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Congressman Tim Burchett celebrates winning another term with family, staff and campaign volunteers at the Knox County GOP Watch Party last Tuesday night at the Crowne Plaza.



Left: State Senator Becky Duncan Massey celebrates her victory with family, staff and volunteers. Above: The Downtown Crowne Plaza ballroom was packed with Republicans celebrating their victories on Election Night.

City voters reject at-large voting for council seats

By Mike Steely
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Knoxville voters rejected electing city council members at large Tuesday. Approximately 64,000 city voters voiced their opinion on the second referendum, defeating the idea narrowly, 51% to 49%.

City voters will select representation by district during the primary and general elections.

Had the amendment passed, qualified candidates would be chosen at large by all Knoxville voters in primaries and general elections.

Seventy-two percent of voters approved the first ballot referendum, adding District 5 in North Knoxville to the election cycle with all other city council district races. That will begin in 2029. The idea to realign the district voting comes after years of District 5 candidates appearing on the ballot during a Knoxville Mayoral election and not with other council races.

School board changes direction on clothing center

By Ken Leinart

A little more than a month after Knox County Board of Education came to a sort of understanding and/or solution regarding Knox County Schools Clothing Center operations at the Cedar Bluff auxiliary campus and the management of the facility by Knox County PTA, the board passed a resolution Monday, Nov. 4, to, in effect, rescind October's action.

In a 5-4 vote the board passed a resolution to turn over the "day-to-day" operation of the Clothing Center to the KCS Culture Department beginning Jan. 3, 2025, and require Knox County PTA to remove its "assets" from the

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Knox Republicans celebrate massive victory in Tuesday's General Election

By Ken Lay

Knox County's Republican Party had plenty of reasons to celebrate early last week.

But the biggest victory couldn't quite be celebrated until long after the festivities ended Tuesday night at the Crowne Plaza in Downtown Knoxville. The Republicans took back the White House as Donald Trump defeated Democrat Kamala Harris in a race that was decided early Wednesday morning.

In the United States House, incumbent Tim Burchett won re-election, defeating Democrat

Jane George.

Burchett, in his acceptance speech, expressed gratitude to his supporters and campaign workers.

"I've been here before and I've run in a lot of elections," he said. "It's an honor to serve you."

"I want to say big thank you to everybody in this room from the bottom of my heart. We have a great country and thank you for giving hope to our country."

Senator Marsha Blackburn (who wasn't at the Crowne Plaza Tuesday night) won re-election as she defeated a field that

included Democrat Gloria Johnson.

In the Tennessee House of Representatives, Jason Zachary (District 14), Michele Carringer (District 16), Elaine Davis (District 18), Dave Wright (who ran unopposed in District 19) and Justin Lafferty (District 89) were all re-elected for another term Tuesday.

Davis, the final speaker of the evening, said she was honored to be in Knox County's delegation in the state house.

"We were Tennessee strong and I'm so proud to be a part

of the Knox County delegation," Davis said. "I'm honored to be able to serve the people of District 18 and the people in all of Knox County."

"We knew the 18th (District) wanted to stay conservative."

Zachary implored voters to show up and cast their ballots throughout his most recent campaign and noted that he wanted to show that the county remained a conservative stronghold.

"We begged the people of Knox County to show up and vote and show that this was a

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Pay raise, appointments and honors on commission agenda

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Aside from resolutions by Commissioner Rhonda Lee to "protect the innocence of children" and observe Operation Green Light for Veterans and one from Commissioner Larsen Jay to delete use restrictions at the Forks of the River Industrial Park, the Knox County Commission will also consider various appointments and honors when it convenes in its agenda review meeting Tuesday.

Operation Green Light honors veterans and promotes the various

programs and benefits due them. The commission meets on Tuesday because today is Veterans Day.

Most of the following agenda will be placed on the consent list with the school board items to be decided with one vote. Some items will be chosen by Chairwoman Gina Oster or commission members for discussion.

Commissioner Lee is sponsoring honors for the late Officer Tucker Blakeley's service and ultimate sacrifice by placing a permanent marker at Emory Brickyard roads in Powell

and naming the bridge over Beaver Creek there in his memory.

County employees may get an additional 2% raise from an unspecified amount being added to the

budget, bringing their pay increase to 4% in a resolution offered by the county mayor.

Two dozen subdivision streets will be accepted for county maintenance.

Mayor Glenn Jacobs will name Mark Dixon to the Knox Chapman Utility District.

Commissioner Shane Jackson plans to name Ashley Williams to fill out

the term of Riley Lovin-good on the Board of Zoning Appeals and Lee will appoint Debi Stafford to the library board replacing Susan Alexander.

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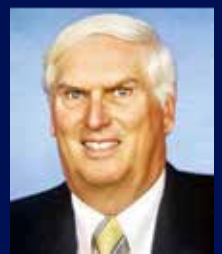
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The Four Main Issues That Gave Trump The Victory (Part One)

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr. duncanj@knoxfocus.com

There never has been a major party nominee for president like Donald Trump, and there probably never will be again.

If you had told me before Trump that either party would one day nominate a man who had major state and federal criminal cases going on against him during a campaign, and one of which he had been convicted on 34 counts, I would not have believed it.

If you had told me the same candidate had hundreds of millions in judgments in two major civil cases, handed down against him by juries, I

wouldn't have believed he could have been elected as dogcatcher, much less as president.

If you had told me that same candidate would be a man with a brash New York personality who had had several affairs and had been married three times, I would have said such a man could never win a nomination, much less an election.

I also would have found it hard to believe that the same man would be a billionaire who would become the champion of middle-income and working-class people.

Don't get me wrong. I voted for Donald Trump all three times and wanted him to win. He has been very nice to me, and I supported his policies when I was still in Congress.

My Dad told me many years ago that people forget you when you leave office, about as soon as the ripples disappear when you

throw a rock in the water.

I have been pleasantly surprised at how nice people have been to me since I left Congress because I did not expect much.

Thus, I was very surprised in October 2020 when the former political director of the White House called and said, "Congressman, President Trump talks about you more than any other former member." He said the president wanted to give me one of only 30 tickets (because of Covid) to the presidential debate, and 15 of those tickets went to members of his family.

Then last year, the same man, Brian Jack, called and said President Trump wanted to invite me and my wife to have dinner with him in Nashville.

This was a dinner with the four top people running his campaign, Tennessee's two senators, three members of Congress (Harshbarger, Fleischmann and

Rose), and their spouses. That night, Mr. Trump spent over three hours with us, after he had been traveling and speaking all day, and then at about 11:30 he called in the cooks, waiters and waitresses to pose for photos and sign autographs for them. He can be a really nice man.

I believe Donald Trump won this election because of four main things: the economy, immigration, Kamala Harris, and lawfare - using our legal system in political ways.

1) The Economy: A CNN election day poll found that 72% of the people were angry or dissatisfied with the economy. Dana Bash, with her extreme bias, tried to explain in a convoluted way that that would be good for Harris.

Then Chris Wallace, on the same panel, said that was ridiculous. He never liked Trump, but he said it would be a "miracle" if Harris won facing a

headwind like that, meaning the 72% upset with the economy. This panel was on before any polls had closed.

The economy seems to have been the main issue in almost every presidential election. Political junkies will remember the 1992 election when a young woman held up a sign at a George Bush rally that said "It's the economy, Stupid," and Bill Clinton won with just 43% of the vote.

Early in 1992, the country had a brief recession. Some economists have said you are six months into a recession before people realize it, and six months out of one before people know it. By that election, this country was already in a time of great growth, but most had not yet felt it.

2) Immigration: When Harris and her supporters tried to convince people the border was secure, everyone knew that was not true. On September

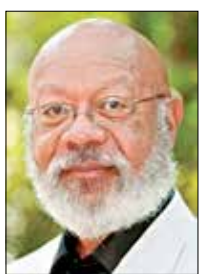
27, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency released figures showing that 13,099 non-citizen criminally convicted murderers were living in this country along with 662,566 non-citizens who had criminal histories of all types, including thousands of rapists.

CNN reported that Webb County, Texas, with a heavily Hispanic population, was carried by Trump this year after he lost it by more than 30% in 2020. Trump carried Dade County, Florida, this year after losing it by more than 30% in 2020.

In Pennsylvania, with more than half a million Puerto Ricans, Trump lost the Latino vote 57-42, but this was 30% better than he did in 2020. These and many other examples show that even Hispanic and Latino people want secure borders. (TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK)

Donald J. Trump, a grudging admiration

Congratulations to Donald Trump who may be the most remarkable politician in American history. He is detested by the political establishment - both Democrats and Republicans at



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home and abroad - precisely because he is not part of the establishment. I cannot recall another successful presidential candidate completely devoid of political experience, save Dwight Eisenhower. Trump is not beholden to the establishment. He is his own man. He was smart enough to declare himself a Republican because he knew the attempt to run as an Independent would be futile - just ask Ross Perot. He knew that a significant

amount of the electorate was sick and tired of career politicians. They were tired of being ignored. They were tired of seeing their values trashed, their religion ridiculed, government spending out of control, EV mandates, regulations that crippled initiative, boys in girls' locker rooms and on girls' teams, LBGTQ flags flying over the White House and government buildings, and all the rest of the leftist agenda foisted on us by the Biden Administration.

So when Trump announced that he was running to make America great again, millions applauded. Much to the dismay of the establishment

Republicans, he started winning primaries and quickly became the nominee. Trump does not owe anyone anything. He can set his own agenda. Trump doesn't want to rock the boat. He wants to sink it. Trump says that America is treated like a sucker abroad and he will change it. He will change unfavorable trade agreements. He will force NATO countries to pay their fair share. No wonder the Europeans don't want to see him again. He will confront China. Although there are questions about what he will do with Israel and Ukraine, one thing is for certain, he will do something. He will drive energy prices and inflation back down by drilling, fracking, liberating natural gas and junking the Green New Deal. He will rewrite Title IX and return integrity to

women's sports.

It is interesting that a billionaire can relate to everyday folk better than their haughty elected officials. Despite the fact that he is crude, profane and possibly xenophobic and racist, none of that really matters to those masses that have been trodden upon by their politicians. People know that during his time in office, those faults were immaterial to the final result. They were better off than under Biden. Trump is not playing their game. Lobbyists hate him because they have little influence over his actions. Trump is the most successful grassroots politician in American history.

Trump has withstood all the persecution, indictments and lawfare from the Department of "Justice" and assorted Democrat AGs. The "Justice" Department has tried to intimidate his close associates. Biden wants to lock him up

and has done that to some of Trump's supporters. Goodness knows that Jack Smith, Alvin Bragg, Letitia James and Fani Willis have tried. It doesn't even matter that 90% of media reporting is negative. Trump once said that if the Republican Party could purge itself of RINOS it would totally dominate politics. No wonder Mitch McConnell doesn't like him. Still, McConnell kept Merrick Garland off the Supreme Court, so I will cut him a break.

Trump's brilliance was showing the public that anti-establishment does not mean anti-rich. Even though Harris is playing the politics of envy card, the voters were not buying it. Trump's negatives actually decreased as the attacks intensified. His negatives are less now than in 2016 and 2020. Maybe that should have sent the Democrats a signal that all this vitriol was not working. Harris kept calling Trump a

fascist, a dictator, a threat to democracy and all the rest. Apparently, she was trying to scare the hell out of the voting public with her smear campaign. It did not work.

I don't like Donald Trump, but I admire his tenacity, courage and fortitude in withstanding all the abuse heaped upon him and continuing to flip his finger at the establishment both left and right, home and abroad.

Some think that the left will take to the streets and start a real insurrection rather than like January 6 which was more like a frat party than an insurrection. Was this the first-ever insurrection with cell phone selfies instead of guns? If there are protests then why does the left loot and burn down their own neighborhoods? Can't they rent a few tour buses and Ubers and go to the suburbs?



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In other agenda items, a public hearing will be held to establish 2814 Tipton Station as a Residential Infrastructure Development District. The commission will also consider a grant contract change between the Knox County Juvenile Court and the state Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for \$600,000 to continue the Safe Baby Court through 2025.

The sheriff's office is asking for approval of an agreement grant of \$548,028 with the state for the funding of mental health transportation and \$50,143 in state funding for electronic monitoring equipment for people convicted of drunk or impaired driving.

The agenda calls for an increase of \$536,789 in reimbursement for the construction of a bridge on Ball Camp Pike over

the CSX railroad and an agreement with EZ Stop Food Marts Inc. for road improvements to Schaad and Johnson roads involving installing turn lanes and a traffic signal.

The commission agenda also calls for adding funds to the Community Action Committee for housing the homeless and accepting state funds for emergency health preparedness.



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Publisher's Position

Biggest Election Loser: Mainstream Media



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mean to say, nothing was above being twisted, and outright lying by the media was acceptable. Barack Obama said we weren't ready to give up our God or our guns; Hillary Clinton called us "deplorables" and Joe Biden called us "garbage." Describing Trump as a fascist and Nazi, it's no wonder that he was targeted by two would-be assassins. Yet his opponents whined and the media howled when he hit back.

Clearly, there are enough Americans left in this country who are tired of the outrageous bias of the corporate media who haven't a clue as to what it takes for an average family or person to live. Jeff Bezos came to the realization a bit late that his reporters at The Washington Post were out of touch with reality. That has been exactly the problem for the far left in this country for the better part of a decade, but it grew increasingly worse during the administration of Joe Biden.

A majority of Americans seem to realize the corporate media think we have the collective intelligence of a herd of swine and wish us all to meekly follow whatever narrative they offer, no matter how stupid, no matter how false or silly. They truly expect to control our access to information, as they did repeatedly with Big Tech. The Left and their media counterparts squalled that they loved democracy while trying to rule Trump off the ballot. The Left and the corporate media told us for 3 1/2 years that Joe Biden

was sharp as a tack and ran circles around his staff while falling up staircases and on stage with alarming regularity. Once that lie was exposed, they labeled Biden a hero and promptly removed him politically. In his place, they nominated by fiat a candidate who didn't make it out of the Iowa caucuses four years earlier. Those democracy-loving leftists threw the candidate who got 14 million votes under the bus and backed over him for good measure in order to nominate a candidate who hadn't received the first vote or won the first delegate. The elitists who now make up the Democratic Party raised \$1 billion for Kamala Harris inside of three months, a new record. All across the country in the presidential race, the Senate and congressional races, they heavily outspent the Republicans. They had every advantage, a compliant and complicit media, money flowing from dark sources and corporate millionaires and billionaires.

