

## Parks and Rec helps distribute meals for kids



PHOTO BY MIKE STEELY.

At Inskip Recreation Center Wednesday, the Knoxville Parks and Recreation Department manned the table to distribute food to school-aged children through the efforts of Daniel Alexander, Chandler Fielding and Georgia Leonard. Knox County Schools, Parks and Recreation, CAC and other agencies are making sure anyone under 18 has food during the coronavirus emergency. There are now 38 locations in Knox County where parents may pick up breakfast and lunch for their children.

## Knox County Schools: Emergency Meal, School Packet Distribution

While Knox County Schools is closed through April 24, 2020, out of concern over COVID-19, the district will be providing breakfast and lunch to any child 18 and under at no charge.

Beginning on Monday, April 6, KCS will be moving to a two-day (Monday/Wednesday) meal distribution schedule. The district will provide two days' worth of meals to be distributed on Monday and three days' worth of meals on Wednesday. Although Monday, April 13, is a scheduled district holiday, meal distribution will be held as usual.

Meal distribution will occur from 10 a.m. - noon. Breakfast and lunch will be distributed at the same time.

The meals will be available at one of 38 designated emergency feeding sites via drive-thru or walk-up for children to consume at home. There is no dine-in option. Children must be present to receive meals; however, families may pick up at any distribution site regardless of enrollment. Additionally, no proof of income is required. Extra meals cannot be provided if additional children are not present.

Meals will be distributed at the following locations:

- Across All Boundaries Church (No school packets): 2821 E. Magnolia Ave., Knoxville, TN 37914
- Austin-East High School: 2800 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Knoxville, TN 37914
- Bearden Middle School: 1000 Francis Road, Knoxville, TN 37909
- Bearden High School: 8352 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919
- Beaumont Magnet Academy: 1211 Beaumont Ave., Knoxville, TN 37921
- Belle Morris Elementary School: 2308 Washington Pike, Knoxville, TN 37917
- Carter High School: 210 N. Carter School Road, Strawberry Plains, TN 37871
- Cedar Bluff Elementary: 705 N. Cedar Bluff Road, Knoxville, TN 37923
- Central High School: 5321 Jacksboro Pike, Knoxville, TN 37918
- Cumberland Estates Recreation Center (No school packets): 4529 Silverhill Dr, Knoxville, TN 37921
- Dogwood Elementary School: 705 Tipton Ave., Knoxville, TN 37920
- East Knox Elementary School: 9315 Rutledge Pike, Mascot, TN 37806
- Ed Cothren Pool at Malcolm-Martin Park (No school packets): 1737 Reynolds St, Knoxville, TN 37921
- Farragut High: 11237 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37934
- Fulton High School: 2509 N. Broadway, Knoxville, TN 37917
- Gibbs High School: 7628 Tazewell Pike, Corryton, TN 37721
- Green Magnet Academy: 801 Lula Powell Dr., Knoxville, TN 37915
- Gresham Middle School: 500 Gresham Road, Knoxville, TN 37918
- Halls High School: 4321 E. Emory Road, Knoxville, TN 37938
- Hardin Valley Middle: 2280 Steele Road, Knoxville, TN 37932
- Inskip Elementary School: 4701 High School Road, Knoxville, TN 37912
- Inskip-Norwood Recreation Center (No school packets): 301 W Inskip Dr,

## Questions arise over funds to renovate TVA East Tower

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It took a while last week for the Knox County Commission to approve agreements to fund the renovations of the TVA East Tower and the Summer Place as several members had serious questions.

The commission's shortened agenda dealt with a variety of resolutions including a vote to close part of Solway Ferry Road so the local church, Solway Baptist, could install a monument to military veterans. Also approved was a consent calendar covering school board requests, several storm water projects, contracting with Cedar Bluff Towing, Chestnut Street Transport and Sutherland Avenue Wrecker Services for towing, and postponing the McBee Ferry Landing transfer from Legacy Parks.

Also postponed until their April meeting was the lease agreement with the Knoxville Jewish Alliance for a marker for Master Sergeant Roddie Edmonds to be placed at the corner of Market Street and Clinch Avenue.

The commission passed the code change to permit special judges to receive \$300 per half day when they sit in for absent judges.

All of the zoning change requests were postponed until the commission meets in May.

The discussion about funding the TVA East Tower improvements and the acquisition of the Summer Place Complex there was prompted by several questions from Commissioner Charles Busler. He asked that the two matters be removed from the consent calendar and discussed.

Busler said the COVID-19 virus could have an effect on county tax collection

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Paullette Williams delivers roses to Oakwood Senior Living on behalf of 911 Knox Decontamination. Photo courtesy of Williams.

## 911 Knox Decon Services delivers flowers to elderly

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"It has been bothering us," said Paullette Thomas speaking for herself and son, Daniel. The two own a business you hope you'll never need but, during the coronavirus outbreak, recognized a need that they could fill.

They own and operate 911 Knoxville Biohazard Decontamination Service, a company that is hired to go

into homes and businesses to clean up after unthinkable incidents. That includes trauma, accidents, crime scenes, hoarding, distressed property, vehicle clean up, infestations, biohazards, etc., and that can include coronavirus. The company is proud of its professional staff.

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# Is it Illegal to Send Cash in the Mail?

For many years of my life I was fortunate enough to be mailed small amounts of money from my relatives for my birthday. I was appreciative and thankful, regardless of the amount.

However, I had a discussion with a friend recently who claimed that sending cash through the mail was illegal. I was surprised and had never heard of this. Had my grandma broken some federal law by mailing me \$10.00 on my birthday? Had everyone's grandma broken a federal law by doing this? Was my grandma going to end up in prison?

After doing some research on this topic I was relieved to discover that, no, it is not illegal to send cash through the mail, even though many people think that it is. Does it look suspicious? Sure, it does, but it is not illegal.

The only way you could run afoul of the law is if you are attempting to evade taxes or money laundering. In those instances, you could be prosecuted under the federal mail fraud law.

If you were doing either of these things, you could face up to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.00 for each



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offense you were found guilty of committing. I tell you, breaking any federal law is a terrible idea, they do not mess around with punishing people.

So, yes, you can send cash through the mail. You can send any amount of cash you want through the mail, but the United States Postal Service will insure mailed cash only up to an amount of \$50,000.00.

One of the main reasons that lawyers exist is to make sure things happen how they are supposed to happen. So, I would be remiss to pass up the opportunity to tell you that sending any appreciable amount of cash through the mail is a terrible idea. For goodness sakes, send a check. Nowadays, the best way to transfer money to someone else may be through an online service such as Venmo or PayPal.

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# Pension Board Suit delayed through April

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When the Knox County Retirement and Pension Board met on Zoom last week Attorney John Owings reported the Etters vs. Knox County lawsuit won't be heard until June.

Owings said that all court activity has been suspended under an order by the Tennessee Supreme Court and there will be "no contact through April 30th." The said that all "face to face" court activity has been cancelled.

"We will not be having any hearings, absent of any emergency hearings of some sort, and we don't have one of those cases at the moment," Owing said, adding "There won't even be a new scheduling, I'm guessing, until this time period is passing and we're able to talk to the court again."

"Our motion is filed, the county has filed a motion, and a response has been filed by the plaintiff and we are preparing a reply to that response. That will all be done within this next month," he said.

Owings was speaking



*Attorney John Owings addresses the Knox County Retirement and Pension Board about the Etters vs. Knox County lawsuit which in limbo until the courts reopen. (Image from Zoom meeting)*

about the Etters vs. Knox County lawsuit filed in September. The pension board authorized Owings to enter the suit on its behalf following a closed meeting. While not mentioned in the main filing, the class action suit charges the Knox County Mayor and the Knox County Commission with overstepping their bounds in dismissing a lawsuit filed by the Knox County Law Director against the Pension Board. He had charged the pension board with breaking the county charter by illegally

overpaying sheriff department retirees by including their vacation days in calculating retirement payments.

Mayor Jacobs took the side of the pension board and asked the county commission to vote to settle the suit. An outside attorney was hired to replace the law director in the matter. Judge John Weaver was apparently close to a decision when the mayor and commission voted to dismiss the suit.

With the case in limbo the pension board last week voted to add one more sheriff's employee's retirement

to the Uniformed Officer's Pension Plan.

In other action the pension board heard concerns about the investments it has made and how the coronavirus pandemic is hurting the market. Bob Cross, in the "Report of the Actuary" said, "We banked some of the gains over the past five years."

Michael Welz, the board's investment advisor, cautioned that the market is in "extreme volatility and feels very different" during the significant downturn in the economy. He said the market "is in transition" and urged the pension board stick to the "long term goal, stay the course, and stick to the strategy."

Pension Board Executive Director Jennifer Hemmelgarn reported the pension office is closed and the staff is working from home and checking email every two hours. She said one person is going into the office weekly to check the mail. She said the upcoming budget proposal may be made in April.

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and said he wanted to postpone any large allocation.

"It's not necessary right now, let's postpone and see what the economy and virus is going to do," he said.

"People are losing their jobs," he said adding that the county should not appropriate funds "for something we don't need and may not know until July or August."

Some commissioners

chimed in as the vote to add a discussion on both matters neared. Commissioner Brad Anders asked if anything was different since the commission has already voted to allocate the money. Finance Director Chris Caldwell said the agreement to acquire the tower has been signed and the budget to renovate it "was basically an appropriation."

Commissioner Randy

Smith asked Caldwell when the agreement with TVA will be finalized and the finance director indicated "early May with plenty of time to walk away" from the agreement if needed. Smith said the acquisition of the Towers "may save millions over the coming years."

The move to discuss the funding ended with a "Yes" from Evelyn Gill, Michele Carringer, John Schoonmaker, Richie Beeler, Carson

Dailey, Anders and Beeler. Commissioners Smith, Hugh Nystrom, Larsen Jay and Justin Biggs voted "No."

The 7-4 vote moved the discussion to further in the meeting but would not sustain passing the funding when it came up again.

During that discussion Nystrom asked if the county had a "Get out of Jail" card in the agreement and Caldwell said that September is the "drop dead" date

on getting out. He said that the University of Tennessee president toured the Tower recently and "He's ready to start"

Busler again said that the money for the projects could be used "to help the economy back" and said passing the payment was "just telling the taxpayers we don't care."

The final vote, 9-0-2, was in favor of the funding with Busler and Gill abstaining

from voting.

Passed was a \$3,975,000 transfer from General Funds and Bond Premium for renovations to the East Tower, the Summer Place Complex and the Fritts Parking Lot. The related second resolution allocates \$1,600,000 for the easements to both the Tower and the Summer Place. That also passed in a 9-0-2 vote.

