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Henderson will run for Knox County Mayor

On Friday, Knox County School Board member Betsy Henderson announced her intent to run as a Republican in 2026 for the Knox County Mayor seat.

“Over the past few months, I have been so encouraged by the heartfelt conversations I’ve had with people throughout Knox County,” she shared with The Focus.

“It is clear that we find ourselves at a crossroad. We have the opportunity to keep our county a place where families thrive, where conservative Christian values guide us, and where personal freedom, responsibility, and hard work are celebrated.



Betsy Henderson

“A place where our policies empower parents to make the best decisions for their children, where taxes stay low, and where local businesses flourish without the burden of government overreach.”

Duplex plan for city raises questions

By Mike Steely
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When Lee Hume, president of the West Hills Community Association, spoke at the last Knoxville-Knox County Planning meeting, he urged the group to postpone any decision on passing changes as to where a duplex may be located within the city.

The planning members voted to open the duplex idea, and it now goes to the Knoxville City Council - but with some reservations.

The planners were considering the allowance of more affordable housing in most residential areas including the higher home values in RN-1 and RN-2 neighborhoods. Placing a duplex within those two zones would require a special-use permit.

Hume said he was not opposed to duplexes but was concerned about “the way it’s done.” He said that the duplex idea has not had enough public comment and might impact the other single-family homes and the neighborhood community. He is concerned about how an existing home might be converted into a duplex.

Hume told The Focus that the council is required to approve the planning commission’s One Year Plan in its April 1st meeting.

“Let’s take a break,” he said, “and let the housing currently underway in the city catch up with the demand.” He described the push for opening up the zoning codes to solve a “short-term problem.”

Hume wasn’t the only one to speak at the planning commission meeting. Drew Harper of “Yes, Knoxville” said more duplexes would cause only a “small dent” in increasing affordable housing.

Carlene Malone spoke, asking for “codified design criteria” for converting homes into duplexes. The planning members said the conversion standards will be discussed during their April meeting.

Planners also noted that placing a new build duplex in an RN-1 or RN-2 required a special-use permit and new duplexes are regulated by the same standards as a single-family home. Planning Commissioner Amy Midis agreed that guidelines should be added at future planning meetings.

Hume contacted The Knoxville Focus with his concerns about the changes he included within the West Hills newsletter. He said he was not acting as the president of the neighborhood group but as a citizen and resident.

“Duplexes may be an attractive residential
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Windsor Ridge Assisted Living celebrates 25 years



The Windsor Ridge Assisted Living team assembled for a group picture following the anniversary celebration program held Saturday, March 22. More information about Windsor Ridge is available online at www.inspiritseniorliving.com/windsorridge

By Focus Staff

Hundreds gathered at Windsor Ridge Assisted Living at 5611 Central Avenue Pike on Saturday, March 22 to celebrate the facility’s 25th anniversary and to honor its founder and staff members.

Beautiful decorations and stunning floral arrangements, thoughtfully arranged by Life Enrichment Director Sepideh Abdoli, added a touch of elegance and festivity from the entryway to the hors d’oeuvre tables. Residents and guests easily mingled, feeling right at home and happy to share in the spirit of the celebration.

Three employees were singled out by Director of

Support Services Brent Brewer for honors including Lisa Duncan for her 25 years of service and Karen Dyer and Rebecca Mallicoat, both with 17 years.

Ed Shoemaker of Wallace Memorial Baptist Church began the ceremonies with the prayer of thanks and Inspirit Senior Living Director of Project and Facilities Management Doug Blevins hosted the ceremonies.

David K. McHarg, president and CEO of Inspirit, sent an invitation to all present to “please join me in extending our heartfelt appreciation to Bridgett, to Bryan, and to the entire Windsor Ridge team, past



Inspirit’s Brent Brewer honored three employees during Windsor Ridge’s 25-year anniversary celebration: Lisa Duncan, Karen Dyer (both pictured above) and Rebecca Mallicoat. Duncan was there when Windsor Ridge, then Windsor Gardens, opened 25 years ago. Duncan’s many years of service, to more than 788 residents, began following the death of her husband. Duncan told The Focus that she raised two sons during the period, got to know many of the residents and plans to semi-retire in December, adding that she plans to then serve the facility on a part-time basis.

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Commission looks at dropping Tennessee Technology Corridor Redevelopment Authority

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When the Knox County Commission meets today, it will honor several organizations and the 2025 Junior Commission, it will pass most of the consent agenda in one vote, and will approve various appointments.

One of those appointments may be to the Community Health Council. The commission’s agenda meeting last week saw one applicant, Gretchen

Knode. She told the meeting she is a health and wellness coach and an organic farmer and said she applied because the group “sound interesting to me.”

Five other items are on the agenda to be discussed. One was detailed last week in the agenda session by At-large Commissioner Kim Frazier. She and At-large Commissioner Larsen Jay are asking the commission to amend the Knox County Code to terminate the Tennessee Technology Corridor

Redevelopment Authority. Frazier said the repeal of the authority should be done because it “no longer serves the purpose.” Jay said that ending the group will “take a layer of problems out of the system” and added that the state is waiting for the commission’s approval.

First District Commissioner Damon Rawls spoke last week to make sure a resolution honoring Vine Middle School is on today’s agenda.

Amendments to the

Internal Audit duties and policies will be on today’s agenda, in its first of two readings. The commission will also consider appropriation, grant and funding contract procedures for the hotel/motel tax funds.

The commission will consider a contract with Calton Development for installing a traffic signal at Bakertown and Schaad roads and vote to request the Tennessee General Assembly to establish recording fees for the Knox County Register’s Office.

Dogwood Trails Celebrate Seven Decades In Bloom

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Since 1955, Dogwood Arts has brought Knoxville’s favorite spring-time tradition to life. What began as a neighborhood beautification effort has grown into a vibrant celebration of East Tennessee’s art, culture, and natural beauty. This April, over 90 miles of historic Dogwood Trails will be open for visitors to explore by car, bike or foot. Open Gardens and Camera

Sites will welcome guests daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This year’s Featured Trails highlight two neighborhoods in East Knoxville — Holston Hills and Morningside.

To kick off the 70th anniversary, a ribbon-cutting and community celebration will take place on Tuesday, April 1, from 5-7:30 p.m. at Holston Hills Community Park at 1400 S Chilhowee Dr, Knoxville, TN 37914.

Plan Your Visit: Find trail maps, descriptions, and a list of Open Gardens/Camera Sites online at www.dogwoodarts.com/trailsandgardens.

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Holston Hills Trail Map - C4
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Printed Trail Guides are available at Visit Knoxville and the Dogwood Arts office at 123 W. Jackson Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37902.

17TH ANNUAL CHALK WALK RETURNS TO DOWNTOWN KNOXVILLE
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A Conference For Peace And Prosperity

From a distance



By John J. Duncan Jr.
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Last week I was one of the featured speakers at a conference in Texas hosted by the Ron Paul Institute for Peace and Prosperity. Ron Paul himself hosted the events. He will be 90 years old later this year and is still speaking out through a daily TV show and a weekly column.

The other main speakers were David Stockman, who was President Reagan's budget director; Tom Woods, host of a leading national podcast; Jeff Deist, head of a company called Monetary Metals; and Daniel McAdams, a foreign policy expert.

columns have been picked up and re-published on several popular national websites, and I was honored to be asked to speak at this conference, which had attendees from all over the country.

Stockman was elected to Congress from Michigan and served just four years before being asked to join Reagan's cabinet. He has been a very successful financial advisor over the years and has authored several books.

He told the conference that he has just written a new book giving specific details on how to cut more than two trillion dollars from the federal budget.

He said the trendlines show we will double our \$37 trillion national debt in ten years or less. If we let that happen, social security payments and other incomes will buy very little.

Tom Woods is a Harvard graduate with a Ph.D. from Columbia. He has one of the nation's most popular podcasts, and he has had

both me and Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs on his show several times. In his speech, he told how he and millions of others, especially young people, have been inspired by Ron Paul's message and campaigns in favor of economic freedom, limited government, and especially opposition to unnecessary wars.

Jeff Deist formerly headed the Ludwig von Mises Institute at Auburn University, working with students and scholars on economics education. Now he is with Monetary Metals, a company that pays interest on gold its clients own.

Deist is also a political historian and he gave an interesting talk on how most of Donald Trump's conservative populism and anti-war views came out of what is sometimes called the Old Right of the 1930s and 40s on up to the America First books, speeches, and television campaigns of Pat Buchanan in the 1990s.

Daniel McAdams, the

foreign policy expert, gave a talk about the good, the bad and the ugly of President Trump's actions so far. He applauded the efforts of the president toward ceasefires in Israel and Ukraine.

He expressed great concern about sending more bombs to Israel, the ending of the ceasefire there, the bombing of civilians in Yemen, and the actions against free speech for peaceful pro-Palestinian demonstrators.

In my presentation at the conference, I quoted the popular Jewish podcaster Dave Smith, who said Israel's treatment of the Palestinians was "horrific and inexcusable," and that going to war in Iran would be "insane."

The so-called neo-conservatives like Dick Cheney and Paul Wolfowitz - neither of whom ever served in the military - were the leading cheerleaders for the war in Iraq.

Now, neo-cons want us to join Israel in a war against

Iran. The conservative columnist George Will once wrote that neo-cons were "magnificently misnamed" and that they were really "the most radical people in this city," meaning Washington, D.C.

Libertarian conservatives are afraid that Trump might go along with Netanyahu in a war against Iran because Miriam Adelson supposedly gave \$100 million to the Trump campaign and several other Jewish billionaires also gave millions in return for promises to support Israel in any and every way.

In 1956, Israel demanded that the U.S. join it in a war against Egypt over the Suez Canal. Mitchell Bard wrote in The Times of Israel in 2014: "Eisenhower went on television to criticize Israel's failure to withdraw from Egypt and warned that he would impose sanctions if it failed to comply. Eisenhower was prepared to cut off all economic aid, to lift the tax-exempt status of the United Jewish Appeal,

and to apply sanctions on Israel."

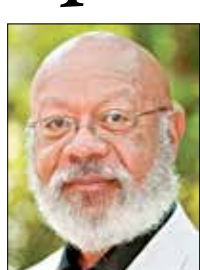
Eisenhower did this only a week before the 1956 election.

We have not had a president with the courage to stand up to Israel since then. In fact, our foreign policy in the Middle East today is Israel First, and has created much animosity and even hatred for the U.S. I said in my talk that our Congress would have condemned any other country if it had killed as many thousands of little children as Israel has in the last year and a half.

Also in my presentation, I explained my vote against going to war in Iraq despite tremendous pressure to vote for it. I wish I had mentioned that I also voted to get out of Afghanistan many years before we did. If we had gotten out many years earlier, the 13 U.S. soldiers, including a young man from Gibbs, who were killed at the end might still be alive today.

Should prescription drugs be advertised?

For the longest I wondered why prescription drugs are advertised on TV. The ads target the public and not doctors. You cannot walk into a pharmacy and get Lyrica, Eliquis, Humira, Latuda, Xeljanz, Celebrex



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me, the disclaimers are reason enough not to try the drugs, but I must be in the minority (no pun intended).

The United States and New Zealand are the only countries that allow this type of advertising. None of this was legal until 1997 when the FDA authorized it. Perhaps it is not surprising that the FDA head who approved the ads went to work for a pharmaceutical company when he left the government.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. wants to ban this advertising. He claims that the advertising leads to higher healthcare costs and overprescription of medications. Kennedy says, "The

constant barrage of drug commercials is not only annoying but also detrimental to public health. It's time we put an end to this practice and prioritize patient well-being over corporate profits." Sounds like Bernie Sanders. You can bet that the pharmaceuticals will fight this tooth and nail.

That seems like an empirical question. So is it true? Is drug advertising detrimental to public health? Research has shown that drug utilization is highly responsive to advertising exposure. Increased advertising also leads to more doctor visits per year. There is a positive association between exposure to drug advertising and intention to switch medications or engage in behavior to find out more about

the medication. One study finds that "advertising benefits both consumers and companies advertising the products. Consumers benefit through increased adherence to medications, greater engagement with the healthcare system and use of generic medications. Companies benefit from greater sales of their products and more favorable consumer opinions of the industry."

A study on antidepressants found that the medications were prescribed far more often when the patients requested them and showed that advertising may have competing effects on quality, potentially averting underuse while also promoting overuse. In general, research shows that advertising is effective in that more advertising leads to more requests for the advertised medication, which leads to more prescriptions. Research

has also shown that generics are not adversely affected by advertising.

It is well documented that the price of advertised prescription drugs in the United States is over three times that on average for developed countries, but generic drugs are generally cheaper in the U.S. and ninety percent of all prescribed drugs are generic. I wanted to compare the U.S. with New Zealand or New Zealand with other countries, but could not find any data. However, I am not certain that I would have learned anything because I am not versed in the nuances of drug pricing. The final cost direct to the consumer is rarely the list price of the drug. What is the difference between the actual price paid by consumers in the U.S. versus the rest of the world? Many countries have price controls on drugs, but that results in fewer drugs being available

to the public. In the U.K., their national health service will not pay for any therapies whose costs exceed \$50,000 per year. Do we want that? Only 1 out of every 12.5 potential drugs ever reaches patients; the average drug takes 11-14 years to develop, and the costs of bringing a drug to market are \$1 billion-\$2.5 billion. The drug companies say that price controls would inhibit research on new drugs.

In economics, we study trade-offs. With drugs, we are looking at the trade-off between today's prices, profitability and citizens' health in the longer run. Here, the question is whether the lowering of drug company profits and drug prices today reduces the likelihood that more specialized medications for rare medical conditions will be developed in the future. Are we willing to make that trade-off?



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Windsor Ridge

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and present, who have contributed to this remarkable 25-year journey. Let us celebrate this achievement, and look forward to many more years of delivering exceptional care, love, and passion to our residents."

Brian Bartley, founder and former president, praised the facility and the staff. Bartley said that if he was at war he'd want the Windsor Ridge staff in his foxhole and noted how well the facility functioned during the COVID crisis.

Executive Director Bridgett Burchfield - with assistance from Vonda

Minnich, business office director - coordinated the event that included friends and family of current and former residents. Burchfield told the crowd, "Thank you for letting us take care of your family."

Briscoe Kuhlman, senior communications director, introduced Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs who spoke briefly and noted the number of children who attended with their parents, saying, "This really is a family."

Brewer ended the event by calling all of the current staff together for a photograph.