The Republican Party has truly shed its image as the country club set and has become the political home to the working class and families. The once proud party of Andrew Jackson, Franklin Roosevelt, and John F. Kennedy has become the home of self-righteous, smug narcissists who are entirely too pleased with themselves. Does anyone with a brain believe Taylor Swift goes to the grocery store, much less know what baby food or milk costs? Swift is

someone who spends more on a dress than most of us spend on buying a car.

Does anyone believe George Clooney vacuums his own floors at his villa on Lake Como in Italy? Does anyone think Whoopi Goldberg knows anything about government or politics? Who in the world would take the political advice of a class of people who have forgotten where they came from and have none of the same worries of working people? Moreover, why would anyone take advice from people who disdain working families and their beliefs and values?

Their attitude toward working people was exemplified by that reporter who dismissed the concerns of the apartments taken over by illegal alien gangs by saying it was "only a few"; she never gave a thought to those who actually had to live there.

The same people who wailed about internment camps and Nazis were the very same people who stifled free speech, destroyed the lives of those who disagreed with them, and weaponized the Department of Justice. Do you suppose a majority of Americans believe the law student charged with the crime of "aggressively pointing" at a trans student should be expelled right before he graduates?

For 3 1/2 years the Left and their media satellites lied to us about the crisis at our southern border. They refused to acknowledge there was a crisis until that, too, became impossible to deny. Americans were left

beneath the flood waters as FEMA money was spent to house illegal aliens in hotels, provide them with telephones, feed them and provide them with free medical care. Were we supposed to believe the people who told us Kamala was never the Border Czar that she now wanted to secure our country's southern border? Not hardly.

While Joe Biden was proclaimed to be a transformative president, he presided over an administration of extravagant waste; we spent billions and not a single internet connect was made and all we had to show for the money was 7 charging stations for electric vehicles. The corporate media ignored it, of course.

Yet the elites in the news media are out of touch with reality and likely don't even know any regular people unless it's their maid, gardener or personal assistant. Cossetted in their own cocoon of their own private worlds, they have no idea of what it takes to live. The voters ignored them all.

The Biden administration and the corporate media were complicit in yet another huge lie that the economy was booming and there was "transitory" inflation or none at all.

Americans were tired of the squalling by too many people who hate this country and insist America is a terrible place and must be torn down and rebuilt in the image of their own false gods. They touted a world where men could breastfeed and give birth, a new utopia where equity

was the rule and diversity triumphed over merit while equality was smothered to death beneath a blanket of a new world order. Everything was to be determined by equity, gender and identity.

It was to be an America where free speech no longer existed and dissent must be stamped out at all costs. Only approved voices, those who chanted the mantra of the new world order could be and would be allowed to be heard.

Americans wanted change. Fully 70% of the American people said they believed the country was moving in the wrong direction. The only people who didn't know it were the elitists and their fellow elites in the corporate media. One of the few things Kamala actually said was that she couldn't think of a thing to change.

Yet the elites and their elitist counterparts in the corporate media were surprised they and all they stand for was rejected at the polls.

The final jury, comprised of the American people, have rendered their own verdict. They have declared the Biden - Harris administration a failure. They have also spoken as to why they hold the media in such low regard. The American people were not fooled. For those who tried to send Donald Trump to prison have instead caused him to be returned to the White House.

Welcome to the real world and God Bless America!

Republicans capture Election Day

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Knox County voters turned out in historically heavy numbers for the state and federal election last week.

The Republican Party captured Knox County with only two exceptions Tuesday. Democrat state House incumbent Sam McKenzie defeated Justin Hirst for the District 15 seat with 68% of the vote in District 15 and the unopposed state Rep. Gloria Johnson was reelected in District 90.

Johnson lost her U.S. Senate seat to incumbent Marsha Blackburn, 58% to 40%, but will return to Nashville as a state representative.

Former President Donald Trump carried Knox County with 59% of the vote to Kamala Harris' 40%.

Returning Congressman Tim Burchett defeated Jane George 62% to 38%.

Incumbent state Senator Becky Duncan Massey won with 64% of the vote over Domonica Bryan.

One of the closer races saw incumbent state Representative Elaine Davis capture her District 18 re-election bid with 54% against Bryan Goldberg, who got 46% of the vote.

District 14 incumbent Tennessee House seat holder Jason Zachary defeated Amanda Collins 65-35%. District 16 incumbent Michele Carringer took 69% against Lauren Carver in the District 16 race and District 19 incumbent Dave Wright retained his seat in an unopposed election.

State Rep. Justin Lafferty won 67% of his re-election bid over Cary Hammond in District 89.

Wreaths Across America drive now underway

The 2024 fundraising campaign for Wreaths Across America is underway.

"We have a short time to encourage people to donate to the effort of honoring ALL the veterans in our three Knoxville veteran cemeteries with a beautiful evergreen wreath," Chris Albrecht of the United Veterans Council of East Tennessee told The Focus.

"This is a grassroots effort with no state or federal funding; We are dependent on donations from individuals and corporations."

Wreaths will be placed



on National Wreaths Across America Day, Saturday, December 14 at Noon.


"Last year, we were able to honor ALL the approximately 19,000 veterans in our three veteran cemeteries for the 4th time... we won't backslide!"

The number of veterans to honor increases every

year; there are 15-20 funerals conducted at the East Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery on E. Governor John Sevier Highway per week. The goal is now somewhere over 20,000 veterans to honor and remember with a wreath. The exact number is a moving target that only goes up each year.

The cost to sponsor a wreath is \$17. Checks may be sent to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 50054, Knoxville, TN 37950. Online donations can be made at www.knoxwreaths.org.

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Council to consider more zonings and funding homeless needs

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The agenda for Tuesday's City Council meeting is much larger than in recent months and, with the number of rezoning requests to be considered, it could be a lengthy meeting.

The Knoxville Habitat for Humanity just off Western Avenue is asking to change from civic and institutional zoning to medium-density residential. The change from office to RN-4 was approved by Knoxville-Knox County Planning on consent. The 3-plus acres of land has a building that once served as a Quaker Church.

Cherokee Country Club is asking to change property at 5331 Lyons View Pike from residential, office and industrial mixed-use to OS (parks and open space).

The zone for property at 4720 West Martin Mill Pike could change from RN-1 to RN-2.

The Village at Inskip GP LLC may get \$1.44 million

in Affordable Rental Development Funds for the development of 48 rental housing units at 520 Inskip Village Way.

Other agenda items include an agreement with UT's College of Social Work for \$90,452 to support an entry system for intake, assessment and referral services for homeless people and families seeking assistance.

The same UT department may get an agreement to provide enhanced support for the Office of Homelessness. About \$2.27 million could be allocated from the American Rescue Act, Coronavirus, and state and local recovery funds to support the purchase and development of affordable housing within the city.

A resolution to change the hotel occupancy tax and the permitted uses of the proceeds from the tax will have its first reading.

Two Cumberland Avenue addresses may get permission for canopy encroachment on the street right-of-way at 2001 and 1915

Cumberland Avenue.

Bio Solutions may get a contract of \$500,000 for creek cleanup and maintenance services in a program funded by the state. The contract with Henley Roofing Company for the Dr. E.V. Davidson Community Center roof and HVAC upgrades may be upped \$16,756 for a total of \$750,056.

City: NAC Meets Wednesday

The Neighborhood Advisory Council will be meeting Wednesday, Nov. 13, from 4:30-6 p.m. in the Small Assembly Room in the City-County Building, 400 Main Street.

This meeting will hear from Housing and Neighborhood Development's Linda Rust and feature Karen McKeenan, with the City's Transportation Engineering Department and Cody Gentry, the City's Vision Zero Coordinator.

Vision Zero is a goal established by City Council to eliminate all traffic

related deaths and serious injuries on Knoxville-controlled streets by 2040. Vision Zero looks at safety from all angles – engineering, walkability, signage, law enforcement, education, and human behavior by using the Safe System approach as a framework.

All are welcome to attend. For more information or if you have questions, contact Debbie Sharp at 865-215-3232 or dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov.

The NAC members are appointed by the mayor to:

- Give advice and feedback on the programs and policies of the Office of Neighborhoods;

- Bring neighborhood issues and concerns to the attention of the Mayor and City Administration;

- Propose to the Administration responses and solutions to address these concerns; and

- Serve as a sounding board for City initiatives and proposals affecting neighborhoods.

Knox Republicans celebrate

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conservative stronghold," said Zachary, who also expressed his gratitude to Knox County Republican Party Chairman Buddy Burkhardt for his effort to mobilize the voters in the party.

"Thank you, Buddy, for getting out the vote," Zachary said.

Lafferty made it no secret that he was in a jovial mood during this acceptance speech at the watch party. But he also sounded the alarm as he told voters that the job remains undone.

"It's been a fantastic ride. Enjoy this one tonight," he said. "But it doesn't end here. The fight doesn't end tonight. It's just getting started.

Carringer vowed to continue her work in the state House.

"I want to thank my Lord and Savior since He's blessed me with the

opportunity to serve in District 16," she said. "I am honored and humbled to be here and to represent the people of District 16 and the people in all of Knoxville.

"I will work hard to keep our taxes low."

State Senator Becky Duncan Massey won another term to represent District 6. She said that being a leader in Tennessee is a team effort between her and those in the Knox County delegation of the state House of Representatives.

"It's a great night to be a Tennessean," Massey said. "We have the best delegation in Knox County. People are so jealous of the Knox County delegation because we all work so well together.

"We've got Dave Wright, Michele, Elaine, Jason and Justin Lafferty and we all work so well together."

School board changes direction on clothing center

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Cedar Bluff facility by Dec. 30 of this year.

That does not mean, however, that Knox County PTA will no longer be a part of, or even the managing entity of, KCS Clothing Center.

KCS Social Work Department will take over Clothing Center operations during the transition period for the final two months of 2024.

The resolution was presented by 9th District's Kristi Kristy, who said when asked to introduce the resolution, "I think the resolution speaks for itself."

There are a couple of factors that led to Monday night's call for a decision on the future of the clothing center, but KCS Superintendent Jon Rysewyk said it was important not to lose sight of the objective of what was before the board.

"I just want to make it clear, this is extremely important work," Rysewyk said of the clothing center. "The goal of our staff is twofold: To serve the most kids that we can and to serve them most efficiently as we can.

"What we don't need is for kids going through those things to be waiting."

Rysewyk said the resolution does not eliminate Knox County PTA from taking part in the Clothing Center. What it does is buy time to make the process work

more efficiently

"It allows for an open process for the best possible (solution) ... If that means it's people we have now or that means somebody else. My job is to make sure our kids are getting the best things.

"This doesn't eliminate, this resolution, an organization – the PTA I would assume would apply and be part of that – it gives them more time and any other organization, and there may not be another organization ... That will be part of that. But it gives everyone more time to put those proposals together," he said.

He said the ultimate goal is to make the best decision for students.

"It may be the PTA Clothing Center board, and that would be great," Rysewyk said.

"I don't want to lose track of the fact that we want to make sure we're serving the kids. That's our number one thing despite all the other feelings and all the other conversations."

During the October board meeting, concerns were voiced about the clothing center because it was not open at the time.

Sylvia Woods of the Knox County PTA Board told the KCS school board that since the move from the North Central venue to the Cedar Bluff auxiliary campus in June – agreed upon by the PTA's former board – PTA volunteers did not have full access to

the campus building or KCS computers since they were not KCS employees.

Also, all work at the clothing center was being done by volunteers because the two employees budgeted by KCS never materialized. That brought up the topic of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) because the two employees would be KCS employees under the direction of the Knox County PTA Board. At the close of the October meeting, a solution was found to allow PTA volunteers access to clothing orders on the KCS computer system and it was agreed the PTA Board would provide an MOU for the KCS Board to discuss at its December meeting.

The Clothing Center has filled 59 orders since Oct. 16.

PTA Clothing Center volunteer Cary Hammond addressed the board Monday.

"We've all heard the saying, 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it.' For nearly 100 years we have successfully and efficiently served thousands of children in Knox County and what this resolution is proposing is to start from scratch with no plans to provide for students in the interim," Hammond said. "This is not how the Volunteer State should care for its children."

Hammond made the remark before Rysewyk noted the KCS Social Work Department was "capable of" handling clothing

center duties during the transition period.

Another volunteer, Susan Hager, said there had been a suggestion the PTA Clothing Center had not been able to fill some orders for students. That was because the location on North Central Avenue was hard for some parents to go to, or so she was led to understand.

"We had a 95-percent success rate with parents who came into the facility," she said. "Then there was a rush to move to the current model of shipping clothing to the people who were not able to make it to the center."

She also said, "For decades there was a Knox County employee with a Knox County supervisor, but who worked under the direction of the Clothing Center PTA Board. What changed and why?"

Monday night Woods told the KCS Board the PTA Board had had "road blocks" put in its path since the move to the Cedar Bluff site.

"Previous officers made a decision (to move) without the approval of the membership," Woods said. She added the PTA Board has been "met by roadblocks all along the way. We don't understand now why all of a sudden we can't do the job we've been doing and know how to do. Especially since you told us the staff was going to be paid for ... If we had

known early enough we would have raised money (for staff), but we can't raise money when we don't know. We've not been told the truth."

The failure to uphold a promise seemed to be the reason for the four KCS board members who voted "no" on the resolution.

"I asked myself why did it become a problem?" 1st District's Rev. John Butler asked. He said the older clothing center was "at a place with a bus line and more accessible" and there was something nice about "having kids pick out their own clothes, having the parents involved."

He said he understood an agreement had been reached in October concerning the clothing center and the MOU.