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# Knox County Schools: Emergency Meal, School Packet Distribution

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• Lonsdale Elementary School: 1317 Louisiana Ave., Knoxville, TN 37921

• Maynard Elementary School: 737 College Street, Knoxville, TN 37921

• Milton E. Roberts Recreation Center (No school packets): 5900 Asheville Hwy., Knoxville, TN 37924

• Montgomery Village Baptist Center (No school packets): 4601 Joe Lewis Dr., Knoxville, TN 37920

• North Ridge Crossing Head Start (No school packets): 1008 Breda Dr., Knoxville, TN 37918

• Northwest Middle School: 5301 Pleasant Ridge Road, Knoxville, TN 37912

• Pond Gap Elementary School: 4530 Papermill Dr., Knoxville, TN 37909

• Powell High School: 2136 W. Emory

Road, Powell, TN 37849

• Richard Leake Recreation Center (No school packets): 3511 Alice Bell Rd, Knoxville, TN 37917

• Sarah Moore Greene Academy: 3001 Brooks Ave., Knoxville, TN 37914

• South-Doyle Middle School: 3900 Decatur Road, Knoxville, TN 37920

• South-Doyle High School: 2020 Tipton Station Road, Knoxville, TN 37920

• South Knoxville Community Center (No school packets): 522 Maryville Pike, Knoxville, TN 37920

• West High School: 3300 Sutherland Ave., Knoxville, TN 37919

• West Haven Recreation Center (No school packets): 3622 Sisk Rd NW, Knoxville, TN 37921

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# Publisher's Position

# We Need To Continue To Talk



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I don't know of anyone who isn't eager to return to his/her former life, yet life after the coronavirus may likely be very different. It will be mighty interesting to see just what kind of conversations our nation will be having in the wake of the virus. We've seen the first

real pandemic of our lifetimes and there is no question but what things will be different in the future. I doubt there is much one can do in the way of having a cure or vaccine ready until a particular virus is identified, but I wonder if we shouldn't be having conversations about vaccine research and production for the future.

The rapidity and relentlessness of a pandemic has been amply demonstrated to all thinking people and I wonder if one of the first conversations shouldn't be about an open borders policy? I've noticed a few comments here and there from professional leftists mocking the idea people could bring a virus across a border, which strikes me as being both politically correct

and downright stupid. Any virus or contagion usually requires one thing to travel: a host. As the coronavirus began to spread all across the globe, the first thing countries did to protect themselves and their people was to close their borders. It makes it more imperative to have ports of entry for those wishing to come to this country to be examined. That is precisely what was done years ago when people immigrating to this country arrived at Ellis Island.

We also will need to have conversations about delivery of services such as educating our children. In an age where there seems to be more and more emphasis on things other than actually educating a child, we need to have a serious

conversation about creating the ability to teach children remotely. If people can do their work remotely, there is no reason we shouldn't be able to come up with a plan for our children to learn remotely as well. Local superintendents and boards of education would be wise to have a plan ready to deploy in the event of another pandemic.

We need to have a conversation about manufacturing needed drugs and pharmaceuticals in this country, even if it costs more for consumers. This has been a reminder to just how dependent we are on a foreign power and economy to provide millions of Americans with their medications.

The virus has reminded us of other such products we

should consider manufacturing for ourselves. It is a reminder of just what could happen if a foreign economy faces turmoil or collapse.

The coronavirus has taken a fearful toll on our country, people and pocketbooks. Repeated pandemics could crash our economy and way of life. It would reduce us to a standard of living nobody wants to think about. I was reminded that almost nobody has lived through such a thing when I saw an article about how someone's 106-year-old father lived through the Spanish flu over one hundred years ago! We are having to learn and feel our way through this difficult and costly process. Mistakes will be made but much will be learned. Everything that we learn hopefully

will help us not make the same mistakes.

If this does not unite our country fundamentally in some way, it may never happen during our lifetimes and perhaps never again in the future. If we do not come together to help our friends, neighbors and country during a time of crisis, I fear we have lost our way, never to find it once again.

As we await a vaccine or cure and for this terrible virus to pass into history, let us be ever mindful of others and our responsibilities to others. Let us be thinking about the future and how we can make that better for everybody. In the meantime it is very important that we continue to talk to each other even if it has to be at a safe distance.

## City, county limit park use

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The City of Knoxville closed its parks except for "passive use" last week and Mayor Indya Kincannon is asking the council's meeting Tuesday to help fund Zoo Knoxville while that attraction is closed because of the coronavirus emergency.

Kincannon's order for the parks included closing park offices, restrooms, ball fields, tennis courts and playgrounds. The city was establishing notices at parks while inviting citizens to walk in the parks and greenways while keeping a safe distance from others. The mayor also authorized the issuances of violation notices to those non-essential business that remain open.

On Friday, Knox County Parks and Recreation Department did the same for county parks in response to Gov. Bill Lee's mandatory "Stay at Home" order (Executive

Order 23.

Skate parks, beach volleyball, basketball courts and ballfields will be closed. House Mountain, which the county manages and leases from the state, will also be closed. Use of all park restrooms was closed previously.

Greenways, dog parks and tennis courts will remain open. The county's golf courses—where limitations had already been placed on shared equipment and carts—will also remain open though all flag sticks and rakes will be removed.

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Friday announced it will close all 56 Tennessee state parks and state-owned state natural areas to the public effective April 4 through April 14. This is a complete closure of facilities and access to all Tennessee State Parks and Designated State Natural Areas.



Playgrounds have been temporarily closed in Knoxville Parks as the city limits public visitation to passive use only. All park facilities except for walking in parks and greenways have been closed during the Corona Virus outbreak. Photo courtesy of Ronnie Collins.

## 911 Knox Decon Services delivers flowers to elderly

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Thomas said, explaining that she has 35 years of experience in the travel industry and her son is a five-year veteran of the emergency service and a volunteer with the Knox County Rescue Squad.

The two began talking recently about another overlooked tragedy, the overlooked elderly, and came up with a plan.

"Why don't we get some flowers together?" Thomas recalls the initial brainstorming, adding, "We just wanted to do something."

Thursday the company delivered roses and carnations to elderly individuals in assisted living and nursing homes. They called ahead and met facility administrators at their door to deliver the flowers.

Thomas said the flowers were purchased by the company and donated to senior citizens.

"You are not forgotten," she said became their theme and they planned to visit 30 or so senior facilities last week.



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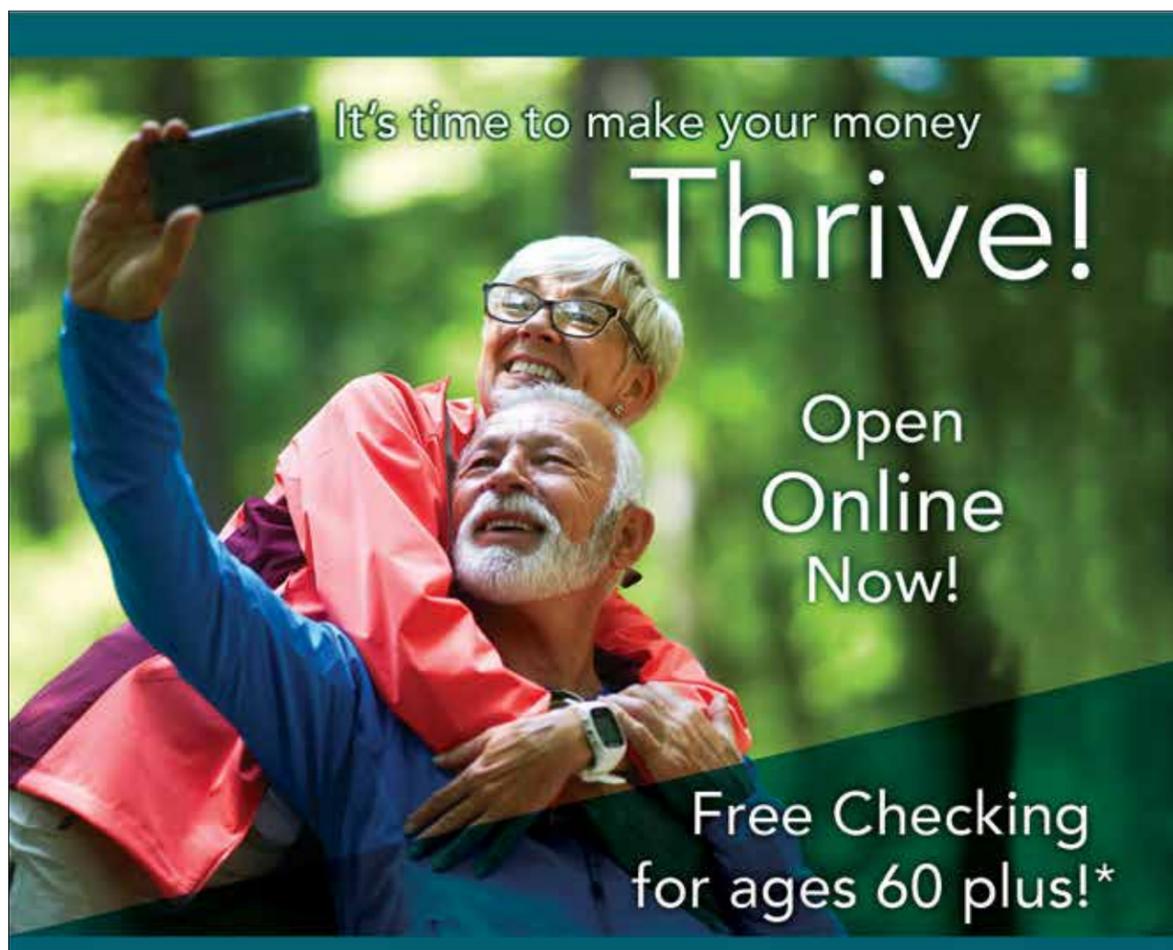
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## Rosie's World

so is a challenge, but it can be done. There are so many things to be cautious about, so many things to perform so that we can remain healthy, and so many people who need to be helped, that we need God's strength to pull us through. And remember, He will be there for us.

No matter what befalls us, the sun still shines, the springtime flowers are blooming and the weather is getting warmer. There are so many things to be grateful for, so don't let the worries of these moments beset you. Also, remember these verses from Psalms 23: verses 2 and 3: He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in the right paths for His names' sake." That's all for this column today.

