain their private jets. They discuss the rest of us eating bugs while they dine on filet mignon at elitest meetings in Europe. The Left insists you believe there are as many as 72 genders and allow drag queens to read to your young children and grandchildren. The Left mocks your belief in an Almighty God and used Covid as an excuse to close churches. Totalitarians always use every crisis, claiming a seizure of greater authority to

be only temporary. The real threat to democracy in this country comes from the Left, those who lie that they are trying to save it. The first election denier was Hillary Clinton and she denies she lost the 2016 election to this day. There were Democrats in Congress who fought not to certify the election of President George W. Bush. It is the Left in this country who used the Justice Department to prosecute and persecute pro-lifers, label parents "terrorists," something they refuse to do with Hamas by and large, and go after their political enemies through lawfare. It has been the Left that has pursued its political enemies.

And just like Hitler, Stalin, and Mao, authoritarians all, they and the state-run media, they don't hesitate to lie to your face. How long did they insist Hunter Biden's laptop was Russian disinformation? They told us there was no crisis at our southern border for 3 1/2 years and the mainstream media repeated it like a myna bird. They call Israel an oppressor because she is defending herself. The Left claims tolerance for itself but remains as intolerant as any ayatollah.

The Left nominated as its presidential candidate Kamala Harris who won not a single vote nor single delegate after she, the mainstream media and the Biden-Harris administration tried to keep up the lie Joe Biden was on top of everything, as sharp as he could be, until tens

of millions of Americans saw with their own eyes the mess that is our president during the debate. The truth is the Democratic convention was about as democratic as Hitler's Nazi party. The Democrats tossed their duly elected nominee overboard like a sack of old socks.

Donald Trump defeated numerous challengers to win the Republican nomination.

It was the Left in this country who tried to rule Trump off the ballot in its democratic zeal. It is the Left in this country who hates the rule of law. Releasing every violent criminal from prison and defunding the police are policies of the Left.

The Biden-Harris open border policy violates American law at its core. Bill Clinton did tell the truth, even if it was inadvertent, when he said that Laken Riley would probably still be alive were it not for the Biden-Harris border policy.

Now, at election time, the excesses of the last four years are so readily apparent the Left and their media satellites can't hide it so they retreat into squalling that Donald Trump is Hitler. I have never seen anything like this presidential campaign in my lifetime. Kamala Harris has run away from every stand she has taken during her life as a career politician and for good reason; what has been cheered in California isn't admired throughout the rest of the United States. During this

campaign, Harris hasn't taken a stand on anything and her handlers have employed something closely resembling the base-ment strategy they used with Biden in 2020. The truth is Kamala can't form a sentence in answer to an honest question from any American. That should be a disqualifier for any candidate for dog catcher, much less the presidency of the United States of America.

The only thing Kamala Harris has told the American people is, and she said it on more than one occasion, is that she can't think of a single thing she would do differently than Joe Biden. If you like an open border which has caused a housing crisis in this country; if you like an administration that spends all the FEMA money housing illegal aliens and there is none for suffering Americans; if you like paying 25% more for food, gas, and lighting your home, being unable to buy a home, then Kamala is the candidate for you. If Kamala proposes turning the page, it's the same awful book.

Kamala can't run on a record she's trying hard to run away from, so instead, Trump must be Hitler. Unfortunately, the Left in this country has too many dictatorial tendencies to accuse Donald Trump of what they are already so blatantly guilty of themselves. Gaslighting anyone much?

## Lee's 'Protecting Children' resolution back before commission

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"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Knox County Board of Commissioners is committed to protecting the innocence of children, and to cultivating healthy children, families, communities, and institutions; and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, no county staff or resources shall be allocated, directly or indirectly, to entertainment, materials, activities, matter, conduct, programs, events, content, or institutions which support, normalize, or encourage the harmful sexualization of minors as defined by Tennessee Code Annotated; and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, taxpayer funded resources currently allocated to harmful materials, activities, and institutions engaging, directly or indirectly, in sexualization of children shall be reallocated to essential services including, but not limited to, public safety and infrastructure;

and, "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution applies to the extent that it does not conflict with Tennessee law."

Part of the resolution claims that some county taxpayer funds are allocated to the sexualization of children. Knox County Law Director David Buuck disagrees.

"No county funds are now or ever have been allocated to supporting the sexualization of kids," Buuck told The Focus. "In the words of Andy Fox, 'We are a subdivision of the state and must therefore follow state law.'

"That (Lee's resolution) is a platitude and simply gives lip service to that which is axiomatic. The proposed resolution appears to presume that the county is not following state law.

"In September of 2023 the virtual same motion was tabled indefinitely," Buuck said.

## Repairs at Cecil Webb Recreation Center approved

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Replacement Project. All three projects were recommended by the Engineering Department and Director Peter Ahrens spoke briefly about adopting the latest version of the International Building Codes. Councilman Andrew Roberto passed the building code changes on an emergency basis.

Vice Mayor Tommy Smith announced a November 7 City Workshop to consider a city parking study.

The regular meeting on Tuesday was brief with the council passing ordinances one after the other including closing portions

of several streets and rezoning several properties. Several lots on Hollywood Road and Apex River were approved to change from RN-1 to RN-3, single-family residential neighborhood.

Several Sherill Boulevard properties were approved to change from office to highway commercial zonings. A Portland Street property was changed from general industrial to industrial mixed-use.

The council also adopted the National Electric Code amendments and added contractors and tradespersons businesses to the "Industrial Craft"

category in the city code.

Chiller repairs at the Knoxville Convention Center were approved with the passage of a \$70,000 contract with the Lee Company and \$20,000 in small grants were approved to support community building efforts in eight neighborhoods.

Capital Rx Inc. was approved to provide pharmacy benefits for employees enrolled in the city's medical plan.

The council also welcomed officials from Knoxville's sister city, Muroran City, Japan, who were visiting and sight-seeing around Knoxville.





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# When do illegal beer sales cost a store its license?

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During a recent Knox County Beer Board meeting, a Maynardville Pike convenience store was charged and convicted of selling beer to a minor. The owner explained that the employee looked at the ID and while it did not show the legal age, he made the sale anyway.

"They just don't take it seriously," he told the Knox County Commission. He was asked what he was doing to correct the problem and replied he was updating their scanners.

The offense was the third time the store sold beer to a minor.

Underage law enforcement recruits

are often used to check local stores.

State law requires each store employee who sells beer to go through a training class. Illegal sales can result when shift changes take place in the store, when the IDs are not checked or checked incorrectly, or when the employee is rushed or just doesn't care.

On the first offense, a store owner is fined \$1,000 or loses the beer permit for 30 days. The second offense can bring a fine or a 60-day loss of license. The third offense can bring a \$2,000 fine and suspension of the license is 90 days. The owners almost always choose to pay the fine.

What happens when the store is found to violate the law a fourth time?

Senior Deputy Law Director Mike Moyers had this to say to The Focus.

"Where the county commission revokes a beer permit, no new permit shall be issued for the same premises until after the expiration of one year from the date revocation becomes final and effective," he said.

He added, "The board, in its discretion, may determine that issuance of a permit before the expiration of one year from the date of revocation becomes final is appropriate if the individual applying for such issuance is not the original holder of the permit or any family member who could inherit from such individual under the statute of intestate succession."

# Dan Johnson named to KCSO Merit Board

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The Knox County Commission chose Dan Johnson as the new member of the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board last week. He replaces John Valliant Jr. on the group, which oversees relations between the sheriff and most of his employees.

Johnson spoke at the commission's agenda review meeting the previous week as did two other applicants, Ashley Williams and Dr. Bruce Williamson. All three were nominated in the regular meeting with Johnson receiving the majority of six votes from Commissioners Angela Russell, Terry Hill, Rhonda Lee, Adam Thompson, Andy Fox and Kim Frazier.

In his interview, Johnson said he has no political ambitions and feels serving on the merit board is an effective use of his time. He described serving on the group as his "opportunity to give back."

The commissioners also voted to name a new member of the Knox County Ethics Committee to replace Chairman Michael Covington who resigned recently to work for the property assessor's office. Michael Biddle

was the sole applicant and was approved as a committee member.

The commission heard the quarterly Fire and Technical Rescue Committee Report from Public Safety Director Brent Seymour, who said that Knox911's new dispatching procedures are helping with fewer emergency responses. He told the commission that the full takeover of AMR ambulance dispatch by Knox911 should be completed by January.

Seymour also was asked about Rural Metro Fire being purchased recently and replied that Knox County residents should see no change in fire protection. Dwight van de Vate, Knox County Chief Operating Officer, said the new owner, Sovereign Capital Group, is a "good fit" for the county.

The commission honored and celebrated October 28th as First Responders Day, recognized the Smoky Mountain Hiking Club's 100th Anniversary and recognized the late Christi Darleen Moore Kirk for her years of service to the community.

## Knox County Seeks Input on East Knox County Mobility Study

Knox County will host two public information meetings to seek community input on the East Knox Mobility Study. These meetings will help identify key transportation challenges, set priorities, and shape the final recommendations for the study.

The first public information meeting is on Thursday, November 7, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Carter High School. The second meeting is on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Gibbs Middle School. Both meetings will discuss the same material.

The public is invited to share their comments virtually via the project website. Feedback is requested in three areas: a public survey, interactive map for

transportation concerns and ideas, and an interactive map for project feedback. Each area is designed to gather specific types of information that will help guide our planning process. To participate in the online survey, visit [www.engagedmsmith.com/east-knox-county-mobility/survey](http://www.engagedmsmith.com/east-knox-county-mobility/survey).

The East Knox County Mobility Study is a community-focused initiative designed to enhance transportation planning for the Gibbs, Corryton, Ritta, Strawberry Plains, and Mascot areas. This study will support the new Comprehensive Land Use and Transportation Plan. More information on the study can be found at <https://engagedmsmith.com/east-knox-county-mobility>.

**Get Involved with the East Knox County Mobility Study!**

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**Study Overview & Goals**

The East Knox County Mobility Study focuses on improving transportation in the Gibbs, Corryton, Ritta, Strawberry Plains, and Mascot areas. It takes a multi-modal approach, while identifying key projects to meet community goals. The study will deliver a comprehensive strategy for safer, more connected neighborhoods.

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## Indefatigable

Hatred is the mindset of a soul twisted by evil.  
JVJF

On a cold January night in 49 BC, Julius Caesar and his army were camped beside the Rubicon River north of Italy. The army was returning home from the conquest and occupation of Gaul (France). However, the leaders in Rome were afraid of Caesar and especially his loyal army. The Roman Senate demanded that Caesar not cross the Rubicon which was the northern boundary of Italy. If he did so, insurrection and civil war would ensue. Historians debate Caesar's deliberations, but he later told his generals, "The die is cast," apparently receiving direction by rolling dice. The ancient Romans were a superstitious bunch and even had

a god of fortune named Fortuna.

The rest is history because Caesar crossed the Rubicon, defeated the army of the Roman Senate and became Rome's ruler for five years until he was assassinated on the Ides of March, 44 BC.

I understand probability and do not seek the direction of dice, Tarot cards or Ouija boards. Nor do I have much faith in political polls and no respect for the media who report poll results. Mostly, I trust the results of the vote, but unfortunately there remain unscrupulous characters who cheat. These criminals need to be caught, prosecuted and share a cell with Bubba on New York's infamous Rikers Island.

I thought about the Roman historical vignette when President Trump

crossed the Hudson River, returning to his native New York City. However, this time his return was not for lawfare trials waged by actual criminals of the corrupt legal system. This time Trump returned with an army of Big Apple supporters.

Following Trump's politically masterful shift at a McDonalds restaurant and the wildly successful, humanizing three hour interview with Joe Rogan, the rally in Madison Square Garden (MSG) in the heart of Gotham will hopefully be the stake in the heart of Evil.

It is fall and the leaves outside my study are turning from brilliant yellow to ochre. And by the time most of you read this essay America's die will have been cast, not by dice but through voting.

As a Christian, I believe that God created this universe which operates on the principles of physics, also created by God. Scripture tells us that God can intervene and override physics, but mostly He allows situations to play out. I'll admit that this is sometimes hard to understand, but I believe this affords us free will. And since God existed before His Creation, God has the

"big picture" and is not bound by the physics of space or even time.

Nonetheless, I pray, hope and vote. C. S. Lewis once said that he wasn't sure his prayers changed the mind of God, but averred prayers changed him (Lewis). Read Matthew 15:21-28 for a different perspective.