"A discussion was had and an agreement was made. What changed for us to be at this resolution stage?"

"We have an organization that has had a commitment made to them and they have been trying to carry their commitment out," Butler said "Two employees (were) promised to them. If they had those two employees promised to them we may not have the problems and concerns we're having right now."

The four voting against the resolution were Butler, 2nd District's Anne Templeton, 3rd District's Patricia Fontenot-Ripley, and 4th District's Katherine Bike.

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The Doctor is in
a weekly column by
Dr. Jim Ferguson

Consequences

🎵 To God be the glory,
great things He hath done...
Fanny Crosby

In the 14 years I've been writing for The Focus, I've never discarded an essay and started over. I often write on my iPhone because it's always with me, and polishing an essay is easier and more enjoyable than the original draft. But there are dangers. Once, while traveling with an essay due, I inadvertently hit the delete button on an old "notes" program and lost an entire essay. Reconstructing that column was not fun.

I started this essay on November 4, the eve of America's election Armageddon, because I needed a distraction. Like everyone with any awareness, I was anxious because the fate of our nation hung in the

balance. And on Election Day, because schools were closed, Becky and I were actually relieved to be distracted following our grandkids from roller coaster to roller coaster at Dollywood.

Repeatedly, I have asked myself why I care so much about the country. No matter who won this election, I would be OK. I am a Christian and believe the events of this reality are but a prelude to the next. And I believe that the progressive socialists who have taken over the Democrat Party cannot complete their destruction of the country before it's my time to, as Shakespeare said, "shuffle off this mortal coil."

My passion is for the sake of my children and especially my grandchildren's future. And so, like President Trump, I "fight, fight, fight," using the talents afforded me. I write

and Becky registers voters, getting them to early voting. Along with prayer, it's what we can do.

Millions of Americans felt similarly because President Trump was elected in a landslide, the conservative Senate majority was increased and at this posting, it looks like the House of Representatives will remain Republican. Those labeled as deplorables by Hillary Clinton, bitter clingers to our guns and religion by Obama, Nazis by Kamala and garbage by Biden decided that they had had enough. The Democrats and the legacy media (ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN, NYT, Washington Post) are so out of touch with American citizens that they believed their pollsters and now they all look like fools. So, we are done with Comrade Kamala and mincing Tim. And it is the final nail in the coffin for the legacy media, who most ignore.

Although I don't know Harold Ford Jr., he seems like a nice guy on TV, so I prefer him to many liberal Democrats. As the post mortem of the Democrat Party's disaster begins, I was intrigued when the ever polite Mr. Ford appealed to Republican TV panel members to be good winners.

Yes, taunting losers is inappropriate, though

Obama infamously told Congressman Paul Ryan, "Elections have consequences." So I thought, has Pelosi or Schumer ever been anything but ruthless? Can the dehumanization of Trump by Democrats and the legacy media's vilification of MAGA supporters with Nazi epithets be excused and forgotten? No, Mr. Ford, this pattern of abuse can't be overlooked. There are consequences for unjust lawfare, repeated baseless impeachments, vile vituperation, politically motivated tech industry attacks on conservatives and the utter policy failures of your Democrat party which have hurt so many. Instead of asking for forgiveness, you should complete the autopsy of your failed presidential candidate and the party leaders who deposed Biden. And I laugh when the Obamas and Clintons ask for post-election grace. I offer them nothing but scorn, a coup de grâce (finishing blow) and the exit.

There is Biblical guidance for Mr. Ford's request. The ancient prophet Micah quotes God in chapter 6 verse 8 saying, we are "to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with God." And I believe there is an order to God's commands.

The ancients believed

that a culture could be founded on what we now refer to as the Cardinal Virtues. These are common sense, courage, justice and moderation. A virtue is a worthy or admirable quality and justice is the application of fairness. I believe once justice has been rendered, mercy can be extended to the vanquished, but not before. Therefore Mr. Ford, when the 51 intelligent agents who lied to the American people about the Hunter Biden laptop have been punished, when lawfare is ended and when confused children have been protected from the ghoulish medical trans-industry and drag queens, and when women are protected from men in their locker rooms and sport, then mercy can be extended.

The morning glories outside my study window are cheerful as a new day dawns with the hope for a resurgent America. The stock market reflects President Trump's promise of a new golden era. Celebrity actors and late-night comedians have been exposed as useless props and empty facades. The world just seems brighter and more hopeful with President Trump winning the popular vote and swamping the electoral

college. I can even see my friends smiling brightly through their text messages and emails.

Unlike Hollyweirds who threatened to leave the United States if Trump was elected and are again shown to be all talk and no walk, I had seriously thought about ending this column. But after lengthy discussions with Becky, many trusted friends and Mr. Hunley, President Trump's victory has compelled me to continue.

Billy Graham advised memorizing scripture, and I find verses reassuring in troubled times. Especially meaningful for me are Paul's words in 2 Timothy 4:7. The Apostle was under house arrest in Rome awaiting trial/audience before Caesar. Paul sensed that this would not go well for him. As a result, he focused on training his protégé, Timothy, to take over his work when he was gone.

I have modified Paul's scripture to the future tense and claim it as my own. "I will fight the good fight, I will finish the race, I will keep the faith." Join me and the real Rocky Balboa, President Trump, and let us together Make America Great Again.

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

10th Annual Rocky Hill Christmas Parade & Festival returns December 7

Knoxville's holiday event of the season, the Annual Rocky Hill Christmas Parade & Festival, returns for its 10th year, ready to bring the holiday spirit on Saturday, December 7, 2024. This year's celebration promises to be the biggest yet, lighting up the season with an exciting mix of live music, interactive elements, the infamous parade, and more!

The festivities kick off at 3:30 p.m. at Rocky Hill Center, featuring a holiday market with local artisans and a variety of food trucks. Attendees can enjoy activities like face painting, photo booths, kids' crafts, and even a storytime reading by the Grinch!

Live music will start at 4 p.m. with an incredible lineup, including performances by Tinca Tinca and Josiah and the Greater Good.

At 6 p.m., the much-anticipated parade will begin, showcasing incredible floats, local marching bands, community groups, and Santa Claus himself. Santa will also lead a festive tree lighting



Merry-makers wave from a float at a previous Rocky Hill Christmas Parade.

immediately following the parade—a time the kids won't want to miss!

Admission to the Rocky Hill Christmas Parade and Festival is free. Get there early, parking fills up fast.

The Parade begins at the Rocky Hill Ballpark, continues past Rocky Hill Elementary, travels down Morrell, and turns onto Northshore, concluding at Rocky Hill Baptist Church.

Want to be in the Gibbs Christmas Parade?

By Mike Steely
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The Gibbs Ruritan Club is inviting groups to take part in the 14th Annual Gibbs Christmas Parade on Sunday, December 1. The club is looking for teams, clubs, church groups, cars, trucks, tractors, horses and floats to get involved.

The parade starts at 2:30 p.m. at Gibbs High School and ends at the Cedar Springs Baptist Church parking lot. The lineup is at 1:45 that afternoon and the entry fee is canned food or cash donations for the Corryton Food Pantry.

Those interested can register online at gibbsruritanclub.org. More information is available by contacting Larry Dougherty at (865)898-3532 or Eddie Jones at (865) 789-4681 or emailing gibbschristmasparade@gmail.com.

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Thank Goodness

Thank goodness the 2024 election is finally over. Many people are celebrating the triumph of their favorite candidate. Others are in a grumpier mood because the person they



By Joe Rector
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backed lost. I personally am just glad the whole thing is over. The hope is that those millions who cast ballots learned some lessons to carry with them in the future.

Whether candidates won or lost is important, but more important is the fact that the democratic process once again worked. Americans participate by voting, the most sacred thing to citizens. Yes, the Electoral College is a bit outdated, but the key to picking our leaders is based on one person, one vote. Our precious right to cast a ballot must always be protected.

My hope is that folks learn that who a person supports for an office is not the defining thing to friendships. It's nobody's business who a person supports, but it's important that every individual who is eligible to vote does so. What friends do is make their choices, and sometimes they even debate about them. However, in the end, a true friendship always exists after the winners are announced. Letting such a special relationship die is a sin; each of us has few true friends, and we should fight with all our might to keep them. We've all heard stories of family members separating over politics. Elections come and go, but family members and true friends are the foundations on which we build our lives. The race is over, and if any of us has had a falling out with a special person, the time is now to make apologies and restore that tie.

Plenty of unkind things

have been said during this campaign season. Both sides of an election can be surprisingly cruel. Ads are thrown on screens, and they tell the worst about a candidate,

whether it's true or not. I haven't figured out when it became all right to viciously attack a competitor, but I don't like it.

Let's hope that the winners are gracious, and the losers are humble. This election is over, and our lives go on. Precious little time on this planet is granted to any person; our goals should be to do good for others and to increase our love for friends, family, and strangers.

The goal for every person should be to simply get along with others. We can have arguments or disagreements, but that doesn't mean our relationships should end. After previous elections, I've known folks who ended friendships or who no longer talk to brothers, sisters, or even parents. I'm amazed at how petty we all can be at times. If we aren't happy with those in office, then the best thing to do is vote them out the next cycle. Get rid of the politicians with whom you disagree, but hold on tightly to the few family members and friends that you have. They are the people who care for you and who will be there in the end.

I say congratulations to those whose candidates won in local, state, and federal elections. Can't we talk about something that most of us can agree on? Yes, we should join forces and cheer on the Vols in the campaigns to win championships. Younger folks can also swap stories about their toddlers' clever stunts and actions. To put it simply, let's all get along for a change.

Being Under Oath Does Not Make People Tell the Truth

By Jediah McKeenan

Sometimes I end up representing clients who are very nice, honest, and have a completely naïve view of the world.

I will say something to them like, "How are we going to prove that he took the guns out of the safe and hid them somewhere else?" And they will say, "He will be under oath, he will have to tell the truth!"

While I appreciate the thought that people respect the legal system and being under oath that much, unfortunately, that has not been my personal experience as a lawyer.

Ninety-nine times out of one hundred, being under oath does not prevent people from telling their story in whatever way they believe benefits them the most, even if that includes lying.

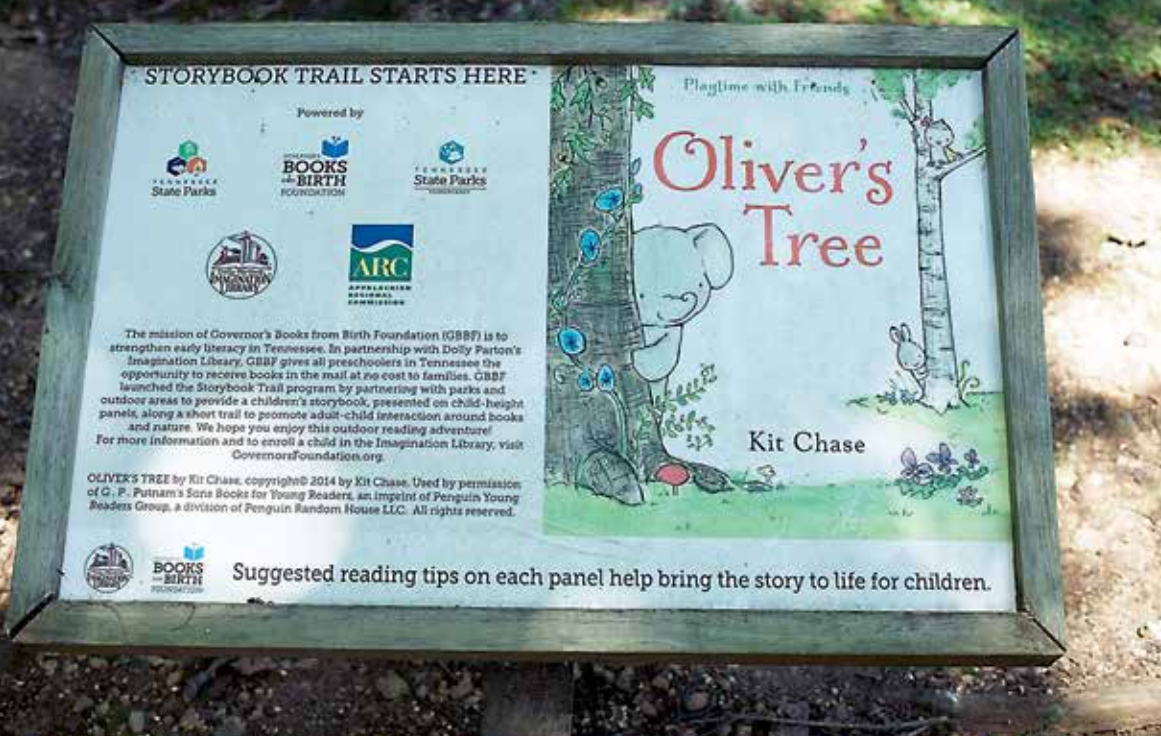
Sadly, I have found that the only real way to absolutely prove something has happened at trial is

by having written, video or audio proof of statements made, or actions taken.

If you have additional witnesses who can testify about something, that is helpful, but if you only have your testimony that something happened, and the other side is going to tell a completely different story, the judge or jury has to make their decision based completely on the credibility of those two witnesses.

So if you are in a situation that you believe may end up in a courtroom, your best strategy is to start recording conversations, screenshotting text messages, saving emails, and videoing inappropriate behavior. You cannot simply rely on the oath given to witnesses before they testify to ensure that the truth is told.

Visit attorney-knoxville.com for more information about this legal issue and other legal issues.



Norris Dam State Park's Storybook Trail is open and like other such trails children and adults can enjoy a hike and read a book at various points on the hike.

Revisiting the Storybook Trails

A Day Away



By Mike Steely

A few years ago, my wife and I discovered the Storybook Trails while visiting the Davy Crockett Birthplace State Park east of Greeneville. It was a surprise and we walked the

trail, stopping now and then to read the children's book, and enjoyed the scenery and the hike.

That park is still closed because of the flooding of the Nolichucky River there which, more or less, destroyed it. We tend to favor the state parks because, in most cases, you can camp or rent lodging there.