Thought for the day: Do all the good you can, In all the ways you can, In every place you can, At all the times you can, With all the zeal you can, As long as ever you can. Written by John Wesley, an English preacher who founded the Methodist denomination

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## Thoughts for These Times

It's hard during these times to have pleasant thoughts when the world is in such a turmoil, so I went to my little "Daily Psalms and Prayers" book for some inspiration and this is what I found:

"Oh, Lord, because I get tripped up so easily, please stay close beside me. Every step of the way, keep guiding me. When I interact with others in my daily work, give me a wise head and a caring heart. When I spend time with my family, show me how to serve them best. When I face temptations, show me a way out. I know it's easy to fall; please keep me upright."

This little paragraph helped me a lot when I read it and it followed me throughout the day, as I read the news in the paper and watched the action on TV concerning this world crisis we are going through. It is hard to think with optimism just now, and to do

# More viewers discovering CTV

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More and more people are discovering Community Television of Knoxville as the way to watch all local government meetings that have gone digital.

The motto of CTV is "Gavel to gavel coverage" and now, during the coronavirus emergency, it continues to do just that on its cable channel and online at [ctvknox.org](http://ctvknox.org). In addition to streaming the live local meetings, CTV carries a variety of prerecorded shows produced by organizations, churches and individuals, and it runs a continual message about staying home, washing your hands, and keeping your distance.

Kevin Jeske-Polyak, assistant manager of CTV, has been running the cable channel since David Vogel retired. He told The Focus that viewership is increasing.

"We're more interested in getting the message out to



viewers rather than viewership, but there is higher demand on the internet. We've asked Comcast to increase our bandwidth and we had one technical improvement this week," he said Thursday, adding, "We've made some improvements." For anyone who

misses a meeting live on CTV, the footage is usually available within 24 hours at the link at the bottom of their home page called "Internet Archive" and can be watched at any time.

You can also access the CTV telecasts via Facebook at "Community Television of Knoxville."

Cable TV coverage of CTV events, including the Zoom meetings, is available on Comcast channel 12, Charter channel 193, WOW channel 6 and AT&T U-Verse channel 99.

Funded by the city and county with revenue from the local cable TV companies, CTV has four full time staffers, two managers and a secretary. Jeske-Polyak added that none of the staff has coronavirus so far and CTV has improved its coverage of the Zoom meetings without stressing its small staff further.

Jeske-Polyak also said CTV is actively promoting the Neighborhood Treasure Hunt and Auction, where residents can offer things for sale to raise funds for their neighborhood. He is considering extending the bidding deadline that is currently scheduled for May 3rd from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

You may contact CTV by calling (865) 215-8848.

# 'Creed Daniel, that's who!'

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Those were the words our mother overheard one morning. We had stopped at a restaurant in Grainger County on our way to the annual Grainger County Tomato Festival. Some locals on the other side of the divider that separated our tables were evidently discussing an upcoming court case when one of them asked, "Who's your lawyer?" I can imagine that scene taking place many times over the years. I can also imagine the same answer time and time again. Some visitors to the area may not have recognized the name. But, I did. Creed Daniel is Zane Daniel's older brother, and Zane Daniel was one of the lawyers I worked for in the seventies.

There were lots of names to learn when I started working for Daniel & Duncan (Zane Daniel and John J. Duncan, Jr.). But I learned almost immediately who Creed



Picture of Ralphine Major, Creed Daniel, and Wayne Major at the Grainger County Tomato Festival

was. Zane often talked about his family, and he talked about Creed a lot. I can still see Zane standing at the file cabinet pulling out a file and telling me about Creed. Zane had not been practicing law very long, and Creed was out of town. Creed had an upcoming court case, and Zane told me that he ended up settling the case for him. He called Creed and told him there was no need to rush back since the case had been settled.

I have learned much

about the Grainger County native since I first met him the day he walked into the Daniel & Duncan law office looking for Zane. Creed and Zane both followed in their father's footsteps. Their father, W. I. Daniel, was an attorney in Grainger County as well as County Judge. We lost Zane in 2006. I will share more in upcoming columns about Creed Daniel, the Grainger County lawyer who never strayed far from his roots. (To be continued).

# A little down time

How are you holding up? That's a question many folks are asking others. This stay-at-home lifestyle is negatively affecting plenty of people. The "belly-aching" is deafening, but I understand those who are miserable. Some of us, however, are doing all right with the situation.

Families who are suffering during this shutdown are used to more activity in life. Parents spend days working, and children are sitting in classes. In the evenings, families juggle schedules to arrive at sports' practices, dance or karate classes, or club meetings. Suppers are eaten in shifts, and many families consume food that has been picked up at a drive-thru window of some fast food restaurant.

Suddenly, everyone is at home. The house that sat empty so much of the day now is filled with the family. Everyone feels a bit crowded, and privacy seems impossible to find. Parents who work at home demand quiet from children. Teens retreat to their own worlds inside their bedrooms, but little brothers or sisters constantly invade, as do moms who are gathering up loads of laundry and demanding that rooms be cleaned. Social distancing works fine with teens when it deals with family members, but they aren't so keen on the idea when it includes friends.

In all, those folks are in foul moods. They long for a return to "normal life." Kids want sports to play and movies to attend; they want to hang out with friends, especially as warmer weather comes. Parents want children back in school. They have realized how inadequate they are in educating their children and how difficult working from home is.

Some of us are doing much better. Our lives aren't nearly so complicated. Children

are grown and out on their own. Work is something we do, but it doesn't define us. Home is a good place to be. We enjoy each other's company, and older couples have been together long enough to know when a little separation, even if it is at the far ends of the house, is warranted.

Amy and I have enjoyed the warmer weather. I finally have been able to hop on the mower and cut the grass. The flower beds have been weeded much earlier this year. Amy has put some plants into pots and the ground. During evenings, we sit on the deck or screened porch and read or just watch the cars go by on Ball Camp Pike.

Evenings are spent watching one of the shows that we've recorded. Occasionally, we find a movie on Netflix or Prime, and for a couple of hours we view the show. Even with all the stations and alternative programming, we sometimes find nothing worth spending our time on and return to books or other distractions.

Surprisingly, we've not had a single cross word during this entire time. Maybe we have been able to accept the situation and are willing to live with it. Then again, we might have enough to keep us busy and out of each other's way. More likely, we've learned to live with each other. Amy and I enjoy our time together. We eat at home most nights, so not having restaurants to eat at is no big deal. Oh, we make trips to the grocery store and gas station, and I've even visited Home Depot for a couple of necessary things. But for most part, we are comfortable and content at home.

Don't worry; before much longer, this pandemic will go away, at least for a while. Then folks can jump back on the merry-go-round of life and return to exhaustion that tells them that they've lived to the fullest. When anyone is gasping in the middle of the way things usually are, I hope he or she will think back to how pleasant that time at home was. Much can be said about a little down time.



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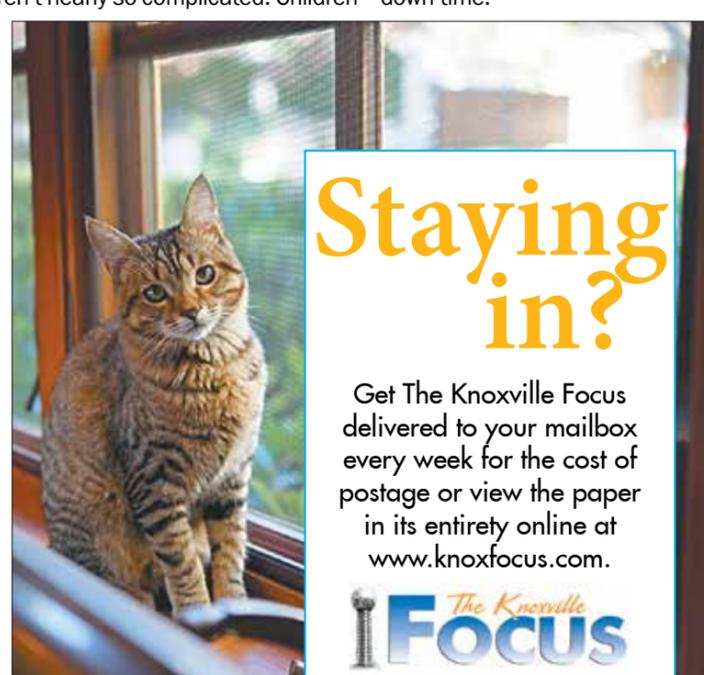
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# Tennessee Governors & the Path to the US Senate, IX

## Pages from the Past



By Ray Hill  
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James Beriah Frazier had been elected governor of Tennessee in 1902. A tall, stately man with an elegant appearance, James B. Frazier certainly looked the part of a governor. Despite his aristocratic appearance, James B. Frazier had worked his way through law school. The future governor taught school for two years and read the law in his spare time. Frazier was admitted to the Bar in 1880 and began the practice of law in Chattanooga. Both of Frazier's grandfathers had fought in the Revolutionary War. One of his grandfathers, Abner Frazier was "so young at the time that he received both praise for his courage and a whipping for running away from home to join the army."