I'm a science fiction (SF) fan and have published two SF novels. I am not a fan of the Marvel Superhero comics or movies. However, I was intrigued when I read that President Trump at the MSG rally was likened to Captain America, while Vance, Musk, etc. were his MAGA Avengers. The rally was one of optimism and concrete plans to fix Kamala and Biden's mess. The rally was not what the disgusting media and the deranged harpies of The View alleged.

President Trump is indefatigable which Mr. Webster describes as tireless or determined. Trump is no "superhero," so I'm sure he gets tired at times. But, he has more energy than me or anyone else I know.

During the Joe Rogan interview (viewed by 40 million in the first week), Trump said he has lived two lives. In his first life, he was a builder in New York City,

star of The Apprentice and was loved by the likes of Whoopi Goldberg and the Joy-less Bahar. But when he ran for president, the same people who wanted their pictures taken with him and to be his friend, turned on him and now vilify and despise him. I find that sad, but I have experienced the same.

I can't predict the outcome of the election. However, I can feel the "Big Mo," (momentum). President Trump has it; Kamala does not. Trump has a proven track record; Harris' record is one of utter failure. Trump explains his plans to fix the mess; Harris is incapable of explaining anything. Trump has a stellar vice-presidential candidate. Harris has a self-described "knucklehead." Kamala has the mainstream media, tech lords, Hollywood and university professors. Trump has the alternative media, Elon and workers who produce. Harris has the Washington bureaucrats. Trump has We The People. Kamala has lost the "joy" and returned to hate in her closing message. But this was eclipsed by the old coot in the White House who called half of the nation "garbage." Trump destroyed them both

by trolling them as The Garbage Man.

So at the risk of appearing foolish, I will make a prediction and a prayer on Halloween Eve as this essay is sent to the publisher. However, intangibles remain. Will those who Obama called "bitter clingers," Harris called Nazis and Biden called garbage, support the America-first populist with a checkered past?

However, the biggest intangible is the degree to which hatred might cause someone, in the secrecy of the voting booth, to vote against President Trump, their own well-being and their children's future.

I never underestimate hatred, the manipulative tool of evil. In fact, this form of mental illness creeps me out similar to the feeling I had watching "The Exorcist." My scoring system is imperfect, but in agreement with Democrat Nate Silver and other oddsmakers.

And my schadenfreude is tingling, so I predict President Trump will be reelected and down-ballot Democrats will be defeated in droves.

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# The surprise of painted rocks

## More Than A Day Away



By Mike Steely

I remember painting a rock as a frog years ago before I first heard of the painted rock trend. I gave it to my wife and she keeps it in her curio cabinet. Recently she came home and showed me a rock she

found sitting on an outside shelf at one of the Dowell medical offices.

The rock was obviously placed there to be found. It had a well-done drawing of a woman on one side and the back side reads "FFG Rocks, keep or hide. Post on FB." It was signed "L King" and dated 2024.

Curious, I went on Facebook and found Linda King of the Crossville area. She apparently paints and donates the rocks to organizations or individuals. The decorated small rocks are then hidden in public places for anyone to find and enjoy.

I think that's a very interesting way to distribute

kindness and touch anyone without any real contact.

The "FFG" that's mentioned on many rocks turns out to be "Fairfield Glade, Tn."

I posted pictures of the L King rock, front and back, on the internet and got some really interesting comments from other people who have found or hidden painted rocks.

Aisha Lesh apparently began the painted rocks craze in Washington state in 2017. Lesh and her children would take walks and the kids found rocks and placed them in their pockets. Soon there were many, many small rocks. The mother thought about

what to do with all the rocks and decided to paint them.

Lesh decided to return the painted rocks to nature. She was surprised on later walks that the painted rocks were gone and soon those found rocks started a movement. Now there are community-based painted rock groups scattered across our nation.

Another story of the painted rock origin begins in Cape Cod where Megan Murphy found rocks in 2015 and began painting inspirational messages on them and leaving them to be found.

Painted rocks, with all kinds of designs and

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## Shannondale Presbyterian holds charity concert

Shannondale Presbyterian Church held a concert on Saturday, October 26 to raise money for those in need in the local community. Tickets went fast, and about 100 guests filled the sanctuary of the beautiful church which was founded in 1886. Those in attendance were treated to both inspirational and secular music performed by artists from Knoxville and Nashville. Stephen Hunley and Moriah Dombly, both singer-songwriters from Nashville, performed originals along with a few covers. Stephen is from Knoxville and his mother, Kim, attends Shannondale and helped organize the event. Moriah is a solo artist in addition to being a worship leader at her church in Nashville. Other performers were up-and-coming artists Breylene Jones and Hogan Wayland, both from Knoxville. Ruthie Hunley Akers performed some of her favorite inspirational songs, and Jen Wolery (accompanied on guitar by Phil Hardison) gave lovely renditions of contemporary Christian songs as well as a couple of blues and jazz favorites.

Pastor Steve Meador hopes to do things like this more often as a way of serving those in need in our immediate area. The church also serves as a wonderful venue for an intimate, traditional wedding. The sanctuary is warm and inviting and they have kitchen facilities. Pastor Meador invites everyone to come visit some Sunday, "We welcome all individuals seeking God's love, and our doors are open to every soul seeking to welcome Jesus into their heart." Worship services are held each Sunday morning at 10 a.m. For more info visit [www.shannondalepresbyterianchurch.com](http://www.shannondalepresbyterianchurch.com) or visit their Facebook page.

Amy and I recently added a member to our household. Harvey came to live with us at the end of September. Circumstances dictated that we take him in. Now, the last thing in this world we wanted was another pet, but God has a mystifying way of giving us what we don't want to see how we handle it.

This mutt of a dog is a rescue. His name comes from the hurricane in Houston that displaced him. As a pup, he was nothing but "skin and bones." Our son Dallas was convinced to take Harvey in by a girl he was dating at the time. The girl is long gone, but ol' Harvey is still around. In no time at all, the canine was pot-bellied and supremely happy.



By Joe Rector  
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Dallas and Harvey had a routine. Because he worked at home, Dallas would take occasional breaks. He rounded up the dog, put him in the car, and took a quick spin around the neighborhood. People laughed when the car passed because Harvey sat up straight in the front passenger seat and looked out the front window as the world passed by. If Dallas ran into a store, "Harve the Marve" would sit still and wait for his best buddy's return. The entire condo development knew both dog and man. Harvey likes people and children, but he was a bit overly protective when new folks came up. He also hated the doorbell. If someone rang it, the pooch went into a barking frenzy that

required Dallas to stop working and convince his pet to "shut up!"

We have become Harvey's family. Luckily, our dog Sadie and Harvey like each other. Still, he has problems with loud noises and new faces. My niece tried to give him a new home. While she was at work, Harvey jumped through a window screen and landed on top of a carport. From there he jumped to the ground without sustaining any injuries and waited for Mindy to return home. On the second day, he managed to escape from the fenced backyard. Mindy brought Harvey back to us with apologies. I don't blame her; no one can keep a dog that destroys things and finds a new way of escaping each day.

So, Amy and I are now the proud "parents" of two dogs. Both are mid-sized dogs, and each weighs

about 55 pounds. We often say that our lives are out of whack because we are living with two toddlers. Harvey and Sadie are older dogs, but when they are together, they find bursts of energy that cause them to bring havoc to the Rector household. If the doorbell rings, they run to the front door as if they think a pizza delivery has arrived. We are lucky to have a huge front porch, screened side porch, back deck, and concrete area below. They regularly patrol the house as they walk or run from one end to the other. Outside, we have a spacious dog lot for them. Most of the time these two hellions lie in the sun or find a shady place to just wait for one of us to let them back in.

The barking-oh Lord- is the real killer. Sadie has an intimidating bark that sounds as if she is ready  
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## The surprise of painted rocks

**Cont. from page 1** — suggest how you might decorate a rock, what paint to use, and recommends picking a busy location to leave the rock.

Other local rock painting groups include FtnCityKnoxRocks, Knox "Rocks" and even "Rock Painting Fails." My Facebook rock photo post received comments from folks who have found painted rocks on several local trails and greenways and at Dollywood. One commenter described a Florida

relative who paints rocks and another reported painting political rocks and placing them at local places including a golf course.



Painting or finding a specially designed rock can be fun and sometimes touching. It's a hobby that is harmless and fun.

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# The Gentleman From Indiana

## Ray J. Madden

### Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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Ray John Madden served in the U. S. House of Representatives from 1943 until 1977, a total of 34 years, representing the most solidly Democratic district in Indiana. A big, bluff man with a thick thatch of hair, Ray Madden was known for giving what one newsman recalled as “too candid answers” to questions asked, and his “salty” language. Serving with seven presidents and rising to chair the powerful House Rules Committee, Madden was heard advising members to “hold on to your underwear” in preparation for receiving certain information.

As he aged, Ray Madden especially liked to tell the story of Georgia Congressman Eugene E. Cox, who had patiently waited 30 years to become the chairman of the House Rules Committee. Finally, the path was clear and in the next Congress, Cox would become the chairman. The Georgian died before the next session of Congress opened.

It was Ray Madden who headed a special committee of the House, which interviewed numerous witnesses in not only the United States but also Great Britain, Germany and Italy following the Second World War, to investigate the Katyn massacre. Some 22,000 Polish military officers, intelligentsia, prisoners of war, police officers, and the chief Rabbi of the Polish Army were all executed. For years, there was doubt as to whether the murders had been committed by the Nazis or the Soviets. Ray Madden helped to find the truth, discovering the orders for the mass executions had been issued by Josef Stalin, the brutal Soviet dictator, through the Politburo.

The Soviet government continued to deny its role in the mass murders until it acknowledged its responsibility through the actions of the dreaded NKVD (the Soviet secret police).

Born in Minnesota, Madden was elected municipal judge in Omaha at age 24, meeting President Woodrow Wilson, who teased him about his youthful appearance. Entering the U.S. Navy during World War I, Madden returned to the United States and settled in Gary, Indiana, after earning a law degree. A committed Democrat, Madden attended every national convention of his party from 1940 through 1968.

Ray Madden also worked his way up the political ladder in his adopted home of Gary, serving as city comptroller, and then winning election as the treasurer for Lake County. The first Democrat to represent the district surrounding Gary

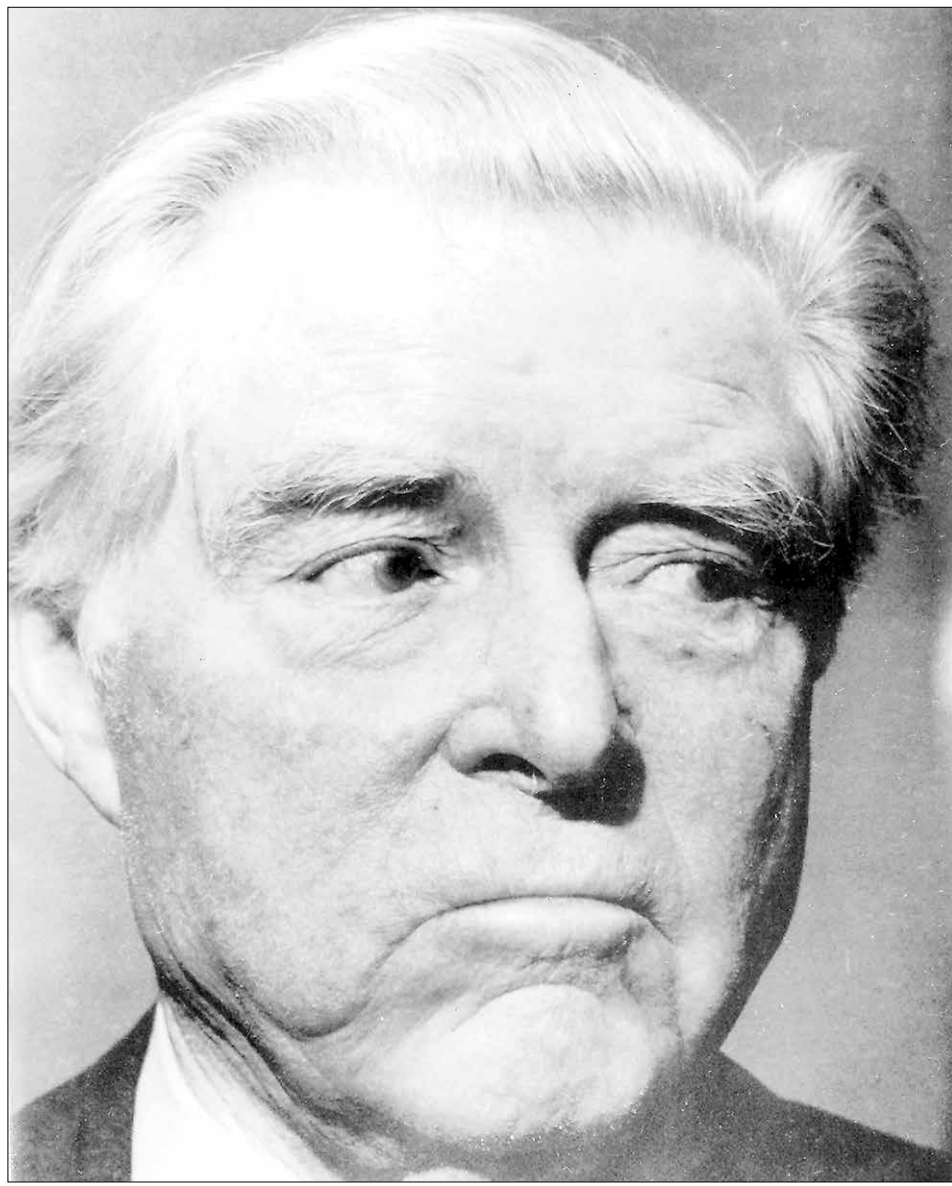
was William Schulte, who had first been elected in the 1932 tidal wave that carried Franklin D. Roosevelt to the White House. By 1942, Schulte had served a decade in Congress and Madden, then 50 years old, challenged the incumbent.