Windsor Ridge is now part of the Inspirit Senior Living communities and provides 24-hour onsite nurse service, healthcare management, restorative rehabilitation programs and nightly and hourly room checks. Director of Dietary Services Christina Silvers provides a culinary experience for all residents.

"The 25th anniversary of Windsor Ridge Assisted Living is not just a celebration of time; it is a heartfelt reminder of the vibrant community that thrives within its walls. Here's to do everything with love," said Burchfield.



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Publisher's Positions



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Walz Vs. Jacobs ... I'll Buy A Ticket

Tiny Tim Walz is running around the country making an even bigger fool of himself. During last year's presidential campaign Walz didn't have much of anything to say, perhaps because interpreters were needed to decode anything Kamala said on the rare occasions she said anything. Now Tim says their mistake was they didn't stand up and double down on woke, DEI and the open border and say "you damn right we're proud of these policies." No, they chose to pretend the border was never open, sidestepped DEI whenever they could and tried to deny they had engaged in identity and

gender politics for years. Appearing on Gavin Newsom's podcast, Tim proclaimed he could likely kick the behind of just about any Trump supporter and that the GOP are "threatened by his masculinity." Really? This is the guy wearing a Harris - Walz camo hat and couldn't even load his shotgun. Walz also bragged he could fix a truck. Maybe a matchbox truck. I doubt if anybody is giving him a toolbox for Christmas. Evidently, Tim was the only person in the country who never saw the cringe worthy Kamala "real men" ad.

Looney Toon Tim is now squalling that Republicans are trying to restrict voting rights because we favor proof of citizenship to be able to register to vote. That is absolutely not restricting voting rights. Illegal aliens have no right to vote and should not be allowed to register to vote.

Walz did get one unexpected offer: Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, AKA wrestling legend Kane, offer to wrestle Tim for charity.

"You know, obviously, my first reaction when I saw what he said was, 'You gotta be kidding me man, Tim Walz is saying that,'" Jacobs said. "Then

I thought to myself, 'Wait a second, this could be really cool.' We could have a charity wrestling match have some fun, and the proceeds would go to a good cause."

Jacobs said the take would be split 50/50 for the causes each wished to represent. Jacobs offered to wear a blindfold or wrestle with one arm tied behind his back. It would be an epic event to see Kane take on Tim, champion of the tampon in the boys' room.

So far all anyone has heard back from Mayor Jacobs' proposal from Tiny Tim: crickets.

No Tax Dollars For National Public Radio

National Public Radio is under fire if not on fire and CEO Katherine Maher has had some explaining to do as the House of Representatives discusses whether or not to continue to have the taxpayers pay for what amounts to a leftist propaganda machine. Our congressman, Tim Burchett, asked her why she had Tweeted that President Trump was a "fascist" and a "deranged racist sociopath?" Well, Kathy about fell over herself in saying

she really didn't mean it after all. She's had a lot of backtracking to do.

NPR has some 87 "journalists" working for it, all of whom are Democrats. Not so much as a token Republican. There is diversity, equity and inclusion at work the way the Left intends it.

Domestic Terrorists

Speaking of butt hurt leftists, there are more than a few of them out there setting Tesla vehicles on fire, throwing Molotov cocktails, and destroying other people's private property. So, are we saying it is an acceptable form of protest to destroy someone's personal and private property if some individual doesn't like their politics?

It more of the same deranged leftist notion that any form of "protest" including violence is hunky dory so long as it is directed against White people, or conservative Blacks and Hispanics.

Anyone who doubts the efficiency of the Left in governing should note after the terrible fires in Los Angeles, just four permits to rebuild homes have been granted out of the more than 7,000 that burned.

Democrats Hate Oversight

It is astonishing to think Democrats in this country believe it is a terrible idea to have what amounts to an audit of our government. The information coming out of Washington, D.C., about the lack of policies and procedures in the spending of taxpayer dollars is probably worse than anyone ever imagined. Were the government a business, it would have been bankrupted long ago and all the managers would be in jail. It seems only sensible that the government agencies, departments and those entities funded by the taxpayers be audited. Taxpayers should KNOW they are getting a dollars' worth of service for every tax dollar spent. That really isn't too much to ask.

Families have to pare down the household budget or to spend within their own means and it's not too much to expect the same from the government. A \$37 trillion deficit is not sustainable. The idea that everything and anything DOGE does is just terrible and awful is just idiocy in action.

Hypocrisy Alert

The corporate and mainstream media, along with Democrats, are losing their minds over what they are trying to conflate into "Signalgate." The very same people who never opened their mouths about the disastrous pull out from Afghanistan which cost the loss of thirteen lives of Marines, including one of our own by Joe Biden and now the people hollering the loudest in the media and Congress. No generals were fired during that epic fail, much less a secretary of defense. None of the squallers in chief even bothered to say much about it. Occasionally some Democrat might say it was "unfortunate," but now you'd think the world was coming to an end. The US took out terrorists successfully. We didn't leave \$89 billion worth of sophisticated equipment and supplies for our enemies to use against us. They didn't fire anybody. Nor do I recall anyone even being reprimanded by the commander-in-chief. We'll just call it song of the hypocrites or the hypocrites' anthem.

Dogwood Trails Celebrate Seven Decades In Bloom

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April 6th)
Location: Market Square, Downtown Knoxville
Artists at Work: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Award Ceremony: 7 p.m., Market Square Stage



Passers-by watch a chalk artist work on the Chalk Walk. Photo courtesy of Jared Worsham Photography.

Knoxville's favorite live art event is back! The 17th Annual Chalk Walk, hosted by Dogwood Arts, takes over Downtown Knoxville on Saturday, April 5th from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. More than 300 artists—from kindergarteners to professionals—will transform downtown sidewalks into stunning works of art, making the city burst with color and creativity. The City of Knoxville estimates that over 30,000 people come out to enjoy Chalk Walk each year.

Beyond the artwork, visitors can enjoy food trucks, a blooming beer garden, and free art activities for kids.

"Chalk Walk is one of our most popular events of the

year—not just for attendees, but for the artists too," said Emily Curran, Dogwood Arts Visual Arts Program Manager. "Spots fill up fast—we have around 150 available, and they were nearly

gone within a day of opening applications. This year, we have 200 artists on the waitlist!"

Food Vendors: Enjoy delicious bites from CJ's Tacos, Mucho Gusto, The Spiffy

Spud, Appe Thai, Mama Bear Sweet Treats, King of Pops, and Coast 2 Coast Coffee. Plus, free filtered water will be available, courtesy of the AB Project—just bring a refillable bottle!

Competitions & Prizes: Artists will compete in 12 categories, including (single & collaborative) Elementary, Middle School, High School, College, Adult, Family, and the prestigious Sidewalk of

Fame. A panel of jurors will award cash prizes and ribbons to outstanding pieces.

Kids Chalk Free in the First Horizon Fun Zone: Young artists can grab free chalk—courtesy of First Horizon Bank—and create their own masterpieces in the First Horizon Fun Zone on Market Street. Plus, guests can vote for their favorite artwork in the People's Choice Award, presented by WIVK FM-107.7.

Sponsors: This year's Chalk Walk is made possible by ORNL Federal Credit Union, First Horizon, KUB Fiber, Cherokee Distributing, Downtown Knoxville Alliance, Xfinity, City of Knoxville, Tennessee Arts Commission, Graphic Creations, Jerry's Artarama, and the AB Project.

Dogwood Arts, presented by ORNL Federal Credit Union, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to celebrating the art, culture, and natural beauty of East Tennessee.

Duplex plan for city

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option for some who are in the market for a relatively short-term housing commitment seeking a short-term living commitment" he commented.

"The people who live in duplexes are individuals and families who live their daily lives like any other neighbor. The distinction is the doubling of occupancy and demands on infrastructure on the similar-sized lot as a single-family detached home.

"The lack of public awareness is the other major issue. It is shameful that the proposed change is not only on the table, but is moving through the process at an accelerated pace," he continued.

Hume said the planners in January asked their staff to study only one component

of the One Year Plan, the location criteria for new duplexes.

"In addition to debating the pending amendment, the public should question the wisdom and necessity to rush this through. Is there an urgent need for duplexes? Is demand so high and the current location criteria so stifling that people are being denied housing and being harmed?"

"Aren't all the apartments,

'missing middle housing' projects, and those rare single-family detached home developments currently under construction not sufficient to satisfy existing and projected demands?" he continued.

Hume is urging citizens to contact the Knoxville City Council and appear at the April 1 council meeting to address the proposed changes in the city zoning duplex policy.

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Rule House reopens to home Autism Breakthrough of Knoxville's Anchor Program

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The historic 109-year-old house at 2445 East Magnolia Avenue was the scene of a ribbon cutting by the Grandiflora Foundation last Friday to become the home of the Autism Breakthrough

of Knoxville's Anchor Program.

"It is a joy to see the Rule House restored and to welcome Autism Breakthrough of Knoxville as our first tenant," said Phil Lawson, Chairman, The Grandiflora Foundation. "This project breathes new life into a historic building

that was a cornerstone of East Knoxville for many years, and we are proud to carry on its tradition of providing valuable resources to the community."

The historic "Rule House" will provide transitional housing support for adults with autism and other disabilities or

seeking post-secondary education. Participants will have resources like staff support, enabling technology and individual plans to help them with skills and their goals.

The Anchor Program is designed for individuals who meet the following eligibility criteria: diagnosis

of intellectual or developmental disability; 18 years of age or older; currently employed, enrolled in internship program, and/or pursuing post secondary education; and self-sufficient in activities of daily living (bathing, grooming, hygiene, toileting, etc.)

Applications for the

transitional housing can be found online at [https://breakthroughknoxville.org/anchor-program/Breakthrough Knoxville](https://breakthroughknoxville.org/anchor-program/Breakthrough Knoxville may be contacted by calling (865) 247-0065 or emailing info@breakthroughknoxville.org) may be contacted by calling (865) 247-0065 or emailing info@breakthroughknoxville.org.

City opens up special event beer permits

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The Knoxville City Council meets Tuesday and may vote to finalize approval of expanding beer permits for some special event locations. The council may amend the City Code for special events in areas that had been previously prohibited or restricted. The idea is to streamline the regulations for consistency of permits throughout the city.

The council may also vote to apply to the state for a \$965,012 grant for storm damage. Another grant request, for \$724,611, would go to the Knoxville Area Transit to improve bus stops in the bus service area.

A grant from the state for \$53,136 is also being considered for the support of the Project Safe Neighborhoods program for equipment and supplies for programs to prevent, respond to and reduce violent and gun crimes. The application is being requested by the police department.

Jones Locating Service may be contracted

to provide utility damage prevention for the city's street lighting system at \$150,000 a year. Superior Traffic Control LLC may be approved to provide special event flagging and traffic control for the city engineering department in an \$75,000 agreement.

The council may discuss the planning commission's proposed One Year Plan for 2025 and amend the City Code to amend the interior side, corner side and rear setback requirements for Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) zoning districts in an idea from R. Bentley Marlow.

Zoning change requests include three Atchley Street and one Carmichael Street properties from South Waterfront District to South Waterfront Mixed Use District Type 2. A Meadow View Road property may be approved to change zones from single family residential to general residential.

The remodeled house at 413 East Inskip may be changed from single family residential to an office designation in an application from Julio Herrera.

Split commission votes deny some zoning requests

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It was a long night of split votes as the Knox County Commission's Zoning session whittled down the number of homes developers were requesting in new subdivisions.

Much of the time was spent on two Mesana Investment requests for planned residential zoning: one for property at 205 North Wooddale Road and the other at 2748 and 2720 Cunningham Road and 6930 Shady Lane. A large number of nearby homeowners in both areas turned out to oppose the zoning change requests that had been approved by the planning commission.

The Wooddale Road property proposal, near Asheville Highway, was for six dwelling units per acre and had been postponed since January. Drew Statton spoke for Mesana and numerous nearby residents spoke in opposition. Commissioner Terry Hill said that six units per acre would be out of character and in conflict with the current growth plan.

A compromise offered by At-large Commissioner Larsen Jay for four units per acre failed in a split vote. Commissioner Shane Jackson's calls for six and then four with a sidewalk and park requirement failed as well.

Jay's substitute motion, with a second from Hill, for two units per acre succeeded, 6-4, when Commissioner Angela Russell called for the vote. Commissioner Andy Fox passed on the vote. Voting "No" were Commissioners Jackson, Russell, Rhonda Lee and Adam Thompson.

The second Mesana request, for five dwelling units per acre near the Beaver Brook Country Club on Cunningham Road, saw similar opposition from existing homeowners and the club president, Jerry Key. Attorney Wayne Cline represented the homeowners and said that 234 local residents had signed a petition against the request for five units per acre on the 18.74-acre property.

Commissioner Courtney Durrett moved to permit three dwellings per acre with a buffer and entry only from Cunningham Road and her motion passed in a 6-5 vote with Fox switching his "pass" to a "Yes" vote.

The commission also approved a zoning change from agricultural to neighborhood commercial to permit a storage business to locate at 1907 East Governor John Sevier Highway. Terry Romans made the request with some opposition from local subdivision homeowners. The vote was 8-2 and one commissioner abstained from voting.

Randy Guignard's request for ten

planned residential units per acre on Rifle Range Drive off Maynardville Pike saw no community opposition. The proposed two-story, two-bedroom townhouse units would be adjacent to the city limits, and Lee moved to approve the "transition" from one zone to another. The approval was unanimous.

The commission also unanimously approved Amy Sherrill's request to rezone 7420 Ledgerwood Road from general business to general residential in order to build two six-unit dwellings with a sidewalk agreement.

Benjamin Mullins presented a 12-unit per acre development request, changing zones from agricultural to planned residential, for 2520 West Beaver Creek Drive. Lee moved to approve, subject to a turn lane restriction and a tree replanting condition. It passed unanimously.

A Sharp Road rezoning request, from agricultural to low-density residential, from Adrian Perju for a six-duplex development, was also approved with no opposition.

An amendment to the Knox County Code to align local regulations with state requirements dealing with childcare zoning ordinances was approved on the first of two readings in a unanimous roll call vote.

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The Latest Drama

If a man only used words that he knew the meaning of, he'd never learn anything. Attributed to Garrison Keillor

I'm not a fan of Garrison Keillor's politics, but I admire his wordsmithing and his storytelling of Lake Wobegon. Readers have occasionally commented on my choice of words. English is a compendium of words from many cultures. I like that. I'm not trying to be a smarty-pants, but sometimes you find a "mot juste," a French word/term for the perfect word, now in our English lexicon.