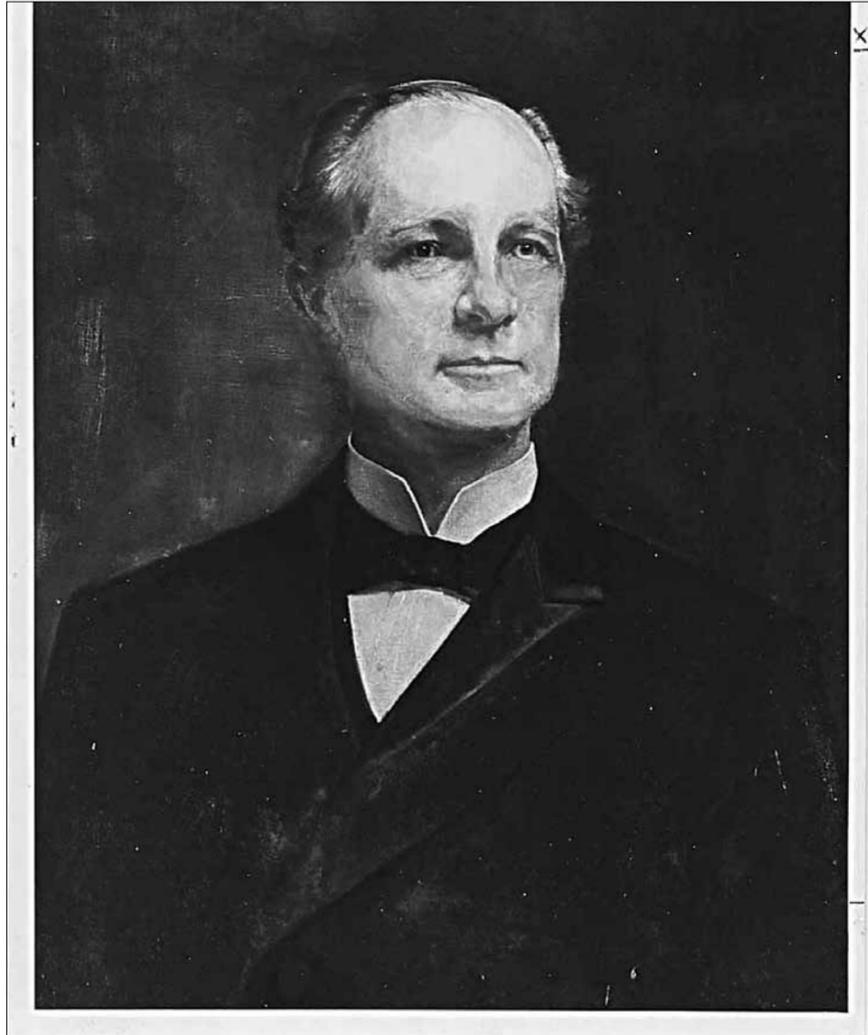
Politics had not always been James B. Frazier's natural calling; indeed, his first statewide campaign was when he ran as a presidential elector for William Jennings Bryan in 1900. Frazier, as was true with many lawyers of the time, proved to be quite an orator. Along with his ability to sway juries, this appearance certainly didn't hurt. Two years later, Frazier emerged from the Democratic state convention as the Democratic Party's nominee for governor. James B. Frazier proved to be a popular choice and for once, Tennessee Democrats seemed perfectly united as the general election approached. As Frazier campaigned across the state, reporters filing their dispatches noted the "magnetism" of the candidate. John Leiper, a correspondent for the Nashville Tennessean covering the Frazier campaign, noted an appearance by the candidate in Obion County. Leiper wrote Frazier "completely won his audience" in the course of his speech. Interestingly, Leiper also commented, "Wheat sowing prevented many farmers from being present at the speaking."

A similar report filed by Leiper from a campaign stop in Dresden, Tennessee where both Frazier and his Republican opponent, Judge Henry Tyler Campbell, faced off before a large audience. Campbell was thought to be a powerful orator, but the Tennessean correspondent gleefully noted Frazier won cheers from the audience as he "hurled the most withering replies to many vulnerable points in Judge Campbell's argument." Following the mini-debate, Frazier was thronged by much of the audience, who congratulated him.

John Leiper did not fail to observe the frosty reception Frazier received from partisan Republicans, but was quick to point out the GOP members of the audience "showed the appearance of a badly beaten crowd long before Mr. Frazier had concluded" his speech. Although the Tennessean was an unapologetic Democratic paper, John Leiper may well not have exaggerated James B. Frazier's appeal to the people of Tennessee. Frazier won the governorship by the largest margin ever accorded a candidate until that time.

Governor Frazier sought a second two-year term in 1904 and once again was nominated unanimously by the Democratic State Convention. Tennessee Democrats also adopted a party platform, which included denouncing the "appalling increase in the expenditures of the Federal government under the Republican party" which "demonstrates the necessity of a return of the Democratic party to power as the only means of bringing a wise economy in administering the affairs of the government." The Tennessee Democratic State Convention also condemned President Theodore Roosevelt who "by his official action, has wantonly precipitated the race issue in a manner involving as a logical and necessary sequence social equality between the white and colored people of this country, and deserves, in consequence thereof, the condemnation of all right-thinking-people."

The governor had not lost his touch with Tennesseans, as he made a stop in Clarksville, Tennessee as the general election came to a close. Arriving from Nashville on a train, Governor Frazier went to the Arlington Hotel where he remained until going to the courthouse. Frazier spoke to an overflow crowd in the Circuit Courtroom. A reporter wrote, "His speech was one of the best delivered here in years." In Springfield, Tennessee hundreds of people turned out in mid-day to greet the governor at the Commercial Hotel and the entire town was bedecked with bunting and flags. Frazier did not disappoint his audience. Speaking at the Tabernacle to a crowd of one thousand people, Governor Frazier "spoke in a most forceful, earnest and convincing manner, delivering one of the most masterful efforts ever heard here." A Tennessean reporter wrote the governor was frequently interrupted by applause "throughout and in parts of his speech his



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Governor and U.S. Senator James B. Frazier of Tennessee.

audience alternated with laughter and tears." When presented with a bouquet of beautiful flowers, the governor told a tale on himself. Frazier said while campaigning in a small East Tennessee town, he had been gifted with another bouquet and although quite beautiful, the flowers paled in comparison with the lovely young creature who presented them to him. Overcome, the governor confessed he had bestowed an "old fashioned Democratic kiss" on the young lady. Evidently, Mrs. Frazier was none too pleased and he said he was taking the bouquet given to him on this occasion home as a peace offering. Once again, James B. Frazier won a thumping victory in the general election, defeating Jesse M. Littleton. Frazier won the greatest majority ever given a Democratic candidate for governor in a presidential election year.

Governor Frazier was just a couple of months into his second term when U. S. Senator William B. Bate died unexpectedly in Washington, D. C. A former governor and Confederate general, Bate had caught a chill at the inauguration of President Theodore Roosevelt, which developed into pneumonia. The seventy-eight year old senator had just been reelected to a fourth six-year term. The legislature would elect a new senator to serve what was essentially a full term. Two former Tennessee governors, Robert Love Taylor and Benton McMillin, had long harbored ambitions to serve in the United States Senate. Both immediately began to marshal campaigns, but Governor Frazier was interested in going to the Senate. Speaker of the State Senate, John I. Cox, would succeed Frazier as governor in the event the chief executive was elevated to the U. S. Senate. Although both Taylor and McMillin were enormously popular with

their fellow Democrats, it was readily apparent Governor J. B. Frazier was the likely choice of the legislators. Indeed, Frazier appeared so strong that some friends and long-time supporters of McMillin and Taylor advised them to withdraw from the Senate contest. The Clarksville Leaf-Chronicle ran a story stating "personal and political friends of former Gov. McMillin openly stated on Thursday night that they would advise him to keep out of the race."

The Democratic Caucus in the General Assembly quickly settled on James B. Frazier as its nominee. When Representative Gordon placed Governor Frazier's name in nomination, he bellowed, "I will place in nomination before this caucus that tall Tecumseh of the Tennessee, the Democratic rock of Chickamauga, that splendid orator, Governor and statesman, James B. Frazier..." One supporter of Robert L. Taylor, Senator McLaurine, claimed Representative Gordon had "laid the dagger to the heart" of the former governor. McLaurine withdrew Taylor's name from consideration by the Democratic Caucus. "If you propose to close your eyes to the voice of the people and if you propose to be a hostile court and judge him now he will make no defense," McLaurine cried, "but we will sit quietly by and see this conspiracy through." Senator McLaurine then thundered a warning to his colleagues: "But I tell you there is another day coming. I tell you there are men in this Assembly who had joined in this conspiracy who, when they go home and face their people, will feel like going to the place where the worm dieth not."

James B. Frazier was easily elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator William B. Bate. Frazier was the last governor of Tennessee to be elected

to the United States Senate by the General Assembly. Speaking before the legislature, Frazier was careful to say, "If I did not believe that my mantle would fall upon worthy shoulders and that I would be succeeded in the office of Governor by a man who will do his whole duty, I would refuse this nomination. In proper time my mantle will fall upon a man who is worthy of it, therefore I accept the honor at your hands."

In five short years, James B. Frazier had gone from practicing attorney to governor and United States senator. Still, despite Frazier's high personal popularity, his election to the Senate had generated some bitterness, especially with the legislature having ignored two of the most prominent Democrats in the state. The Jackson Sun wistfully commented its only objection was "that a good Governor was spoiled in making a Senator."

The way James B. Frazier was elected to the United States Senate, elbowing both former governors Robert L. Taylor and Benton McMillin out of the way, was noted in Tennessee's newspapers. The Bristol Courier snapped, "The Tennessee Legislature resolves that United States Senators should be elected by the people, also that they are the people." The Cookeville Press crowed Tennessee would be well represented in the U. S. Senate by having two "young giants" such as Edward W. Carmack and James B. Frazier in the upper house of Congress. The Tullahoma Guardian huffed, "The indecent haste of the Democrats of the 'machine' in the Legislature, in nominating a successor to the lamented Bate, is a matter which is calculated to bring the blush to the cheeks of every man and woman in Tennessee." The Giles County Record agreed. "When these men (who voted for an early caucus) face an angered and an

outraged constituency for re-election two years hence, they will find that the people can make and unmake 'statesmen', and there will be many empty cradles and many missing darlings when the roll call of the next Legislature comes." The Newport Times thought Frazier's election to the Senate was a wonderful thing. "Too much praise cannot be given James B. Frazier. Like the heights of Pisgah, he towers above them all. In the Senate of the United States, we predict he will leave his impress and stand with the highest. His rapid rise in politics is without an equal."

The seed of discord had been sown by the method of James B. Frazier's election and it would continue to fester for the remainder of his term of office. Many believed Senator E. W. Carmack had preferred Frazier as a colleague over either Robert L. Taylor or Benton McMillin. The legislators were sorely stung and the General Assembly agreed to be bound by the results of a special primary election in 1908. Senator Carmack had to defend his seat against former governor Robert L. Taylor and lost. When James B. Frazier's term expired in 1911, he was quickly eliminated as a possibility for reelection, largely because of the "snap" caucus six years previously. Regular Democrats that year were unable to elect Benton McMillin to the U. S. Senate. McMillin faced the opposition of a combination of Republicans and Independent Democrats who elected thirty-year old Luke Lea to replace James B. Frazier in the Senate.

Frazier returned to his law practice and flirted with the idea of running for governor once again from time to time, but remained content to take his place as an elder statesman. James B. Frazier remained a highly sought-after and popular dinner speaker in Tennessee almost to the day of his death. Eventually, Frazier formed a law partnership with his son and namesake, James B. Frazier, Jr. The former governor lived to see his son become U. S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee under President Franklin Roosevelt. In 1937, James B. Frazier, eighty years old, was beginning to ail. He was sitting in the study of his home when he was felled by a heart attack.

To the very end, James B. Frazier remained a gracious and charming man, a gifted speaker and a true gentleman.