Since then, we've visited other Storybook Trails in state parks, cities and elsewhere. More recently we noticed the final opening of the Norris Dam State Park trail after a year or so

of planning. The featured book is "Oliver's Trail" by Kit Chase and the trail begins at the ranger's station on the east side of the dam. It follows along the bank of the lake with book chapters posted here and there and loops back to the beginning.

Parking is available at the little office, where there are public bathrooms and a great overlook of the historic dam. Cabin rentals and camping spots are available uphill from the parking lot or further west in the "new" camping area, with full hookups and lots

of space. The park on the east end also has a great hiking trail below the dam along the Clinch River.

Also on the east side of the dam is the free Lenoir Museum, a restaurant, and a beautiful water mill and barn. The museum offers special programs now and then including making traditional beeswax pillar candles on Friday, November 23, at 11 a.m. The class costs \$12 per person.

Tennessee Parks began storybook trails in 2016 at Long Hunter State Park and the trails are part of the Governor's Early Literacy Foundation.

Other state parks in our area with Storybook Trails include Pickett State Park near Jamestown, Cove Lake State Park near Caryville and Jacksboro, Cumberland Mountain State Park near Crossville, and Frozen Head State Park near Wartburg.

There are more than two dozen state parks in Tennessee with Storybook Trails. You can find lots of information about the trails on the internet.

If you visit the parks with Storybook Trails you may want to take in some of the other free attractions along the way or nearby. If you're planning on the Norris Dam trail, you might want to double back to Knoxville by taking the road across the dam and traveling to Rocky Top, formerly Lake City, and take in the Coal Creek Miners Museum.



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The Gentleman From Ohio

Martin L. Sweeney

Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill
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Martin L. Sweeney may not have served as long as many of his colleagues in the House of Representatives, but folks knew he was there when he was a member. For twelve years, Sweeney represented a district in Cleveland, Ohio. Some viewed Martin Sweeney as "a dour, bitter-spoken individual." It seems fairly certain Sweeney was not especially well-liked by his colleagues and once was the loser in a fistfight with a fellow congressman. There was no doubt Sweeney was plain-spoken and, as the Cincinnati Enquirer once noted, "one of the outstanding individualists in Congress."

A man of great determination, Martin Leonard Sweeney began working at 12 to support himself while attending St. Bridget's Parochial School. That same work ethic helped him through both college and law school, working as a construction worker and longshoreman at various times. Even before he had graduated from the Cleveland Law School, he won a seat in the Ohio House of Representatives in 1912, serving one term. Sweeney passed the bar exam and was admitted to practice law in 1914.

In 1923, Martin L. Sweeney was a municipal judge in Cleveland. As outspoken as he was determined, Sweeney did not hesitate to have his say about prohibition while serving on the bench. Judge Sweeney was strongly opposed to prohibition. During the 1932 Democratic National Convention, Sweeney attended as a delegate pledged to the candidate who was most strongly against prohibition: former New York governor and 1928 Democratic presidential nominee Al Smith. Once at the convention, Sweeney switched to support Franklin D. Roosevelt, which caused a break with his patron, Burr Gongwer, the Democratic boss of Cuyahoga County.

Gongwer, the chairman of Cuyahoga County's Democratic Party, had helped Martin Sweeney get elected to Congress when Sweeney won a 1931 special election after Congressman Charles Mooney died. Sweeney represented an overwhelmingly Democratic district in the House of Representatives. Eventually, Sweeney managed to repair his working relationship with Burr Gongwer, if not their former friendship. Gongwer was overthrown as party chairman by Ray Miller, who promptly sponsored Michael Feighan against Congressman Sweeney in the 1940 Democratic

primary.

Once in Washington, D.C., Martin Sweeney did not endear himself to many of his colleagues when during a debate on the subject of prohibition he scolded them and told them they were "behaving like a lot of old women" as far as that issue was concerned. Nor did Sweeney parse out his language. The congressman called the prohibition law "a crazy law, enacted by fanatics, impossible to enforce ..." Although he had vocally disagreed with the law, he adhered to it while sitting as a judge, fining those bootleggers who appeared before him and were found guilty. Sweeney's opposition to prohibition was the centerpiece of his campaign for the House of Representatives in the 1931 special election, as the candidate ran on a platform of repealing the Eighteenth Amendment. Evidently, most of his constituents agreed with his assessment of prohibition as Sweeney won overwhelmingly. Safely reelected to the House in 1932, Sweeney ran for mayor of Cleveland against Ray Miller and lost the primary in 1933.

When Britain's reigning monarchs, King George VI and his queen, visited the United States and the British Embassy held a reception, it became the social event of the season in 1939. Yet Martin L. Sweeney denounced the monarchs while they were visiting, which even many who shared Sweeney's dislike of the British Empire thought needless and rude.

Deeply angry about the arrest of Sean Russell, chief of staff of the Irish Republican Army, Congressman Martin L. Sweeney was one of 75 members of the House of Representatives who were both of Irish heritage and enraged about Russell's being taken into custody. Even though Russell had been released on bond and ordered to report for a hearing, some threatened to boycott the reception for King George and Queen Mary. Martin Sweeney went a step further, sending a telegram to the British monarch reminding the king that Great Britain still owed the United States \$5.5 billion in war debts from the First World War. Congressman Sweeney read his telegram to King George to his colleagues in the House, which included asking, ". . . do you not think it is the decent thing to give some consideration to the obligation you owe the United States of America, whose assistance in the last World War made possible the continuance of Your Majesty's



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Congressman Martin L. Sweeney of Ohio striking a pose circa 1937.

government as a world power." Sweeney's reading of his telegram to the king was roundly applauded on the Republican side of the aisle.

Martin Sweeney's opinions of Great Britain were not markedly different from many of his fellow lawmakers whose parents and grandparents hailed from Ireland. As president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Sweeney was more than accustomed to making rabidly anti-British speeches. Yet when the House of Representatives was asking President Roosevelt to extend the condolences of the House to the people of Britain when King George V died, Sweeney came barreling out of the cloakroom screaming for the speaker's attention. Joseph Byrns of Tennessee ignored him, called for a voice vote and gavelled through the resolution as having passed.

Congressman Sweeney, with a true Irishman's hatred for Great Britain, sat down on the floor next to Representative Beverly M. Vincent of Kentucky. Vincent bluntly told Sweeney he wished the congressman from Ohio would sit elsewhere. When the Ohio congressman took umbrage, Vincent barked Sweeney was a "traitor" and "a son-of-a-bitch." That caused Sweeney to take a swing. With "obvious satisfaction," Vincent "planted a good hard right" which "staggered and silenced" Sweeney. An "ancient" doorkeeper chuckled it was one of the most satisfying punches ever thrown during his time as an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Congressman Martin Sweeney's fierce opposition to American intervention was attributed to his hatred for the British. Sweeney's isolationism was hardly less pronounced after the Japanese had attacked Pearl Harbor. Neither President Roosevelt nor the Democratic high command appreciated those fellow Democrats who questioned the conduct of the

war. Things were not going well for the Allied forces during 1942, as American, British and Russian forces seemed to experience setback after setback. The Japanese gobbled up territory in the Far East while Hitler's legions seemed unstoppable in the West. Congressman Sweeney was quite open with his criticisms of the British in particular and it was no secret the New Dealers very much would like to see him removed from the House of Representatives. So, too, did the daily newspapers decide to rid Cleveland of Martin Sweeney from the halls of Congress. Louis Seltzer, editor of the Cleveland Press thought Sweeney an embarrassment to the city and state and began a crusade to beat the congressman. The Plain Dealer and the News joined in, pounding Sweeney's record in Congress.

Ray Miller sponsored Michael Feighan's candidacy yet again in the 1942 Democratic primary. To the surprise of no one, Feighan ran as an all-out supporter of President Roosevelt and on a platform of winning the war and support for America's allies. Congressman Sweeney and challenger Michael Feighan waged what one local newspaper referred to as a "torrid" fight inside the Democratic primary. Feighan charged Sweeney with being the "leader of isolationism in northern Ohio and always a welcomed speaker at local German-American bund gatherings." Sweeney, incensed, retorted, "If I was connected with Nazi propaganda, take me to jail and indict me. Then prove the charge. That's the American way."

Many Americans bitterly resented Sweeney's attitude with the war not going well for the Allies and Michael Feighan beat Congressman Martin Sweeney handily. Several other prominent Democrats openly endorsed Feighan over Sweeney, including Cleveland Mayor Frank J.

Lausche. Sweeney lost by an almost two-to-one margin but was unrepentant, saying, "They attacked my record in Congress because I refused to vote for measures which, I was sure, would involve the United States in foreign wars. I prefer to let time and history vindicate my position." On a more bitter note, Sweeney blamed his loss on "a combination of newspapers, Communists and misguided persons."

There were other members of Ohio's congressional delegation labeled as "isolationists" who were not defeated. In fact, no less than fifteen members of Ohio's congressional delegation were identified as isolationists by the New Republic and press lord Henry Luce, whose TIME magazine was the premier news magazine of its day and read each week by millions of Americans. Luce was an ardent internationalist, and his publications were caustic critics of those who were non-interventionists. Martin L. Sweeney was the only Member of Congress from Ohio to lose his primary campaign who had opposed many of the Roosevelt Administration's defense policies prior to the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese. The failure to oust other pre-Pearl Harbor isolationists from Congress caused the Dayton Herald to state the "Pre-War Isolationist Issue Smashed. . ." with all incumbents renominated except for Martin Sweeney.

Martin L. Sweeney was not done with politics and whether it was motivated by revenge, or because he genuinely believed he could win, the former congressman ran for mayor of Cleveland in 1943 and lost to Frank Lausche. The following year Sweeney waged a quixotic bid for the Democratic nomination for governor. The hugely popular incumbent, Republican John W. Bricker, was the GOP vice-presidential nominee and not running again. The front-runner for the Democratic nod was Sweeney's

political nemesis and mayor of Cleveland, Frank J. Lausche. Six candidates competed for the nomination, but the momentum was heavily weighted toward Lausche. While Martin Sweeney ran second, he was more than 115,000 votes behind Mayor Lausche. Still, the powers that be in Ohio were stunned by Martin Sweeney's second-place finish.

The loss of the Democratic nomination for governor was hardly the last card Martin Sweeney had up his sleeve. The former congressman announced he had joined the "American Democratic National Committee," which was an anti-Roosevelt group composed of defecting Democrats. Sweeney was supporting the GOP ticket of Thomas E. Dewey and John W. Bricker. "We feel that rural Ohio is already solidly Republican," Sweeney told a reporter. "A great number of Jefferson Democrats" would likely join the movement in Ohio. "When Browder and Hillman (a Communist and labor leader, respectively) crawl into the Democratic party, it is time for Jeffersonian democrats to walk out," Sweeney said.

FDR lost Ohio to Dewey and Bricker, largely because of John Bricker's personal popularity in the Buckeye State. Without Bricker on the ticket four years later, Dewey lost it to Harry Truman.

Martin Sweeney's last political race was a non-partisan race in a special election to fill a seat on the Ohio State Supreme Court. The former congressman polled only 9,440 votes, while the winner, Henry A. Middleton, garnered more than 282,000. It was then Sweeney realized politics was done with him.

Sweeney contented himself to return to his law practice with his son, Robert. The fiery former congressman remained active until the end of his life. With his final defeat for elective office and failing to gain a seat on the Ohio State Supreme Court, Martin Sweeney settled down into a law practice with his son Robert. On Sunday morning, May 1, 1960, Marie Sweeney went upstairs to wake her husband to start getting ready to go to church. Mrs. Sweeney discovered her husband wasn't breathing and had died sometime during the night.

Robert Sweeney followed his father onto the bench as a municipal judge in Cleveland and into the U.S. House of Representatives, serving a term as congressman-at-large from 1965-1967. Sweeney was a strong supporter of President Lyndon Johnson's program during his two years in Congress. His father's law partner until Martin Sweeney's death, Bob Sweeney became a millionaire due to his asbestos lawsuits, after having found evidence of the manufacturers knowing it was dangerous and allegedly hiding it. Father of thirteen children with his first wife, Robert Sweeney died June 30, 2007.

A brood of snakes

By Mark Brackney
Arlington Church of Christ

In Matthew 12, Jesus is accused of breaking the Sabbath because he and his disciples ate grain they had picked on the Sabbath, thus they were reaping. Reaping was not permitted on the Sabbath. And then Jesus healed a man with a shriveled hand on the Sabbath. The only provision for healing on the Sabbath was if someone was in a situation of death and needed help, or a woman needed assistance in childbirth. But Jesus healed this man anyway, restoring his health and place in society. Jesus made his authority clearly known to these religious leaders. He was Lord of the Sabbath, and the long list of Sabbath rules was not going to keep him from showing love and compassion to those who needed it, be it filling an empty belly or restoring someone's health. The pharisaical Scribes were using the Sabbath laws against people, instead of using it to bless people and for them to experience true rest - Shabbat (rest) and Nuakh (dwell/settle) - resting and dwelling with God. So, in chapter 12, Jesus is first accused of being a lawbreaker. Next, Jesus

is going to be accused of being in league with the devil due to the miracles he is doing of healing sickness and driving out demons. This is character assassination and intended to destroy Jesus' credibility in the eyes of a God-fearing public. It is also extremely serious because according to the Jewish Mishnah, sorcery was a capital offense. Jesus is a true threat to their power structure because people are following him instead of following them. You can't go around claiming the one true way to God without upsetting the people who claim to be experts on exactly that thing. Jesus told the Pharisees, "You brood of vipers! How can you speak good, when you are evil? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks", (Matthew 12:34). The words we use are powerful. They can lift others up or bring others down. Jesus went on and said: "But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken. For by your words, you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned" (Matthew 12:36-37). James will call the tongue a restless untamable evil (James

3:5-8). Words can do good or evil. They reveal what is inside us. Sometimes my tongue has gotten me in trouble. My words have hurt others before. I am sad about that and have asked for forgiveness when that has happened. And when that happens, it is usually because my soul was not at rest. I was angry or upset and words fired out of that place where my heart was not at peace, for the mouth speaks from the overflow of the heart.