It would be an uninteresting world if everyone had, or was forced to have, the same opinion. And this is an area where I strongly disapprove of the intolerant left who are now resorting to violence by attacking Tesla as part of the Democrat resistance. Obama once told

Congressman Paul Ryan that "elections have consequences." Obama was right, but many Democrats and federal judges refuse to accept reality and the will of the American people.

Everyone is writing and talking about domestic terrorism, but I am conflicted. Is this a topic suitable for the Doctor Is In column? I could do a non-scientific survey of the reader's opinions, but it would be as invalid as many of the things I read and hear from titular (a mot juste) experts. I once heard that an expert is someone 50 miles from home with a PowerPoint presentation. (Actually, I first heard this when carousel slides were used.)

The real question is, how do you know anything, let alone what is right or true? Is there such a thing as truth? Jesus was asked this question by Pilate (John 18:38). You should read his response. So, meaningful

events and truthseeking are the purview of citizens and this doctor's opinion column. Remember Ferguson's axiom #36: "Read widely, think carefully and sift everything through your own experience and common sense. This will bring you closer to the truth."

The purpose of education is to teach the tools necessary for a lifetime of inquiry. I received a good basic education and then more advanced education in science and medicine. However, I have spent the last half of my life in self-education of the humanities to broaden my perspective. Along the way I have collected a compendium of facts which I organized into systems of workable knowledge. And through reflection and careful application of this knowledge, I have acquired a modicum of wisdom.

Socrates said, "The unexamined life is not worth living." Therefore, this citizen, doctor and seeker of the truth has the right and duty to reflect on events in his polis, the Greek word for the city-state. By analogy, the city of Knoxville exists within Knox County. The word politics derives from events and issues of the polis, even its dramas.

Admittedly, I am a stickler for words, which are the tools we use to express our thoughts. Terrorism is "the unlawful use of violence to intimidate or coerce a civilian population or government, with the goal of furthering political, social or ideological objectives." And domestic "relates to one's own or particular home or country." So by definition, radical leftists who damage Teslas or businesses are committing domestic terrorism. And subversive elements who financially enable or coerce miscreants to act out their delusions are equally culpable.

Elon Musk said these perpetrators of violence have "some kind of mental illness." The modern-day DaVinci is right; they have Trump Derangement Syndrome and have been driven delusional by their ideology and hatred. They should be found and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. As President Trump said, "There will be no pardons or commutations."

A civil society cannot tolerate those who foment unrest, incite violence or finance domestic terrorism. Jimmy Kimmel jokes about burning Teslas. Governor Tim Walz revels in declining Tesla stock without realizing his state employee pension fund has more than a million shares of Tesla and his constituents have lost a lot of money as a result of domestic terrorism.

People are becoming afraid to buy or drive a Tesla due to this subversive rhetoric and intolerance. Kimmel is disgusting but should be allowed to tell his jokes. The people of Minnesota are fools to vote for Tampon Tim. But among the worst is Congressional representative Jasmine Crockett, who was again warned by US Attorney General Pam Bondi that "calling for attacks on Elon Musk" may be prosecuted. Democrat leaders are manipulating their deranged shock troops to utilize intimidation, swatting and doxing. These are all forms of domestic terrorism, and are going to get someone killed.

It is amazing that the Democrat leadership takes the 20% side of every 80/20 issue. In other words, Democrats side with the 20% leftist fringe who support sanctuary cities, trans surgery for kids and criminal aliens. They are opposed to Title IX and investigations of waste, fraud and abuse in the government. Perhaps former Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy is right: "Trump broke the Democrat party," and all they have left is resistance.

The Democrats have no policies other than hatred and obstinate opposition to President Trump's common-sense policies. The

Democrats have become peevish, petty, vicious and increasingly dangerous. As Lindsey Graham said, "They hate Trump more than they love the country." But in reality, there are few Democrats left. Harold Ford Jr. is perhaps one of the few. Most of those who control the party are progressives like AOC or socialists like Bernie Sanders. And leftist street thugs are their Brown Shirt shock troops.

I have a confession. I manipulate the readers of my column! I use the titles of my essays and the header quotes to complement each other. They are like priming a pump. I use them to pique curiosity and to draw the reader in. Writers might say these devices are "hooks."

The substantive topical issue of this column was domestic terrorism. It is obviously a sensitive topic and some might have avoided the essay. Therefore, I used progressive Garrison Keillor's quote to draw you in before linking the title and quote in the body of the essay. So, you see, even conservatives can be manipulative, but hopefully to promote thought and reflection.

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Cavett Station Tragedy focus of April luncheon

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The first Friends of Cavett Station luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, with a presentation by Dr. Christopher Magra. The luncheon will begin that day at 11 a.m. at the Bearden Banquet Hall at 5806 Kingston Pike. The invitation can be found online at friendsofcavettstation.org and on the group's Facebook page and includes a QR code for ticket purchases and reservations.

At the luncheon, FCS President Amy Mays Emert will talk about Alexander Cavett's life before the massacre, including his service in the American Revolution, affiliation with the State of Franklin, and what brought him to Knoxville in 1790.

Dr. Magra is a professor of American History at the University of Tennessee and director of the Center for the Study of

Tennesseans and War.

The Friends of Cavett Station postal address is P.O. Box 50241, Knoxville, TN. 37950. The organization is a non-profit group with the mission of caring for the Mars Hill Cemetery, located on Broome Road in West Knoxville, the site of the former frontier station that housed the Cavett family.

What happened at Cavett's Station?

On September 25, 1793, an incident took place that not only shocked settlers but clearly separated the Chickamauga leaders. Chief Doublehead and Chief John Watts planned to capture the federal garrison in Knoxville in revenge for an attack on Coyatee by the white militia.

Watts easily recruited 1,000 warriors to avenge the attack and began riding toward the federal barracks, where the old

Knox County Courthouse now stands. Two warriors were sent to watch General John Sevier's force, camped at Ish's Fort. Both Indians were discovered and one, Nettle Carrier, was wounded. He made it back to Watt's war party with sad news: Doublehead's brother, Pumpkin Boy, had been killed.

Doublehead was outraged and wanted personal revenge and insisted that not only should the fort at Knoxville be attacked but also every cabin along the way.

Alexander Cavett was an early settler of old Washington County, Tennessee. Cavett's Station stood west of Knoxville and consisted of only a few fortified cabins. With Sevier's militia several miles away and the next closest garrison near Nashville, the Cavetts and many other stations had few guards and little nearby help.

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Several members of Friends of Cavett Station stand at the monument in Mars Hill Cemetery, where members of the killed Cavett family were buried.

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Looking for Victory in the Valley (Part 3 of 4)

Looking for victory in a valley involves our pursuit of strength and purpose during life's most challenging times. Valleys, symbolizing moments of hardship, loss or uncertainty, can feel like periods of defeat. This was the emotion David experienced when he returned with his men



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from Ziklag and found their town desolate. Their wives and children had been taken captive, and the town had been burned to the ground. The scripture in 1 Samuel 30 states that they wept until they had no more tears left to cry. They were in a valley of discouragement, yet it was from this deep and dark place that they found profound opportunities for growth.

Victory in such times is not always about overcoming the struggle immediately; rather, it is

about finding resilience, learning and hope through the process. It's often in the valley's depths that we gain a deeper understanding of ourselves, develop a stronger connection to our purpose, and ultimately rise stronger and more determined. These are some of the qualities we see in

David as he faces one of the most devastating moments of his life.

As we have already indicated, one of the ways David found victory in the valley at Ziklag was by strengthening himself in the Lord. He recalled past experiences where he had felt both the power and presence of God. In a moment of despair, David deliberately turned his heart and mind toward the goodness and grace of God.

Another important step David took was seeking wisdom from

God. He desired insight, direction and discernment to navigate this perplexing situation, wanting his path to align with God's will. Often, God teaches us valuable lessons in the valleys of our lives that we can't learn without going through them.

A third powerful action David took during his discouragement in Ziklag was serving others despite his struggles. Valleys should never hinder our walk with God; instead, they position us to serve.

In 1 Samuel 30, we see that David follows God's direction to pursue the army that had taken his family. During this journey, he encounters an Egyptian who is identified as a servant of the Amalekites. This servant was found in Ziklag, the very town that the Amalekites had invaded and burned down. The unnamed Egyptian was gravely ill and on the brink of death until David and his men discovered him. Instead of using him as leverage or punishing

him for his association with the Amalekites, David and his men allowed their heartbreak to inspire them to help someone in need. They provided him with food and water and cared for him until he was well again.

This act of compassion teaches us an important lesson: it is crucial to continue serving God by serving others even during difficult times. Doing so helps us develop a deeper empathy for others who are facing their spiritual struggles. In 2 Corinthians 1, the Apostle Paul encourages us to use the grace we have received as an opportunity to assist others in overcoming their challenges. Often, it is by serving others while we are in a season of pain that God offers us the healing we need.

When we find ourselves in difficult times, it's easy to want to give up and quit. However, the true challenge lies in allowing our burdens to become someone

else's blessing. Serving others during our hardships helps refine our character and shapes us to be more like Jesus. Even in His own time of despair, Jesus continued to serve others. On the night before He was betrayed, He took a towel and basin, knelt and washed the feet of those who would doubt, deny and betray Him. This act of service exemplifies that we reflect Christ most clearly when we love and serve others, even amid our challenges.

As we have learned so far, achieving victory in the valley is possible when we strengthen ourselves in the Lord, seek wisdom from God, and continue serving others even when we feel exhausted. There's one more important insight I want to share next week. But for now, remember this: In the depths of your current or future valley, there is a purpose to be found, a resilience that can develop, and a victory waiting to be achieved.

Don't Pick On Old People

The weather has been perfect this week. In fact, all over the country people have taken to the outside, even where the cold weather still has a tight hold on areas. Nothing seemed to stop people

from leaving their homes to join others in protests. Sure, some of the topics of discontent were questionable. However, one topic has the support of a majority of Americans: Social Security.

We should all know that Social Security was the brainchild of President Roosevelt in 1935. Its



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purpose was to serve as a safety net for elderly citizens. Unlike so many other programs, this one was funded by deductions from employees' paychecks and their employers.

Over the 90-year life of the program, Social Security has often been the only source of income for the poorest of our older citizens. As of February 2025, the average monthly income for social security recipients is \$1,976. How difficult life must be for those whose income is that little.

How does one pay rent, buy groceries, pay the utilities, and put gas in a car on that amount? The choice between medicine or food is a real-life decision for too many Americans.

As of February 2024, 67 million persons received Social Security benefits. Yes, most recipients are senior citizens. When the program was initiated, the life expectancy for Americans was 61.7 years. In 2025, the average life expectancy is 77.5 years. So, when the program began, many of the people died before ever drawing the first check. Now, the system pays seniors an average of 8-12 years.

Social Security deductions have been taken from workers' paychecks each pay period. No one has a choice about paying the tax. The government takes that money and is supposed to make sure it is there for individuals when they reach retirement age. Unless those funds have been raided by the government, plenty of money should be available to pay those entitled.

Now, those in power want access to personal data held by the Social Security system. They claim massive amounts of fraud are occurring and that the agency is overstuffed. Plans to fire thousands of employees

and to shut many offices are being plotted. The results will be inconveniences for the elderly who, oftentimes, are too frail or too remote to make journeys to offices to spend hours in line for assistance.

Social Security recipients have worked hard through most of their lives. Many have bravely served the country during times of war. Others have toiled for small paychecks that they, in some way, stretched to cover the bare necessities of life. Anyone, regardless of party affiliation or station in life, has no right to withhold the money that citizens contributed over a lifetime.

We all hope that the

weather continues to improve so that the months ahead will be enjoyable. At the same time, Americans hope that some kind of common sense prevails so that Social Security checks continue to be mailed. Privatization might be a possibility for future recipients, but for us old codgers, the status quo is preferable. We are in the twilight of our lives, and we ask that you leave us alone for the few years we have left. That means that we receive the money which we are owed and that we have a fully functional agency to help those with questions. That's the American way of handling things.

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The Senator From Washington State

Harry P. Cain

Pages from the Past



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Harry Pulliam Cain was not an easy man to pin down. Perhaps it was a contrarian nature or his affinity for being unpredictable, but Harry Cain was a study in contradictions. As a member of the United States Senate, Cain was considered a conservative, an ultra-conservative by some, and viewed by many as an ally of Wisconsin demagogue Joe McCarthy. As a member of the Subversive Activities Control Board, Cain astonished his previous critics by being a full-throated civil libertarian, oftentimes highly critical of the Justice Department's way of going about things. Harry Cain believed the Department of Justice had violated the civil liberties of some of the accused brought before the Subversive

Activities Control Board and in his typical fashion, spoke out forcefully about it. President Eisenhower's powerful chief of staff, former Governor Sherman Adams of New Hampshire, was appalled by Cain's criticisms and considered the former senator to be disloyal to the administration. Harry P. Cain was mortified by the notion of sweeping away the rights of the accused. By the time he resigned his seat on the Subversive Activities Committee, Harry Cain was considered to be far too unpredictable to warrant any kind of political position. Cain also found himself alienated from both major political parties. By the time of his death, Harry P. Cain's political career had gone full circle.

Harry P. Cain was never one to care much about his appearance, which was almost always rumpled, if not downright disheveled. Lean and lanky, Cain had shaggy hair frequently flying in every direction, and as a heavy smoker, he had lines etched deeply in his face, giving him the appearance of being older than his years. Nor was the senator much more circumspect about his personal life, which frequently splashed into the pages of newspapers of the day. Every difficulty in his troubled marriage seemed to be aired in some news outlet.

Cain was one of a set of twins and he and his brother were born in Nashville, Tennessee. The family moved to Tacoma, Washington, in 1911. Unfortunately, Harry Cain's mother suffered from serious bouts of depression, and she killed herself in 1917. Following his mother's suicide, Harry Cain suffered from an attack of Bell's palsy, which rendered him speechless for a spell. Eventually, Cain returned to Tennessee to attend the University of the South. Cain graduated

from Sewanee in 1929 and was offered a job with the New York Times. Harry Cain discovered his father was ailing and preferred to remain in Tacoma.

Cain was deeply involved in Tacoma's civic affairs and became a candidate for mayor in a nonpartisan election. For years Harry Cain had been the kind of Democrat one found in the Southland, a more conservative type, and he was increasingly more skeptical of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal. Cain had run third in the primary, but the unexpected death of the top vote-getter presented Cain with the opportunity to make the run-off election. Cain won the election and became mayor of Tacoma at age 34.