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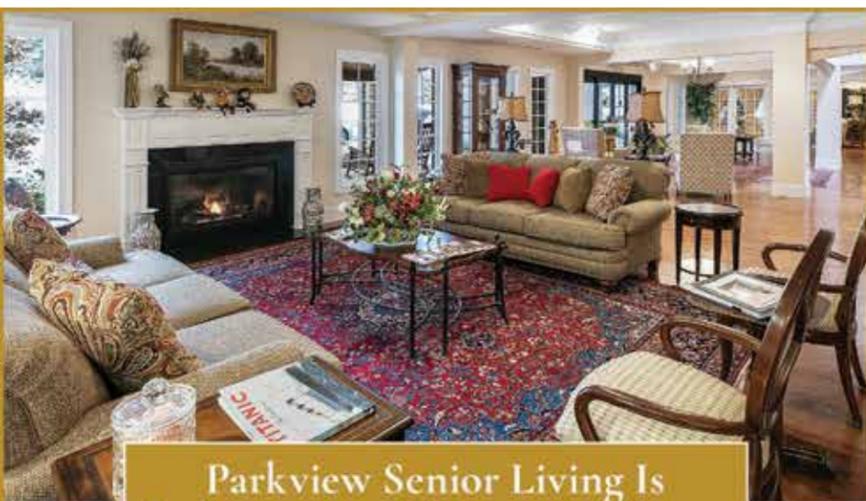
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**SPECIAL NAMES IN SPECIAL PLACES**

This week The Knoxville Focus recognizes seven men who have had their names placed on athletic facilities at Austin-East High School. Their names and the places:

- Clifford H. Ross Gymnasium
- Raleigh Wynn Sr. Sports Complex
- Lowery McKenzie Clinkscales Scoreboard

Last week, The Focus recognized the men whose names are on George "Dusty" Lennon Stadium and Sam Anderson Field.

## Five former Roadrunners honored with names on scoreboard

By Steve Williams

Five former Austin-East High football standouts contributed to the purchase of a new football scoreboard that was installed two years ago – just in time to go with the

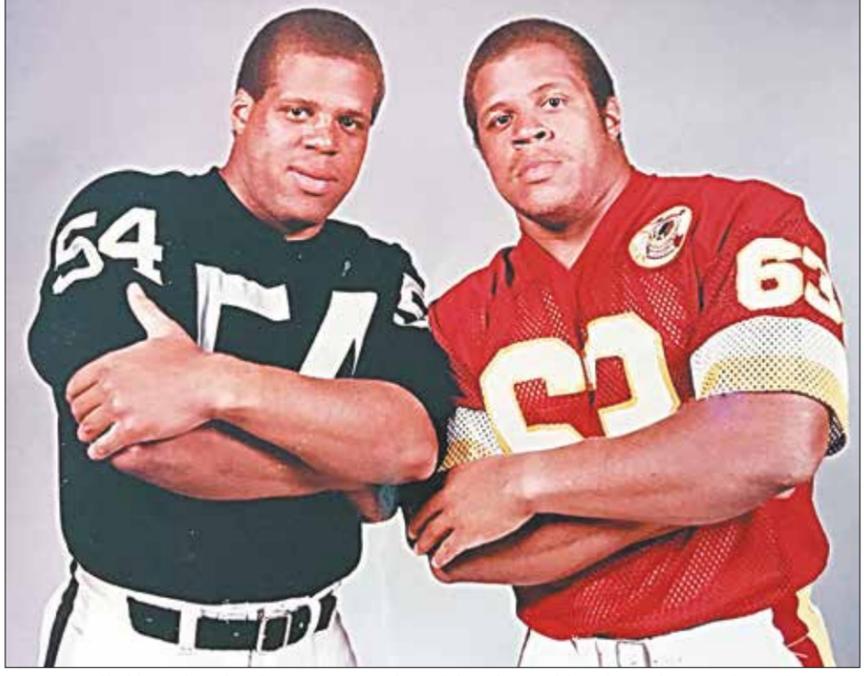
Roadrunners' new artificial turf that was provided by Pilot. For their generosity, it was named the "Lowery McKenzie Clinkscales Scoreboard" after Fred Lowery, the three McKenzie

brothers (Raleigh, Reggie and Sam) and Joey Clinkscales. "A scoreboard like this costs almost \$50,000 and they each contributed to the athletic program and the scoreboard," said

former A-E head football coach Sam Anderson. Anderson went a step further in his praise of the five men and added, "They're better people than they were players." Anderson was an

assistant coach at A-E when the McKenzie twins, Raleigh and Reggie, played for Emmett Yette's Roadrunners. Clinkscales was a senior captain in Sam's first season as head coach

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Reggie (left) and Raleigh McKenzie played for the Oakland Raiders and Washington Redskins in the NFL after their football days at the University of Tennessee and Austin-East High School.

## Baseball coaches miss their players

By Ken Lay

As the 2020 baseball season remains on hold due to the coronavirus pandemic, local high school teams can't play, practice or have organized team meetings together.

But hope remains that area teams can get onto the field soon as Knox County Schools have tentative been scheduled to re-open on Friday, April 24.

For now, players must work to stay in shape on their own.

"The responsibility has been shifted to player, because right now, as coaches, there's really nothing we can do," said Knoxville Catholic High School coach Caleb Moore.

Christian Academy of Knoxville coach Tommy Pharr, a longtime coach in Knox County, is still holding out hopes they can have a chance to win a third consecutive Division II-A State Championship and fourth straight state title, but for now, he's missing the opportunity just to be around his players.

Pharr has guided his Farragut and CAK teams to a combined nine state championships in 17 years

"I'm really missing being around my guys," said Pharr, the former Farragut coach who guided the Warriors to back-to-back Division II-A State Titles after winning the Division I Class AA crown in 2017. "We have a lot of fun.

"That's the thing about baseball and high school sports in general; you get to spend time with your players."

Tyler Roach, Hardin Valley Academy's second-year head coach who led the Hawks to a Region 2-AAA Championship in 2019, has much the same sentiments as Pharr.

"Being a coach was what I was made to do, and as a coach, you really want the opportunity to spend the time around your players," Roach said. "Right now, I'm

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## Ross got the gold ball rolling for Austin-East

By Steve Williams

Austin-East has 13 state championships in its sports history. Basketball coach Clifford H. Ross guided the Roadrunners to their first. It's no wonder Sam Anderson, who years later led A-E to state titles in football, girls track and boys track, began his comment about Ross by saying, "He set a standard for everybody when he was coaching here.

"His expectations were up here," added Anderson, with his hand held high above his head, "for all the guys on the team."

Ross was a competitor, but also a gentleman.

"It was just the way he carried himself," remembered Anderson. "He was one of those guys that was sort of like a John Wooden. He always had a shirt and tie on.

"He was not very outspoken, but very authoritative.

Matter of fact, he had rules and they weren't flexible," laughed Sam.

"When I first ran for

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Head Coach Clifford Ross smiles and holds his granddaughter during the celebration of the Austin-East Roadrunners' Class AAA state basketball championship back at the school in March of 1977. Also in the picture (from left to right) are Knoxville Mayor Randy Tyree, A-E Principal Jimmie Thacker (holding the trophy) and Sarah Moore Greene, a career educator and community leader. A large number of fans also stand atop the football stadium in the distance watching the festivities.

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in 1981 and Sam McKenzie was captain the following season. Lowery played on the last four teams Anderson coached and was quarterback and captain as a senior in 1987.

All five have gone on to have outstanding careers. Raleigh and Reggie both played at UT and Raleigh went on to play 16 years in the NFL as an offensive lineman, including two Super Bowls with the Washington Redskins in 1987 and 1991.

Reggie, who was a line-backer for the Oakland Raiders, is currently a senior personnel executive for the Miami Dolphins. He previously served as the general manager of the Raiders for almost seven years after getting his start off the field as director of player personnel for the Oakland Raiders and worked for the New York Jets from 1994 to 2012, rising to Vice President of College Scouting during his final four years with the team.



**Sam McKenzie, younger brother of twins Raleigh and Reggie, also was an offensive lineman for the Roadrunners.**

Sam McKenzie is a former member of the Knox County Commission and works for Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He's also a candidate for State Representative.

Clinkscales was a member of the popular 1985 "Sugar Vols" squad

and was a captain of the 1986 UT team. He played two seasons in the NFL as a wide receiver with Pittsburgh and Tampa Bay.



**Joey Clinkscales has spent most of his time in professional football as an executive, working in the NFL and XFL.**

Joey currently serves as the director of player personnel for the Los Angeles Wildcats of the XFL. He was previously the director of player personnel for the Oakland Raiders and worked for the New York Jets from 1994 to 2012, rising to Vice President of College Scouting during his final four years with the team.



**Austin-East product Fred Lowery graduated from Tennessee Tech University and is now with Thermo Fisher Scientific.**

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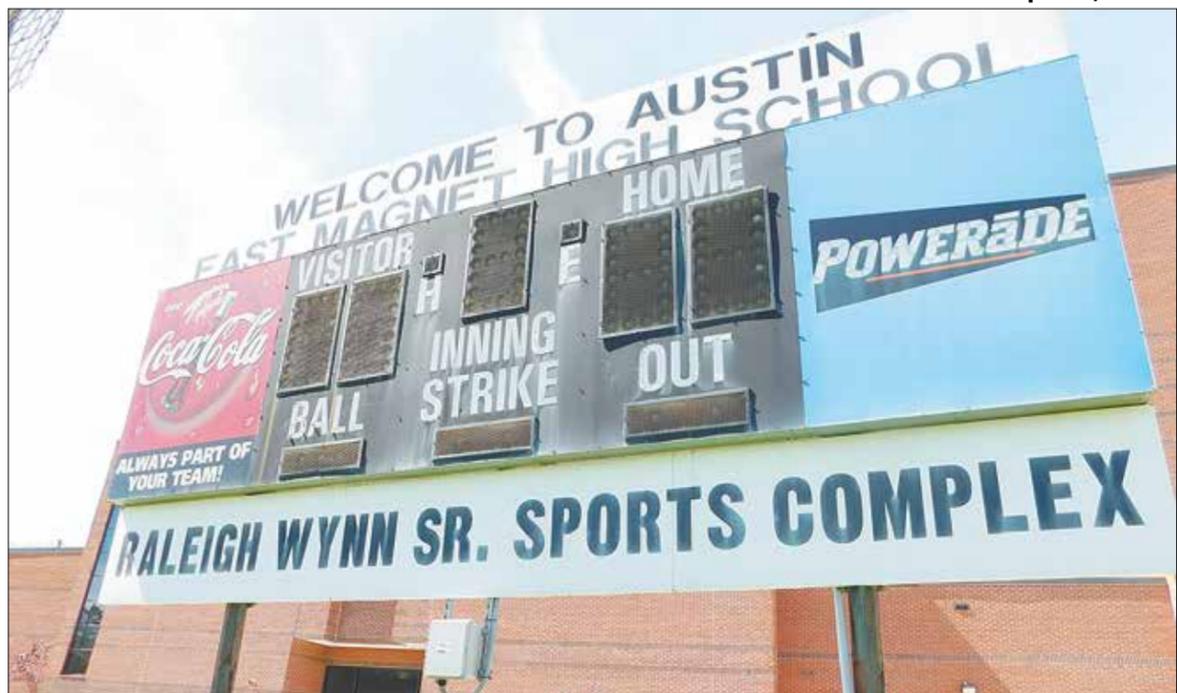


PHOTO BY STEVE WILLIAMS

**The Raleigh Wynn Sr. Sports Complex sign is on the baseball scoreboard at Austin-East.**

## Wynn Sr. kept A-E athletics going during tough time

**By Steve Williams**

Raleigh Wynn Sr. was a guiding light in one of Austin-East athletics' darkest hours in the early 1970s.