When we open our mouths and say things we shouldn't, we might say things like: "I didn't mean that. I was just upset." Well, those words came from somewhere. How do you talk about others when they are not around? Do you talk about them in a negative way, or with kindness and compassion? Maybe you don't gossip, but do you use your words in a positive way. Sarcasm and joking have a place here and there, but many times it is not appropriate and hurtful. Think about how often you use the power of your words to lift

others up or tear others down. Your words carry profound weight.

Here is a danger with social media. You throw out dehumanizing words, attack words, divisive words, condemning words and act as if it just happened in cyberspace and no one takes responsibility for them. Jesus wants to transform us to speak from the overflow of our hearts, but that overflow comes from an abundance of kindness, compassion, mercy, encouragement, restoration, humility, and sincerity.

Tennessee Artist's Association meets next Tuesday

The Tennessee Artist's Association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 19th at 7:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 6500 Northshore Dr., Knoxville. This meeting is free and open to anyone interested in the arts in East Tennessee. Refreshments will be served.

The program will feature artist Gayla Seale, a self-taught artist originally from Bristol, TN. Her primary medium is watercolor, and favored subjects include cityscapes, architectural elements and

patterns. She teaches individual and small group classes in watercolor and zentangle (pattern drawing for mindfulness) in her studio and gallery at the Emporium Center in downtown Knoxville, TN. Her presentation will explore creativity; variations on a theme. You can find more about Gayla Seale at her website, www.gayladsealeartist.com.


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Unsung Heroes deserve a moment in the spotlight

By Steve Williams

We call them "Unsung Heroes" and like to recognize them every season. He's a player who may or may not be a starter, but gives his all in every practice and every game. He's a player who is willing to sacrifice and play any position to make his team better. He's a player all teammates and coaches respect and admire because he's a team guy first and foremost. Most likely, his name has not been in a headline this season or announced on radio or TV. But he has stood out repeatedly in the background. Six coaches in Knox County have turned in a player from their team they feel has been an Unsung Hero in the 2024 season. Congratulations to the following!

TREY FOSTER
Gibbs High School
Senior Hback and DB

"Trey has been a part of Gibbs football and the Gibbs community for a long time. Trey plays on every special team. He works very hard and shows up every day ready to work. He is always willing to help off the field and also willing to do whatever he can to help the football team

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Trey Foster of Gibbs High School

TSSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS Rams come back to edge Northpoint Christian in postseason thriller

By Ken Lay

For the first time since 2019, Grace Christian Academy has won a postseason football game in the Division II-AA playoffs. The victory, however, didn't come easily for the Rams as they had to make a pair of fourth-down, fourth-quarter stops and score a pair of unanswered touchdowns to come from behind and notch a 35-28 victory over Northpoint Christian School before a packed and spirited house at the Jerry Disney Family Sports Complex.

Grace Christian (9-2) didn't lead in the second half until late in the

final frame when senior quarterback Weston Edmonson connected with junior wide receiver Blake Perkey on a 41-yard touchdown pass with 3:36 left. The go-ahead touchdown came after Grace's defense stopped the Trojans, who hail from the Memphis suburb of Southaven, Mississippi, on fourth down from the Rams' 23-yard line. Grace stuffed Northpoint running back Damontae Dillard on a screen pass that gained three yards on a fourth-and-long play.

After Grace scored what turned out to be the

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TSSAA GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Wow! Knox girls dominate II-AA state meet

By Steve Williams

Knoxville girls showed their supremacy Thursday in Tennessee high school cross country's Division II Class AA.

Topped by Webb's Garmer twins going 1-2, the Lady Spartans made it 1-2-3 with Carolina Areheart's third place finish.

And including the Catholic girls, Knoxville had nine runners in the top 21. Calysta Garmer, a junior, took first place with a time of 17:46.55 over the Sanders Ferry Park 5,000-meter course in Hendersonville. Her sister Jazzlyn ran a 17:53.37. Areheart was clocked in 17:57.36.

Behind the Big Three were Catholic freshman Drew Gerken in eighth place at 19:03.62, followed freshman teammate Livi Ray in ninth place.

Also earning All-State honors by placing in Top 15 were Webb sophomore

Emma Cissna in 12th, Catholic freshman Caitlin Daniels in 14th and Webb sophomore Ariana Vargas in 15th.

Webb senior Kristina Weaver came in 21st place and Catholic junior Brianna Cisneros in 30th.

Webb won the team championship with a 33 score. Catholic (109) placed third.

In Class A-AA, Ava Moody of Anderson County won the state title. The Region 2 champion posted a time of 18:17.36 at the state meet.

Carter freshman Mae Anderson, who was Knox County's top state qualifier in A-AA, placed 59th in the field of 241 runners. Her time was 21:46.12.

Signal Mountain took the team title, while Alcoa was sixth and AC 10th. South-Doyle finished 26th in the field of 30 teams and was led by senior Gabby Hernandez.

In Class AAA girls, Claire

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PHOTO BY BARRY HOUGHIN

Twin action! Webb's Calysta Garmer nears the finish line to win the Division II-AA cross country state title Thursday, while her twin sister Jazzlyn can be seen coming around the bend in the background for second place.

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TSSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Bearden topples Jefferson County, 49-14

By Mark Nagi

The Bearden Bulldogs had big dreams at the start of the regular season. If the start of the playoffs is any indication, those dreams are very much alive. On Thursday, November 7, the Jefferson County Patriots were no match for the Bulldogs, as Bearden opened the Class 6A playoffs with a 49-14 victory.

"Hats off to our kids," said Bearden head coach Josh Jones. "They worked so hard. We had a really good week of prep. Practice habits make game day reality. We had a really good week of practice, and it showed up tonight at the game. Good timing because 6A playoffs aren't easy. Good for us to get a win and advance."

The Bulldogs got off to a terrific start with sophomore QB DJ Hunter leading the way. He directed Bearden (8-3) on a game opening 6-play, 65-yard drive that ended with a 33-yard TD by Hunter. The big play was a 43-yard strike from Hunter to Tory Beaufort than brought the Bulldogs deep into Jefferson County (6-5) territory.

Later in the first quarter with the game tied at



PHOTO BY TAMMY DAVIS KREGEL

A healthy Jayzon Thompson was feeling good and looking good in helping the Bulldogs trounce Jefferson County 49-14 in a Thursday night Class 6A playoff game at Bill Young Field.

7, Hunter hit Deameion Leavell on a 50-yard strike, down to the Patriots' 5-yard line. Jayson Thompson ran it in on the next play, and Bearden was back in front 14-7. On Bearden's next possession, it was Thompson finding the sideline and sprinting 38 yards for his second score of the

night, making it 21-7.

Not to be outdone, Hunter scored his second rushing TD with 7:59 to go in the first half, and it was 28-7 Bulldogs. Following an INT by Mason Laster, Hunter went deep for Drew Parrott and connected for a 42-yard score, and it was all Bulldogs at 35-7.

Thompson found the end zone a third time late in the first half, making it 42-7. He finished the game with 114 rushing yards, almost each of which came in the first half. "We are a lot better football team when Jayson is in the lineup and he is healthy," said Jones. "Jayson has

missed as many games as he has played. He's been in and out of the lineup all year. He's healthy now and couldn't come at a better time. There's a reason why Jayson has almost 20 Division I college scholarship offers. He's a very special talent."

It was a remarkable

first half for Bearden. The Bulldogs scored touchdowns on all six of their possessions. As the second half was played with a running clock, the offensive explosion was limited. Hunter went deep to Beaufort for a 72-yard score late in the third quarter.

The QB position has been in a state of flux this season. Parrott was a three-year starter who gave way to Hunter to start the year. Hunter has been in and out of the trainer's room throughout the regular season, causing Parrott to start the games Hunter missed. But now Hunter is healthy, starting his third game in a row. Against the Patriots, Hunter threw for 337 yards and had four total touchdowns.

Bearden has now won five straight games and looks like they'll be a tough out the rest of the way. Bulldog coaches got the opportunity last Friday to scout their next opponent, the winner of the Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett/Farragut game. That game was won by Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett, so the Bulldogs will face the Indians in the second round on Friday night.



PHOTO BY MARIAH CLAY

With some of his team's running backs sidelined Friday night, Powell senior Johntay Dunn fills in with a touchdown run against Tennessee High. The Panthers eliminated the Vikings from the Class 5A playoffs with a 34-7 win.

Special teams and defense pivotal in Powell win

By David Klein

Special teams and defense played a huge role in Powell's 34-7 home win over Tennessee High in Friday's first round Class 5A playoff. The Panthers scored two touchdowns on special teams and limited the Vikings offense. Powell's Johntay Dunn ran for two touchdowns on the night as well.

Powell struggled in the early going as the Panthers started its first offensive possession with three consecutive penalties. The two teams traded three and outs on offense to start the game.

However, the Panthers' special teams gave Powell an early spark. Ja'Taal Henderson fielded a punt at his own 35-yard line and ran it back 65 yards for a touchdown to put the Panthers up 7-0 with 7:07 left in the first quarter.

"I just trusted my guys to make a block, we just executed. I was just running" Henderson said of the punt return.

Tennessee High tried to answer but could not move the ball. Powell took advantage of a short field and Dunn made the Vikings pay with a 20-yard touchdown run to give the Panthers a 20-0 lead with 5:36 left in the first quarter.

Dunn said, "I play linebacker.

Coach gave me the opportunity to run the ball tonight when our running backs went down last week. So, I just took my opportunity, I take advantage of it. I got the ball and just kept going, going hard. That's really it."

Later in the second quarter, Powell finally got some semblance of an offensive drive going. They converted a fourth-and-two on Fabby Neiwoh's run. Three plays later, Dunn got his second touchdown of the game on a 2-yard run with 2:49 left in the second quarter to give Powell a 21-0 lead.

On Powell's next possession, the Panthers were able to take advantage of a short field. With three seconds left in the first half, Dylan Stooksbury kicked a 25-yard field goal to go up by 24-0 to end the first half.

To start the second half, Powell drove into Viking territory. However, Panthers' quarterback Deuce Rodgers fumbled the football and Riley Price recovered for Tennessee High. The Vikings went nowhere and had to punt on fourth down. Senior Charvon Thomas burst through the Vikings' line to block the punt and Adrian Daugherty recovered it in the end zone for a touchdown. The second Panthers' special team touchdown of the game put Powell up 31-0 with 6:23 left in the third

quarter.

"I see the ball going in the air and I was praying it wouldn't go out of bounds and luckily I got a good bounce and just grabbed it," Daugherty said.

Entering the fourth quarter, Stooksbury kicked another field goal, a 28-yarder to put the Panthers up 34-0 with 11:57 left in the fourth quarter.

Tennessee High avoided the shut-out with quarterback Turner Elliott's 3-yard touchdown run with 5:28 left in the fourth quarter to make the final score 34-7, Powell.

Powell Head Coach Matt Lowe said, "Two things that certainly stood out. Our defense played unreal. They did a tremendous job as they have most of the season. So proud of that unit. Our special teams scored two touchdowns tonight. That just doesn't happen. Extremely proud of those two groups. Most of those are made up of defensive guys. The defense coming through with 14 points is always big. We made some mistakes early on. We settled down and we got some things accomplished but we certainly have a lot to improve on moving forward."

Powell (9-2) plays at Sevier County (11-0) Friday in Round 2 of the Class 5A playoffs.

Rams come back to edge Northpoint Christian in postseason thriller

Cont. from page 1 interception on the Rams' first possession from the Northpoint 21. Grace then forced the Trojans to punt. The Rams scored on their second possession as the senior quarterback threw a 39-yard touchdown pass to sophomore running back Terrion Thomas, culminating a drive that covered 81 yards on eight plays and consumed 3:07. Kicker Luis Damus added the extra point making the score 7-0 with 3:34 left in the opening frame.

"This was quite a night for Grace Christian Academy," said first-year Rams coach Justin Price. "Not just for the football team, but for the whole school, no doubt about it."

Grace, which last won a postseason game five years ago, has definitely had its share of struggles in recent seasons. Price and his brother (assistant head coach and defensive coordinator) Matt came to Northwest Knox County after an 11-year run at Campbell County.

Edmonson said that the new coaching staff wasted little time turning things around for the Rams.

"A lot of people don't know that this program has been through a lot," said Edmonson, who threw for a pair of touchdowns and rushed for two more.

"A lot of lows, more than highs for sure, and when they came here, Justin Price and his twin brother (Matt), we knew that something was going on here. The Price brothers really preach that no matter how good it is, there are always going to be bumps along the way."

Friday night's game against the Trojans, who only threw two passes throughout the game (both screens), certainly proved that.

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interception on the Rams' first possession from the Northpoint 21. Grace then forced the Trojans to punt.

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The Trojans answered early in the second stanza on a 1-yard run by Justin Henderson. Northpoint would later take the lead on a 20-yard scamper by Dillard with 3:56 left before halftime.

Edmonson knotted the game, 14-14, on a 10-yard run just before halftime.

After the break, the roller coaster ride began as Northview scored on its first possession of the second half before Edmonson's 40-yard scamper made the score 21-21 with just over eight minutes remaining in the third frame.

Dillard's 51-yard scoring dash gave Northpoint a 28-21 advantage midway through the third frame.

Thomas, a Tennessee Titans Mr. Football semi-finalist, made the score 28-28 with a 1-yard plunge with one minute to go in the third.

Edmonson's game-winning TD pass punched Grace's ticket to the second round of the postseason. The Rams will head to Nashville to face Christ Presbyterian Academy this week. The Lions boast a perfect 11-0 record after routing Christian Academy of Knoxville, 38-14, Friday

Seeing a light at the end of the tunnel

You may not remember it, but there was once a 9-3 Tennessee team in 1983 that was not ranked by the Associated Press (AP) during the entire season. It's all there in black agate type on p. 333 of the "2023 Tennessee Football Record Book."