Harry Cain was one of the first public officials to institute a weekly radio program where he could talk directly to the people he represented, much like Franklin Roosevelt's famous "fireside chats." Cain served as mayor during a time when Tacoma was experiencing prosperity as shipbuilding and military bases in the area were growing. Only two public officials on the West Coast raised their voices in opposition to President Roosevelt's directive to intern those citizens of Japanese descent; Harry Cain was one of the two.

Reelected overwhelmingly in 1942, Harry Cain governed as a progressive mayor by any standard. Eager to get into the war effort, Cain left for London, where he was part of the military intelligence. A lieutenant colonel at the beginning of his service in the Second World War, Cain hankered to get into the fighting. At the same time, Republicans back home in Washington State ran Cain for the United States Senate in 1944 while he was in Europe. Even though he remained in Europe, finally having won a transfer to a fighting unit and being in the middle of the heavy fighting in the bloody Battle of the Bulge, Cain still won roughly 45% of the vote in absentia.

Following the war, Harry P. Cain went home and took up his responsibilities as mayor once again, although he soon became a candidate for the U.S. Senate once again. Cain won the GOP nomination to face Hugh Mitchell, who had been appointed following the resignation of Mon Wallgren, who had been elected governor in 1944. 1946 was a great year for Republicans and Harry Cain beat Senator Mitchell by 60,000 votes.

From the beginning, Harry P. Cain was unconventional, personally and politically. Cain resolved he would pay little or no attention to what might be



(Left to right) Senator Harry Cain of Washington State, Senator Styles Bridges of New Hampshire and Senator Herman Welker of Idaho sitting outside on the steps of the Capitol, 1951.

popular back home, but rather to follow entirely the dictates of his own conscience. As a senator, Cain said whatever came into his head all too frequently, which naturally caused him problems with both the media and his constituents. Some of his statements were inflammatory, others simply highly controversial. Cain's Senate office seemed ill-organized or simply did not choose to stress being responsive to the people of Washington State. Ultimately, most successful officeholders will find that a well-run office is the best politics.

Cain was often belittled by his critics as the Senate's foremost spokesman on behalf of the real estate industry. Senator Cain retorted that he considered the label a compliment. When the Senate was considering a bill to extend the rent control still in place following the Second World War, Cain prepared to launch a filibuster. Beneath the tan gabardine suit he wore, the senator had a pilot's urinal strapped to his left leg so he would not have to relinquish the Senate floor should nature call. Cain orated for twelve hours and eight minutes, speaking for the smaller property owners whom he said rent control discriminated against. Throughout his lengthy speech, the senator occasionally gnawed at potato chips and a pickle when other senators rose for a question. Cain would occasionally sip coffee or milk. Republican and Southern Democrats gave Cain momentary respite by posing long questions, which did not cause him to give up the Senate floor. Republican Leader Kenneth Wherry of Nebraska wrangled three brief recesses, saying he believed he could reach an agreement with Senator Cain. The obstreperous senator from Washington State refused any kind

of compromise. Still, the brief recesses allow Cain to hurry to the restroom and return to the Senate Chamber much refreshed.

It was a few minutes after midnight when Harry Cain abruptly ended his speech and asked for a quorum call. Senators had been napping, either on cots or in their offices, while others had left at the dinner hour for social events. Sleepy senators began to return to the floor, where those gathered applauded those who wearily straggled in last. Majority Leader Scott Lucas of Illinois and Minority Leader Wherry engaged in a short argument. Lucas wanted to vote on the bill itself while Wherry wanted the senate to vote on a motion to send the bill back to committee. Wherry won and finally, at 3:48 a.m., senators trudged home.

Later, Cain, fresh as a spring daisy, chirped he was ready to renew his filibuster on a moment's notice. The Senate killed Kenneth Wherry's motion decisively and that was the end of it.

Nor was that Harry P. Cain's first filibuster. When President Harry Truman had nominated former U.S. Senator and Governor Mon Wallgren to serve as the director of the National Securities Resources Board following his defeat in the 1948 election, Senator Cain immediately hurled the accusation that Wallgren was not qualified to serve. Cain spoke for nearly seven hours on that occasion and managed to raise enough of a ruckus to doom Wallgren's nomination. President Truman had to content himself by appointing Wallgren to serve on the Federal Power Commission. TIME magazine recorded the spectacle of Senator Harry Cain's mini filibuster against Wallgren's nomination. "Cain talked for more than six hours, scratching under his arms, hitching at

his trousers, sipping milk and raising one foot after the other so that his male secretary could change his shoes. Mrs. Cain, who has filed a suit for divorce, sat in the gallery the whole time, watching her husband admiringly."

In 1948, Cain was one of only two members of the Senate to vote against a \$3 billion appropriation to begin the program to build a 70-group Air Force. "We're trying to do too much - - - too fast," Cain insisted. The only other senator to vote against it was the ultra-leftist Glen Taylor of Idaho. Taylor was the vice-presidential running mate of former Vice President Henry Wallace, who was running on the Progressive Party ticket. "When Wallace is elected President," Taylor crowed, "we can reach an agreement with Russia and call off this whole armaments program." Harry Cain was named one of the ten most expendable members of the Senate by TIME magazine in 1950. Yet Senator Cain was also one of the most sought-after speakers in the country by a plethora of organizations.

Considering the continuous din of his hectic personal life and his flamboyant political life, it is not difficult to imagine how badly the Democrats wanted to beat Harry P. Cain when he came up for reelection in 1952. They nominated their best candidate in Congressman Henry M. "Scoop" Jackson, a six-term member of the House of Representatives. The campaign was hard fought, bitter, and almost entirely based on the record accumulated by Senator Harry P. Cain during his six years in the U.S. Senate. While Dwight D. Eisenhower was handily carrying Washington State and GOP Governor Arthur Langlie was winning reelection, Senator Harry Cain was losing decisively to Henry Jackson.

According to the Spokane Spokesman-Review, many of the senator's friends felt Harry Cain only had himself to blame for his loss. "He was supremely overconfident," columnist Ashley Holden remembered years later.

Defeated for reelection, several Republican senators prevailed upon President Eisenhower to appoint Harry Cain to an appropriate federal post. That post was a seat on the Subversive Activities Control Board, where Cain soon became a hero to civil libertarians for his outspoken defense of those whom he believed had been victimized by the Department of Justice. Cain returned to Washington State to speak at a Lincoln Day Dinner and used the occasion to criticize the Eisenhower Administration's security program in general and most specifically, the attorney general's proposal to liquidate the list kept by the Justice Department of subversives. "Has society become so lacking in vitality, vision and strength that we must pore over the ashes of a dead period in the past ...?" Cain's remarks stunned most of Washington, D.C.

Washington State Republicans began buzzing that Cain was preparing to begin a political comeback. Once accused of being overly zealous in his anti-Communism, now some called for Harry Cain to be fired because he was "soft on Communism."

When it became all too clear that Eisenhower and his entire administration were dissatisfied with his record on the Subversive Activities Control Board, Cain went to the White House for a meeting with the president. There Cain listed his differences with the administration's security program. Apparently, the president expressed more than mild unhappiness with Cain. The former senator resigned. Harry P. Cain was honored with a testimonial dinner at Washington's prestigious National Press Club by a host of civil libertarians, labor leaders and politicians who honored his service as one safeguarding American liberties.

Largely broke, Harry P. Cain found a new home in Miami, Florida, where he remained active and involved in local politics. Cain did make a political comeback of sorts, becoming a Dade County (Miami) Commissioner in 1972. Already suffering from the effects of emphysema, Cain lost his reelection bid in 1976. The former senator died in his sleep on March 3, 1979.

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Cavett Station Tragedy focus of April luncheon

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Cherokee warrior Bob Bengé was selected to speak with those inside the walls of the fortified cabin and he approached as directed. Bengé was the red-headed son of a Cherokee woman and a white trader.

Bengé told the settlers that if they surrendered, they would come to no harm and be traded back to territorial authorities. Bengé had been given the words by Watts, and both men believed the promise to be true.

The settlers looked at the large force and agreed to the terms, leaving the cabin after dropping their weapons.

As they left the cabin, Doublehead and probably some of his closest warriors rushed the settlers and killed all thirteen except for one small boy.

Chief Watts sheltered the child and put him up on his own horse for protection, cursing Doublehead's action and saying various insults to his uncle. Bengé was also shocked and frustrated that his words had been used as a ploy for cold-blooded murder.

By some accounts the

Cavett child was being taken back to the Lower Towns when he was killed by some of the Creek warriors among the Chickamauga, but the most often told tale has Doublehead riding up from behind, grabbing the infant who had been crying in fear, and bashing out the child's brains against a tree that grew beside the trail.

Watts, Bengé and their followers called Doublehead "Baby Killer" from that day forward whenever an appropriate insult was needed.

Before leaving the Cavett station, the Chickamauga warriors burned it to the ground. Seeing the smoke from the federal garrison

in Knoxville, Sevier dispatched Captain Harrison to investigate. All he found were smoldering ashes and butchered bodies.

Following the Cavett Station incident, a large force commanded by Sevier tracked the Chickamauga down to the old "Lower" Cherokee towns of northern Georgia. It was to be Sevier's last campaign against the Chickamauga and took place at the "Battle of Etowah" near Rome, Georgia.

Before returning, Sevier's force destroyed the village and allowed most of the women and children to go free.

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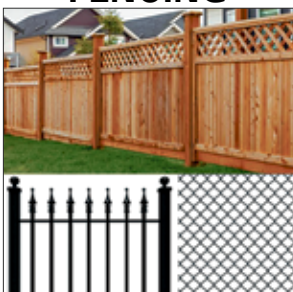


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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Birthday girl Lawson drives in winning run for Seymour

By Steve Williams

Seymour's softball team broke out singing 'Happy Birthday' to Baylee Lawson after scoring five runs in the bottom of the seventh inning for a 15-14 win over visiting Carter last week.

Lawson, a freshman first baseman who turned 15 last Tuesday, just happened to be the batter who drove in the Eagles' winning run with a two-out hit to left field.

What a birthday present that was for Baylee and her team!

"Oh, it feels great. It feels great," repeated Lawson. "I love my team. It was all them 100 percent. It was my team, all the support."

On the winning play, Lawson was batting in the No. 3 spot behind freshman Emily Schultz and when the hard-hit ball appeared to be bobbled in the outfield, Schultz aggressively rounded third base and raced home to score.

Baylee believes it will be a play she will always remember.

The win improved Seymour to 3-1 in District 3-3A and 4-6 overall. Carter, the Class 3A state runner-up last year,



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Carter's left-handed batter Marah Yeo prepares to bunt the ball thrown by Seymour pitcher MaKenna Wright in last week's game at the T. J. Carter Memorial Softball Field in Seymour. The Lady Eagles outscored the Lady Hornets 15-14.

dropped to 1-1 and 2-6.

Seymour Coach Haley Graves felt "our girls staying in the game the whole way" was the key to the win. "I couldn't be more proud of them. They got a little rattled about halfway through and I had to get on to them a little bit, but after that they had their heads in the game all the

way to the end. That's all I could ask of them."

Maggie Messer's triple in the top of the first inning gave Carter a 1-0 lead. Seymour stranded three base runners in its first at-bat.

The Hornets upped their lead to 5-1 in the third. Leading the way were singles by Brooke

Truax, Marah Yeo and Jenna Wilson, followed by Messer's two-run single and a double by Addy Freeman.

Carter increased its advantage to 7-2 in the top of the fifth. Abby Trull singled and combined with Freeman for a double steal.

Seymour took advantage

of a Carter error, a hit-batsman and a base on balls and scored six runs in the bottom of the fifth to take an 8-7 lead. MaKenna Wright and Brooklyn Milligan had RBI hits in the rally.

Trailing 9-8 going into the top of the seventh, Carter scored five runs

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

TKA Lions nab first league win over Grace Christian

By Ken Lay

Chelton Jones came up with a big performance when his team needed it most.

Jones, a senior for The King's Academy baseball team, hurled a complete game on the mound and came up with a pair of extra-base hits to lead the Lions to a 6-3 Division II-A East Region District 1 victory over Grace Christian Academy Tuesday night at GCA.

Jones, who plays center field for TKA, posted a solid pitching performance as he went seven innings and allowed three runs (one earned), five hits and one walk. He struck out nine in the victory.

"When we have Chelton on the mound, we have a chance against anybody," Lions' coach Trevor Ferguson said. "We got a big win today and it was one that we really needed."

Jones said that he knew he was going to have a good day when he took the ball.

"Every pitch was working for me and this feels great because they beat us twice last year and then they've beaten us once this year," Jones said.

Tuesday's win over the Rams (8-3 overall, 2-2 in the district) avenged a 9-2 loss on Monday, March 24, in Seymour. It also helped The King's Academy snap a four-game losing streak.

At the plate, Jones reached base safely four times as he went 2-for-3 Tuesday. He hit a two-run home run and had a double. He also walked, recorded three RBIs and scored a run.

The Lions (5-8, 1-3) dropped the series opener at home, but they made

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Lifelong best friends sign off together

Brady and Zack ready for college athletics

By Steve Williams

Two of Gibbs High School's top male student-athletes over the past four years had their college signing in the front lobby of the Jerry H. Sharp Gymnasium last week.

A good turnout was on hand for the special morning.

Brady Hughes and Zack Turner excelled in different sports but wanted to have the ceremony together.

"They have been best friends since they were born," said Brad Turner, Zack's father and the school's head football coach. "They played together in all sports their



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

It was a day for smiling as Gibbs seniors Brady Hughes (left) and Zack Turner look ahead to the future. Backing them up (from left) are head basketball coach Aaron Large, athletic director Dustin Mynatt and head football coach Brad Turner.

whole life."

But in high school, they only got to play football

together their freshman year. Zack suffered a broken collarbone in

7-on-7 the next summer prior to football season and had to have surgery.

They were on the basketball team all four years.

Other than that, Brady played baseball his freshman year and Zack played golf as a junior and senior.

"Brady and Zack's sisters played everything together growing up as well," added Coach Turner. "Both graduated in 2020 and are the same age. Our families are super close."

Hughes signed with Carson-Newman University as a running back, while Turner signed with Milligan University as a shooting guard. They both feel very comfortable with their decision.

"The family atmosphere at Carson-Newman is just way different than any other place that I

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Knoxville Marathon seeks volunteers for road race

By Steve Williams

Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon organizers are calling on the community to volunteer for this weekend's race. According to their website last week, dozens of volunteer spots are still open. The Knoxville Marathon is East Tennessee's premier running event.

"In Knoxville, our volunteer spirit is second to none," said Jason Altman, Knoxville Marathon race director. "We're asking our community to help us make this year's marathon weekend even more special by stepping up and going the extra mile for participants coming from Knoxville and around the world."