"When Austin-East got suspended one year (by the TSSAA), Raleigh basically for a few years kept things going," recalled Sam Anderson recently.

Anderson was a highly successful head football coach and athletic director at Austin-East following Wynn's time at A-E.

"He (Wynn) raised a lot of money and kept the sports program going with an intramural program," said Anderson. "I knew him real well."

When Austin and East high schools closed and consolidated in the fall of 1968, Bob Polston was Austin-East's first head football coach. After two seasons at A-E, Polston left

and became head coach at Rule High. Wynn then took over as the Roadrunners' head coach.

Wynn, whose name today is on the school's baseball scoreboard – Raleigh Wynn Sr. Sports Complex – was 93 when he died in 2017 and well-liked in the A-E community, said Anderson.

"Anytime that you outlive all your friends and two thousand people show up at your funeral, you had to have made an impression on people," he noted.

"I don't know what his coaching record was," added Anderson. "I don't even think he was head coach at A-E very long in football. He may have been baseball coach for awhile too. I remember him as principal at Park Junior High School when I came along."

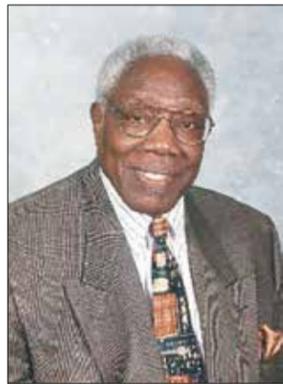
While at Austin East, Wynn also was an assistant

principal and athletic director. He left A-E and became principal of Park Junior High and later principal at Van Gilder Occupational Center from where he retired.

According to his obituary, many referred to him as "Big Wynn" or "Coach" and he led a long life of service to others. As a mentor and friend to many of Knoxville's youth, he taught that excellence in education and sports combined was a path to a successful life, and many accomplished just that.

Wynn played football at Austin High and graduated in 1942. Drafted into the service the following year, he went on to receive the Purple Heart.

After his military service, he graduated from Tennessee State and was captain of its football team and one of its most versatile linemen ever.



**Raleigh Wynn Sr., whose name is among those honored on athletic facilities at Austin-East High School, made a difference and an impact in a lot of different areas during his life.**

He received a Master's degree from UT and furthered his studies at New York University.

Wynn also was a deacon at Mount Zion Baptist Church.

## Ross got the gold ball rolling for Austin-East

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school board, he was my treasurer. We were real close. One of the nicest guys you'll ever meet."

In 1977, Ross' Roadrunners (34-2) captured

the first state basketball championship by a Knoxville team since Knoxville High in 1951. Austin-East defeated Memphis Hamilton 72-59 to claim the Class AAA title.

Elston Turner, who

played in the NBA and is still coaching as an assistant at the game's highest level, was the MVP and teammates George Underwood and James Bowden also were named to the all-tournament team.

Ross' team had talent, depth and chemistry. Eleven of his 12 players went on to play college ball.

"He believed in that man-to-man defense regardless," said Anderson. "He was going to sink or swim with it, which turns out is pretty much what people do now. He was ahead of his time."

"He also believed in going to coaches' clinics and learning the sports, which a lot of coaches don't do, and I think that's very important."

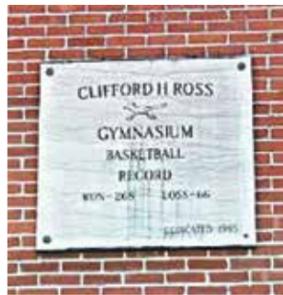
Ross also served as athletic director during his 11 years at A-E. Anderson was the girls track coach and an assistant football coach on his staff and would later fill his AD post.

Austin-East named its gymnasium after Ross in 1980. After his final season (1980-81) at A-E, he went on to coach four more years at Knoxville College.

Ross, who had a 32-year coaching career, including 17 years at Vine Junior High, received many accolades in his time at A-E (1970-81) and compiled a glittering won-loss record of 268-66 with the Roadrunners.

He was named District Coach of the Year seven times. His teams captured two region titles and were region runners-up three times.

Ross also was Kellogg's Coach of the Year in 1977 and the National High School Athletic Association



**A plaque at the Clifford H. Ross Gymnasium posts Ross' 268-66 won-loss record.**

District III Coach of the Year in 1978. He served on McDonald's High School All-American Basketball Selection Committee in 1979.

Ross was inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame in 2003. He died in 2005.

## Baseball coaches miss their players

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not really concerned about Spring Fling or winning a championship as much as I would like to see our guys get a chance to play."

Bearden coach John Rice and Farragut head man Matt Buckner would both like to see their teams get the chance to see their respective teams get the chance to resume their seasons, which were suspended after Thursday, March 12.

But both realize that sometimes sports, including baseball, must take a back seat.

"Our kids really want the chance to get to play together, but they're not idiots," Rice said. "They know what's going on."

"This is bigger than baseball. As a dad, I'm concerned about taking care of my wife and kids and I'm fortunate to be working in the school district."

Buckner is also missing

the game and feels for some of his older players who have not really gotten their opportunities to shine.

"For some of our guys, this was going to be their opportunity to shine," said Buckner, who guided the Admirals to the 2019 Class AAA State Championship. "But is what it is and we're all in the same boat. It's not like it's just two or three schools."

"We've worked hard to get ready for this year."

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**Bearden High left fielder Holly Craddock recently committed to play for Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia. Craddock is a four-year varsity player for the Lady Bulldogs.**

**Bearden's Christina Kosier has signed to play softball for Davis & Elkins. She has been a four-year starter for the Lady Bulldogs and is a pitcher and utility player.**



# Bearden softball players finalize college plans

By Ken Lay

The 2020 high school softball season might be on hold but that doesn't mean that things have been completely quiet while student-athletes have been on an extended spring break due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Two Bearden High School softball players recently went a step toward finalizing their respective plans for college and their intentions for continuing to play on the diamond.

Seniors Holly Craddock and Christina Kosier have announced where they will play next season.

Craddock, an outfielder and the Lady Bulldogs' leadoff hitter, will play at Agnes Scott College in Decatur,

Ga. She committed to the NCAA Division III all-women's school just before schools closed on for Spring Break on Thursday, March 12.

The Scotties compete in the South Athletic Conference, the league that also features Maryville College in East Tennessee.

Kosier, a pitcher and utility player, recently signed her National Letter of Intent to play for Davis & Elkins College, a NCAA Division II school in West Virginia.

Craddock and Kosier have both played four years of varsity softball at Bearden and both are four-year starters.

They were set to be two of the Lady Bulldogs' team leaders when

the 2020 campaign began earlier this month.

Bearden was off to a 1-2 start when the season was suspended. The Lady Bulldogs opened things with a victory over Catholic before dropping a pair of District 4-AAA games to Heritage and Kingston Pike Rival Farragut.

The Lady Bulldogs came up on the short end of a 19-4 decision to the Lady Admirals in six innings on Thursday, March 12.

Craddock had a big day at the plate against Farragut, going 2-4 with a leadoff home run and a double and an RBI. She also scored twice.

Kosier went 1-for-1 in the game. She singled, walked and was hit by a pitch against the Lady Admirals.

## Jack Tate accepts teaching, sports information position at Farragut High

By Ken Lay

A longtime fixture at Bearden High School is moving on.

Longtime teacher, baseball coach and sports information director Jack Tate said recently that he has accepted a position at Farragut High School, where he will teach two classes and serve as the school's sports information director.

Tate will remain at Bearden for the rest of the school year and take his new position at Farragut next school year.

He graduated from Bearden in 1978 and while in high school, he was a bat boy for the Southern League's Knoxville Sox. After high school, Tate studied at the University. Following college, Tate returned to the Bearden area and began teaching Tennessee History at Bearden Middle seventh graders. He was at the middle school from 1985-96.

He coached baseball at Bearden High for more than three decades and as a head coach, he guided the Bulldogs to the 2012 Class AAA State Championship Game where they lost to Arlington.

Tate officially retired from full-time teaching after the 2017-2018 school year but returned this year to teach part-time and continue his duties as the school's sports information director, a position he took on after serving as an assistant baseball coach under current



**Longtime Bearden High School baseball coach, teacher and sports information director Jack Tate (pictured in 2012) will be headed to Farragut next fall where he will be a part-time teacher and sports information director. There, he will be reunited with former Bearden principal Dr. John Bartlett and others with ties to Bearden, Tate officially retired after the 2017-18 school year but returned to Bearden, where he taught film studies this year.**

Bearden head coach John Rice.

Tate said the decision to leave his alma mater was a difficult one.

"It's tough to leave Bearden but I accepted this position at Farragut just before we went on spring break," Tate said. "I've been at Bearden most of my life."

"I graduated from Bearden in 1978 and I've been there, really, since 1975. So I've been there for four decades."

Tate, who taught film studies and business and personal finance courses at Bearden, was obviously

a regular at Bulldogs' sporting events.

When he goes to Farragut in the late summer, he will be surrounded by some familiar faces.

Tate served as an assistant coach to current Admirals' coach Matt Buckner for six seasons. Tate replaced his former boss when Buckner left for Farragut to replace his on mentor, Tommy Pharr.

Pharr, who now coaches at Christian Academy of Knoxville, coached Buckner at Middle Tennessee's Monterey High School.

Dr. John Bartlett, now Farragut's principal,

held the same position at Bearden for 10 years before moving to Knox County Schools' Central Office after the 2017-18 school year.

Bartlett replaced Ryan Siebe as Farragut's principal in 2019 and Tate looks forward to working with Bartlett again.

"I'm going to Farragut and I'm going to be with Dr. Bartlett again," Tate said. "He was at Bearden for 10 years and I'm looking forward to working with him again."

"He's a great guy and I have tremendous respect for him. Matt Buckner is the baseball coach there now and I was his assistant at Bearden for six years."