Schulte was a colorful figure, who variously worked as a theatre stage manager, member of a dance team, city alderman for Hammond, Indiana, and fireman (his brother was the fire chief). William Schulte was never a favorite of the local Lake County Democratic machine. To win the nomination for Congress, Schulte had to beat the favorite of the machine, which he did by just over 300 votes. Congressman Schulte was a favorite of organized labor and was a card-carrying member of the Theatrical Stage Employees Union.

Ray Madden had challenged Schulte because of the congressman’s political vulnerability due to his “consistent opposition to this country’s entry into” the Second World War. Members of Congress who had been against American intervention began losing their seats oftentimes following Pearl Harbor. Some in organized labor were angry with Schulte for voting against funding for the Dies Committee, which purported to ferret out un-American activities. Madden ran as a supporter of President Roosevelt, both domestically and in FDR’s foreign policy. Much of Schulte’s upset loss had to do with the congressman’s refusal to hire precinct workers for the election, as well as having ignored long-time party leaders.

Once in the House of Representatives, Ray Madden approached the formidable speaker of the House, Sam Rayburn of Texas, and requested to be a member of the House Post Office and Post Roads Committee. Usually considered a minor committee, Rayburn was only too happy to oblige. As a freshman legislator, Madden sponsored a bill to raise the pay of postal employees, which passed both the House and the Senate. The freshman congressman had endeared himself to the postal unions and its members. “I wondered why you wanted to get on that damned committee,” Rayburn told Madden.

After brief service on the Naval Affairs Committee in the House, which was ruled with an autocratic gavel by Georgia’s Carl Vinson, the inquisitive congressman from Indiana was moved to the House Education & Labor Committee. The reason was that Vinson didn’t much care for fellow Democrats who questioned either his authority or judgment. While serving



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Congressman Ray Madden of Indiana on Election Day, 1976.

on the Education & Labor Committee, Madden got to know Congressmen John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon. At the time, the Republicans controlled the House and passed the Taft-Hartley Bill, which Madden thoroughly opposed. As to the two future presidents, Madden said, “If anybody had told me they’d be running for president I’d have said that they were insane.”

For the next 30 years, Ray Madden would face few serious challenges for his seat in Congress. A bachelor, Madden devoted himself completely to the job and was known for providing good constituent services to the people he represented. Once defeated, Madden commented philosophically, “It’s like a game of bingo, sometimes you win and sometimes you lose.”

Eventually, Congressman Madden would endure the same kind of experience as his predecessor, William Schulte. In 1972, Madden faced an aggressive challenge from state Senator Adam Benjamin, an Assyrian-American, who had been a math teacher. Benjamin pressed the congressman hard that year, but Madden eked out a win, largely through the effort of organized labor, which stubbornly stuck to the incumbent. Madden had finally risen to chair the House Rules Committee, and organized labor did not much like the thought of a conservative succeeding to the post. Ray Madden was a proven friend of labor, and the unions did all they could to reelect him in 1972.

Benjamin did not run again in 1974 as he preferred to run for reelection to the Indiana Senate instead. Once safely reelected, Adam Benjamin set out once again to run for Congress in 1976.

In 1976, Ray J. Madden was 84 years old, but he seemed to be mentally acute and physically healthy. One reporter noticed the congressman looked far younger than his

actual years and still had a boyish glow about his “rosy cheeks.” Still, Ray Madden was also the oldest man in Congress at the time, while Adam Benjamin was 44 years old. Ironically, Madden would outlive his successor by several years.

Congressman Madden was not oblivious to the changing times. George Allen, the famed coach of the Washington Redskins, told the congressman at a banquet a few months before the Democratic primary that he had heard Madden was in for a rough race. “And I’ll probably get beat,” Madden conceded. Allen looked over the vigorous 84-year-old congressman and replied, “If you do, come see me and we’ll suit you up with the Redskins.”

When defeat came, it was largely due to the incumbent’s age and Benjamin won going away. Organized labor, which had supported Ray Madden throughout his long political career, seemed to realize there was little use in waging an all-out campaign to retain the congressman. Madden also believed Benjamin had been funded by the oil interests who still resented his having bucked the Democratic leadership to convince the Democratic Caucus to instruct the Rules Committee to allow amendments repealing to oil depletion allowance when certain tax legislation came to the floor. “Knocking out the depletion bonanza in the Rules and Caucus could go down taxwise as the greatest victory any congressman has,” Madden told a journalist after his defeat in 1976. The closure of the loophole cost the oil companies an estimated \$2.5 billion annually. Congressman Madden thought the oil lobby was the most powerful in Washington, D.C., at the time.

Congressman Ray Madden was also somewhat bitter about his having appointed Adam Benjamin to West Point, feeling the younger man had little gratitude for his

benefactor. After taking office, Benjamin announced he intended to show his appreciation to Madden by buying the former congressman a ticket to the Army-Navy game the following November. Madden retorted he intended to lobby his former colleagues to abolish the service academies, such as West Point.

Madden’s attitude had not changed as he was packing up his office when a visiting newspaper reporter stopped by. “On Jan. 3 the chairman of the most powerful committee in Congress will not be there,” Madden told the reporter, “But you’ll have a freshman starting in.”

“That was quite a bargain you won May 4th,” the old congressman added sarcastically.

The congressman was ready for the winter, nattily attired in a black homburg and a black cashmere topcoat with a colorful scarf casually tossed around his neck. The injuries inflicted during the last primary campaign were apparently still rather raw. Madden made a reference to the “dummy over here in city hall,” meaning Hammond Mayor Edward J. Raskosky, who had switched his support from the incumbent congressman to Benjamin three days before the election. Emphasizing his point with a finger jabbing the air, Madden growled, “Wait until he (Raskosky) starts into his next campaign, I’ll have something to say about him.”

Without a wife and children to go home to, Ray Madden was at loose ends once his term in the House of Representatives expired in January of 1977. Many of his longtime supporters and friends back home in Indiana had become inactive or had died. Madden’s life had become the House of Representatives. The former congressman remained in Washington to be close to the action. As a former Member of Congress, Madden was entitled to certain privileges reserved for

ex-congressmen, including access to the House gym, which the Indianan used daily. Madden continued to live in his apartment at the Methodist Building, a popular place for national legislators to live.

Madden had spent some time traveling during the winter months, visiting various nephews and nieces in California, noting it rained every day he was in the Golden State. Madden went from California to the Sunshine State of Florida. Ben Cole, the Washington correspondent for the Indianapolis Star, marveled there was “still a lot of red in” Madden’s hair and noted “he walks like a young man” at 85 years. Cole had caught Madden as the former congressman was “strolling across the Capitol grounds” one day.

The former congressman likely found some comfort in the presence of his grand-nephew and namesake, Ray J. Madden III, who lived with his wife in Crystal City, Virginia. The younger Maddens invited Uncle Ray and another former member of the House of Representatives, Republican H. R. Gross of Iowa, to dinner. The two, who had rarely agreed on anything while serving in the House together, had a delightful time regaling the young couple with political yarns and tales from the halls of Congress.

Ray Madden also returned to Indiana for a visit to the statehouse where the former congressman was invited to make a few remarks. After giving legislators a dose of the “famed Madden oratory” the ex-congressman enjoyed a reunion with some of his old friends in the corridors of the statehouse. The old lawmaker was given a standing ovation by state legislators when he first approached the podium to speak.

Ostensibly, Madden was supposed to be practicing law in Washington, but he was eligible to draw the maximum pension allowed a former Member of Congress, which was based upon length of service. Madden still had time to appear at Indiana University Northwest, where he lectured on the legislative process and Congress.

At age 86, Madden was asked if he missed the House of Representatives. “Hell no!” the ex-congressman barked.

Madden’s youthful successor died of a heart attack in 1982; he was only 47 years old. Ray J. Madden lived until 1987, dying at the age of 95.

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# Harvey

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to attack. Harvey's bark is higher pitched and ear-piercing. When one starts, the other joins in, and the noise is as loud as a UT vs. Alabama ball game crowd. In the dog lot, Harvey barks without stopping. The neighbors probably

dread the sound of the gate closing.

Bedtime is a real show. Sadie is used to hitting the hay at about 9:00 p.m. She begins to squirm and then voices her demand through that bark. Her herding instinct kicks in as she wraps her jaws gently

around my wrist. Harvey just runs to our bed and waits for his treat. Both gobble up the reward. Sadie lies down and falls asleep; Harvey returns to the living room where he sits or sleeps beside me until I wobble to the bed about 1:00 a.m. He likes

to spoon, so I wind up with just enough room to lie on my side and sweat from his closeness.

I wish Harvey could have found a different forever home, but he seems to have settled into ours. He's dealt with enough trauma, so I suppose "marvelous Harvey" will be here for the rest of his days. I love him because he's a good dog and belonged to our son. Life has thrown us another curve ball with which we'll deal. The lesson is to never make too many future plans.



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## HIGH SCHOOL BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

# Beeler misses turn, but backtracks to win

By Steve Williams

Evan Beeler momentarily lost his lead when he bypassed the turn to the homestretch in the Region 2 Class AAA Cross Country Meet Wednesday at Victor Ashe Park.

Fortunately, the Farragut senior realized he was going the wrong way and made up his lost time to win the 5,000-meter race.

But, as he admitted afterward, "I had a huge panic there for a second."

There's a split where the course leads the harriers down to the finish chute and the final 200 meters or so to the finish line. Beeler missed that turn and had to backtrack.

"Josh Hunt (Hardin Valley runner) was behind me and I started going to the left (at the split) and he started going to the right, so for a little bit there he was in front of me," recalled Beeler.

"Immediately," said Evan, he realized what he had done. "I went so fast just to catch him again, I was worried sick."

It was "only a maximum of three seconds" he later figured he had lost. But

there have been many races lost in less than three seconds.

After word got out of what happened in the AAA race, that area was monitored for A-AA races, including the top and bottom of the hill, said one coach.

Beeler now has his attention on helping Farragut win a third straight TSSAA state championship.

"That's been our big goal for the whole season," he said.

Farragut, Hardin Valley and Brentwood are considered the leading contenders for the state title, which will be decided this week at the Sanders Ferry Park course in Hendersonville.

Beeler and senior teammate Tanner Coggin finished 1-2 in the region meet, with Beeler timed in 16:01.49 and Coggin in 16:04.90. Both said they bettered their PR on the course by 30 to 40 seconds.

"We've just been training really hard and focusing on getting big distances," said Evan. "And we've grown as we've gotten older and faster."

HVA's Hunt (16:05.82)



The boys get ready to take off at the starting line in the Region 2 Class AAA cross country meet at Victor Ashe Park. Photos by Steve Williams.