The two-day event has a variety of positions to fill.

Volunteers should complete online registration at knoxvillemarathon.com/volunteer-spectators and choose the day, time and task that best suits their individual or group preferences.

To thank them for their contributions, volunteers are invited to attend the Volunteer Appreciation Party on Thursday, April 17 at 6 p.m. at Calhoun's on the River.

South-Doyle hosts 10 track and field teams

High school spring sports are budding for sure.

Including host South-Doyle High, 11 track and field teams competed on March 25 with 217 athletes entered in the events.

"I would say the Alcoa sprinters in the 100 and 200 for both boys and girls were the standout performers," said S-D Coach Don Madgett.

"We'll host a AA invitational on Saturday, April 12 and have nine teams scheduled, including Red Bank, Greeneville, Cumberland County, McMinn Central, Gibbs, Seymour, Sequoyah, Northview and Clinton."

Bearden's Taylor is returning 'home'

Brad Taylor is returning to his alma mater (Class of 1994) as the head football coach at Bearden High School.

The BHS press release states: "Coach Taylor does a tremendous job in leading and developing



young men of character as a football coach. He has experience at the collegiate level, both as a player and graduate assistant coach at Tennessee Tech University (Class of 1999). He is a proven winner who places an emphasis on player development both on and off the football field."

Taylor led the Bulldogs from 2007 through 2013 and during that time he was responsible for the most successful run in BHS football history, posting a 54-28 record. His teams made six consecutive playoff appearances and advanced to the state semifinals in 2007 and quarterfinals in 2010, only to be eliminated by the eventual state champion each year.

After leading Bearden to new heights, Taylor built Karns into a competitive and respected football program from 2016 through 2022, guiding the Beavers to the playoffs in 2021 and 2022. He earned Region 3-5A Coach of the Year honors and The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' Knox County Coach of the Year award in 2021.



PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

Aubrey Hubbs competed on her home track at South-Doyle Tuesday. She was on S-D's state champion 4x100 relay team in 2023. She is a senior now.

Birthday girl Lawson drives in winning run for Seymour

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to go ahead 13-9. It was the Hornets' best offensive inning of the game. Hayden Neely had a RBI triple, Truax a RBI single, Yeo a bunt single, Wilson a two-run double over the left-fielder's head and Messer another RBI single. A double play by Seymour infielders finally ended the inning.

The Hornets appeared to be in good shape. Sophomore lefty Marlee Major had relieved Neely, the starting pitcher, in Seymour's fifth inning uprising and Wilson took over in the circle for Carter in the bottom of the seventh.

The Eagles, however, again dug themselves out

of a hole with their bats. Haylei Tawzer led off with a single and scored and Milligan hit the ball down the right field line and scored.

Following a fly out to right field, Baelyn Brelsford singled, stole second base and scored on a ball hit down the right field line. After a grounder to third for the second out, Landry Terry singled and advanced on a throw behind her. Schultz singled in Terry for the tying run and Lawson plated the winning run with her single to left field.

"Things just went their way today," said Carter Coach Nicole Light. "They (Seymour) fought to the very end. That's a great team and they did really

well. "We're just a very young ball club this year and we had some girls playing out of position," added Light. "But every one of our girls trusted the coaches and did what we asked and they fought until the very end. I couldn't ask for anything more. It hurts, but they're going to be okay. They're just young."

LIVING THE DREAM: Coach Graves played softball at SHS and graduated from Seymour in 2017.

"This has been my dream since I was little; to be a teacher and coach softball at Seymour, and now here I am living it out with my best friend (and assistant coach Sam Romo).

Lions nab first league win

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sure that they didn't have a repeat performance in Knoxville. They took a 2-0 lead in the top of the third inning.

Gensley Ryan opened the scoring when he clubbed a solo homer. King's extended its advantage to 2-0 on an RBI double by Jones.

The Rams pulled to within 2-1 in the bottom of the fourth when Artur Brito drove in a run with a fielder's choice.

In the top of the fifth,

Jones hit a two-run homer, making the score 4-1.

"When he hit that home run, we told him to make sure he got his pitch, and he got it Ferguson said.

In the bottom of the frame, Grace pulled to within 4-3 on a two-run double by Treyson Derry that plated Easton Housewright, who singled to lead off the inning and Mason Pike, who was hit by a pitch.

The Lions scored twice in the sixth as Zion Stephen scored on a wild pitch and

Cooper White came home when Ryan rapped into a double play.

Grace coach Brent Walsh said that his young squad would learn from Tuesday's loss.

"We're a young team. We start two eighth graders and two freshmen," he said. "(Jones) had his curve ball working and we didn't make adjustments until late in the game and it was too late.

"We're young and we'll learn from it."

Clark is new defensive coordinator at South-Doyle

Patrick Clark, who stepped down as the head football coach at Seymour High after the 2024 season, is the new defensive coordinator at South-Doyle, Cherokees Head Coach LA Headrick confirmed last week.

Clark's son will be a freshman at South-Doyle in 2025-26.

Collins will return to Central as AD

It was announced last week that Ben Collins will become Central's new athletic director after the 2024-25 school year ends.

Collins is currently in his third year as the athletic director at Karns. Before taking the AD position at Karns, he was a teacher and girls basketball coach at Central.

Gibbs nips Halls in rivalry softball game

Winning pitcher Lacey Keck struck out 10 and had a key RBI single in Gibbs' 2-1 win at rival Halls last week. Maliyah Smith also had a RBI single for the Eagles.

Emery Bales stood out in a losing cause as she recorded 14 strikeouts and hit a home run.

The win lifted Gibbs to 14-1 overall, while the Lady Red Devils slipped to 9-2-1.

Vols 'reportedly' once signed an 8-footer from Kenya

Old-timers in these parts still remember when the late Ted Riggs, a Knoxville News-Sentinel sportswriter, stirred up Tennessee football fans with a column that UT had signed an 8-foot basketball player and high jumper from Kenya. He ended the column with, "Mark down the date of this historic signing - April Fool's Day, 1974."

Some UT fans were so excited by "the news" of landing a superstar; they didn't read the last paragraph. So it took days before they finally figured it out.

And after 51 years, Riggs' column is still the best April Fool's Day gotcha.

Lifelong best friends sign off together

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experienced and that's what I enjoyed the most," said Brady.

Zack said: "Milligan stuck out because of Coach Rob (head coach Bill Robinson). I went up there and watched a practice. I like how he and Coach (Alex) Biggerstaff (assistant coach and recruiting coordinator) ran things. Their practice is what got me. It's real up tempo and fast."

Turner thinks their type of game matches what he likes to do. "I feel like I would fit in well," he said.

As for academics, Zack plans to major in Business and minor in Marketing.

"I'm not for sure, but I'm thinking Sports Science maybe," said Hughes.

Both should do well in college academically. Hughes has a 4.0 grade point average at Gibbs and Turner a 3.9. They kidded each other about who is the smartest.

"He's a little smarter than me," said Zack. "Yeah, he got a better grade than me in pre-Cal."

Athletic awards in high school

Both Hughes and Turner were first-team honorees on The Knoxville Focus / Coaches' All-Knox County teams in football and basketball, respectively, during the 2024-25 school year.

Hughes, who stood out as a running back and linebacker, was listed as an "Athlete" on the first-team defense.

Turner had the top scoring average (24.2) on the All-Knox County team.

Both Brady and Zack received the Careacter Star Athlete award multiple times in their high school careers.

Their favorite sports memory in high school

"I would say my junior year against Northview Academy, the first round of the playoffs," recalled Hughes. "We were down early in that game and

it looked like our season was about to be over, but I had a strip fumble. I stripped it and ran it back 96 yards for a touchdown and got us back in the game and we ended up winning and going on to the second round."

Zack remembers two great nights in basketball.

"Mine would probably be this year against Hardin Valley," he said. "I scored 48 points in the game and broke the school record for a single game."

"I'd say another one would be at Union County in the district playoffs. I broke the all-time scoring record (2,219 points). That was pretty surreal."

Zack also set a new single season scoring record of 770 points this year.

A neat thing too was former Gibbs standout Stuart Donahue (Class of 1976) attended Turner's signing last week. Donahue had held the season and career records until this year.

'Great athletes, but better young men'

"It's a great day," said Gibbs Athletic Director Dustin Mynatt. "These two young men have been fantastic for us not just on the football field and the basketball court, but in the classroom and the community."

"They are great athletes, but they're better young men," continued Mynatt, who got to coach both Brady and Zack when they were freshmen. "They see the big picture just from the peer tutoring program at the elementary school to peer tutoring in our school to our leadership program. They're just two of the best young men that you can have come to the school. They embody what we want every student and athlete to be."

"We are super happy for them and excited to see the next part of their journey in college athletics," added Mynatt. "We appreciate them and they are great young men above all else."

"Yes it is, it's a dream," said Haley, who is in her second season as head coach of the Lady Eagles.

"And to go from last year to this year, it's a real dream," she added. "Last year we were last in the

district and now here we are, with this win, up to second."

2025 BEARDEN INVITATIONAL

THURSDAY, APRIL 3	LOCATION	TIME
Maryville VS Central	TURF	4:30 PM
Greeneville VS West	TURF	6:30 PM
FRIDAY, APRIL 4		
Farragut VS Gallatin	GRASS	4:30 PM
Catholic VS Alcoa	TURF	4:30 PM
Maryville VS Science Hill	GRASS	6:30 PM
Beech VS West	TURF	6:30 PM
Bearden VS Hendersonville	GRASS	8:30 PM
Notre Dame VS Hardin Valley	TURF	8:30 PM
SATURDAY, APRIL 5		
Baylor VS Beech	TURF	10:30 AM
Alcoa VS Central	GRASS	10:30 AM
Bearden JV VS Beech JV	TURF	12:30 PM
Gallatin VS Greeneville	GRASS	12:30 PM
Hendersonville VS Science Hill	TURF	2:30 PM
Bearden VS Catholic	GRASS	2:30 PM
Farragut VS Notre Dame	TURF	4:30 PM
Maryville VS Baylor	GRASS	4:30 PM
SUNDAY, APRIL 6		
Bearden JV VS Hardin Valley JV	TURF	9:30 AM
Science Hill VS Greeneville	TURF	11:00 AM
Beech VS Hardin Valley	GRASS	11:00 AM
Beech JV VS Science Hill JV	TURF	1:00 PM

* Team listed first will be the Home Team and wear dark jerseys*

No. 2 quarterback always the 'most popular guy in town'

Here's a guide to several scenarios that have emerged over the years when there has been extensive debate among Vol fans about who should lead the team under center. It happened as recently as 2003 with Joe Milton and Nico Iamaleava as elements of the fan base went jaw-to-jaw over the merits of each. History records other such battles since the Vols discovered the quarterback position in 1964, Doug Dickey's maiden season in Knoxville.

1964: A Tough Year, but Help Was on the Way
When Dickey led the Vols into the opening game of the 1964 season, a 10-6 win over Chattanooga, Hal Wantland was the first man under center, backed up by Art Galiffa and David Leake. Dewey Warren, known as the "Swamp Rat," was tearing up the varsity as scout team quarterback. Dickey resisted the temptation to take away Warren's redshirt, thus saving him for service in 1965-67. The Vols were offensively challenged

this season, scoring but 80 points in 10 games, but better times lay ahead.

1967: Three Quarterbacks and an SEC Title

In this SEC title season, Dickey faced a myriad of injuries, including losing his No.1 and No. 2 quarterbacks to injuries early in the season. The Vols had to face defending Alabama with Bubba Wyche, a red-shirt junior, under center at Legion Field in Birmingham. The Vols won 24-13, the first win over the Crimson Tide since 1960. Warren and Fulton both eventually returned, Fulton playing more tailback than quarterback, and the Vols won the SEC for the first time in 11 years. They also won the Litkenhous National Championship.

1971: The Blue Max Arrives Under Center from Deep on the Depth Chart

It was a quarterback controversy that took until the sixth game of the season to untangle. Head coach Bill Battle tried Phil Pierce, Dennis Chadwick, and Chip Howard under center with not-so-hot results. (Condredge Holloway was on the freshman team this season, but rookies would

not be eligible until 1972.) The Vols were 3-2, but the two losses were to Auburn (10-9) and Alabama (32-15). Out of desperation, Battle inserted senior signal-caller Jim Maxwell, nicknamed the "Blue Max," into the Mississippi State game, and, with the help of a tenacious defense, the Vols won seven in a row down the stretch run to finish 10-2, including victories over Penn State and Arkansas.

1994: Two Freshman Quarterbacks Lead the Way

In the opener at UCLA and three weeks later at Mississippi State, the Vols lost quarterbacks Jerry Colquitt and Todd Helton, leaving Vol fortunes in the hands of rookie quarterbacks Peyton Manning and Brannndon Stewart. At this critical moment, Tennessee looked up at a 1-3 record. It was a battle that energized the denizens of chat boards and talk shows, with fans choosing up sides to root for their favorite Vol. The Vols gradually got better as the season progressed, with each player making a contribution to the eventual 8-4 record. Stewart transferred to his home state Texas A&M after the season and led the Aggies to an upset win over



THREE FAMOUS VOL SIGNAL-CALLERS (L-R); Peyton Manning, Heath Shuler and Josh Dobbs.

Kansas State in 1997 that aided the Vols considerably in their drive to the 1998 national championship.

2000: Clausen Leads the Vols Down the Stretch

When Tennessee lost three of its first five games with losses to Florida, at LSU, and at Georgia under signal-callers Joey Mathews and A.J. Suggs, Phillip Fulmer turned to heralded California freshman Casey Clausen, and the Vols won out from the Alabama game on. Clausen provided the spark and rallied the team and the fan base. Fans were dazzled by the freshman's competitiveness, as he scrambled after his helmet had been

knocked off at one juncture in the game against the Crimson Tide. He brought a sense of bravado to the position. Casey won twice at Alabama and at Florida as well as leading the Vols past Michigan in the 2002 Florida Citrus Bowl. He also led a win at Notre Dame in early November.

2013-16: Dobbs Energizes the Fan Base

When it came to Josh Dobbs' seasons at Tennessee, the question was always whether and when to redshirt him. Head coach Butch Jones tried his hardest to do so, twice, but circumstances and Dobbs' natural ability seemed to dictate that he would rise

to the top of the heap. It happened in 2013 and in 2014, with Vol fans rooting openly in whatever forum was available at the time, that Josh was the man to run the Tennessee offense. He always had the mythical quality termed "it," one that fans often seem to recognize before the coaches catch on. He also had that "home run" potential on nearly every play that caught fans' attention. He had a shrewd sense of smarts on and off the field that got fans in his corner, where they stayed throughout his career.