While coaching baseball at Bearden, Tate tutored Nick Green, the Lady Admirals' softball coach.

Green went on to coach under longtime Lady Bulldogs' softball coach Mark Blevins. He later was David Moore's assistant with the Lady Admirals. He replaced Moore (now at Webb School of Knoxville after one year away from the game) when he stepped down at Farragut.

"It's hard to leave Bearden but I'm looking forward to going to Farragut," Tate said. "They have a great sports program and (athletic director) Donald Dodgen, I've known him a long time and he's always been kind to me."

"It should be a lot of fun."

## Tennessee is Gaining Ground in SEC East

By Mark Nagi

During this break in the action, we sometimes have a hard time thinking about the return of sports. It almost hurts to hope. But we have faith this is just a temporary hiccup. With that in mind, let's talk football.

The Tennessee Volunteers aren't at the elite level in the SEC. That platform can only support so much weight, and right now Alabama, Auburn, Florida, Georgia and LSU are up there, waving to their adoring fans from above. But in 2019, the Vols showed signs that they are a few steps closer to joining them.

Look at what happened in the Gator Bowl. The Vols struggled to score in the red zone. They turned the football over multiple times. They were flagged for costly penalties. They trailed Indiana by 13 points with under five minutes remaining. And yet they found a way to win.

That brought back memories of the good times. Back when Phillip Fulmer was Tennessee's head coach (1992-2008), there was often criticism about the conservative nature of the Vols play-calling, both on offense and on defense. But those teams also knew how to close out games and overcome adversity on days in which they didn't play their best football.

There's something to be said for a group that is mentally tough. The Derek Dooley (2010-2012) and Butch Jones (2013-2017) teams were not mentally tough. During crunch time, those teams didn't play to win. They played not to lose. In particular, Jones's 2015 and 2016 teams had more than enough talent to win the SEC East in each season, but never won the division. Rarely under Dooley or Jones did the Vols get the big stop, pick up the game clinching first down, make the key kick or come up with the correct play call.

During the second half of the 2019 season, Tennessee showed their fans that they would not shy away from such stressful situations. Against Kentucky, the Vols' defense stood tall, stopping Kentucky inside the two yard line in the final two minutes. Then the offense was able to move the chains to seal the deal. Against Missouri, when the Vols needed to get a couple of first downs late in the game, they did so. Those

were games they could have easily lost, but they didn't play or coach scared.

In the first two years of the Derek Dooley era, Tennessee went 11-14 with a bowl game loss. In the first two years of the Butch Jones era, the Vols were 12-13 with a bowl game victory. In the first two years of the Jeremy Pruitt era, UT had a 13-12 record, with a bowl game victory.

From a purely numbers point of view, you can see the marginal improvement. When watching the way the Pruitt teams play, the eye test has to give Vols fans even more reason to feel good about the direction of the program, especially after the 1-4 start to the 2019 season.

The Vols closed with six consecutive wins. They dominated November, as Fulmer almost always did.

"We owned who we were and worked hard to improve," Pruitt told reporters after the Gator Bowl. "I think that says a whole lot about our assistant coaches, everybody associated in our program, and the players on our team. You know, no quitters on that team."

The next step that the Vols need to take will be to put those quality performances together against the elite teams on their schedule. The wins over nationally-ranked Auburn and Kentucky in 2018 were not matched with positive efforts against other SEC foes. And as encouraging as the season-ending six game winning streak was last year, none of those victories came against top conference opponents. In fact, in Tennessee's six combined games against Alabama, Florida and Georgia under Pruitt, they've been outscored 255-83. Only the Bama game this season was competitive into the fourth quarter.

The 2019 season was successful for Tennessee football, but they have more work to do. Will the Vols figure out a way to hang with the best in the conference in 2020?

We'll find out (hopefully) in about five months.

Mark Nagi is the author of "Decade of Dysfunction," which takes an up close look at Tennessee's crazy coaching search of 2017. The book is available on Amazon.

## Farragut soccer faces five road matches if season continues

By Ken Lay

The coronavirus pandemic has put the high school sports world on hold but one area district has already set plans in motion if the boys soccer season resumes later this month.

With schools closed until April 24 and social distancing measures in place, area high school teams aren't permitted to play practice or meet together. But the Tennessee Secondary Schools Athletic Association has yet to cancel the annual Spring Fling, which is set for late-May in Murfreesboro.

So one soccer league, District 4-AAA, has its competition plan in place should school and competition resume.

The district, which includes Farragut, Hardin Valley Academy, Maryville, Heritage, William Blount and Lenoir City, has decided that each team will play its five-game district schedule.

The top two sides after district will move on the Region 2-AAA Tournament.

"We've decided to play our district game and that will be our district tournament," Farragut coach Ray Dover said. "If we go back on April 28, that will give us two weeks to play five games and the points will determine who will go to region."

"We may have to play a game on a Saturday and we haven't quite figured out just how we're going to do that."

But Dover knows one thing. The Admirals, who were 2-0 when play

was suspended, will face a stiff challenge. Farragut, which has home victories over Greeneville and West High, won't play a home game during District 4-AAA play.

Farragut had limited pre-season practice time on its home pitch but played its first two games at home this season.

But Farragut must come out on top in the league to play at home again in 2020 and that should provide a bit of extra motivation for the Admirals.

"All these games will be road games for me," Dover said. "So if we want to see our field again, we'll have to take care of business in the district. If we want to play on our field again, we'll have to win the district."



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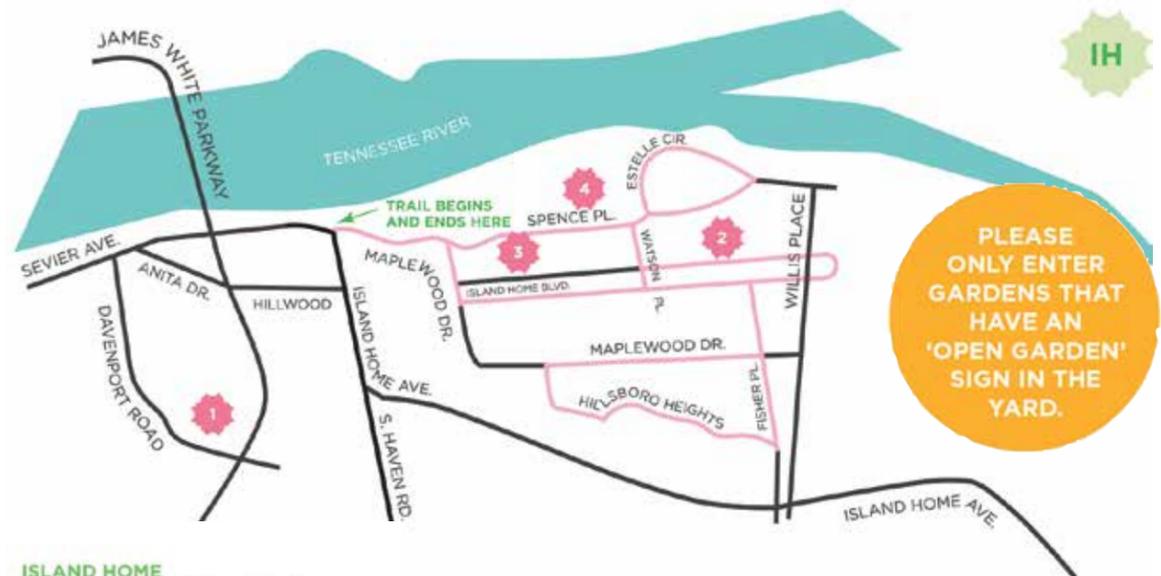
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**Dogwood Arts to host virtual art festival**

The 2020 Dogwood Arts Festival is going virtual after the decision was made to postpone the public event originally scheduled for April 24-26th in Downtown Knoxville due to the spread of COVID-19. The virtual festival launched last week at festival.dogwoodarts.com and will showcase 109 artists from around the country who were juried in to participate this year. The Dogwood Arts Festival has been a sentinel event for the organization, showcasing a diverse array of fine art since 1961 and 2020 was set to continue the fine tradition. Even though we can't be together in our usual fashion this year, we hope that Knoxville will log on and get to know these amazing artists who work in a variety of mediums from painting to pottery, jewelry to glass, and everything in between.

The platform allows visitors to easily browse and support the artists who put so much time, energy, and talent into making the Dogwood Arts Festival such a celebrated event each year. The site is organized by medium (two-dimensional, three-dimensional, jewelry/apparel, and natural products) and listings link to the artist's personal website where artwork can be purchased directly from the source online. The public can also vote on their favorite artists via a form on the website now through April 30th, and cash prizes will be awarded to the three artists who garner the most votes.

Dogwood Arts is aware of the enormous impact COVID-19 will have on the infrastructure and economy of Downtown Knoxville and our creative community; however, the health and safety of festival attendees, staff, vendors, and artists are of utmost importance. Festival organizers are looking at alternative dates and opportunities for rescheduling several signature spring events (Chalk Walk, Dogwood Arts Festival, Featured Gardens, etc.) in late summer/fall. More details will be released as they become available.



## The Doctor is in

a weekly column by  
Dr. Jim Ferguson

### Keeping the faith

Few Americans would argue that life has changed dramatically in the last month. For me, even 9/11 and retirement pale in comparison to the COVID-19 pandemic.

All my life I was racing somewhere: college, then medical school, my office or the hospital, even family dinners or my daughters' activities. In the late fall of my life, I find that I have finally arrived at my destination where I am to spend the rest of my days helping family, serving friends and my concierge patients and witnessing for the Way.

Several have asked me what happens in a coronavirus infection. About 2500 years ago the ancient Greeks described the tell-tale results of injury or infection as redness, heat, swelling, pain and loss of function. Science now understands these signs of inflammation are due to chemical messengers

called cytokines. These are released with injury or infection and rev up the immune system and orchestrate, as well as modulate, the inflammatory and healing process. Theoretically, a severe injury may produce a severe cytokine response with collateral damage as in shock-lung or ARDS (adult respiratory distress syndrome). The response to a severe coronavirus infection has been pictured as a "cytokine storm" where the virus is attacked by the immune system, but collateral damage occurs in the lung and other organs.

Becky and I have been sheltering in place since President Trump advised most of us to stay home to avoid the coronavirus plague. As a result, >80% of American workers are on the sideline and the \$22 trillion US economy has been halted. I'm fortunate to be sequestered with the grace-filled and tolerant Becky,

but even she has limits. If the country doesn't accept some risk and return to work soon, the country will be lost.