There were, however, a number of heroes in orange and a great deal of excitement throughout the season.

Head coach John Majors said he saw light at the end of the tunnel, even after a 1-2 start.

"For the first time in six years, I see daylight," said Majors. "I know I may sound like a crazy man, but I feel confident we are now building a good program, and I am not going to change my mind one iota."

Reggie White was team captain and dominated the proceedings up front defensively for the Vols, earning All-American honors. He would later be inducted into the College (2002) and Professional Football Hall of Fame (2006).

Alan Cockrell was the quarterback, his second year under center after his freshman year knee surgery. He threw the ball all over the field in a 41-34 win over No. 17 Alabama at Legion Field on October 16. His performance included two 80-yard TD passes, one



A two-time All-SEC selection (1983-84), Johnnie Jones (33) follows the blocking of William Howard (35) and others into the Tennessee record books.

to Lenny Taylor on the Vols' first play from scrimmage after the Tide had taken the game's opening drive in for a score. The other went to Clyde Duncan.

Munford's Johnnie Jones gained 1161 yards rushing that season, 66 of which came on a memorable run at Legion Field, as dramatic a moment as any Vol fan could imagine. A crowd of 77,237 watched as Jones hit left end, cut back to his right, and etched his way into the series history books. The play, called "49 Option," culminated a 17-point rally from 34-24 down to the eventual 41-34 margin.

Ed Murphey, a Vol

track letter winner from Brownsville, had told Johnnie that he would one day score the winning touchdown against Alabama. Jones initially thought that Murphey was just blowing some recruiting smoke, but thought differently after the game.

"After all these years," said Jones said, "it looked like he knew what he was talking about. At least that's how it happened that day in Birmingham."

It also may have not helped that the Vols got off to a 1-2 start, with losses to Pittsburgh (13-3) and Auburn (37-14), sandwiched around a 31-6 win over New Mexico.

After that, the Vols played some pretty good football, defeating The Citadel (45-6), LSU (20-6), and No. 11 Alabama. There was no hangover after the Alabama game, as the Vols found their way down from the clouds to win decisively against Georgia Tech by a 37-3 score, unlike what had happened in 1982.

After a 7-0 win over Rutgers at the Meadowlands, the Vols inexplicably stubbed their collective toes in a Homecoming night loss to Ole Miss by a 13-10 count. That loss so infuriated one Vol fan that he threw a portable stadium chair at Cockrell as he left the field

at the north end.

The team recovered well enough to knock off Kentucky (10-0) and Vanderbilt (34-24). The Vols trailed 24-20 in the Vanderbilt game, but rallied behind Jones, who had 248 yards rushing for the game, Cockrell, and Duncan for 14 fourth quarter points. The game was telecast on CBS, with VFL Lindsey Nelson doing the play-by-play.

The Florida Citrus Bowl win over No. 16 Maryland (30-23) capped the Vols' finest season since 1972 (10-2).

The Vols trailed 20-16 entering the fourth quarter, but Jones, who gained

154 yards on 29 carries, scored twice to give the Vols a hard-earned victory.

In his final collegiate game before moving on to pro baseball, Cockrell threw a 12-yard TD pass to Taylor, part of his 185 yards passing on the night. Fullback Sam Henderson scored on a 19-yard run, with Fuad Reveiz adding a 25-yard field goal. Linebacker Alvin Toles recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass.

Fans recalled the 1983 season when the news broke that White had died on Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004. Under his leadership and the careful tutelage of defensive coordinator Larry Marmie, the Vols went from worst to first defensively in the SEC. Big Orange Country was saddened when news of White's death emerged on Dec 26.

"Reggie White could turn a football game around like no one else," said Majors. "He could dominate not only the man in front of him, but also the side of the line of scrimmage he was on. People changed their game plan to run to the other side, and he could still make plays. He was a lovable and likable guy with a great sense of humor, who was serious about football and his religious beliefs."

The national media may not have honored the Vols that season, but there were all kinds of memorable moments along the way.

TSSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Halls holds off Trojans, 21-14

By Steve Williams

The start wasn't very flattering, but the ending was a white knuckler.

Halls was holding on for dear playoff life. Morristown West and their fans were hoping for just one more big play.

On the same field where Halls' 2023 season came to an end in the first round, this time the Red Devils would leave historic Burke-Toney Stadium with a smile on their faces while at least one of the Trojans was seen leaving his team's post-game gathering with tears in his eyes.

Halls had won, 21-14, to set up a rematch with two-time defending Class 5A state champion West this Friday on Sutherland Avenue. The Red Devils lost to the visiting Rebels 28-27 in Week 10 when they elected to go for the win in overtime and their two-point pass fell incomplete.

After MW Coach Alvin Sanders called his team's last timeout with 16.3 seconds on the clock and the football on the Red Devils' 35-yard line, Bereket Evans - a small but talented senior wide receiver, who may have very well been the one with tears in his eyes leaving the field - caught a pass over the middle but was quickly hit and fumbled. Linebacker Harlen Henley pounced on it.

With eight seconds remaining, Halls quarterback Amari Lethgo took a knee.

Lethgo, a 6-foot, 185-pound veteran junior,



PHOTO BY KEITH CARTWRIGHT

Morristown West tight end John Michael Rosen hangs on to a 24-yard pass in the fourth quarter despite being swarmed by Halls defenders. The Red Devils held on for a 21-14 win.

was the first player Halls Coach Brent Hughes mentioned in his post-game comments.

There were others too that Hughes complimented, including senior Marcus Moore, a tough running back, and the young offensive line in front of him who helped clear the way.

The Red Devils definitely had the edge in the QB battle. Lethgo appeared to have much more experience, while MW alternated signal callers, using a junior and sophomore.

Lethgo completed 21 of 25 passes for 261 yards and two touchdowns. The 5-10, 180-pound Moore rushed for 120 yards on 23 carries and one TD. He also caught two passes for 20 yards.

Halls started the game with a block-in-the-back penalty on first down and a holding penalty on second

down. After a 17-yard pass play from Lethgo to Moore, the Red Devils went for the first down on fourth-and-five at their 38, but Lethgo's pass was overthrown.

Morristown West took over with great field position but netted minus two yards on its first three carries and Halls' Jerrell Chandler broke up the Trojans' fourth down pass.

After that, the offensive play improved for both teams.

The Red Devils drove 60 yards, including a 32-yard catch by Brody Rogers. Moore took it in behind the right side of the line on a 4-yard TD run and Parker Crittenden's PAT kick made it 7-0.

fourth and one.

In the second quarter, Halls marched to the MW 12-yard line, but a false start pushed them back to the 17. The Red Devils faked a 25-yard field goal but the holder, Landon Vest, was stopped for a 1-yard loss.

On Halls' next possession, however, Lethgo fired a 25-yard TD pass to Rogers between two defenders to increase the lead to 14-0.

The Trojans answered with a 13-play, 71-yard drive and TJ Walthall capped it with a 13-yard pass to Richards with nine seconds left in the half. Ezekiel Alvarado's PAT kick made it 14-7.

The 6-3 Chandler broke up sophomore Riley McClellan's fourth-and-three pass at the Halls 31 to halt MW's start in the third quarter.

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Lights, Camera, Brady Hughes

Gibbs senior, o-line have huge night

By Ken Leinart

Pipe in some catchy theme music (think "Jeopardy" or "The Price is Right"), offer great prizes, get lots of excited people watching, and call it "The Brady Hughes Show."

Friday night the Gibbs Eagles dispatched the Cherokee Chiefs 41-10 in the first round of the 4-A TSSAA playoffs behind a stellar performance from their senior running back.

And to think he started out playing defense.

"Brady's a senior, he's been around a long time," Gibbs head coach Brad Turner said after the game. "Brady was a defensive guy for us most of the time. He's earned everything he's got. He put in the work in the offseason."

If Friday was "The Brady Hughes Show," it was the Eagle offensive line playing the part of the perfect show host.

Hughes carried 17 times for 210 yards, with four rushing touchdowns while scoring a fifth on a pass from Eagle quarterback Warren Axton.

"Anytime we can run the football and run the clock it's good for us," Turner said.

As for Hughes' big night? "The guys up front obviously," he said. "Tucker (Ownby) came in and he ran it pretty well, too. So they were creating holes."

Hughes' first score of the night at the 7:46 mark in

the first quarter was due to such a hole. Hughes crossed the goal from 17 yards out without being touched.

Hughes scored his second six after a 10-play drive bridging the first and second quarters on a four-yard carry - he carried Chief defenders with him - at the 10:29 mark.

His third score came at 6:58 in the second quarter on a swing pass from Axton covering 16 yards.

Two minutes later, at 4:48 showing, Hughes was the recipient of a nice seal block on the right end and he took it 62 yards to "time-to-celebrate" land for his fourth score of the night.

Hughes' fifth score came on the second play of the second half when another Wall of Light Blue showed him a 75-yard opening with 11:16 showing in the third stanza.

Gibbs' Mikel Van Pelt was perfect on every point after, and added a 24-yard field goal with 38.5-second left in the first half.

The Cherokee offense was silent with the exception of one drive in the first half.

The Chiefs punted on four of their five first half possessions. The visitors got two big runs from senior Chief Hayden Hook to put the ball at the Gibbs' 20-yard line, but the Eagles held them that point and Cherokee settled for a 38-yard field goal from senior Adam Fridman. His kick made it a 28-3 game at that point.

Van Pelt's matching field **Cont. on page 4**

Lights, Camera, Brady Hughes

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goal just before the half expired made it a 31-3 contest at the break.

Hughes' last touchdown made it a 38-3 game early in the third, and while the Cherokee offense found some rhythm behind Chief quarterback Landon Jeffers, it could not get past the Eagle defense.

With a continual clock running, Cherokee used what was left of the third quarter (11 minutes) to drive 80 yards only to be denied four times holding a fourth and goal from six yards out. Wyatt Bentley and Jacob Donaldson led the charge on a Chief's third and goal at the one that resulted in a loss of a yard. The fourth down attempt was crushed as well.

Freshman Sawyer Henderson nailed a 31-yard field goal with 3:30 left in the game to finalize Eagle scoring.

"Our defense has an identity right now. They believe in what they're doing," Turner said. "Coach (Austin) Calfee, our D.C. (defensive coordinator) has got them sorta playing like his personality.

"High intensity, sorta chaos a



PHOTO BY JJ SPEARS

Gibbs' Brady Hughes slips through the grasp of a Cherokee defender and scores one of his five touchdowns in the Eagles' Class 4A first round playoff win Friday night.

little bit." The Chiefs added a touchdown on a 54-yard Hail Mary from Jeffers as time expired, and with the kick, made it a 41-10 ending.

The Eagles travel to Greenville Friday for Round Two of the

playoffs. "Round Two Greenville. I've been here 20 years and I don't have enough fingers to count how many times we've played Greenville in Round Two," Turner said. "We're looking

forward to it. We played them a one possession game until half-time last year. We all know everything goes through Greenville.

"But to have the opportunity, that's what we want. We gotta play Gibbs football."

HS Playoff Scores and Schedule

FIRST ROUND RESULTS

- A-E 25, Johnson Co. 13
- Bearden 49, Jeff. Co. 14
- D-B 42, Farragut 24
- E. Hamilton 34, Karns 8
- Elizabethton 14, Fulton 13
- Gibbs 41, Cherokee 10
- Greenville 56, Carter 7
- GCA 35, Northpoint 28
- Halls 21, Mo. West 14
- West 62, Crockett 7
- Powell 34, Tenn. High 7
- Sevier Co. 35, Central 12
- BGA 42, Webb 7
- CPA 38, CAK 14
- MUS 41, Catholic 7
- Columbia Acad. 49, TKA 8

SECOND ROUND GAMES

Friday

Kickoff at 7 unless noted

Class 3A

Austin-East (4-7) at Alcoa (9-1)

Class 4A

Gibbs (10-1) at Greenville (8-2)

Class 5A

Powell (9-2) at Sevier Co. (11-0)

Halls (8-3) at West (8-3)

Class 6A

Bearden (8-3) at D-B (9-2)

Division II-AA

GCA (9-2) at CPA (11-0)

Three Knox County players are Mr. Football semifinalists

By Steve Williams

Three Knox County players have been named semifinalists for the annual Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Awards.

They are running back Terrion Thomas of Grace Christian Academy in



Division II Class AA, wide receiver Tyreek King

of Knoxville Catholic in Division II Class AAA and Powell High's Dylan Stooksbury for Kicker of the Year.

The three finalists for each award will be unveiled by Mike Keith, the play-by-play voice of the Titans, and

Titans head coach Brian Callahan on Nov. 26.

A committee of statewide sports writers selected winners based on performance in the 2024 regular season. Academics and character were also taken into consideration. High school head coaches and members of the media nominated the finalists.

"We are very excited and appreciative about being involved with the Tennessee Titans for the 18th consecutive year," stated Mark Reeves, Executive Director of the TSSAA.

This is the 40th year that the Mr. Football Awards have been presented to Tennessee's best high school football players.

Seven Knox teams advance in playoffs

Seven local high school football teams have advanced to this week's

second round in the TSSAA playoffs.

They are Austin-East in Class 3A, Gibbs in Class 4A, Halls, West and Powell in Class 5A, Bearden in Class 6A and Grace Christian in Division II-AA.

BlueCross Bowl marks 25th season

The 2024 BlueCross Bowl will be held at Finley Stadium in Chattanooga on Dec. 5, 6 and 7. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (BCBST) title sponsorship of the TSSAA's high school football championship games.

The company's sponsorship of the championships began in 2000, officially calling the nine title games the BlueCross Bowl.

The BCBST partnership with TSSAA promotes healthy activity and celebrates commitment of student athletes.

Bearden's Pendergrass pulled double duty

Due to an injury to the team's kicker, Bearden punter William Pendergrass had to pull "double duty" this season.

"He worked really hard this offseason to be good at it," said Coach Josh Jones. "A team player!"

Pendergrass scored 38 points through the first seven games before the Bulldogs' kicker returned in Week 8. "His field goals were the difference in our triple overtime win over West (in the season opener)," pointed out Jones.