Finally, when it comes to quarterbacks battling for playing time, there are a number of clichés from over the years that seem to apply, brought to light whenever the situation demanded it:

"The No. 2 quarterback is always the most popular guy in town."

"If you have two quarterbacks, you don't have any."

"The No. 2 quarterback is just a play away from being No. 1."

Whether these are clichés or not, they do serve one useful purpose. They add to the ambience of following Vol football over the years.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Action kicks into full gear after Spring Break

By Ken Lay

Local boys high school soccer teams and players returned from Spring Break last week and the season, which began earlier this month, has now kicked in to high gear. Here's a look at some of last week's top games.

Bearden, Hardin Valley Academy, Farragut, West, Carter, South-Doyle and Grace Christian Academy are off to fast starts in 2025.

At Bearden, the defending Class 3A state champion Bulldogs opened league play late Thursday night with a key road victory over Hardin Valley Academy, who defeated Bearden via a penalty kicks shootout during the regular season in 2024. The Hawks also won the district tournament championship with a victory over the Bulldogs.

On Thursday, Bearden notched a 2-1 win as Lucas Ford scored a goal and recorded an assist. Ahmed Dkhiri also tallied for Bearden (7-0 overall, 1-0 in the district), while Aidan Ainsworth also dished out an assist.

Ben Brophy scored the lone goal of the match for the Hawks.

The Bulldogs also edged Gatlinburg-Pittman, 1-0, on Tuesday as Ainsworth scored the only goal of the match. Bearden also has victories over Powell, Father Ryan and Greeneville in Tennessee as well as wins over other top teams from the Southeast a recent tournament in Atlanta.

Meanwhile at HVA, second-year coach Ray Dover and the defending district champion Hawks are off to a 4-2-2 start. Hardin Valley has wins over Webb School of Knoxville, William Blount, Science Hill, Catholic and Union. The Hawks have played Ravenwood and Station Camp.

Farragut off to 4-0 start: Coach Bradley Culbreth's Admirals have won their first four matches of the 2025 campaign. Farragut has given up just two goals this season and has shut out Alcoa (2-0) and Oak Ridge (5-0). The Admirals also have wins over West High in a district match and Powell.

Their most recent win came against the Panthers Tuesday night at home as Gavin Samples, Caleb Gahagan and Adrian

D'aloisio all found the back of the net against the Panthers.

At West High: Coach Nick Kim's Rebels have won five of their first eight matches. West (5-2-1) shut out Austin-East, 3-0, on the road on Tuesday. Nicholas Jackson, William Harriman and Gavin Jones all found the back of the net against the Roadrunners. Harriman, Jackson and Oliver Bankston dished out assists in the match.

Cherokees have won three straight: South-Doyle has won three consecutive matches after dropping its season opener to Halls (2-0) on March 6. The Cherokees (3-1) played in the Smoky Mountain Cup over the weekend (results were not available at press time).

In their most recent match, the Cherokees notched a 10-1 victory over The King's Academy on Tuesday. Karl Henkenjohann scored four goals. Cameron Harp had a goal and four assists. Roger Oseguera Cruze scored twice. Landon Walker had a marker. Jude Straussfogel had a goal, while Tyler Wilson scored and dished out an assist. Finneas Straussfogel had two assists and Jonah Mitchell had one. South-Doyle also has wins over Fulton and Karns out of the gate this season.

Carter has two wins: The Hornets have not returned to the pitch since Spring Break. They last played on St. Patrick's Day when they routed York Institute, 7-1. Ashby Scott had three goals and two assists in that match. Cayden Adkins scored twice. Kevin Comacho Ruiz had a goal, while Alonso Aguyauo had a marker and two assists. Carter also beat Union County, 9-1, on March 11. The Hornets opened the season with a 4-3 loss to Campbell County.

Big week for the Rams: Grace Christian Academy notched a pair of impressive wins last week. The Rams blanked Central, 4-0, in Fountain City on Thursday after toppling Berean Christian, 7-1 on Tuesday.

Jeremy Pruitt Back in the News Again

By Mark Nagi

Tennessee athletics is in as good a place across the board as it has ever been.

Revenue and non-revenue sports are winning at a high level. Donations to the athletics department are up. Neyland Stadium continues to get massive upgrades.

We are smack dab in the middle of the good ol' days.

But every now and then we see something that reminds us of the bad times.

With that in mind, I give you Jeremy Pruitt. Former Tennessee football coach and current litigator.

On Thursday, March 27, Pruitt filed a lawsuit against the NCAA, claiming that they conspired with the University of Tennessee and others to make him a "sacrificial lamb" in their recruiting violations investigation.

The filing states, "With a direct financial stake in the outcome, and in the face of a glaring conflict of interest, the NCAA empowered the University of Tennessee to use its own attorneys to investigate the University, including Pruitt, and to determine the scope of the investigation into alleged rules violations during Coach Pruitt's tenure as head coach. UT had a vested interest in the pre-determined outcome of the one-sided 'investigation,' so that it could justify its failure to pay Jeremy the millions of dollars due under his buyout and other incentives stipulated in his contract."

Pruitt was fired in January 2021 after UT found evidence of extensive recruiting violations. "The information presented to us indicates serious violations of NCAA rules, they occurred and that these serious infractions warrant immediate action," said UT chancellor Donde Plowman at the time.

She added, "What's astonishing is the number of violations and their efforts to conceal the

wrongdoing.

In all, ten members of that coaching staff were fired. But the biggest hit was to Pruitt. That firing was deemed "with cause" by UT, meaning that they were not going to pay his buyout, which was over \$12 million.

The dismissal of Pruitt was not met with very much sadness by Tennessee fans. In 3 seasons in Knoxville, Pruitt led the Vols to a 16-19 record, including a 3-7 Covid season in 2020. They only went 2-11 against Top 25 opponents.

In July 2023, the NCAA Committee on infractions detailed the violations under Pruitt, 200 of them. That included 18 Level 1 violations. Tennessee had no choice but to fire Pruitt, but certainly didn't mind keeping that buyout cash. UT had doled out tens of millions of dollars in buyouts over the previous 13 years.

Pruitt received a six-year show cause penalty while Tennessee was fined \$8 million, had scholarship reductions, was placed on probation and forced to vacate 11 wins. However, UT did avoid a postseason ban due to what the NCAA said was "exemplary cooperation."

The lawsuit claims \$100 million in lost wages.

There is no love lost here. Pruitt is airing all the dirty laundry, saying that Tennessee was illegally paying players before he arrived.

Tennessee football has flourished without Pruitt with 37 wins over the last 4 seasons, including 30 since 2022. They've been to the postseason in each of those years under head coach Josh Heupel, winning two of three bowl games and making an appearance in the first College Football Playoff.

But Pruitt's failures, on and off the field, still hang over the program.

Top teams to compete at Bearden Invitational

By Ken Lay

Many of the state's top soccer teams will convene in West Knoxville later this week at the Bearden Invitational. The tournament, which is one of the most competitive in Tennessee, will be held Thursday through Sunday at Bearden High School.

Matches will be contested at Turner-Allender Field (home of the Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs soccer team) and Bill Young Field (home of the Bearden football team).

Teams in this year's tournament field include the host Bulldogs (who won the Class 3A state championship in 2024), Maryville, Central, Greeneville, West High, Farragut, Alcoa, Gallatin, Catholic, Science Hill, Beech, Hendersonville, Hendersonville, Hardin Valley Academy, Notre Dame and Chattanooga Baylor.

Hardin Valley won the Region 2-3A championship last season, while Alcoa, Greeneville, Science Hill and Baylor are always in contention for a berth in the state tournament. Catholic is back in the tournament for the first time in years.

Hendersonville, Beech and Gallatin are top teams from Middle Tennessee and Farragut has opened the season by winning its first four games in 2025.

2025 Featured Trails: East Knoxville

Holston Hills

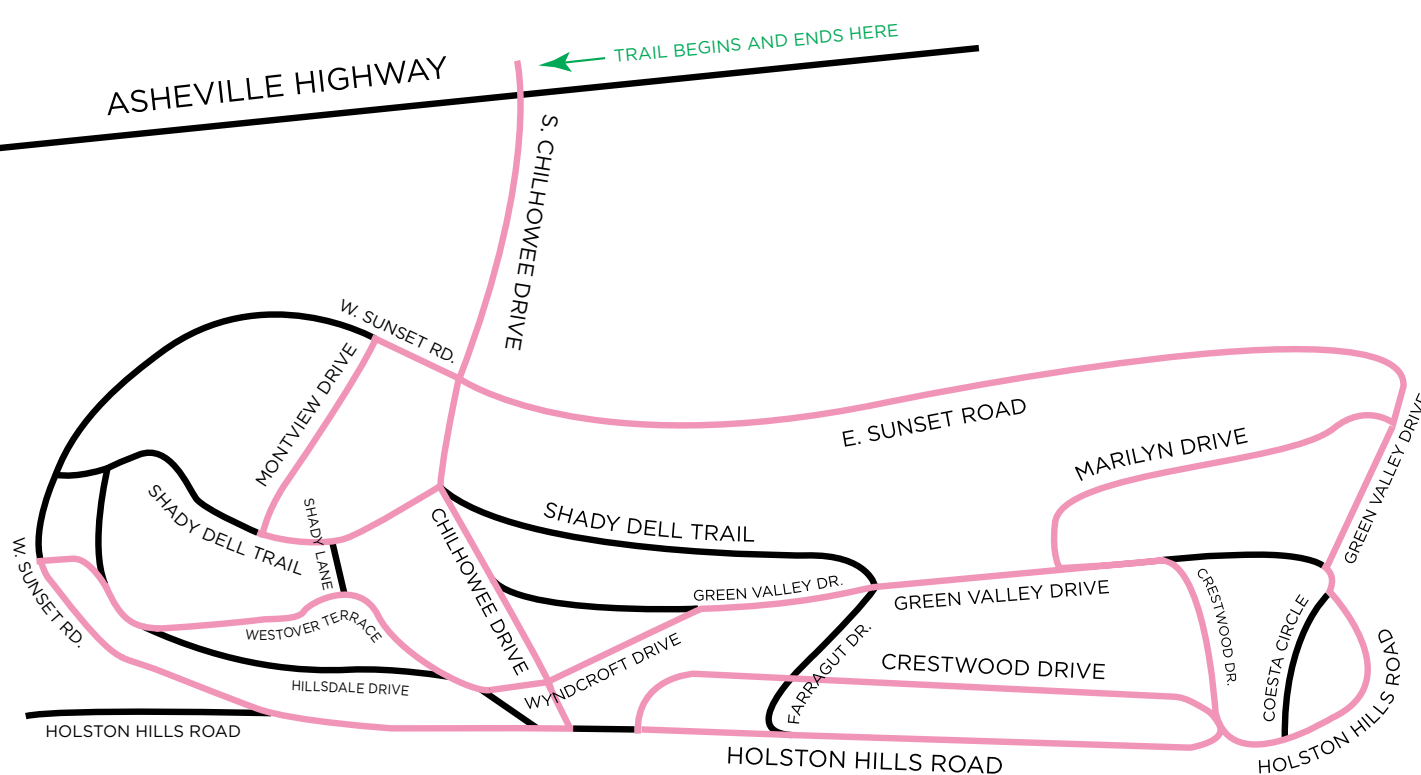
8.7 Miles | Established in 1956 | Trail begins at 200 S Chilhowee Drive (37914)

Welcome to the Holston Hills Trail, established in 1956. Here, native dogwood trees abound! In recent years, many specimen trees have been added by the Garden Club of Holston Hills. This neighborhood features numerous beautifully designed gardens and homes of varying styles set on large lots. Look for dogwoods, various specimen trees, azaleas, rhododendrons, large oaks, poplars, maples and hickory trees, woodland gardens, and beds with drifts of tulips and daffodils.

The pink lines on Chilhowee Drive take you to a four-way stop and through the recently restored 90-year-old stone entrance pillars to Holston Hills. The pillars are made of white and pink Tennessee marble, with slate roofs. They were designed by Barber and McMurry Architects to reflect the early stone homes and golf course built in 1925. The golf course was designed by Donald Ross who is widely held in esteem as the best architect of golf courses in the world.

As you travel the neighborhood, enjoy abundant dogwoods, both native and kousa, magnificent azaleas, old growth trees, shade rock gardens and homes in a variety of styles dating back to the 1930s.

Since its opening in in the late 1950s, Holston Hills Community Park has undergone many phases of development. Most recently added are new beds in the lower part of the park, dogwoods, crepe myrtles, magnolias, and a fountain. Neighbors and friends of the park have also donated commemorative stones and benches. Come take a seat on one of these benches, stroll around the grounds, and enjoy views of the Holston Hills Golf Course. Be sure to watch for the lovely brick 1930s home of Dr. Jimmy Milan on Green Valley Dr. and stop in to visit his Open Garden. The house features 'clinker'



brick and a lovely garden with outdoor pergola and fireplace. This street also features a number of stone and pink marble homes built in the 1930s and 1940s that are nestled among 1950s-60s brick colonials, ranch-style, and modern homes.

Along the trail at 1514 Cliffside Lane, you will see the community's oldest home which was built in 1925. Enjoy the beautiful surrounding homes including large stone and marble homes with lovely gardens, a southern colonial and a Gothic brick house all from the 1920s. This wonderful neighborhood offers panoramic river views and vistas of the rolling ridges of East Tennessee.

HOLSTON HILLS OPEN GARDENS & CAMERA SITES

Bert & Jill Gill
Camera Site
5213 Green Valley Drive, 37914

Michael & Susie Saunders
Camera Site
5417 Holston Hills Road, 37914

Rita & Kelly Berrall
Camera Site
5224 Crestwood Drive, 37914

Jason & Maura Ward
Camera Site
5409 Crestwood Drive, 37914

John & Jan Simonsen
Camera Site
5408 Crestwood Drive, 37914

Holston Hills Community Park
Open Garden
Chilhowee Drive
Hillside neighborhood park overlooking the pristine golf course features over 45 dogwood trees, large garden beds, stone benches and a fountain.

Al Gill
Camera Site
4920 Shady Dell Trail, 37914
Gorgeous azalea display

Ann & Paul Jarrett
Camera Site
5512 Holston Hills Road, 37914

While you visit, be on the lookout for homes with 'Open Garden' and 'Camera Site' yard signs (open daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.).