Far left: Farragut's Evan Beeler (right) took first place and Tanner Coggin (left) second in the Region 2 Class AAA cross country meet last week and now eye a third straight state team championship. Left: South-Doyle senior Ethan Askey qualified for the A-AA state meet in his second year as a cross country runner.

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

# West defeats Powell, 30-18

By Ken Leinart

Knoxville West High School's 30-18 win at Powell accomplished more than capturing the Region 2-5A championship for Head Coach Lamar Brown.

"A lot of people have doubted this team all year and criticized us, been criticized by our own people," Brown said. "This group comes to work every day. They battle, they fight, try to get better and I think we finally put together close to four quarters of football tonight. It's a big win, especially going into the month of November."

"I've waited nine games to see it." Special teams play was a



PHOTO BY MARIAH CLAY

After a long Antwain Burdine punt return, West teammate Tavion Ray scores from the 5 as the Rebels extend their lead to 17-9 late in the first half Friday. West went on to prevail 30-18 at Powell to capture the Region 2-5A title.

huge factor for West Friday night and senior Antwain Burdine had the floor.

The Rebels trailed 6-3 after one quarter of play. Powell's Deuce Rodgers

gave the hosts a 6-0 lead on the third play of the game with a 73-yard breakout. The Rebels blocked the point after attempt. After a battle of punts, the Rebels put together a short drive starting at the Panther 31. The Powell defense held its ground though and the Rebels settled for a 33-yard Pete Rogers field goal with 35 seconds to play in the first quarter.

Powell answered with a Dylan Stooksbury 30-yard field goal after a 12-play, six-minute drive, extending the Panther lead to 9-3 with 6:34 left in the first half.

Then the Panthers were

# Farragut falls to Maryville, 28-21

By Mark Nagi

It was a tale of two halves on Halloween night in west Knoxville.

The Farragut Admirals dominated the first half against Maryville, but the visiting Rebels avoided the upset bid by scoring 28 unanswered points in the second half to give them a 28-21 win at Eddie Courtney Stadium.

"We came out here as a confident football team that knew what we were expected to do," said Farragut Head Coach Geoff Courtney. "Our kids came out here and played with great effort. We made plays in the first half. We made plays in

the second half but not enough. They (Maryville) made winning plays at the end of the game. You've got to give them credit."

The Admirals first drive stalled at their own 43. But on 4th and 1, they gambled. Backup QB Noah Haag took the short snap and hit Harrison Smith for a 12-yard gain. The drive would stall from there, and the Ads would have to punt, but it was a sign that they were not going to play timid.

After forcing a 3 and out, the Ads got the football back at the Maryville 45. 9 plays later, Farragut (4-6, 2-3 in Region 2-6A)

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## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

# CCS caps season with 35-34 win over GCA's JV team

By Steve Williams

Concord Christian School held off Grace Christian Academy's junior varsity football team 35-34 at GCA on Monday (Oct. 28).

It was not your normal junior varsity game as CCS had played four JV games in the first part of its schedule and five varsity games since then in compiling a 7-2 overall record. Grace Christian's JV team came into the contest unbeaten. Although Concord Christian had played and defeated varsity teams, the Lions were a young squad overall with only four seniors and three juniors.

As the final score indicated, the two teams were pretty much evenly matched.

The game came down to Grace Christian going for the win in the final minute. The Eagles pulled within one point when quarterback Treyson Derry threw a backward pass to Campbell Johnson and

Johnson threw a 32-yard touchdown pass to Hudson Wilkins with 55 seconds remaining.

But Derry was tackled by Reece Franklin at the 9-yard line on the two-point conversion attempt.

GCA attempted an onside kick, but it was recovered by CCS and the Lions took a knee.

"You battled and got the job done," Concord Christian Coach Steve Matthews told his team on the field after the game. "It's been a great season and I had a blast. I can't tell you how excited I am about the future. From the bottom of my heart, I love every one of you."

The key to the win?

After a varsity game in Chattanooga on Oct. 25, "We kind of slept walked through the first half," said Matthews. "In the second half we showed up with more focus. Tremendous win. Defense made a couple of stops."

A win for the program? "I think it's big," added

Matthews.

Concord Christian took a 7-0 lead on senior quarterback Dawson Williford's 20-yard touchdown run around right end in the opening quarter.

The Eagles answered quickly as eighth grader Javey Stinson raced 18 yards to the 41, sophomore Derry completed a pass to freshman Jiden Butler to put the ball at the 21 and Stinson ran around right end for a TD. Derry's 2-point pass to Butler gave GCA an 8-7 lead.

CJ Simpson's 8-yard touchdown run put Lions back on top 13-8, but the 2-point run failed.

A long pass play to Butler set up Stinson's second TD, but the 2-point run was stopped and Grace led 14-13 with 2:36 left in the first quarter.

Later in the second quarter, Williford, under duress, passed to Franklin, who got the ball to the 8-yard line. Williford ran it in for the touchdown. Pedro Sabat's PAT kick gave Concord a



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Grace Christian eighth grader Javey Stinson carries the ball inside the 5-yard line as the Rams' JV team plays Concord Christian School on Oct. 28 at GCA. Stinson scored three touchdowns in the game, but the Lions held on to win, 35-34.

20-14 advantage.

Stinson scored from inside the 5 and a 2-point pass to Wilkins put the Eagles back on top 22-20.

Stinson got the ball back for GCA when he stripped the ball out of Jude Wiggins' hands at the CCS 46. Derry passed to Wilkins at the 29 and ran it in for a TD that increased GCA's lead to 28-20 with 2:13 left in the first half. The 2-point pass failed.

Williford had a pass picked off by Butler at the GCA 25 before the first half ended.

In the third quarter, Grace Christian freshman

offensive lineman Grant Goranflo recovered a fumble at the Lions' 15, but the Eagles couldn't cash in on the turnover.

A determined 24-run run up the middle by Williford plus a personal foul on GCA put the ball at midfield. A pass to Andrew Lumdaine moved it to the 6 and Franklin to the 1 before Williford snuck over for a touchdown. The CCS quarterback's dive into the end zone for the 2-point conversion tied the score at 28-all with 21 seconds to go in the third quarter.

The Lions had the ball at

the Grace 43 with 5:39 left and a personal foul on the Eagles gave Concord a first down at the 22.

Following a penalty on CCS, Williford ran 21 yards to the GCA 3 and Wiggins scored the go-ahead touchdown from there. Sabot's extra point kick gave the Lions a 35-28 lead with 4:20 to go.

On the ensuing kickoff, GCA was tackled deep in its territory. But passes by Derry to Wilkins, Jayce Winkle and Stinson plus a horse collar penalty on CCS got the Eagles to midfield and eventually into scoring range.

# Big-play INTs spark Halls to 40-3 win over Bobcats

By Steve Williams

Central Head Coach Kevin Lane rolled the dice on his team's opening possession Friday night at Halls and won as running back Daniel Sackie took a pitchout and gained seven yards on a fourth-and-one at the Bobcats' 20-yard line.

After that, a lot didn't go so good for the visitors.

Despite a 65-yard breakaway by Sackie to the Red Devils' 8-yard line on the very next play, Central could not punch it in and Devon Cole's 22-yard field goal attempt even sailed wide left.

No matter how hard they tried, it wasn't going to be the Bobcats' night.

Central did take a 3-0 lead early in the second quarter on a 21-yard FG by Cole, but when the game ended Halls was on top, 40-3.

It's a wonder the bus didn't have a flat going back across Black Oak Ridge.

With the victory, Halls is now over halfway to catching Central in the Battle of Black Oak Ridge, which began in 1975. The Red Devils have 17 wins and the Bobcats 33.

"Traditionally, Central is the one that's won the series, but we're trying to change that," said Halls Head Coach Brent Hughes.

Not only was it a successful Senior Night for Halls at Dink Adams Field, it was the 50th game in the rivalry between the two teams.

The win upped Halls' season record to 7-3 and the Red Devils will get another first-round playoff shot at Morristown West (4-5) Friday night. The Trojans ended Halls' season



PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LOPEZ-ORTIZ

Big Dylan Cook, 6-3, 285-pound senior offensive lineman for Halls, has no problem hoisting the Battle of Black Oak Ridge trophy after Friday night's 40-3 win over Central. It will stay at Halls High as long as the Red Devils keep defeating the Bobcats.

last year in the opening round.

A Halls win would most likely give the Red Devils another game against West in the second round. The Rebels nipped Halls 28-27 in Week 10 at the Crossroads.

Central (4-6) is tasked with a first-round trip to Sevier County (10-0).

Trailing the Bobcats 3-0, Halls had a good drive to the Central 19 halted by Torin McAfee's interception midway into the

second quarter. Central quarterback Kaden Long's 34-yard pass to Javaston Badgett even gave the Bobcats a first down at the Halls 36.

But the whole complexion of the contest was about to change.

Brody Rogers' 85-yard interception return for a touchdown gave the Red Devils a 7-3 lead with 1:35 showing on the second

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# Farragut falls to Maryville, 28-21

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ended the scoreboard. The big play on the drive was a 24-yard pass from Corbin Hobson to Charlie Noble on 3rd and 9. On 3rd and goal, Hobson hit TE Aaron Heatherly from an 8-yard score, making it 7-0 Admirals.

Maryville (9-1, 5-0 in Region 2-6A) was hoping to match that tally on their next drive, moving into Farragut territory. But on 4th and 2 from the Ads 41, Farragut's Landon Collins broke up a pass, nearly coming away with the INT. That defensive play got the football back to the home team. Five plays later, Noble broke free up the middle for a 21-yard TD

scamper, and it was 14-0, Farragut.

But the good times weren't stopping for the Admirals. After their defense forced another 3 and out, Hobson looked for his top option in the passing game. Collins made the catch, broke a tackle, and then did a spin move to break free of the Maryville defense. That 74-yard hookup gave Farragut a 21-0 advantage.

"He (Collins) is a tremendous player," said Courtney. "He was a tough matchup for them. They really didn't have a great answer for him. But that is the type of kid he is. He's made plays around here for three years

as a three-year starter... he is the humblest and nicest kid and the ultimate competitor on the field."

Maryville ate up most of the remaining time in the 2nd quarter, taking more than six minutes off the clock and getting inside Maryville 20. But a sack by Grady Brown of Maryville QB Will Jones backed up the Rebels, and then Hudson Jamerson missed a 45-yard FG.

Farragut led 21-0 at intermission.

We saw a different Maryville team in the second half as they took the kickoff and marched 80 yards down the field in 2 minutes and 19 seconds

for a 1-yard TD run by Price Davis. Following a Hobson INT, Jones hit receiver Colton Foust for a back shoulder TD on 3rd and goal from the Farragut 14.

On the last play of the 3rd quarter, Jones unleashed a 72-yard pass to Nolan White. On the first play of the 4th quarter, Jones hit TE Mack Serr for a 6-yard score, and the game was tied at 21. A 4-yard TD run by Davis with 3:35 to go put Maryville in the lead for the first time, 28-21.

But the Admirals kept fighting. A 19-yard pass from Hobson to Robbie Jacobs gave Farragut a first down at the Maryville 37. They'd move inside the

Maryville 10 but could get no further.

Farragut had a rough start to the 2024 season, losing their first five games. But they flipped the script in a big way over the course of the second half of the schedule, winning four of their last five.

"They (Farragut) are playing their best football right now," said Maryville Head Coach Derek Hunt. "Farragut is a good team. If you let them have success early, then they start believing. They have receivers that can make plays in the air."

"I knew we had a good football team," said Courtney. "We just had to

find ourselves. We had a lot of kids playing with great effort, doing what they had to do. We knew at some point things would turn for us. Confidence is a funny thing. We were able to get that first win, and the kids saw that they can win ballgames."

Farragut still clinched the four seed in the Region and will begin the playoffs with a road game at Region 1-6A champion Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett.

"There's nothing like November football," said Courtney. "The high stakes. The energy in a high school football playoff game is like nothing else. Our kids will be fired up."