The BHS coach added William also is a good student in the classroom and made 29 on the ACT.

Pendergrass has averaged 42.2 yards in his punting duties.



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MARKLEY, VANCAMP, & ROBBINS

Halls holds off Trojans, 21-14

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Vest gave the Red Devils a 21-7 advantage when he hauled in a 36-yard pass from Lethgo and put a move on the defensive back to step into the end zone.

Halls followed with an onside kick, but the Trojans recovered it at their 48. The Halls' D gave up two first downs but forced a punt.

Vest stayed in bounds with a 34-yard catch-and-run down the sideline, but Halls' drive ended at the MW 27 early in the fourth quarter.

Tight end John Michael Rosen had a 24-yard catch to highlight a scoring drive that pulled Morristown West within seven points (21-14) with 6:40 remaining. A shift provided extra blocking on the left side for

Walthall to score from the 3.

A 10-yard pass to Nathan Martin and a 15-yard run by Moore took Halls across midfield and the Trojans started using their timeouts with 4:05 on the clock.

Tight end Drew Ross hauled in a 30-yard pass and fought off a defender to pick up a first down at the 17. After the MW defense stiffened, Crittenden had a chance to give Halls a 10-point lead, but his 32-yard FG attempt hit the crossbar and fell short.

Morristown West's last possession began with a 26-yard catch by Evans. The Trojans crossed the 50-yard line with a minute to go and got to the Halls' 35 when they used their last timeout. But MW and its fans couldn't come up with one more big play.

Wow! Knox girls dominate II-AA state meet

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Stegall of Nolensville was the champion with a time of 17:28.35. Brentwood's team placed first with 38 points, while Hardin Valley

took fifth with a 168 total.

In Division II-A girls, senior Abby Faith Cheeseman of Webb (Bell Buckle) finished first in 17:22.47. CAK eighth grader Emery Adams came

in sixth place to earn All-State honors. Columbia Academy won the team title with a 44 score. Grace Christian placed fifth and CAK sixth.

TSSAA BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Smith ends like he started – a state champion

By Steve Williams

Keegan Smith started his prep career with a TSSAA state cross country championship at Sanders Ferry Park in 2021 and ended it there with a state title Thursday.

It was very rewarding for the Knoxville Catholic senior to step back up to the top of the awards' podium after posting his best time in his last run at state with a 14:59.16 over the 5K course in Hendersonville.

When Keegan won as a freshman, he was clocked in 15:29.09. He finished fourth at state as a sophomore and third as a junior. "It means the world to me, especially when I get to celebrate the victory with my guys," said Smith. "We have put in hours upon hours of hard work for this moment. I can't imagine it any other way. I have run well and not so well at Sanders Ferry."

Smith also said he was "sad" that the state meet would be moving to a new site starting next year. "A lot of history was made during this short stint at Sanders Ferry with a lot of great runners taking to the course over the last five years.

"To close out my cross country prep career with two state



PHOTO BY BARRY HOUCHEIN

Keegan Smith, Knoxville Catholic senior, finishes with a victory in what probably is his last ever race at Sanders Ferry Park. But his memories -- winning and losing there -- will last forever.

championships is a blessing and I thank God for giving me the ability to compete at my highest level today and everyday!"

Keegan's showing also led Catholic to the team title, which was decided by a tie breaker. Both the Fighting Irish and McCallie finished with 62 points. A better time in the sixth running position was the difference.

Teammates following Smith were junior Radek Molchan in seventh place (15:43.99), sophomore Cade Duncanson in 11th place (16:03.01), freshman Reid Bannister in 21st place and freshman Evan Van De Griff in 22nd place.

Catholic's No. 6 runner, senior Tony Ortega, placed 25th and broke the tie for the team

title. He was followed by senior Gonzalo Vela, who placed 29th as the team's No. 7 runner.

In the Class AAA boys state meet, Hardin Valley won the team championship with 88 points. Farragut (127) was third.

Individually for HVA, Garrett Hawkins came in fourth, Gabe Allen in seventh and Josh Hunt in 15th place. All three are seniors

and earned All-State honors.

Also running for Hardin Valley were Cooper McKaig and Sean Brown in the Top 5 plus Aiden Ruff and Andrew Parks.

Region 2 champion Evan Beeler of Farragut placed third at state, West's Nicholas Burke in 10th, Farragut's Tanner Coggins in 11th and Karns' Rowen Moser-Bryan in 13th.

In Division II-A, Eli Wharton of Davidson Academy took first place in 16:08.77. CAK senior Andrew Mansfield earned All-State honors with his 14th place showing (17:10.17). In the team competition, Davidson Academy was the winner. CAK came in fifth.

In Class A-AA, Liberty Creek's Jaden Hillis took top honors in 15:43.48. Zachari Ostrander from Cumberland County and out of Region 2 placed fifth.

Seymour's Samuel Mize came in 59th out of the 255 runners. Ethan Askey, Knox County's top representative from South-Doyle, finished 81st.

Central Magnet was the team champion. L&N STEM Academy placed 23rd among 31 teams and was led by Jeremiah Jones and Koli York, who came across the finish line back to back.



Christian Mirochnikoff of Webb School



Karl Henkenjohann of South-Doyle



Eugene Brown of Central High School

Unsung Heroes deserve a moment in the spotlight

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on the field. He has a positive attitude and is a light to all those around him. Kids like Trey are what we want in our program. He defines the heart of Gibbs Football. He will do great things when he leaves here and no doubt be a great husband and father one day."

- Gibbs Coach Brad Turner

CHRISTIAN MIROCHNIKOFF
Webb School
Senior LB and RB

"Christian suffered a season ending injury Week 2 against Silverdale.

He is an unselfish person that felt he let the team down with his injury. He puts the team first and that is not the case in today's world. I appreciate everything he has done for our team."

- Webb Coach Don Mahoney

KARL HENKENJOHANN
South-Doyle High School
DE and Kickoff team

"Karl is a foreign exchange student from Germany. He joined our

team in late July and worked his way up the depth chart and became a starter at defensive end and on the kickoff team. Karl had never played American football until this year. He is a hard worker and was an excellent teammate."

- S-D Coach Larry Headrick

EUGENE BROWN
Central High School
Senior Inside Linebacker

"Eugene is a Great Young Man and an outstanding teammate and is always willing to do whatever it takes to make his team better and be successful! His presence will be missed next season!"

- Central Coach Kevin Lane

NEAL HENLEY
Hardin Valley Academy
Senior OL and DL

"Neal is a two-way starter on both the offensive and defensive lines. He is 5-10 and 240 pounds so he isn't your typical 6A lineman, but he sets the example of what all coaches want out of their players. He is a team first guy who exemplifies resilience, investment, selflessness and

incredible effort in all he does. He is a leader on and off the field and had more community service hours than anyone else on the team. In addition, he led the program in strength gains over the past year, having the highest bench and squat totals of all HV football players. Neal is also a standout track athlete where he competes in the shot put at the state and national levels."

- HVA Coach Tyler Wynn

LANE LITNER
Concord Christian School
Senior DB and WR

"Lane is one of the hardest workers I've ever been around and one of the best teammates. He was constantly encouraging his fellow players with positive words and leading by example. Lane would stay late after practice and games to help clean the locker room and do anything that the coaches asked of him. He played several different positions to the very best of his ability and I know he will be a huge success in the future."

- CCS Coach Steve Matthews



Neal Henley of Hardin Valley Academy



Lane Litner of Concord Christian

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Young Wolves earn road victory at Powell

By Ken Lay

In a Knox County Middle School Basketball Conference game featuring two of the league's younger teams, West Valley picked up a crucial road victory.

The Wolves started fast and cruised to a 58-36 victory over Powell Thursday night.

West Valley, which reached the Class AAA State Tournament last season, has an entirely new team according to longtime head coach Noel Landrum.

"I didn't return a single minute of varsity playing time from last year, so in these early games, I've pretty much played everybody," Landrum said. "We have a stretch of four tough games coming up, starting (today), so our rotation is going to get shorter.

"We have 13 guys on our roster and right now, I've just been trying to play everybody."

The Wolves open a difficult stretch today (Monday) at Karns. Tipoff is slated for approximately 5:45 p.m. Three of their next four games are on the road. West Valley hosts Hardin Valley on Thursday.

On Nov. 18, the Wolves travel to face rival Farragut before heading to South-Doyle on Nov. 21.



PHOTO BY C.J. MCKINNON.

Powell sixth grader Grant Ferguson looks to pass to Carsyn Minefield (0) as West Valley's Jenson Pompey defends. Ferguson scored 10 points in the Wolves' 58-36 victory over the Panthers.

The Wolves have endured some growing pains out of the gate, but on Thursday, they darted out to an 18-5 lead by the end of the opening quarter. They extended their advantage to 27-6 by the end of the opening half as they surrendered just one point to the Panthers in the second stanza.

Landrum said that West Valley has a talented but inexperienced group of players.

"We have some talent there, but they're just inexperienced," he said. "We'll be a better team in January than we are right now.

"Last night, when we had our starters in, we played

pretty well, but when we didn't have them in, it got pretty wonky."

The Wolves had a balanced scoring attack against the Panthers. Connell Byrne led the way with 11 points, while Grant Harmon added eight points and Caleb Murray finished with seven.

"That's who we are," Landrum said. "We don't have that one 20-point scorer."

Powell, meanwhile, is in the midst of a youth movement of its own. Second-year head coach Tyler Howell is playing mostly sixth and seventh graders. The Panthers have only two eighth graders on

their 2024-25 roster.

The Panthers fell behind early but Howell commended his team's effort as it continued at halftime.

"We're young and we're small, and we'll be good in a couple of years," Howell said. "This is an eighth-grade dominated league and we only have two eighth graders on this team.

"I'm proud of my guys because they hung tough and didn't quit. It would've been easy for them just to fold it up after halftime but they didn't."

Sixth grader Grant Ferguson scored 10 points for the Panthers, while Carsyn Minefield had eight.

Lady Wolves get defensive in victory at Powell

By Ken Lay

West Valley Middle School girls basketball coach Josh Ballard has been preaching the importance of defense in practice lately.

Well, it was evident Thursday night that the Lady Wolves heard the message.

"We had a game early in the year where we gave up 60-plus points to a Rogersville team," Ballard said after West Valley notched a 55-13 victory at Powell Middle School. "We're the type of team that is only going to go as far as our defense and rebounding can take us.

"So we've been working on defense in practice a lot lately. We've been preaching defense lately."

Defense was the key to West Valley's success against the Lady Panthers. The Lady Wolves forced turnovers and those Powell miscues led to transition baskets and West Valley opened a 19-3 lead by the end of the first quarter. From there, the Lady Wolves just kept building their advantage.

The Lady Panthers didn't convert their first field goal until late in the second stanza. Powell made 3-of-10 free throws in the opening quarter as West Valley committed five team fouls in the frame, sending the Panthers to the free-throw

line.

Macie Overton scored Powell's first point of the game when she made a free throw with 1 minute, 42 seconds remaining in the quarter. By the time she scored, the Lady Wolves had already opened a 15-0 advantage. Overton was 1-for-6 from the line in the first quarter, while her teammate, Peyton Fielden was 2-for-4 from the stripe over the first six minutes of the contest.

The Lady Panthers, who made just three field goals in the game, including two by Erin Gooch, finally made a shot with 2:31 remaining until halftime. Overton made a three-pointer in the fourth quarter.

"We played good defense and the good thing about that defense was that it led to offense," Ballard said. "We scored in transition and we were aggressive and we played good defense.

"Sometimes, when you're aggressive on defense, it leads to fouls. Our next step is to learn to play good defense without fouling."

Offensively, the Lady Wolves had three players post double figures in the scoring column. Janiya Turner led the way with 18 points. Reece Underwood added 14 and Carsen Nesbit finished with 11.

Gooch led the Lady Panthers with six points.

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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

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(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
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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:

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(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 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

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 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 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

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 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 KENNETH M. GRESHAM, JR.

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

HOME FEDERAL BANK OF TENNESSEE
ATTENTION: LEIGHANNE K. COVINGTON, J.D.
515 MARKET STREET, SUITE 500
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

LYNN TARPY, ATTORNEY
1111 N. NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE N-290
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

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 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 the 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.
TROUTDALE, OR 97060

BRADLEY S. LEWIS, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

Visit Knoxville, Bike Walk Knoxville announce 2024 Tour de Lights

Visit Knoxville is pleased to announce the return of community favorite Tour de Lights in partnership with Bike Walk Knoxville, taking place December 14, 2024. This free family-friendly event will feature the annual holiday bike ride along with a Holiday Market & Expo at Mary Costa Plaza at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium and Coliseum. The ride begins at 5:30 p.m., inviting participants of all ages to embrace the holiday spirit by decorating themselves and their bikes in creative, festive themes.

The Holiday Market & Expo returns again this year to add to the festive atmosphere, taking place from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Attendees can enjoy holiday treats from local vendors, such as marshmallow roasting, hot chocolate and beer for purchase, and food trucks including Alebrijes Mexican Cuisine, Ronchini's Paninis, and Your Sugar Therapy. Tour de Lights will also include a costume contest, a special visit from Santa at Peppermint Village, and much more.

Participants must register separately for the Tour de Lights Ride and the Costume Contest. Both registrations can be found on our event website at tourdelightsknox.com. Registering for the ride offers the chance to win a mountain bike courtesy of the Appalachian Mountain Bike Club. Register for Tour de Lights here: tourdelightsknox.com

"We found great success hosting Tour de Lights at Mary Costa Plaza last year, and we're looking forward to this year's event," said Kim Bumpas, president of Visit Knoxville. "This location and route allow us to provide

an excellent experience pre and post-ride – the perfect place for this annual holiday favorite."

"We're excited to continue our partnership with Visit Knoxville to host Tour de Lights," said Lindsey Kimble, executive director of Bike Walk Knoxville. "This iconic event is beloved by so many in Knoxville and beyond, and our efforts are rewarded year after year with the joy that it brings."