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Morningside

2.5 Miles | Trail begins at 1601 Dandridge Avenue (37914)

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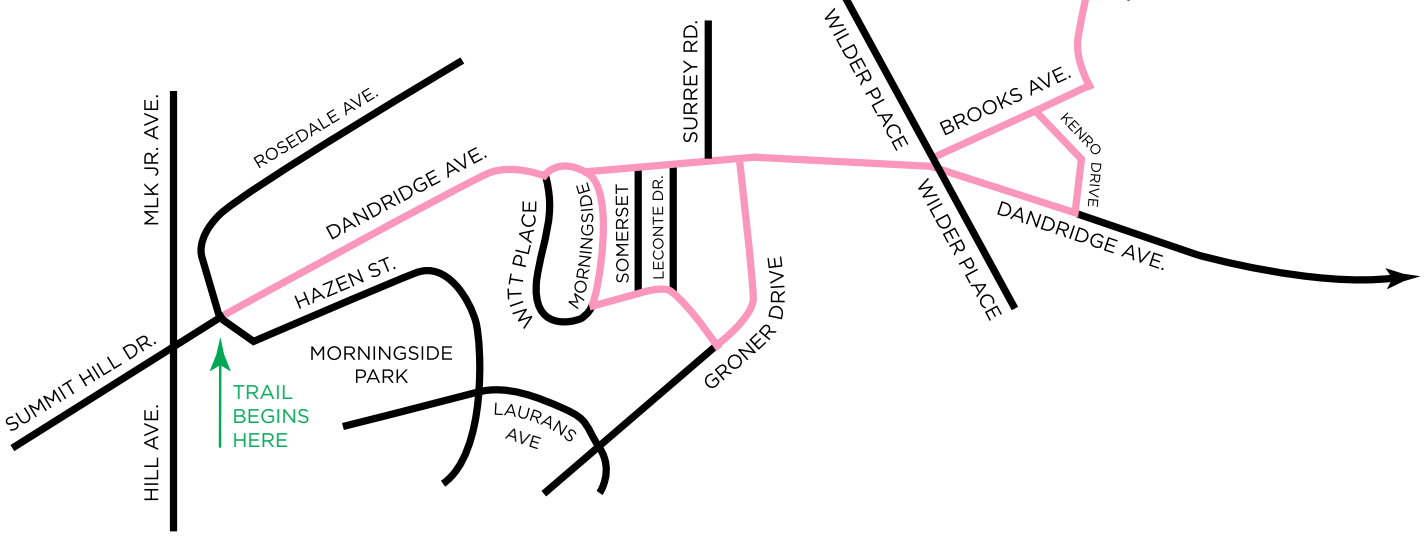
While in the park, visit the Alex Haley Heritage Square which is home to a 13-foot high bronze statue of author and Pulitzer prize winner Alex Haley. Designed by sculptor Tina Allen and cast in bronze in New York City, the statue weighs 4,200 pounds and Allen's depiction of Haley shows the author in a seated position, gesturing with an open hand as he reads from an open book in his lap.

Haley worked to promote literacy, adult literacy especially, and participated in programs that encouraged young people to remain in school. Haley was born in 1921 in New York and served in the Pacific theater during WWII. Following the war, he became the first chief journalist within the Coast Guard and retired in 1959. Retirement was short-lived as he became the senior editor for Reader's Digest Magazine. He became well-known for "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" and "Roots". In his later years he acquired a small farm in Clinton, Tennessee (northwest of Knoxville) and close to the Museum of Appalachia.

Follow the pink lines through the neighborhood and stop by the historic Mabry-Hazen House, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The historic Mabry-Hazen Home overlooks downtown Knoxville, the Tennessee River and the Great Smoky Mountains. The museum's impressive collection is a look back in time. The Italianate-style house built in 1858

showcases over 2,000 original artifacts and is home to an 8-acre site and arboretum which features one of the largest old-grove of dogwoods in the area.

Just down the street is The Beck Cultural Exchange Center, a non-profit organization established in 1975 as a result of Knoxville's Urban Renewal projects. Beck is the storehouse of African American history and culture and is designated by the state as a primary repository of Black history and culture in East Tennessee. The trail continues on to the Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum, a 47-acre property that was home to the former Howell Nurseries and features walking trails, display gardens, a Secret Garden, over two miles of historic stone walls, and timeless buildings. Be sure to visit the Dogwood Nature Trail with 20 cultivars of native *Cornus florida* and dozens of other dogwood varieties.



The Mabry-Hazen House is on the Morningside Trail. Dogwood Arts photo by Kristen Bright Photography.

MORNINGSIDE OPEN GARDENS & CAMERA SITES

Mabry Hazen House

Open Arboretum

1711 Dandridge Avenue, 37915

Overlooking downtown and the Smoky Mountains, this historic site preserves an 1858 Italianate house and one of the largest original family collections in the United States. Mabry's Hill features over 34 viewable dogwoods and a restoration project is underway to recover an additional grove of dogwoods. As a level 1 arboretum, the site conserves 32 species of trees including 90-year-old southern magnolias, ancient oaks and maples, and Carolina silverbells.

Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum

Open Garden

2743 Wimpole Avenue, 37914

Hours: Daylight

Over 2 miles of historic stone walls line the 47-acre property; impressive plant specimens of many varieties; 1.2-mile walking loop; community and children's vegetable gardens. Dogwood Nature Trail features over 60 varieties of dogwoods.

While you visit, be on the lookout for homes with 'Open Garden' and 'Camera Site' yard signs (open daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.).

Open Garden = get out of the car and enjoy a stroll through the garden

Camera Site = photos only, please do not enter the property

Community events along the Dogwood Trails this week

Chapman Highway Dogwood Trail Kickoff Celebration

April 5th, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

6000 Chapman Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37920

Join the South Knoxville community as they celebrate the opening of the 2025 Dogwood Trail season with local artists, food trucks, and live music at Commonplace Coffee & Community on Chapman Highway!

This event is hosted by Commonplace Coffee and the Chapman Highway Garden Club in conjunction with the Dogwood Arts Trails & Gardens Program.

Holston Hills Dogwood Trails Opening Party

April 6th, 2-5 p.m.

5200 Holston Hills Rd, Knoxville, TN 37914

Join the Holston Hills neighborhood as they celebrate the opening of the 2025 Dogwood Trail season at the Holston Hills Country Club. Vendor booths, jazz combo, heavy hors d'oeuvres included with ticket, cash bar available. \$25 per person — email holstonhillscommunityclub@gmail.com for more information or to purchase tickets.

This event is hosted by the Holston Hills Community Club in conjunction with the Dogwood Arts Trails & Gardens Program.

Happy Spring!



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PUBLIC NOTICE

PROBATE COURT SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY
IN RE: ELIZABETH ALEXANDER, Deceased
No. 86280-2

NAMES OF PARTIES INTERESTED:
Linda Walker, Debbi Mitchell, Gary Alexander, Alex Walker, Bradley Alexander, Chris Alexander, John Walker, Jason Alexander, Crystal Field, Cory Mitchell, Beth Arroyo, Jeremy Alexander, and the Bureau of TenCare

LOCATION: SITUATED in the Eighth (8th) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 1, Final Plat of Alexander Property, as shown on map of the same of record in Instrument 200805130085382 in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office, to which specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

BEING part of the property conveyed to Thomas L. Alexander, Jr. and Elizabeth Anderson, as tenants by the entirety, by Quitclaim Deed dated January 6, 2003, of record in Instrument 200303190083328 in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office.

This parcel is commonly known as 3803 Strong Road, Mascot, TN 37806 and bears Tax Parcel Identification No. 033-060.01

The sale is being conducted by the Clerk and Master for the Knox County Chancery Court on behalf of the Knox County Chancery Court pursuant to the Order entered August 5, 2024, in the above cause of action.

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 11, 2025
PLACE OF SALE: City-County Building within the corridor of the Main Street entrance near the Large Assembly Room, North entrance, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

TERMS: The sale will be for cash. The purchaser may either (i) pay the entire purchase price at the time of sale or (ii) pay 10% of the purchase price at the time of sale and execute a note for the balance, without interest, to be paid in full within 30 days from the sale date. As security for the note, a Knox County resident must sign the note as surety and the Clerk and Master will retain a lien on the real property until the note is satisfied. All funds must be paid by check drawn from a bank where the Clerk and Master can independently verify funds are available. If the person bidding is an agent of another person or entity, the person bidding must present sufficient evidence to the Clerk and Master, at the time of the sale, to establish his or her authority to bid the entity. The Clerk and Master is further authorized to accept an advanced bid and reopen bidding in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 35-5-110.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL: 865-215-2555; J. Scott Griswold, Esq., Clerk and Master

Notice to run in The Knoxville Focus: March 17, March 24 and March 31, 2025.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANCERY COURT SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY
DOCKET NO. 207547-3
CREST BROOK SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Petitioner,

v.
GARY WAYNE FOUST, MORTGAGE INVESTORS GROUP, INC., and REPUBLIC FINANCE, LLC, Respondents.

LOCATION: SITUATE in the Sixth (6th) Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee, without the corporate limits of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Lot 8, Corrected Final Plat, Crest Brook Subdivision, as shown on map of the same of record in Map Cabinet F, Slide 20D (Map Book 74-S, page 45), in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office, to which specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO non-exclusive perpetual easements running with the land, said easements consisting of ingress and egress across certain common areas more particularly described on said map of record in Map Cabinet F, Slide 20D (Map Book 74-S, page 45) in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office.

BEING the same property conveyed to GARY WAYNE FOUST, unmarried, by Warranty Deed dated April 5, 2001, of record in Instrument 200104090067672 in the Knox County Register of Deeds Office.

This parcel is commonly known as 1215 CREST BROOK DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN 37923 and bears Tax Parcel Identification No. 105LD-008.00.

The sale is being conducted by the Clerk and Master for the Knox County Chancery Court on behalf of the Knox County Chancery Court pursuant to the Order entered March 26, 2024, in the above cause of action.

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 11, 2025 at 11:00 am

PLACE OF SALE: City-County Building within the corridor of the Main Street entrance, near the Large Assembly Room, North entrance, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

TERMS: The property shall be sold to the highest and best bidder on a credit basis of not less than six (6) months nor more than two (2) years and taking from the purchaser a deposit of no less than ten-percent (10%) of the purchase money, provided, however, that the sale shall be in bar of all redemption or repurchase either in equity or by statute of any Defendant or of any creditors, the same to be terminated and the title to the purchaser shall be absolute. This sale is the foreclosure of a lien recorded in Instrument No. 202309150014556 in the Register's Office for Knox County, Tennessee. The property as sold will be subject to the liens of Mortgage Investors Group, Inc. and Republic Finance, LLC.

As security for the note, a Knox County resident must sign the note as surety and the Clerk and Master will retain a lien on the real property until the note is satisfied. All funds must be paid by check drawn from a bank where the Clerk and Master can independently verify funds are available. If the person bidding is an agent of another person or entity, the person bidding must present sufficient evidence to the Clerk and Master, at the time of the sale, to establish his or her authority to bid.

The Clerk and Master is further authorized to accept an upset bid within ten (10) days following the sale and reopen bidding in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 35-5-110. Any upset bid shall be at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the original winning bid. If the Clerk and Master receives an upset bid, he shall conduct an upset sale on April 25, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., at the same location as the initial sale.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL: 865-215-2555; J. Scott Griswold, Esq., Clerk and Master

Notice to run in The Knoxville Focus: March 17, March 24 and March 31, 2025.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, by Deed of Trust executed May 4, 2018 by Frank E. Beatty and Janell L. Beatty as same appears of record in the office of the Register of Knox County, Tennessee, in

Register's Instrument No. 201805090066309, and conveyed in trust to Calvin L. Greene, as Trustee, certain real estate hereinafter described, to secure the payment of a promissory note dated May 4, 2018, in the principal sum of \$127,000.00, said instrument being incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the Deed of Trust and the owner and holder of the Note has declared the entire balance due and payable and has instructed the undersigned Successor Trustee to foreclose the Deed of Trust in accordance with its terms and provisions;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as Trustee under said Instrument, I will, on the 30th day of April, 2025 at 1:30 p.m., inside the main entrance of the City County Building located at 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, offer for sale and will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, and in bar of the statutory right of redemption and equitable rights of redemption, and all other rights and exemptions of any kind, equitable or statutory, all of which were expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, the property therein conveyed which is more particularly described as follows:

Being in the 8th Civil District of Knox County, Tennessee and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on an iron pin set in the northern right of way line of Norfolk Southern Railway and in the southeast corner of Whirlwind Way (as shown in Map Cabinet "K", Slide 268C), thence with the eastern boundary of Whirlwind Way three calls and distances, to wit: N 17 deg. 22 min. 00 sec. E 119.99' to an iron pin, N 75 deg. 02 min. 00 sec. E 209.17' to an iron pin, N 52 deg. 57 min. 00 sec. E 140.62' to an iron pin, thence leaving the boundary of Whirlwind Way, S 21 deg. 52 min. 24 sec. E 119.28' to an iron pin, thence N 73 deg. 44 min. 53 sec. E 234.66' to an iron pin, thence N 65 deg. 30 min. 00 sec. E 223.31' to an iron pin set in the boundary line of others, thence S 01 deg. 08 min. 06 sec. E 269.61', thence S 15 deg. 30 min. 27 sec. W 150.87', thence S 40 deg. 20 min. 14 sec. W 206.55' to a point in the northern right of way line of Norfolk Southern Railway, thence with said northern right of line of Norfolk Southern the following 4 calls, to wit: N 75 deg. 24 min. 00 sec. W 243.82', N 66 deg. 55 min. 00 sec. W 244.46', N 60 deg. 07 min. 00 sec. W 195.67', N 54 deg. 57 min. 00 sec. W 29.15' to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 6.4723 acres, more or less, according to the survey of William H. Shockey, License# 973, dated 9/25/2017.

Said property being that property conveyed to Frank E. Beatty and Janell L. Beatty Register's Office, Knox County, Tennessee, Instrument No. 201805090066308.

The above-described property will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes, restrictions, easements, and building setback lines, matters show on the map referenced above, and to any prior or superior liens, judgments or Deeds of Trust, including, but not limited to the following:

Taxes for the year 2025, a lien, but not yet due or payable, and all taxes for subsequent years.

This Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of any deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The proceeds of the sale will be applied in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Deed of Trust. Said sale is being made upon the request of Calvin L. Greene, the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust due to the failure of the maker to comply with all provisions of the Deed of Trust.

Should the highest bidder fail to comply with the terms of the bid at the public sale, then the Successor Trustee shall have the option of accepting the second highest bid, or the next highest bid with which the buyer is able to comply.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another date certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time set forth above. The Trustee reserves the right to rescind the sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the grantor, the grantee, or the trustee.