## HS Scores and Playoff Pairings

### WEEK 11 RESULTS

AC 47, South-Doyle 13  
Austin-East 30, Scott 7  
Baylor 49, Catholic 17  
Bearden 31, Bradley 22  
B-Buchanan 51, GCA 21  
Cleveland 28, HVA 0  
First Christ. 47, TKA 14  
Gibbs 35, Fulton 6  
Carter 49, Seymour 14  
Halls 40, Central 3  
Webb 40, Lakeway 7  
West 30, Powell 18  
Lenoir City 37, Karns 6  
Maryville 28, Farragut 21  
Silverdale 28, CAK 16

### PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

Kickoff at 7 unless noted

#### First Round

##### Class 3A

A-E (3-7) at Johnson Co. (8-2)

##### Class 4A

Carter (4-6) at Greeneville (7-2)  
Cherokee (7-2) at Gibbs (9-1)  
Fulton (6-4) at Elizabethton (6-3)  
Northview (5-5) at AC (8-1)

##### Class 5A

Central (4-6) at Sevier Co. (10-0)  
Tenn. High (8-2) at Powell (8-2)  
Halls (7-3) at Mo. West (4-5)  
Crockett (4-5) at West (7-3)  
Karns (3-7) at E. Hamilton (7-3)

##### Class 6A

Farragut (4-6) at D-B (8-2)  
Jeff Co. (6-4) at Bearden (7-3)

#### Division II-A

TKA (2-8) at Columbia (7-3)

#### Division II-AA

Webb (5-4) at BGA (8-2)  
CAK (3-7) at CPA (10-0)

Northpoint (6-4) at GCA (8-2)

#### Division II-AAA

KCHS (3-7) at MUS (4-6)

# 1956: 'UNBEATEN GIANTS'—SOMETHING HAD TO GIVE'

Looking at this year's Vol football schedule begs an important question for us old timers.



By Tom Mattingly

Where the heck is the "Rambling Wreck," A K A

Georgia Tech? It's been 37 years since the Vols and Tech last played (Oct. 24, 1987, Tennessee 29, Tech 14), excepting the 2018 season opener on Sept. 2 at Atlanta's Mercedes-Benz Stadium. Games were often played with national rankings on the line, in seven years in Atlanta on Grant Field, in odd years in Knoxville on Shields-Watkins Field.

You could go back to 1955 (a 7-7 tie), 1956 (Tennessee, 6-0), 1957 (Tennessee, 21-6), 1959 and 1960 (Georgia Tech, 14-7), 1961 (Tennessee, 10-6), 1964 (Tennessee, 22-14), and 1965 (Tennessee, 21-7) for examples.

This was always a great series overall. The games had a special "feel" to them, not only weather-wise, but



No. 8 Tennessee and No. 3 Georgia Tech squared off on Shields-Watkins Field on Oct. 10, 1959. By the way, how many players are on the field wearing orange jerseys?

with the Tennessee orange and white matched against Tech's old gold and white.

Adding to the mystique were the coaching battles between Bob Neyland protégés Bobby Dodd at Tech and Bowden Wyatt at Tennessee and later battles between Vol head coach Doug Dickey and Dodd, then in the twilight of his Hall of Fame career.

In his first season in Knoxville, Wyatt had posted a 4-2 record going into the 1955 game. Tech was No. 8 in the country, losing only to Auburn, and favored by 7. It ended up a deadlock, with Tennessee outplaying the favored Techsters. A Vol TD

pass late in the game was called back by an ineligible receiver penalty, a decision the Vol faithful protested to no avail.

Wyatt was unbowed: "It was tied before we started. We wanted to win."

The 1956 game was named the No. 2 game in collegiate history by UPI in 1961, surpassed only by the 1935 Ohio State-Notre Dame game. With Tech ranked No. 2 and Tennessee No. 3, the two teams battled intently all day.

The only tally that day came after two passes by All-American tailback John Majors to All-American end

Buddy Cruze, followed by fullback Tommy Bronson's dive into the north end zone. Life Magazine (11-19-56) covered the game with a full-page article, a story titled "UNBEATEN GIANTS—SOMETHING HAD TO GIVE."

There was a moment highlighting Wyatt's competitive spirit after the game. When it was fourth-and-4 at the Vol 28 early in the game, Dodd elected to punt.

"Why didn't Dodd go for it?" one media type asked.

"Because he wouldn't have made it," Wyatt responded.

In 1957, Tennessee showed some T-formation that afternoon, perhaps to Wyatt's surprise. With a minute or so to go in the first half and the ball on the Vol 2 at the south end, tailback Bobby Gordon went under center and fell on the ball three times while being "protected" by wingback Bill Anderson, Bronson and blocking back Stockton Atkins. Russ Bebb reported that the play had been rehearsed in Gordon's dorm room.

Anderson, who became John Ward's analyst on the

Vol Network 11 years later, was co-captain that season (with guard Bill Johnson) and remembered very little about the game. "I had been bothered by a pinched nerve in my neck for some time, and I was almost out cold. They told me I kept on playing and later scored on a 45-yard reverse. I remember taking a shower after the game when I finally regained my senses. I even had to ask the score."

The two teams split decisions in 1960 and 1961, with the 1961 game being a major upset on Dodd's 53rd birthday. Billy Williamson returned a kickoff 93 yards for a score in 1960 that was a key to Tech's victory. Mallon Faircloth had a 22-yard TD pass to John Bill Hudson the next season, and Gary Cannon had a 31-yard field goal, highlighting a defensive struggle.

In 1964, Tennessee was a heavy underdog and trailed 14-3 in the final period before rallying for the victory. Quarterback David Leake led the comeback, tossing a TD pass to Al Tanara and leading a drive culminated by a Jack Patterson touchdown run.

Linebacker Doug Archibald had an interception return for the final score. That gave the Vols a 4-2-1 record, before the team's offensive inadequacies became glaring in the final three games, all losses.

In 1965, the Vols were in the aftermath of the deaths of three assistant coaches, yet playing inspired football. Sophomore quarterback Charlie Fulton led an offense that racked up 251 yards rushing, 101 passing. Harold Stancell had an interception return for a score. Fulton hit Hal Wantland for another, and Stan Mitchell got a third. That victory helped convince Vol fans that Dickey was building a team to be reckoned with, one that finished in the Top 10 after a Bluebonnet Bowl victory against Tulsa.

These games against Georgia Tech were something special, with enough "angles" for the most hardened fan and/or sportswriter. It was a great rivalry. Was there the concept of "immediate gratification" in those days?

If so, it was pretty immediate... for both sets of fans and the media.

## HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

# Bearden falls in state championship game

By Mark Nagi

The Bearden Lady Bulldogs soccer team isn't used to losing, and that includes at the state tournament. For three straight years they brought the state championship back to Knoxville.

Their dreams of a four-peat were dashed on Saturday, October 26th in Chattanooga, after falling in a 4-2 shootout in the AAA championship game against rival Houston.

"Teams get excited to be in the state tournament and get excited to be in the finals," said Bearden head coach Ryan Radcliffe. "Being here four years in a row is a huge blessing and we are thankful for that ... we would have liked to have won it four years in a row but now we have motivation for next year."

Once arriving in Chattanooga, Bearden (20-2-1) looked like

those Bearden teams of the recent past. Forward Jayla Blue, a Tennessee commit for the Class of 2026, notched a hat trick in the Lady Bulldogs 3-0 quarterfinal win over Siegel. The next day came a 4-0 victory over Page in the semifinals.

But waiting on the other end of the bracket was undefeated Houston. The Mustangs rolled over Oakland and Franklin to advance to the finals.

That championship game was a rematch of a game the opening weekend of the season, in which Houston (22-0-0) defeated Bearden 3-0.

This time around the Mustangs got off to a good start. Vanderbilt commit Ellett Smith kept a play alive, poking the ball to Isabela Drotar-Chester, who scored in the 7th minute. Bearden countered when forward Halle Bibee

took advantage of a Houston error. Mustangs goalkeeper Laila McNamee came out to the top of the box but couldn't clear the ball. Bibee collected it and put the ball into the empty net in the 26th minute, evening the game at 1.

The rest of the game was a stalemate, eventually going to a penalty kick shootout. Houston converted their four tries while Bearden had two of theirs stopped by McNamee, giving Houston their tenth state title in program history, and first since 2018.

"The tears should be because the journey is over, not because you lost in PK's," said Radcliffe. "It's an unfortunate part of soccer. I don't think it is a true representation of the game, but it's part of the game. You can't go out and think you lost

because of PK's. It was a well fought battle. I thought we were deserving to be here just like Houston was deserving to be here. It is hard to accept... but we still made it to where we wanted to get to. Little bit sour how it ended and that's unfortunate. I've won plenty in PK's and your luck runs out sometimes."

Radcliffe is now forced to say goodbye to 13 seniors. Defender Natalie Heinig will play at North Alabama next year. Midfielder Eva Baker is heading to Tennessee Tech, as is Bibee. Goalkeeper Drew Tolley will play at Sam Houston State next Fall.

"Every senior class that we have had holds a standard as high as it can," said Radcliffe.



"It speaks to the belief that they have and the love that they have to be a part of the program and that's awesome to see as a coach. You don't chase games for the trophies, you chase them for the memories and the journey to get there and I hope that is what they can take when the hard part is past them."

For Houston, this was revenge after Bearden knocked them off in the 2021 and 2022 championship games. There's a good chance we see this matchup again next Fall.

"We have a strong group coming back," said Radcliffe. "Next July and August will be here before you know it and I hope the junior class that will be rising seniors will carry this on."

## A GLANCE BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD

# It's playoff time in TSSAA football

By Steve Williams

Sixteen local high school football teams are in the TSSAA playoffs.

Eight have a winning record and eight are below .500.

West tops the list as the current two-time defending Class 5A state champion. The most intriguing first-round game involving local teams may be Farragut at Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett. The Admirals are 4-6, but lost a close 28-21 win to highly regarded Maryville in a Week 11 regular season finale.

Another road game of interest is Fulton at Elizabethton.

One of the top local matchups could be Jefferson County at Bearden.

Incidentally, the Bulldogs' Daniel Kinney kicked a 54-yard field goal in Bearden's 31-22 win over Bradley Central Friday night.

Tickets will be available online through the GoFan app for \$8 each, or \$10 at the gate through the TSSAA state semifinals.

**GOLDEN YEARS:** Ten of the local schools that are playoff bound this year have produced one or more state titles since the TSSAA's classification system began in 1969. They are (with the years in parenthesis):

Austin-East (1983, 1986, 2001); Catholic (2008, 2015, 2017); CAK (2011, 2012); Central (2018, 2019); Farragut (2016); Fulton (2003, 2004, 2006, 2012, 2013, 2014); Halls (1986); Powell (2021); Webb (1981, 1996, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014); West (2014, 2022, 2023).

**GIBBS GETS UP:** After falling to Anderson County 49-6 at home in Week 10, Coach Brad Turner's previously undefeated Eagles responded with a 35-6 win over an athletic Fulton team that had won five in a row. Gibbs will be hosting Cherokee in the first round.

Brady Hughes was Gibbs' Offensive Player of the Game. The senior RB-LB carried the ball 35 times for 156 yards and three touchdowns.

Junior lineman Wyatt Bentley was the defensive honoree with six tackles and two sacks for minus 12 yards.

**WIRES CROSSED?** Powell was favored by 12 points over West at home in the Region 2-5A title game Friday by Sonny Moore Tennessee High School Football Computer Rankings but the Panthers lost by that many (30-18).

# West defeats Powell, 30-18

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"Burdined" by the kick return. The senior speedster took the kickoff at the two and 89 yards later gave the Rebels a first and goal at the nine. Parker Dubon would find senior Dominic Davis in the end zone and, after a Rogers kick, the Rebels took a 10-9 lead with 3:21 left.

The Rebels would not lose the lead. Powell was "Burdined" again after the Panthers were forced to punt. Burdine hauled in the offering shy of midfield and 48 yards later West again had a first and goal. Tavion Ray did the honors from five yards and, after the kick, West led 17-9 with 1:11 to play in the half.

Powell would add a Stooksbury field goal with no time showing in the half (following a roughing of the passer penalty) and at the break West led 17-12.

"Antwain was really big the first half," Brown said. "The punt return, the kick return, set us up for our two touchdowns. He led us

there in the first half with explosive plays. I was a little shocked they (Powell) kicked it to him."

Both teams traded points in the third starting with a 23-yard kick from Rogers for West and then a one-yard plunge for the Panther Rogers with two seconds in the frame. After Stooksbury's point after, the teams entered the final frame at 20-18 in favor of the Rebels.

West got another field goal from Rogers, a 30-yarder, to extend the lead to 23-18 with 6:31 to play, leaving Powell within striking range.

But after forcing a Powell punt (no return this time), the Rebels set up at their own 34 and gradually moved two yards to face a third and eight at their own 36.