Schedule of Events

3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Holiday Market & Expo and Peppermint Village

3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. - Appearance & Photos with Santa at Peppermint Village (Nominal Fee for photo)

4:15 p.m. - Costume Contest Judging**

5:30 p.m. - Ride Starts*

5:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Stage Performances

7:15 p.m. - Appalachian Mountain Bike Club (AMBC) Mountain Bike Drawing*

7:20 p.m. - Costume Contest Winners Announced**

*Ride & AMBC Mountain Bike Contest: Must register for the bike ride for a chance to win a new mountain bike in the AMBC drawing. Each registration (whether individual or group) counts as ONE entry, and duplicate entries will not be accepted. Must be present at 7:15 p.m. for the drawing.

**Costume Contest: Participants will be judged on their creativity for a chance to win prizes from local businesses. Please note that registration

for the contest is separate from the ride registration and does not enter participants for the AMBC mountain bike drawing. Must be present at 7:20 p.m. for the announcement.

2024 Costume Contest Categories

- Most Creative Bike
- Best Themed Group (2-6 participants)
- Most Festive Helmet

Contest Rules

- Check-in by 4:00 p.m. behind the stage at Mary Costa Plaza (MUST be in costume upon check-in).

- Costume judging begins at 4:15 p.m. (Categories will be judged one at a time).

- Ride begins at 5:30 p.m.

- Winners will be announced after the ride on the stage. You must be present to win.

- No onsite registrations will be accepted for the Costume Contest.

- Pre-registration is required.

Safety Information

It is the goal of Visit Knoxville and Bike Walk Knoxville for everyone to be safe and have fun while participating in the Tour de Lights bike ride. There are some challenges that go along with riding with over a thousand other bicyclists. Please check out safety tips here.

Road Closures and Parking Information

Tour de Lights participants are



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Participants in last year's Tour de Lights jingle all the way down Gay Street.

recommended to park in the A, B, or C garages at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium and Coliseum. Please note there are other events taking place around this time – the Nativity Pageant of Knoxville at 3 p.m. at the Coliseum, and the Oak Ridge Academy of Dance Holiday Spectacular at 7 p.m. at the Auditorium, so plan accordingly.

Closure on Eastbound Howard Baker Jr. Drive at Hall of Fame Drive to Hill Avenue starting at 4 p.m. Attendees can park in the A and B garages by entering westbound Howard Baker Jr. Drive at Hill Avenue, or park in the C garage by Historic Preservation Drive. Parking in these garages will be \$5.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

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) 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
- (2) Sixty (60) days from the date of the first publication of this notice 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) 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
- (2) Sixty (60) days from the date of the first publication of this 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) 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
- (2) Sixty (60) days from the date of the first publication of this notice 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 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) 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
- (2) 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 PLUSS, 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) 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
- (2) 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) 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
- (2) 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
4320 LARIGO DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37914

J. D. THOMERSON, II, CO-EXECUTOR
111 E. ALDEN AVENUE
VALDOSTA, GA 31602

EDWARD A. COX, JR., ATTORNEY
1111 N. NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE N-290
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DOROTHY JEAN BAILEY
DOCKET NUMBER 90159-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary (or Letters of Administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DOROTHY JEAN BAILEY, deceased, who died on the 29 day of September, 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) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of such notice at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or
- (2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF DOROTHY JEAN BAILEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RONNIE STOOKSBURY
5118 CARTER ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

ROBERT W. GODWIN, ATTORNEY
4611 OLD BROADWAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NANCY BURGER
DOCKET NUMBER 89891-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of NANCY BURGER, who died on July 9, 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) 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 7 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF NANCY BURGER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHERRY N. REED
SHANNON WARD
1902 KELTON LANE
MARYVILLE, TN 37803

M. SUE WHITE, ATTORNEY
216 PHOENIX CT., SUITE D
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DONNA MARIA DANTZLER
DOCKET NUMBER 89920-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of DONNA MARIA DANTZLER, who died July 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) 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
- (2) 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 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF DONNA MARIA DANTZLER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ADRIENNE R. APPLETON
217 TOWERING PEAKS
CANTON, GA 30114

SUSAN E. HAAS, ATTORNEY
2125 MIDDLEBROOK PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37921-5855

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LINDA L. DUNN
DOCKET NUMBER 90168-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LINDA L. DUNN, who died September 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) 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
- (2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF LINDA L. DUNN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JOHN L. THORNBURG
12512 SOMERSWORTH DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

STEVEN K. BOWLING, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 11125
KNOXVILLE, TN 37939-1125

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF TAMMY JO FORD,
A.K.A. TAMMY JO SMITH HOOVER FORD
DOCKET NUMBER 90154-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the ESTATE OF TAMMY JO FORD, A.K.A. TAMMY JO SMITH HOOVER FORD, who died September 14, 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) 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
- (2) 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 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF TAMMY JO FORD

A.K.A. TAMMY JO SMITH HOOVER FORD
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
HARRY MICHAEL FORD
2420 VINCINDA CIRCLE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37924

HANNAH ELAINE HOOVER
2918 SOUTH GREENWOOD, APT. 38
JOHNSON CITY, TN 37604

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9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 202
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

Celebrate America Recycles Day this Saturday

Goodwill Knoxville is excited to announce its partnership with Keep Knoxville Beautiful for America Recycles Day on Saturday, November 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers will gather at 400 W Jackson Ave, Knoxville, TN 37902, to help remove litter from the Jackson Avenue area. The public is also encouraged to bring their gently

used household items to donate to Goodwill during this event, making a positive impact on both the community and the environment.

This event will celebrate America Recycles Day by focusing on the principles of Reducing, Reusing, and Recycling:

- Reduce: KnoxFill is providing a 10% off coupon for all volunteers.

- Reuse: Goodwill Knoxville will have a truck on-site for the public to bring their gently used household items to donate.

- Recycle: Volunteers will collect and recycle aluminum cans found during the cleanup.

Keep Knoxville Beautiful will supply essential equipment, including litter pickers, gloves, trash bags, and safety vests, to ensure a

safe and productive event.

Goodwill is not only dedicated to reducing overconsumption as a second-hand store, but in 2023, it also diverted more than 2.7 million pounds of textiles, metal, and computers from the landfill through donations to Goodwill Industries-Knoxville. This commitment to sustainability plays a crucial role in protecting

our environment.

America Recycles Day, celebrated annually on November 15, highlights the importance of recycling for environmental protection, climate change mitigation, and economic growth. The day aims to educate the public, raise awareness about recycling benefits, provide resources for community involvement, and encourage

the purchase of recycled products.

Join Goodwill Knoxville and Keep Knoxville Beautiful in making a difference in our community while promoting sustainable practices. Together, we can reduce waste, protect our environment, and enhance the beauty of Knoxville.

You can reserve your legal or public notice by emailing legals@knoxfocus.com or calling (865) 686-9970

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DAVID LUTHER GARNER DOCKET NUMBER 90141-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DAVID LUTHER GARNER, who died August 25, 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) 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; or
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF DAVID LUTHER GARNER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KIMBERLY DEANN GARNER HOUSE
425 ORAN ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37934

JENNIFER M. GARNER PATTERSON

12015 WOOD HOLLOW LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932

TERESA M. KLENK, ATTORNEY
265 BROOKVIEW CENTRE WAY, SUITE 604
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF STEVEN JULIAN HACKNEY DOCKET NUMBER 90130-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters of administration in respect of the Estate of STEVEN JULIAN HACKNEY, who died July 20, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Knox Chancery Court, Probate Division. 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) 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; or
(2) 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 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF STEVEN JULIAN HACKNEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ROBERT ELIJAH HACKNEY
4930 FALLING STAR LANE
POWELL, TN 37849

REGAN CARUTHERS, ATTORNEY

110 COGDILL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF RONALD W. HASKINS DOCKET NUMBER 90171-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RONALD W. HASKINS, 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) 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
(2) 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 30 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF RONALD W. HASKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KRISTEN ANN AWW, EXECUTRIX
30 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE
MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BARBARA M. MCFALL DOCKET NUMBER 90162-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters administration in

respect of the Estate of BARBARA M. MCFALL, who died October 12, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master 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) 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 first publication (or posting); or
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF BARBARA M. MCFALL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LINDA M. BARGER
2908 RAMONA AVE.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

DAVID B. HAMILTON, ATTORNEY

1810 MERCHANT DR.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MICHAEL ALAN MCFARLAND DOCKET NUMBER 90188-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 6 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters of Testamentary in respect to the Estate of MICHAEL ALAN MCFARLAND, who died in Knox County on SEPTEMBER 15, 2024, were issued to the undersigned, NATHAN THOMAS WILBURN, 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 described in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication of 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
(2) 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 6 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF MICHAEL ALAN MCFARLAND

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
NATHAN THOMAS WILBURN
3305 LOMA VISTA CIRCLE
PALM SPRINGS, CA 92264

WILLIAM R. RAY, ATTORNEY

1356 PAPERMILL POINTE WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF DORIS JEAN FRASER MOORE DOCKET NUMBER 90166-3

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary (or Letters of Administration as the case may be) in respect to the Estate of DORIS JEAN FRASER MOORE, who died on August 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) below, otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) 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
(2) 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 5 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF DORIS JEAN FRASER MOORE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SHARON MOORE DORMAN
3828 GLENFIELD DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

O.E. SCHOW, IV, ATTORNEY

P. O. BOX 900
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0900

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GWENDOLYN M. ROGERS DOCKET NUMBER 90165-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of GWENDOLYN M. ROGERS, who died June 18, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate 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 abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) 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
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.
(1) 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 first publication (or posting); or
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF GWENDOLYN M. ROGERS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
LEWIS R. ROGERS, CO-EXECUTOR
39 LAKESHORE LANE
CROSSVILLE, TN 38558

BEVERLY ANN TUCKER, CO-EXECUTOR

925 GREEN HILLS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

PATRICK R. MCKENRICK, ATTORNEY

1019 ORCHID DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MOSSIE MAE RUSSELL DOCKET NUMBER 90048-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters administration in respect of the Estate of MOSSIE MAE RUSSELL, who died Nov. 19, 2014, 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) 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
(2) 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 29 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF MOSSIE MAE RUSSELL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RUSSELL T. FISHER, ADMINISTRATOR
8840 LENNOX VIEW WAY
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF EMALI D. SAGE DOCKET NUMBER 90125-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of EMALI D. SAGE, who died October 2, 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) 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
(2) 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 4 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF EMALI D. SAGE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARK EDWARD JONES

STUART I. CASSELL, ATTORNEY

707 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ROBERT GAULT SMITH DOCKET NUMBER 90135-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT GAULT SMITH, who died on September 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) 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 publications: 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF ROBERT GAULT SMITH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MICHAEL FRANK SMITH
LAURA GOLLUHER
945 GARRISON RIDGE BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

DOUGLAS L. DUNN, ATTORNEY

P. O. BOX 30994
KNOXVILLE, TN 37930-0994

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF GERALDINE R. TURNER DOCKET NUMBER 90156-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of GERALDINE R. TURNER, who died July 10, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Knox Chancery Court, Probate Division. 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) 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; or
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF GERALDINE R. TURNER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
MARK D. TURNER
7308 MISTY MEADOW PLACE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

DEAM M. TURNER

1613 BICKERSTAFF BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

LAUREN S. BROWN, ATTORNEY

110 COGDILL ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LOGAN ALEX VANDAGRIFF DOCKET NUMBER 90132-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of LOGAN ALEX VANDAGRIFF, who died July 25, 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) 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
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF LOGAN ALEX VANDAGRIFF

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KERRY VANDAGRIFF

JAMES LAWRENCE, ATTORNEY

9041 EXECUTIVE PARK DRIVE, SUITE 250
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THEODORE B. VOGT, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 90174-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 29 day of OCTOBER, 2024, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of THEODORE B. VOGT, JR., who died Jun 30, 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) 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
(2) 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

PUBLIC NOTICE

KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2025, MAIN & SMALL ASSEMBLY ROOMS, 400 MAIN STREET, CITY-COUNTY BUILDING. ALL COMMISSION AGENDAS WILL BE AVAILABLE EACH MONTH ON THE COMMISSION WEBSITE AT: WWW.KNOXCOUNTY.ORG/COMMISSION

MEETING DATES/TIMES

FINANCE (2:00 PM)
FEBRUARY 19
MAY 12
AUGUST 18
NOVEMBER 10

OPTIONAL AGENDA REVIEW (3:00 PM)

ZONINGS (5:00 PM)
JANUARY 27
FEBRUARY 19
MARCH 24
APRIL 21
MAY 12
JUNE 16
JULY 21
AUGUST 18
SEPTEMBER 15
OCTOBER 20
NOVEMBER 10
DECEMBER 8

REORGANIZATION (1:00 PM)
SEPTEMBER 2

BEER BOARD (4:00 PM)
COMMISSION (5:00 PM)
JANUARY 27
FEBRUARY 24
MARCH 31
APRIL 28
MAY 19
JUNE 23
JULY 28
AUGUST 25
SEPTEMBER 22
OCTOBER 27
NOVEMBER 17
DECEMBER 15

NOTE: MEETING DATES, LOCATIONS AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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 29 day of OCTOBER, 2024.

ESTATE OF THEODORE B. VOGT, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TIFFANI LIMPUS, EXECUTRIX
9718 LAVERNE LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF NEIL MCCORKLE WRIGHT DOCKET NUMBER 90153-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024, Letters of Administration in respect to the probate administration of the Estate of NEIL MCCORKLE WRIGHT, deceased late of Knox County, Tennessee, who died on Sunday, the 1 day of September, 2024, were issued by the Clerk & Master of the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee, to the undersigned duly qualified and sworn Personal Representative. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Decedent's Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Knox County Chancery Court Probate Division, c/o Probate Court Clerk, Knox County Courthouse, Rm. 352, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in the below paragraphs (1) or (2), otherwise the claim will be forever barred:

(1) 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 publication; or
(2) 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 1 day of NOVEMBER, 2024.

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