Notice provided for the foreclosure sale by:
Calvin L. Greene, Trustee
c/o D. Scott Hurley, Attorney at Law
The Hurley Law Firm, P.C.
205 Mohican Street
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919
865-523-1414
scott@thehurleylawfirm.com

COURT NOTICES

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: HOWINGTON, INC.
IN RE: KINCFARMS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Vs.
HOWINGTON, INC., and ANN R. TIPTON
NO. 210296-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant HOWINGTON, INC., a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon HOWINGTON, INC., it is ordered that said defendant, HOWINGTON, INC., file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Cameron D. Bell, an Attorney whose address is 8913 Town and Country Circle, #1103 Knoxville, TN 37923 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 13th day of March, 2025.
J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: MELISSA STEWART
IN RE: RONALD STEWART
-vs-
MELISSA STEWART
Docket # 160619

IN THE FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant MELISSA STEWART is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon MELISSA STEWART, it is ordered that said defendant, MELISSA STEWART, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Cameron D. Bell, an Attorney whose address is 8913 Town and Country Circle, #1103 Knoxville, TN 37923 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon MELISSA STEWART.

IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer to an action of COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE filed by RONALD STEWART, Plaintiff herein, with the Fourth Circuit Court in Knoxville, Tennessee, and with MATTHEW MCCLANAHAN, Plaintiff's Attorney whose address is PO BOX 51907, KNOXVILLE, TN 37950, (865)347-3921, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication, and if you do not answer or otherwise respond, a Default Judgment may be entered against you on the thirtieth (30th) day after the fourth (4th) publication. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This the 10TH day of MARCH, 2025.
Mike Hammond
Clerk
Michelle Henry
Deputy Clerk

ORDER OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

ANDERSON COURT CHANCERY COURT
100 N. MAIN STREET, CLINTON
TENNESSEE 37716

TO: DOMINICA AUSTIN
IN RE: JEFF HAZLEWOOD and wife,
SANDY HAZLEWOOD, Plaintiffs
Vs.
THE HEIRS OF WILLIAM FRITTS, et. al.
DOCKET NO.: 24CFH6035

COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGEMENT TO QUIET TITLE

TO: DOMINICA AUSTIN

COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT TO QUIET TITLE

176 STRUTT STREET, OLIVER SPRINGS, TENNESSEE 37840

174 STRUTT STREET, OLIVER SPRINGS, TENNESSEE 37840

172 STRUTT STREET, OLIVER SPRINGS, TENNESSEE 37840

DOMINICA AUSTIN MUST RESPOND TO THE ABOVE-NAMED COURT, OR ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF(S), ATTORNEY W. LUCAS ARNOLD OF THE CANTRELL LAW OFFICE, 362 S. CHARLES G. SEIVERS BLVD., CLINTON, TN 37717.

This notice will run in The Knoxville Focus for four consecutive weeks - 3/24, 3/31, 4/7 and 4/14/2025.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: LACEY MICHELLE SMITH
IN RE: AVERY EIZABETH LOCKIE,
FRANK JUDDSON SMITH AND
LORETTA PETRILLA SMITH
Vs.
LACEY MICHELLE SMITH AND
WILLIAM DOUGLASS REED
NO. 209645-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant LACEY MICHELLE SMITH, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon LACEY MICHELLE SMITH, DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT, it is ordered that said defendant, LACEY MICHELLE SMITH, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Daisey Lovin, an Attorney whose address is 607 W. Summit Hill Dr., Knoxville, TN 37902 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor John F. Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division I, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 14th day of March, 2025.
J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES
and DYLAN HICKMAN
IN RE: NOVA WAYNE BRIDGES,
By:
CHARLESTON HUBERT BOLES
and TAMMY DENISE BOLES,
vs.
ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES,
and DYLAN HICKMAN
NO. 210319-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, it is ordered that said defendants, ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Allison H. Ankrum, an Attorney whose address is 117 Center Park Drive, Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37922, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.

This 21st day of March, 2025.
J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

TO: ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES
and DYLAN HICKMAN
IN RE: NOVA WAYNE BRIDGES,
By:
CHARLESTON HUBERT BOLES
and TAMMY DENISE BOLES,
vs.
ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES,
and DYLAN HICKMAN
NO. 210319-3

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

In this Cause, it appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendants ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, or whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, it is ordered that said defendants, ALEXANDRA MARIE BRIDGES and DYLAN HICKMAN, file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Allison H. Ankrum, an Attorney whose address is 117 Center Park Drive, Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37922, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause will be set for hearing Ex-Parte as to you before Chancellor Christopher D. Heagerty at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division III, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

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This 21st day of March, 2025.
J. Scott Griswold
Clerk and Master

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARK B. ATCHLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 90671-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARK B. ATCHLEY, who died Jan. 30, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

This the 21st day of MARCH, 2025.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ARLINE S. BLEIER
DOCKET NUMBER 90611-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 7 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ARLINE S. BLEIER, who died Feb. 2, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 7 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF MARK B. ATCHLEY
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
TAMMY COX, EXECUTRIX
1346 GRAND COLONY LANE
POWELL, TN 37849

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ARLINE S. BLEIER
DOCKET NUMBER 90611-1

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

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

This the 7 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF ARLINE S. BLEIER
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
JAMES S. MACDONALD, EXECUTOR
JAMES S. MACDONALD, ATTORNEY
606 W. MAIN STREET, SUITE 225
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MARGARET S. BRENNEMAN
DOCKET NUMBER 90660-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of MARGARET S. BRENNEMAN, who died February 14, 2025, 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 of the first publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or

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

This the 17 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF MARGARET S. BRENNEMAN
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM B. BRENNEMAN
40164 QUAIL RUN COURT
LOVETTSVILLE, VA 20180

DAVID H. LUHN, ATTORNEY
310 N. FOREST PARK BLVD.
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOSEPH GRIFFIN COOK
DOCKET NUMBER 90656-1

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH GRIFFIN COOK, who died January 21, 2025, 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 17 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF JOSEPH GRIFFIN COOK
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
NORMA COX COOK
3907 KINGSTON PIKE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

P. ANDREW SNEED, ATTORNEY
217 EAST BROADWAY AVENUE
MARYVILLE, TN 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF BRANDON LYNN DAVIS
DOCKET NUMBER 90573-2

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BRANDON LYNN DAVIS, who died on November 4, 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 (

UT Gardens to hold Spring Spectacular Plant Sale

Step into a gardener's paradise at the annual Spring Spectacular Plant Sale supporting the UT Gardens, Knoxville. Shoppers should plan to visit on Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. EDT for this highly anticipated event offering beautiful plants for a great cause.

A diverse and exciting sale inventory will offer something for everyone from seasoned growers to beginners. Native plants, flowering and fruit-bearing shrubs, perennials, annuals, early vegetable plants, herbs, trees and more will be available. Knowledgeable staff and local master gardeners will be on hand to offer advice and encouragement.

The featured plant this spring is the tropical candelabra bush (*Senna alata*), prized for its

unique late-season blooms and ease of growth. "The candlestick-like, bold yellow blooms in early September are worth their weight in gold," said Jennifer Northam, UT Gardens collections manager. "These plants are not only gorgeous, but the flowers also provide nutritious pollen for foraging insects. The leaves also serve as food for multiple species of sulphur butterfly caterpillars."

A preview sale will be held on Friday, April 4, from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. for all UT Gardens' members, Gardens' volunteers and UT employees. Garden members receive a 10% discount on all purchases. Memberships can be purchased at the sale with an immediate discount on plants. All proceeds directly benefit the UT Gardens, Knoxville.

The UT Gardens, Knoxville, is located on the UT Agriculture campus at Neyland and Jacob Drives. For a list of the huge selection of plants on sale, including prices, or to become a member prior to your visit, please go to the UT Gardens website: utgardens.tennessee.edu. Click on the location tab for information about the Knoxville location.

The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture is comprised of the Herbert College of Agriculture, UT College of Veterinary Medicine, UT AgResearch and UT Extension. Through its land-grant mission of teaching, research and outreach, the Institute touches lives and provides Real. Life. Solutions. to Tennesseans and beyond. utia.tennessee.edu.



The featured plant at the annual Spring Spectacular Plant Sale supporting the UT Gardens, Knoxville, is the tropical candelabra bush (*Senna alata*), which is prized for its unique late-season blooms and ease of growth. Photo courtesy UTIA.

LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES ALFRED RAGLE
DOCKET NUMBER 90637-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES ALFRED RAGLE, who died January 25, 2025, 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 20 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF CHARLES ALFRED RAGLE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CHAD AARON RAGLE
852 BENNETT PLACE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37909

DANIEL F. WILKINS, ATTORNEY
7632 GLEASON DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ANTHONY GIBSON REAGAN
DOCKET NUMBER 90716-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of MARCH, 2025, letters administration in respect of the Estate of ANTHONY GIBSON REAGAN, who died Oct. 29, 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 14 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF ANTHONY GIBSON REAGAN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SAWYER REAGAN, ADMINISTRATOR
305 OAK PARK DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WARREN F. ROLLINS, III
DOCKET NUMBER 90701-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of WARREN F. ROLLINS, III, who died on December 15, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for 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)(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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF WARREN F. ROLLINS, III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
KIMBERLY R. DOMETROVICH
8145 3RD AVENUE
LEEDS, AL 35094

O. E. SCHOW, IV, ATTORNEY
900 SOUTH GAY STREET, 9TH FLOOR
P. O. BOX 900
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0900

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MIMS FRANKLIN SELLERS
DOCKET NUMBER 90697-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MIMS FRANKLIN SELLERS, who died November 4, 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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF MIMS FRANKLIN SELLERS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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LOUISVILLE, TN 37777

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MARYVILLE, TN 37804

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF LUCILLE H. STAFFORD
DOCKET NUMBER 90639-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of LUCILLE H. STAFFORD, who died February 18, 2025, 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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF LUCILLE H. STAFFORD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
CINTHIA DIANE STAFFORD

STUART I. CASSELL, ATTORNEY
707 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOHN DAVIS STALEY, JR.
DOCKET NUMBER 90700-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of JOHN DAVIS STALEY, JR., who died on September 21, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court for 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)(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 MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF JOHN DAVIS STALEY, JR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
RITA JEANE STALEY
7317 ELEGANT DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

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KNOXVILLE, TN 37901-0900

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHRISTINE M. TEMPLAR
DOCKET NUMBER 90641-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHRISTINE M. TEMPLAR, who died August 8, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) and (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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF CHRISTINE M. TEMPLAR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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232 KATHRYN DR.
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

BARRY W. EUBANKS, ATTORNEY
209 CHILHOWEE SCHOOL ROAD, STE. 16
SEYMOUR, TN 37865

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF KATHY RENE TERRY
DOCKET NUMBER 90659-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters Testamentary in respect to the Estate of KATHY RENE TERRY, who died February 20, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, residents and non-resident, having claims matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 17 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF KATHY RENE TERRY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GREGORY SCOTT TERRY
3412 INVERNESS ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

ROGER D. HYMAN, ATTORNEY
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KNOXVILLE, TN 37912-9672

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DEAN ANTHONY TREADWAY
DOCKET NUMBER 90666-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters of Administration in respect to the Estate of DEAN ANTHONY TREADWAY, who died January 16, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured and 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 claim will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 20 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF DEAN ANTHONY TREADWAY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
ANTHONY L. TREADWAY
180 FINLEY DR.
LENOIR CITY, TN 37771

MELISSA WORTHLEY LAWING, ATTORNEY
3715 POWERS STREET
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SYDNEY ANNE WATKINS
DOCKET NUMBER 90679-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 10 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of SYDNEY ANNE WATKINS, who died Feb. 22, 2025, 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 10 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF SYDNEY ANNE WATKINS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BENJAMIN LLOYD WITT, EXECUTOR
5306 BRAZELTON ROAD
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ANN R. WEIGEL
DOCKET NUMBER 90703-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of ANN R. WEIGEL, who died December 17, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 25 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF ANN R. WEIGEL

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
WILLIAM B. WEIGEL
7104 HICKORY HILLS DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

KAITLYN A. SELL, ATTORNEY
900 S. GAY STREET, 14TH FLOOR
P. O. BOX 2047
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF HENRY B. WHATLEY
DOCKET NUMBER 90710-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 14 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of HENRY B. WHATLEY, who died Feb. 19, 2025, 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 14 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF HENRY B. WHATLEY

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
GARY ALAN SIMS, EXECUTOR
531 SOUTH GAY STREET, UNIT 401
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF PATRICK WILLIAM WHITE
DOCKET NUMBER 90648-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH, 2025, Letters Testamentary in respect of the Estate of PATRICK WILLIAM WHITE, who died on December 3, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the 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 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 17 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF PATRICK WILLIAM WHITE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
SANDRA GAIL WHITE
12737 CLEAR RIDGE ROAD
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MARK E. TILLERY, ATTORNEY
P. O. BOX 12257
KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLES WILSON
DOCKET NUMBER 90615-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 17 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLES WILSON, who died Dec. 29, 2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 17 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF CHARLES WILSON

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
BRYAN KEITH BOLING, EXECUTOR
2120 MUDDY CREEK LANE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37932

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DALE WITMER
DOCKET NUMBER 90702-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DALE WITMER, who died February 8, 2025, 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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF DALE WITMER

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT R. WRIGHT
DOCKET NUMBER 90668-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary (or letters of administration as the case may be) in respect of the Estate of ROBERT R. WRIGHT, who died on February 2, 2025, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Probate Division, of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the clerk of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

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

This the 20 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF ROBERT R. WRIGHT

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
DOUGLAS R. WRIGHT
7314 SHERWOOD DRIVE
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF MONA CARPENTER WYLIE
DOCKET NUMBER 90669-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21 day of MARCH, 2025, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of MONA CARPENTER WYLIE, who died on February 13, 2025, 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 21 day of MARCH, 2025.

ESTATE OF MONA CARPENTER WYLIE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)
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MISC. NOTICES

LEGAL SECTION 94

Knox County will receive bids for the following items & services:
 BID 3644, Central High School Softball and Baseball Complex, due 4/30/25;
 BID 3646, Construction Testing Services, due 4/30/25
 For additional information call 865-215-5777, stop by the Procurement Division, 1000 North Central St., Suite 100, Knoxville, TN 37917, or visit our website: www.knoxcounty.org/procurement. To bid on Knox County surplus items, go to www.govdeals.com.