Marquel Triot Patterson caught a Dubon offering at the Powell 45, juggled the ball a bit, then blew past everyone for a 54-yard score. After the Rogers kick it was 30-18 with 3:38 to

play and would remain that way.

"We got backed up with a penalty and I was thinking they'd probably think we were going to run and then punt it," Brown said. "It was a pretty safe call (the Patterson touchdown play). They covered the flat route really well, but Marquel beat them across the field on the drag and when he gets the ball in the open field it's scary business."

Friday night was special for Brown just because it was a little more than a regular season game.

"I think this is one of the biggest rivalries in the state," Brown said. "It's about more than pride. Every time we play (Powell) something is on the line, whether it's a region championship, a quarter-final game, a state semi-final game, there's always something big on the line. You have two great communities that love their football teams and when they get together it's always a fun football environment."

## HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

## Vesser and Hardin Valley dominate Class AAA field

By Steve Williams

Alexandra Vesser ran off and left the field in the Region 2 Class AAA girls cross country meet last week. In fact, her winning time was almost a minute and a half faster than the nearest competitor.

The Hardin Valley sophomore was clocked at 18:57.80 over the 5,000-meter course at Victor Ashe Park.

As a team, the Lady Hawks also excelled, placing five runners among the top nine finishers, with three of the five being sophomores.

HVA totaled 23 points in the team scoring. Farragut was a distant second at 68 and Oak Ridge took third place and the final state berth with an 89.

John Witsell is in his first season as Hardin Valley's cross country coach, but he's been around the program for 13 years.

"I watched everything (Bryan Brown) did," said Witsell, referring to Brown's tremendous success at Hardin Valley over the years before becoming Knox County Athletics' Specialist.

Witsell's past also includes being a D1 gymnast at the University of New Mexico and learning



PHOTOS BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Hardin Valley's first place finisher Alexandra Vesser (No. 2085) reaches out to shake hands with a West runner who comes over to offer her congratulations after the Region 2 Class AAA cross country race Oct. 30 at Victor Ashe Park. Two other HVA girls Rachel Benson and runner-up Ana Berkheimer (No. 2077) do a double high five in the celebration, while Stuart Ann Leath (far left) catches her breath after the 5K race.

how to coach during that time. "I'm familiar to coaching at the highest levels," he said at the region meet.

Witsell also realizes he has a standout in Vesser, as he pointed out she placed third last June in the NIKE Outdoor Nationals' freshman mile event at the University of Oregon.

Alexandra was in cross country mode at 9 o'clock in the morning last Wednesday. She considers cross country more of a team sport and track more of an individual sport.

Yet, she was all alone

when she crossed the finish line. Did she expect it to be that way coming into the race?

"Not exactly," she said, "but I knew coming into the race that it was going to be pretty obvious (and) a pretty good race."

Her strategy she said was "mostly just run hard most of it and remind myself not to fall asleep (fade out) and then make sure we got the team to state, which was our goal. I think we did pretty good on that."

Team mate Ana Berkheimer came in

second at 20:21.90. Others on the team included Rachel Benson and Ana Sofia Marquez, who finished fifth and sixth, and senior Stuart Ann Leath who was ninth.

Farragut sophomore Zoi LeCours placed third in 20:27.73 and West freshman Campbell Asti came in fourth less than a second ahead of Benson at 20:36.73.

In addition to LeCours, the Lady Admirals qualified for state with Kenzie Lefler, Lydia McFall, Emma Mattison and Olivia Garcia.



A tired Suzannah Mae Anderson flopped down for a seat after taking sixth place in the Class A-AA 5,000-meter race Oct. 30. "It felt good," said the Carter freshman. "It was hard, but I made it. I was just trying to make it to state." It was her first time running on the Victor Ashe course.

Individual state qualifiers were Asti, Bearden's Brielle Pickett and Haley Jordan, Karns' Hannah Kramer and West's Macie Gaines.

### Carter freshman and S-D qualify for state

Carter High freshman Suzannah Mae Anderson was Knox County's top finisher in the Class A-AA meet and placed sixth overall to qualify for the state.

In her first time running the course, Anderson finished the 5K in 22:14.53.

South-Doyle placed third

in the team event to qualify for state. Senior Carmen Sedighi led the Lady Cherokees with a time of 24:59.09. The team also included Donna Salvador, Charlotte Fishmoore and sisters Gaby and Naomi Hernandez.

Alcoa won the team title with a score of 29. Anderson County was runner-up with 35 points. S-D totaled 89 points and Stone Memorial (95) placed fourth to also qualify for state.

AC junior Ava Moody won the race with a time of 19:47.32.

## Beeler misses turn, but backtracks to win

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and Gabe Allen (16:12.34) placed third and fourth, respectively.

Other members of Farragut's region title team were Ross Tootle, Sam Shagan and Jase Morton. Runner-up Hardin Valley's team also included Cooper McKaig, Sean Brown and Aiden Rufi.

The Admirals totaled 37 points, HVA 41 and Oak Ridge (86) to advance to state.

Individual state qualifiers were sixth and seventh place finishers Rowen Moser-Bryan of Karns and Nicholas Burke of West, respectively, plus Barrett Lemons of Central, Rylan Moser-Bryan of Karns and Parson Campen of Central.

### S-D's Askey and L&N qualify for A-AA state

South-Doyle senior Ethan Askey qualified for the A-AA state meet with a 10th place finish in a time of 18:30.52 in the 5K event.

Askey said he just started running cross country last year as a junior.

"I didn't expect to place this high, but have a decent finish," said Ethan.

**TSSAA State Cross Country Boys' and Girls' meets At Sanders Ferry Park Hendersonville Thursday (Nov. 7) Division I Class A-AA Division II Class AA Friday (Nov. 8) Division I Class AAA Division II Class A**

He said he "enjoys it" but doesn't plan to run in college, except maybe in intramurals.

His future plans are to go into Nursing at ETSU or TTU.

L&N STEM Academy placed fourth to qualify for state. The Gryphons were led by junior Connor Arnold, who was timed in 18:45.95. Teammates include freshman Jacob Taylor, junior Koli York, senior Jeremiah Jones and senior Jameson Neubauer.

Alcoa won the A-AA team title (51), followed by Anderson County (55), Cumberland County (63) and L&N (92).

Zachariah Ostrander of Cumberland County won the A-AA race in 16:25.48.

## Lemons, Campen to represent Bobcats in state cross country championships

By Ken Lay

The 2024 season has been one filled with adversity for the Central High School boys cross country team but a pair of athletes will close out the campaign on the state's grand stage in Middle Tennessee.

Junior Barrett Lemons and Parson Campen, a sophomore, will represent the Bobcats at the TSSAA Division I Class AAA State Championships at Sanders Ferry Park in Hendersonville Friday.

Lemons and Campen will be the first Central athletes to compete at the state meet since Shannon Capps represented the Lady Bobcats at state in 2002.

The Central duo qualified for a trip to the Midstate on Wednesday at Victor Ashe Park. Lemons came in 17th overall as he completed the course in 17 minutes, 21.79 seconds, shaving 40 seconds off his previous best time at the Northwest Knoxville venue. Campen took 19th as he crossed the finish line in 17:28.20.

Central coach Rich Weinhandl, who will coach in his final meet Friday, said he was pleased with his runners' effort in the final race in Knoxville in 2024.

"I'm extremely proud of them. We've had some adversity and some internal issues," said Weinhandl, who has coached high school and college cross country for three decades. "This is my 30th and final season coaching cross country and this is a good way to go out.

"It's an extreme satisfaction to have these guys make it to the state meet."

Lemons and Campen are the 49th and 50th state qualifiers that Weinhandl has coached during his 30-year career. He coached high school cross country in Illinois. He also coached the sport at the collegiate level at Judson University in Illinois, where he coached multiple national championship qualifiers.

Lemons is looking forward to his trip to Hendersonville.

"It feels great to really fulfilling (to make the state championship meet)," he said. "It's great to finally see Central (runners) get to state, and we're going to go and represent Central."

Lemons noted that Weinhandl's work with the cross country program has paid off.

"It's been great," Lemons said. "It was his dream to get runners to



Central High cross country runners Barrett Lemons and Parson Campen each qualified for this week Class AAA State Championships in Hendersonville. Lemons finished 17th and Campen came in 19th at the Region 2-AAA Championships Wednesday at Victor Ashe Park. Photo submitted.

state. He's done his job and we've done our job.

"It was definitely a good stroke of luck for me to make it to state, but we looked like we were in pretty good shape going in."

For Campen, it was a bit stressful but he emerged from a large and talented field to claim the final individual qualifier from the ultracompetitive Region 2-AAA Championships.

"It felt great to get that final qualifying spot because Region 2 is tough," Campen said. "I

was confident that Barrett would make it.

"For me, it was great to get that final spot because I got by beating people who have beaten me before. We're going to go and represent Central and it's great to be the first runners to represent Central since Shannon Capps."

Like Lemons, Campen credits Weinhandl for his success in 2024.

"He has been a source of inspiration for me at the early-morning practices or at meets," Campen said of Weinhandl.

## Big-play INTs spark Halls to 40-3 win over Bobcats

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quarter clock. A minute later, Rogers robbed Central again with another pick and 55-yard return to the Bobcats' 20. Tight end Drew Ross got in on the fun the very next play and hauled in a TD pass from Amari Lethgo. Parker Crittenden's second PAT gave Halls a 14-3 advantage going into the locker room.

"Defensively, we were opportunistic," said Hughes. "Once we settled down and quit making mental mistakes, you saw that good things happen.

"But at the end of the day, they (Central) played hard and we made big plays and that's what your big players have got to do."

A fumble recovery at midfield by Central gave the Bobcats

some hope in the third quarter, but Manny Noe's interception at the Halls 16 and 56-yard run back to the Central 28 was like a shot in the gut. An 18-yard catch by Landon Vest and two runs by Marcus Moore put the ball in the end zone and gave the Red Devils a 20-3 advantage with 3:50 remaining in the third quarter.

A 21-yard TD pass play on

fourth and goal - Lethgo to Vest - made it 27-3 early in fourth quarter. Ross caught a 30-yard TD catch over the middle and Evan Eubanks' extra-point kick increased it to 34-3. Freshman Hudson Burnett's 25-yard scoop and score topped it off in the final minute.

"Just a lot of inexperience and youth, and right now there is

no excuse for it," said Central's Coach Lane. "Right now we're in the playoffs and like I told the kids, it's time to grow up and everybody's 0-0 at this point. So it's a new season and we got to go play football."

In addition to the Red Devils' interceptions, linebackers Carson Pearce, Dom Culp and Gavin Self were in on big plays defensively



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## Presidential and State General Election

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Eternal Life Harvest Center  
1801 Western Avenue

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Fort Sanders School  
501 S. 21st Street

**Precinct 10-S**  
Howard H. Baker Jr. Center  
1640 Cumberland Avenue

**Precinct 10-A**  
Howard H. Baker Jr. Center  
1640 Cumberland Avenue

**Precinct 11**  
Central United Methodist  
201 Third Avenue

**Precinct 12 – NEW LOCATION**  
Phyllis Wheatley YWCA  
124 S. Cruze Street

**Precinct 13**  
Fair Garden Community Ctr.  
400 Fern Street

**Precinct 14**  
Austin-East High School  
2800 MLK Jr. Avenue

**Precinct 15-E**  
John T. O'Connor Ctr.  
611 Winona Street

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Christenberry Comm. Ctr.  
931 Oglewood Avenue

**Precinct 18**  
Lincoln Park Center  
535 Chickamauga Avenue

**Precinct 19**  
Thrive Lonsdale  
1317 Connecticut Avenue

**Precinct 20**  
Communications Workers of America  
1415 Elm Street

**Precinct 23**  
Westview School  
1714 Mingle Avenue

**Precinct 24-Q**  
Sequoyah Elementary School  
942 Southgate Road

**Precinct 25**  
South Knox Comm. Ctr.  
522 Maryville Pike

**Precinct 26**  
Dogwood School  
705 Tipton Avenue

**Precinct 27**  
So. Knox Optimist Club  
6135 Moore Road

**Precinct 29**  
Anderson Headstart  
4808 Prospect Road

**Precinct 30**  
Sarah Moore Greene School  
3001 Brooks Avenue

**Precinct 31**  
Chilhowee School  
5005 Asheville Highway

**Precinct 32**  
Spring Hill Primary School  
4711 Mildred Drive

**Precinct 33-N**  
Richard Yoakley School  
4415 Washington Pike

**Precinct 33-S**  
Richard Yoakley School  
4415 Washington Pike

**Precinct 34**  
Central High School  
5321 Jacksboro Pike

**Precinct 35**  
Shannondale School  
5316 Shannondale Road

**Precinct 36**  
Gresham Middle School  
500 Gresham Road

**Precinct 37**  
Inskip Elementary School  
4701 High School Road

**Precinct 39-E**  
Inskip Recreation Ctr.  
301 W. Inskip Drive

**Precinct 39-W**  
Inskip Recreation Ctr.  
301 W. Inskip Drive

**Precinct 40**  
Norwood Elementary School  
1909 Merchants Drive

**Precinct 41**  
Norwood Elementary School  
1909 Merchants Drive

**Precinct 42**  
Pleasant Ridge Elementary  
3013 Walnoaks Road

**Precinct 43**  
West Haven Elementary  
3620 Sisk Road

**Precinct 44**  
Ridgedale School  
4600 Ridgedale Road

**Precinct 45**  
Bearden Middle School  
1000 Francis Road

**Precinct 46**  
Knoxville 1st Church of Nazarene  
538 Vanosdale Road

**Precinct 47-N**  
Bearden High School  
8352 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 47-S**  
Bearden High School  
8352 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 48**  
Pond Gap School  
4530 Papermill Drive

**Precinct 49-N**  
Bearden Elementary School  
5717 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 49-S**  
Bearden Elementary School  
5717 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 50-N**  
West High School  
3326 Sutherland Avenue

**Precinct 50-S**  
West High School  
3326 Sutherland Avenue

**Precinct 51**  
Deane Hill Recreation Ctr.  
7414 Deane Hill Drive

**Precinct 55**  
Bearden Middle School  
1000 Francis Road

**Precinct 56**  
Copper Ridge Elementary School  
2502 E. Brushy Valley Road

**Precinct 57**  
Bethany Baptist Comm. Ctr.  
6705 E. Raccoon Valley Drive

**Precinct 58**  
Copper Ridge Elementary School  
2502 E. Brushy Valley Road

**Precinct 59**  
Brickey-McCloud School  
1810 Dry Gap Pike

**Precinct 60**  
Halls High School  
4321 E. Emory Road

**Precinct 61-E**  
Halls High School  
4321 E. Emory Road

**Precinct 61-W**  
Halls High School  
4321 E. Emory Road

**Precinct 62**  
Hardin Valley Elementary School  
11445 Hardin Valley Road

**Precinct 63 – NEW LOCATION**  
Karns Elementary School  
8108 Beaver Ridge Road

**Precinct 63-N – NEW LOCATION**  
Karns Elementary School  
8108 Beaver Ridge Road

**Precinct 64 – NEW LOCATION**  
Pellissippi State Comm. College  
10915 Hardin Valley Road

**Precinct 65-E – NEW LOCATION**  
Ebenezer United Methodist Church  
1001 Ebenezer Road

**Precinct 65-S – NEW LOCATION**  
Ebenezer United Methodist Church  
1001 Ebenezer Road

**Precinct 65-W – NEW LOCATION**  
Faith Lutheran Church  
225 Jamestowne Boulevard

**Precinct 65-SW – NEW LOCATION**  
Faith Lutheran Church  
225 Jamestowne Boulevard

**Precinct 65-N**  
Farragut Primary School  
509 N. Campbell Station

**Precinct 66-NE**  
Farragut Middle School  
200 West End Avenue

**Precinct 66-NW**  
Farragut Middle School  
200 West End Avenue

**Precinct 66-SE**  
Farragut High School  
11237 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 66-SW**  
Farragut High School  
11237 Kingston Pike

**Precinct 67**  
Cedar Bluff Middle School  
707 N. Cedar Bluff Road

**Precinct 68**  
Cedar Bluff Middle School  
707 N. Cedar Bluff Road

**Precinct 68-E**  
Cedar Bluff Public Library  
9045 Cross Park Drive

**Precinct 69-E**  
Bluegrass Elementary School  
8901 Bluegrass Road

**Precinct 69-N**  
West Valley Middle School  
9118 George Williams Road

**Precinct 69-S**  
Northshore Elementary School  
1889 Thunderhead Road

**Precinct 69-W**  
A.L. Lotts Elementary School  
9320 Westland Drive

**Precinct 70-E**  
Amherst Elementary School  
5101 Schaad Road

**Precinct 70-W**  
Ball Camp Elementary School  
9801 Middlebrook Pike

**Precinct 71**  
Rocky Hill Elementary School  
1200 Morrell Road

**Precinct 72-E**  
Crown College  
2307 West Beaver Creek Drive

**Precinct 72-W**  
Crown College  
2307 West Beaver Creek Drive

**Precinct 73-E**  
Powell High School – Clark Duncan Complex  
2136 W. Emory Road

**Precinct 73-W**  
Powell High School – Clark Duncan Complex  
2136 W. Emory Road

**Precinct 74**  
Shannondale Elementary School  
5316 Shannondale Road

**Precinct 76**  
Sunnyview School  
412 Bagwell Road

**Precinct 77**  
Asbury United Methodist Church  
2822 Asbury Road

**Precinct 78**  
Marbledale Baptist Church  
5935 Thorn Grove Pike

**Precinct 79**  
Mt. Harmony Baptist Church  
6500 Strawberry Plains Pike

**Precinct 80**  
Corryton Comm. Ctr.  
9331 Davis Road

**Precinct 81**  
Gibbs Elementary School  
7715 Tazewell Pike

**Precinct 82**  
Arminda Comm. Ctr.  
2501 Ellistown Road

**Precinct 84**  
Ritta Elementary School  
6228 Washington Pike

**Precinct 85**  
East Knox Elementary School  
9315 Rutledge Pike

**Precinct 86**  
Carter Elementary School  
8455 Strawberry Plains Pike

**Precinct 87**  
Odd Fellows Lodge Hall  
10103 Thorngrove Pike

**Precinct 89**  
Mount Olive School  
2507 Maryville Pike

**Precinct 90**  
South-Doyle High School  
2020 Tipton Station Road

**Precinct 92**  
Gap Creek Elementary School  
1920 Kimberlin Heights Road

**Precinct 93**  
New Hopewell Elementary School  
757 Kimberlin Heights Road

**Central Absentee Ballot Counting Board**  
109 Lovell Heights Road

**Central Provisional Ballot Counting Board**  
109 Lovell Heights Road  
Meets November 8th

#### KNOX COUNTY ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACE CHANGES

**PRECINCT 12 has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 12, you now vote at:  
Phyllis Wheatley YWCA  
124 S. Cruze Street

**PRECINCT 63 has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 63, you now vote at:  
Karns Elementary School  
8108 Beaver Ridge Road

**PRECINCT 63-N has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 63-N, you now vote at:  
Karns Elementary School  
8108 Beaver Ridge Road

**PRECINCT 64 has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 64, you now vote at:  
Pellissippi State Comm. College  
10915 Hardin Valley Road

**PRECINCT 65-E has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 65-E, you now vote at:  
Ebenezer United Methodist Church  
1001 Ebenezer Road

**PRECINCT 65-S has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 65-S, you now vote at:  
Ebenezer United Methodist Church  
1001 Ebenezer Road

**PRECINCT 65-W has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 65-W, you now vote at:  
Faith Lutheran Church  
225 Jamestowne Boulevard

**PRECINCT 65-SW has relocated.**  
If you live in Precinct 65-SW, you now vote at:  
Faith Lutheran Church  
225 Jamestowne Boulevard

Maps of all new Election Day Polling Places can be found at

[www.knoxvotes.org](http://www.knoxvotes.org)



# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## COURT NOTICES

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: TROY ERSKINE  
IN RE: THE ADOPTION OF A MALE CHILD,  
TRENAN LAMICHAEL JAMES ERSKIN,  
BY MEGAN ELIZABETH-LOY  
BATMAN AND DAVON BATMAN  
VS.  
TROY ERSKINE  
NO. 209003-1**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant TROY ERSKINE is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon TROY ERSKINE, it is ordered that said defendant, TROY ERSKINE, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with JENNIFER SCHILLING, an Attorney whose address is 1522 HIGHLAND AVE., KNOXVILLE, TN 37016, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor JOHN WEAVER at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part 1, 400 W. Main Street, Suite 125, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 3rd day of October, 2024.  
J. SCOTT GRISWOLD  
Clerk and Master

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES  
A. AND RHONDA MAY, and  
5713 LUTIE ROAD, KNOXVILLE,  
TENNESSEE 37912  
IN RE: TIMOFEY CHEKHOVSKYY  
V.  
ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES  
A. AND RHONDA MAY, and  
5713 LUTIE ROAD, KNOXVILLE,  
TENNESSEE 37912  
NO. 209458-3**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES A. AND RHONDA MAY, and 5713 LUTIE ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37912, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES A. AND RHONDA MAY, and 5713 LUTIE ROAD, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37912, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with LUKE D. DURHAM, an Attorney whose address is 265 BROOKVIEW CENTRE WAY, SUITE 604, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 8th day of October, 2024.  
J. SCOTT GRISWOLD  
Clerk and Master

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF  
CHERYL R. MCFARLAND  
IN RE: TIMOFEY AND VITALINA  
CHEKHOUSKY  
V.  
MARGARET BELLE BARKER, GRANT  
BARKER, PIA HATFIELD, TAMARA  
SUMP, ANY UNKNOWN  
HEIRS OF CHERYL R. MCFARLAND,  
and 1804 CHARLES DRIVE,  
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37918  
NO. 209456-1**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHERYL R. MCFARLAND, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHERYL R. MCFARLAND, it is ordered that said defendant, ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHERYL R. MCFARLAND, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with SAMUEL D. STOUT, an Attorney whose address is 265 BROOKVIEW CENTRE WAY, SUITE 604, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor JOHN F. WEAVER at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in a The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 8th day of October, 2024.  
J. SCOTT GRISWOLD  
Clerk and Master

### NOTICE FOR REMOVAL OF ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR

**TO: WILLIAM "BILLY" WAYNE DAVIS, JR.  
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JANICE G.  
DAVIS, DOCKET NO. 88951-3**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause, heir Ronald Wayne Davis has filed a "Motion for Immediate Removal of Administrator William Wayne Davis Jr." with the Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee. WILLIAM "BILLY" WAYNE DAVIS, JR., whose address in the Probate Court file is incorrect, is hereby notified that the Motion is scheduled for hearing on November 14, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in the Probate Court of Knox County, Tennessee. Counsel for heir Ronald Wayne Davis is Katherine A. Young, Young Law Office, P.C.,

9041 Executive Park Drive, Suite 121, Knoxville, Tennessee and you may contact her for a copy of the Motion.  
This 18th day of October, 2024.  
This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus newspaper for two (2) consecutive weeks.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LINDA BECK  
DOCKET NUMBER 89936-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 16 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LINDA BECK, who died June 25, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 16 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF LINDA BECK  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
WILLIAM ERIC BECK  
12607 COYOTE CANYON WAY  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932  
DANIEL F. WILKINS, ATTORNEY  
7632 GLEASON DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM ALBERT BROOKE  
DOCKET NUMBER 90112-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM ALBERT BROOKE, who died Sept. 7, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM ALBERT BROOKE  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KATHRYN B. MCCARTER, EXECUTRIX  
868 HIGHLAND ROAD  
GATLINBURG, TN 37738**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RAYMOND A. BYANSKI  
DOCKET NUMBER 90095-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of RAYMOND A. BYANSKI, who died September 3, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF RAYMOND A. BYANSKI  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SUSAN C. JOHNSON  
P. O. BOX 65  
ROCKFORD, TN 37853  
JON MCMURRAY JOHNSON, ATTORNEY  
10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RUTH V. CAMPBELL  
DOCKET NUMBER 90108-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of RUTH V. CAMPBELL, who died on February 4, 2024, were issued to the referenced Personal Representative by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditors received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 16 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

(4) months from the date of first publication as described in the (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF RUTH V. CAMPBELL  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ROBERT R. CAMPBELL  
5229 HICKORY HOLLOW ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919  
DONALD J. FARINATO, ATTORNEY  
445 S. GAY STREET, SUITE 401  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SUSAN ELIZABETH GIBSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 90097-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of SUSAN ELIZABETH GIBSON, who died on August 13, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF SUSAN ELIZABETH GIBSON  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JOHNNY EUGENE GIBSON  
MATTHEW T. MCDONALD, ATTORNEY  
116 AGNES ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CARLTON MILLER HINTON  
DOCKET NUMBER 89501-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of CARLTON MILLER HINTON, who died on the 28 day of October, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF CARLTON MILLER HINTON  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KELLY HENDERSHOT  
R. SETH OAKES, ATTORNEY  
10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 201  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BARBARA JACKSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 90089-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 16 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect to the Estate of BARBARA JACKSON, who died August 13, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 16 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF BARBARA JACKSON  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JOHNNY ROBERT KING  
6009 PAMELA LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37920  
JOEL D. ROETTGER, ATTORNEY  
P. O. BOX 1990  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JAMES JUNIOR POWERS  
DOCKET NUMBER 90062-1**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration (or letters of testamentary as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JAMES JUNIOR POWERS, who died July 17, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the

## EAST TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

East Tennessee Housing Development Corporation is soliciting bids from qualified general contractors for the construction of one (1) single-family dwelling under the THDA 2024 HOME CHDO NEW CONSTRUCTION HOMEOWNER-SHIP DEVELOPMENT ROUND. Sealed bids will be received at 1510 Texas Ave., Knoxville, TN 37921 (the project site) at 12:30 p.m. EST, on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, and then opened and read aloud. Sealed bids can also be mailed or dropped off at 10414 Jackson Oaks Way, Suite 202 Knoxville, TN 37922 by 4:00 p.m. EST on Monday, November 18, 2024.

Copies of the complete New Construction Bid Packet may be obtained by contacting Todd Kennedy, Assistant Director, (865) 312-4612 or thkennedy@gmail.com. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the project site at 12:30 p.m. EST, on Friday, November 8, 2024 where New Construction Bid Packages will be available.

All bids must be submitted in compliance with the New Construction Bid Packet and Information for Bidders. All bidders must be licensed General Contractors and qualified for the type of construction being bid upon.

East Tennessee Housing Development Corporation reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or waive any informalities.

*East Tennessee Housing Development Corporation encourages minority and female owned companies to apply. East Tennessee Housing Development Corporation hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this project or in the employment practices of the Grantee on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by Federal, Tennessee State constitutional, or statutory law.*

Todd Kennedy  
Assistant Director

first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF JAMES JUNIOR POWERS  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CORTNEY STURGILL  
434 WHITAKER STREET  
TAZEWELL, TN 37879  
ADAM M. BULLOCK, ATTORNEY  
124 INDEPENDENCE LANE  
LAFOLLETTE, TN 37766**

**ESTATE OF PEDRO DANIEL AVINA SANCHEZ  
DOCKET NUMBER 90034-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of PEDRO DANIEL AVINA SANCHEZ, who died on August 14, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF PEDRO DANIEL AVINA SANCHEZ  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ERIN MICHELLE AVINA  
242 ECLIPSE LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924  
REX J. WHITE, JR., ATTORNEY  
9145 CROSS PARK DRIVE, STE. 103  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHRISTINE SAYLOR  
DOCKET NUMBER 89977-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHRISTINE SAYLOR, who died July 5, 2024, were issued to all the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claim will be forever barred:  
(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF NATHAN STEVEN TINDER  
DOCKET NUMBER 90067-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of NATHAN STEVEN TINDER, who died on May 23, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF NATHAN STEVEN TINDER  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JANET TINDER  
900 MISTY SPRINGS RD.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932  
JERRY M. MARTIN, ATTORNEY  
112 GLENLEIGH COURT, SUITE 1  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DAVID KEITH WILSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 89976-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration CTA in respect to the Estate of DAVID KEITH WILSON, who died February 12, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN  
DOCKET NUMBER 89992-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN, who died Jan. 3, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
PRISCILLA ZURKUHLEN, ADMINISTRATRIX  
4030 DOUGLAS DAM ROAD  
KODAK, TN 37904**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MICHAEL KEITH SORRELS  
DOCKET NUMBER 90079-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 11 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters of Administration, C.T.A. in respect of the Estate of MICHAEL KEITH SORRELS, who died May 11, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice To Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice To Creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 11 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF MICHAEL KEITH SORRELS  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CATHRYN P. WILSON  
6405 KENDALL ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919  
PATRICK R. MCKENRICK, ATTORNEY  
1019 ORCHID DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF NATHAN STEVEN TINDER  
DOCKET NUMBER 90067-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of NATHAN STEVEN TINDER, who died on May 23, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF NATHAN STEVEN TINDER  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JANET TINDER  
900 MISTY SPRINGS RD.  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932  
JERRY M. MARTIN, ATTORNEY  
112 GLENLEIGH COURT, SUITE 1  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DAVID KEITH WILSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 89976-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration CTA in respect to the Estate of DAVID KEITH WILSON, who died February 12, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
PRISCILLA ZURKUHLEN, ADMINISTRATRIX  
4030 DOUGLAS DAM ROAD  
KODAK, TN 37904**

that is four (4) months from the date or first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice to creditors less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date or first publication described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF DAVID KEITH WILSON  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
RENEE A. WILSON  
1532 FOOLISH PLEASURE LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931  
ROGER D. HYMAN, ATTORNEY  
P. O. BOX 26072  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JUNE LAMBE ZACHARY  
DOCKET NUMBER 90072-2**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of JUNE LAMBE ZACHARY, who died August 8, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 22 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

**ESTATE OF JUNE LAMBE ZACHARY  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JUDITH Z. FENTON  
5315 BRANDYWINE DRIVE  
LENOIR CITY, TN 37772  
M. CATHERINE WARBROD, ATTORNEY  
10805 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN  
DOCKET NUMBER 89992-3**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of DANIEL LEE ZURKUHLEN, who died Jan. 3, 2024, were issued to 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

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LINDA LOUISE BECKHAM  
DOCKET NUMBER 90114-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of LINDA LOUISE BECKHAM, who died Aug. 26, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF LINDA LOUISE BECKHAM

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
BENJAMIN A. BECKHAM, JR., ADMINISTRATOR  
5601 POSTON WAY, APT. 1221  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CECIL LOUIS BROWN, JR.  
DOCKET NUMBER 90050-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CECIL LOUIS BROWN, JR., who died July 28, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF CECIL LOUIS BROWN, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CECIL L. BROWN, III  
2105 BELCARO DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

KATHERINE A. YOUNG, ATTORNEY  
9041 EXECUTIVE PARK DRIVE, SUITE 121  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM MICHAEL BUNCH  
DOCKET NUMBER 90157-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024 letters administration in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM MICHAEL BUNCH, who died Sept. 6, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM MICHAEL BUNCH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
PAMELA B. LYNAM, ADMINISTRATRIX  
1053 TOWNS VIEW DRIVE  
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF PAULA GAIL MITCHELL  
HUCKABA BUTTREY  
DOCKET NUMBER 89721-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of PAULA GAIL MITCHELL HUCKABA BUTTREY, who died May 22, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four months from the date of the first publication described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 30 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF PAULA GAIL MITCHELL HUCKABA BUTTREY  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)

DONALD RAY BUTTREY  
12748 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 104  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

DILLON E. ZINSER, ATTORNEY  
12748 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 104  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SUSAN SLANE  
BURKETT CAMPBELL  
DOCKET NUMBER 90104-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of SUSAN SLANE BURKETT CAMPBELL, who died on August 5, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF SUSAN SLANE BURKETT CAMPBELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
MICHAEL W. BURKETT  
504 TIDE MILL ROAD  
YORKTOWN, VA 23693

DALLIS H. HOWARD, ATTORNEY  
4820 OLD KINGSTON PIKE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JANET MARIE CHESNEY  
DOCKET NUMBER 90150-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JANET MARIE CHESNEY, who died Sept. 21, 2024, were issued to 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF JANET MARIE CHESNEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KEJORIA GRIFFIN, EXECUTRIX  
2409 LOUISE AVENUE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37915

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LARRY KENT COOLEY  
DOCKET NUMBER 90084-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of LARRY KENT COOLEY, who died July 31, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF LARRY KENT COOLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DANISE COOLEY  
3400 NAVIGATOR POINT  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

WAYNE WYKOFF, ATTORNEY  
SUMNER GARLAND, ATTORNEY  
P. O. BOX 31526  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37930

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM DAVID DEARIN  
DOCKET NUMBER 90068-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM DAVID DEARIN, who died July 30, 2024, were issued to Sandra Lee Jones by the Probate Division of the Knox County 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 of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors,

if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty(60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM DAVID DEARIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SANDRA LEE JONES  
295 LAKE ROAD  
SAYLORSBURG, PA 18353

STEWART M. CRANE, ATTORNEY  
577 PICKLE ROAD  
LOUDON, TN 37774

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WANDA MARIE TARVER DUMAS  
DOCKET NUMBER 90020-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of WANDA MARIE TARVER DUMAS, who died on July 3, 2024, were issued to 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 this 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) below; otherwise, their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF WANDA MARIE TARVER DUMAS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
MICHAEL TARVER  
9533 HIDDEN OAK WAY  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

JANE KAUFMAN JONES, ATTORNEY  
8517 KINGSTON PIKE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF KENNETH M. GRESHAM, JR.  
DOCKET NUMBER 90096-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of KENNETH M. GRESHAM, JR. who died July 18, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF KENNETH M. GRESHAM, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
REBECCA ANN G. SHARPE  
5124 MALIBU  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JAMES NELSON HAGEY  
DOCKET NUMBER 90110-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JAMES NELSON HAGEY, who died August 17, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF JAMES NELSON HAGEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SEAN P. HAGEY  
28534 HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HWY.  
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10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DAGMAR CHRISTENSEN KRALL  
DOCKET NUMBER 90106-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of

OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration) in respect of the Estate of DAGMAR CHRISTENSEN KRALL, who died on April 17, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF DAGMAR CHRISTENSEN KRALL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
MARTIN D. KRALL  
2737 ED STALLINGS LANE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

T. MICHAEL CRAIG GRUBBS, ATTORNEY  
402 CLYDE STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT M. LUMLEY, SR.  
DOCKET NUMBER 90122-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT M. LUMLEY, SR., who died March 18, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 18 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF ROBERT M. LUMLEY, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
NANCY J. LUMLEY, EXECUTRIX  
975 E. EMORY ROAD, #201  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37938

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SHERYL ANN ROLAND  
DOCKET NUMBER 89922-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SHERYL ANN ROLAND, who died on December 7, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF SHERYL ANN ROLAND

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DERRICK A. ROLAND  
650 GREEN RIDGE DRIVE  
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

DALLIS H. HOWARD, ATTORNEY  
4820 OLD KINGSTON PIKE  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF VINCENT ALAN SNELL  
DOCKET NUMBER 90136-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024, Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of VINCENT ALAN SNELL, who died on the 25th day of June, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 28 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF VINCENT ALAN SNELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ROBERT DAVID SNELL

NIKOL PLESS, ATTORNEY  
416 HIGH STREET  
MARYVILLE, TN 37804

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WELLS CLAIBORNE STOUT  
DOCKET NUMBER 90147-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of WELLS CLAIBORNE STOUT, who died Nov. 2, 2023, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of this first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 25 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF WELLS CLAIBORNE STOUT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
AARON STOUT, ADMINISTRATOR  
833 VIRTUE ROAD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOHN H. THOMERSON  
DOCKET NUMBER 90116-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of JOHN H. THOMERSON, who died July 28, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, 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 of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
This the 24 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF JOHN H. THOMERSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
SHARON MOORE, CO-EXECUTOR  
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## MISC. NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**Knox County Ethics Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.  
Main Assembly Room  
City/County Building**

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Ignite Wireless is proposing to construct a 199-foot overall height monopole telecommunications structure located off Morton View Lane, Powell, Knox County, Tennessee (36° 2' 11.8" N, 84° 0' 32.4" W). The proposed tower is anticipated to utilize FAA Style E (medium intensity, dual red/white strobes) lighting.

Any interested party may request further environmental review of the proposed action under the FCC's National Environmental Policy Act rules, 47 CFR 1.1307, by notifying the FCC of the specific reasons that the action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. This request must only raise environmental concerns and can be filed online using the FCC pleadings system at [www.fcc.gov](http://www.fcc.gov) or mailed to FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554 within 30 days of the date that notice of this proposed action is published on the FCC's website. Refer to File No. A1299252 when submitting the request and to view the specific information about the proposed action. 24-002708 HJF

## NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION TO CREDITORS