Telemedicine has become fashionable with the coronavirus crisis. I've been doing telemedicine for five years in my Concierge practice. Recently, I've talked several patients off the proverbial ledge, who were worried about coronavirus infection. Several had simple colds and another hay fever. In Knoxville simple colds or allergies to the pollen on car hoods are still the most likely cause of respiratory symptoms.

I'm not being critical because Becky and I recently noticed after a hard day of farm work. we felt rough. We even took our temperature and were shocked to find fevers of 100°! At least until I changed the battery in my digital thermometer and our "coronavirus fever" was cured.

Life has changed for the foreseeable future. Some may be afraid to pick up a Focus newspaper. Becky and I now spray groceries with alcohol. I carry a hand sanitizer with me everywhere and I no longer shake hands. And we have given up Tuesday night suppers with neighbors.

However, I have confidence that treatments for this modern plague will be

found and preventive vaccinations will be developed. Remember, smallpox has been eradicated and polio no longer cripples in the United States. Our coinage says, "In God We Trust." I do. And though it may trigger some, I Trust in Trump.

As the plague marches across America, I recalled a book I read years ago called "Generations, the History of America's Future, 1584-2069." Yes, you read the title correctly. Authors Strauss and Howe charted America's history, beginning with the defeat of the Spanish Armada which allowed northern Europeans to begin migration to North America in the early 1600s. These historians found recurring cycles in the ensuing 400 years of American history as well as identifiable generational characteristics such as The Greatest Generation and Baby Boomers. Understandably, America has gone through many periods of internal strife (soul searching), such as the turbulent sixties, and external challenges like WWII.

What stunned me was the historian's predictions. In rereading this sentinel 1991 book, I am struck by Strauss and Howe's prediction that America's next "climactic event" will come from outside and confront us in 2020!

History is a great teacher and the findings of these researchers and especially their predictions seem plausible, given the coronavirus invasion. (I find less plausible the illusions to a "Wohan-400 virus" in Dean Koontz's 1981 book "The Eyes of Darkness" or the 2011 movie Contagion.)

I am not a starry-eyed optimist, but I am comforted by the advances in medical science since Generations was published in 1991. And we have a wartime president who comprehends the "invisible enemy," the dishonest media and the duplicitous, swampy Pelosi and Schumer.

A friend of mine recently quipped, "It's a good time to be an older person." Like me she is a seasoned citizen and devout Christian. I understand her sentiment that our time here is nearly over. However, I refuse to give up the fight against the Chinese Communist Plague or progressive socialists and leftists.

In circa 62 AD, the Apostle Paul was under house arrest awaiting the Roman Emperor's judgement. He spent the time preparing his protegee Timothy to take over his ministry if things went badly for Paul. It did, and he was martyred in 63 AD by Nero. Paul wrote in 2 Timothy 4:7, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished

the race, I have kept the faith." I have adopted, but modified, Paul's perspective by changing his past tense to a future tense of I will fight, I will finish and I will keep the faith.

In these troubled times we wonder what we can do to help our country and each other. The President and his Task Force have sensible guidelines we should all be following, but there is more.

Bill Hybels in his book "Too Busy Not To Pray" described a useful acronym for prayer - ACTS. A stands for adoration or praise of God. C is for confession or a call to repentance. T reminds us to be thankful for life and other blessings. And S is for supplication where we get to ask for courage, strength, wisdom, insight, hope and peace.

As I center on God, a sense of peace occurs in me and I often think of the enduring hymn,

"It is well, it is well, with my soul..."

I challenge you to reflect on the words of this hymn written by Horatio Spatford. Google the story of its writing.

I think your coronavirus worries will lessen.

You may email Dr. Ferguson at [fergusonj@knoxfocus.com](mailto:fergusonj@knoxfocus.com)

# 'He Had to Go' - Sharing Living Water

There are a number of Christian relief organizations around the world that have "Samaritan" in their name. In the US, we have "Samaritan's Purse." The story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) gives a clear picture of



By Mark Brackney, Minister of the Arlington Church of Christ

God's desire for us to help those in desperate need wherever we find them. For over 40 years, Samaritan's Purse has attempted to follow Christ's command by going to the aid of the world's poor, sick, and suffering. In England, you have a Christian organization

called the "Samaritans." They take phone calls or meet with people in person who are struggling with life. Here locally in Knoxville we have "Samaritan Ministry" being formed and founded upon the work and words of Jesus.

This ministry serves the needs of the HIV population. Each of these groups recognize that it was Jesus who calls on us to care for the sick (Matt. 25:31-45) and to reach out to those shunned and disenfranchised of our community and world. Jesus demands that we love each

other (John 15:12) and show compassion.

We have another story in Scripture that involved a Samaritan woman at a well and her conversation with Jesus (John 4:1-42). She was an outsider. An outcast. She had bad luck when it came to husbands. They all divorced her or they all died. Either way, she was a wounded soul and didn't want the questioning glances or comments from others. "Here she comes. I wonder which man she is with now." "Yeah, the last one didn't last long." "I hear she has a new man." She doesn't need the comments so she heads to the well when no one else is around - in the

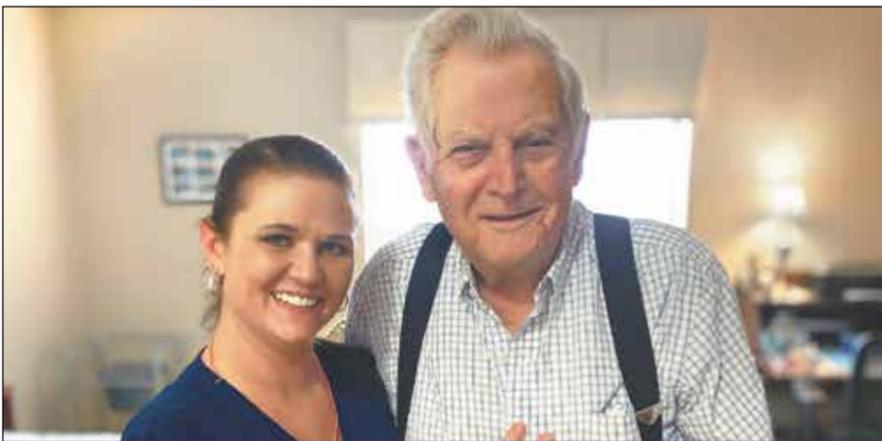
middle and heat of the day. Little did she know whom she would meet on this day that would forever change her life. First, a little history lesson that dates back centuries.

During the Assyrian invasion and destruction of northern Israel, the Assyrians carried the northern tribes into captivity (722 BC). Many of the Jewish men married foreign women diluting their bloodline and creating a mixed race called the Samaritans. For the Jews, they were not pure enough so they were not allowed to worship in Jerusalem at the Temple. They still worshipped God, but they built their own Temple on Mt. Gerizim in

Samaria. The hatred deepened between Samaritans and Jews so they avoided each other. Looking at a map, the shortest route from Galilee to Judah is through Samaria, but Jews would walk many extra miles in order to avoid contact with Samaritans. But on this journey, Jesus and his disciples walked right into the middle of Samaria, stopping at a watering hole at noon, only when the outcasts would appear. We are told that Jesus "had to go through Samaria." He could have gone the other route, but not this time. Jesus is about to teach something we all need to be reminded of today.

What do we notice about

Jesus? He was available. Jesus was not just interested in giving "living water" to Jewish people, he wanted to fill up foreigners, like Samaritans as well. Something you notice in the gospels is that Jesus didn't play it safe or comfortable. He went where others would never dream of going. He went to the unwanted because each person was important. May God help us to sit by wells and learn the stories of broken people around us. We have the living water of Jesus to share with others that can fill up their empty lives.



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IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with John W. Routh, an Attorney whose address is, 3232 Tazewell Pike Knoxville, TN 37918, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor Michael W. Moyers at the Knox County Chancery Court, Part III, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
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Clerk and Master

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the Defendant, Tai Tan Nguyen, 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 Tai Tan Nguyen.  
IT IS ORDERED that said defendant file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court at Knoxville, Tennessee and with Rubin Lublin TN PLLC whose address is, 3145 Avalon Ridge Place Suite 100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30071 within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, or a judgment by default will be taken against you and the cause set for hearing Ex Parte as to you before Chancellor John Weaver at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division 1, 400 W. Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This the 24th day of March 2020.

Clerk and Master

### COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE DENNIS GREGORY, Plaintiff, vs. JUDITH LISA MCGOWIGLE, Defendant. COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE**

Comes now the Plaintiff, Dennis Gregory, by and through counsel, and files this complaint for divorce and in support would show as follows:  
I. STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Husbands's Statistical Information  
Name: Dennis Gregory  
Date of Birth: August 13, 1961  
Place of Birth: Knoxville, Tennessee  
Current Address: 4530 Bruhin Road Knoxville, Tennessee 37912  
Race: Caucasian  
Prior Marriages: 1

Wife's Statistical Information  
Name: Judith Lisa McGonigle  
Date of Birth: May 27, 1974  
Place of Birth: Bronx, NY  
Current Address: 2943 Kingsland Bronx, NY 10469-3319  
Race: Caucasian  
Prior Marriages: 0

Marriage Information  
Date of Marriage: April 14, 2014  
Place of Marriage: Knoxville, Tennessee  
Date of Separation: March 1, 2016  
Children of Marriage: none  
Place of separation: Knoxville, Tennessee

II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE  
The parties were married and lived as a marital couple in Knoxville, Tennessee. The Plaintiff would aver that jurisdiction and venue are proper to hear in this Honorable Court.

III. GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE  
Plaintiff avers that there are irreconcilable differences for which the marriage is irretrievably broken.

IV. PROPERTY OF THE MARRIAGE  
Plaintiff avers that the parties shall enter into a Marital Dissolution Agreement that would equitably divide the assets and debts of the marriage.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, PETITIONER PRAYS:  
1. That the complaint, pro se answer, affidavit and marital dissolution agreement be filed with service of process waived.  
2. That parties be awarded an absolute divorce.  
3. That the Court approve the marital dissolution agreement as being fair and equitable.  
4. That the Court award the Plaintiff alimony in an amount and duration that conforms to the facts of this cause of action.  
5. That the court costs be taxed equally  
6. For such other, further general relief to which the Court may deem Petitioner to be entitled.  
Respectfully Submitted, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

DENNIS GREGORY

PATRICK L. LOOPER BPR 020857  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
800 S. Gay Street, Suite 2000  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37929  
865/522.3616  
865/394-9833

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
COUNTY OF KNOX

OATH  
DENNIS GREGORY, after first being duly sworn, according to law, makes oath that the statements made in the foregoing are true and not made out of levity nor by collusion with Defendant but in truth and sincerity for the causes mentioned therein.

DENNIS GREGORY

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

COST BOND  
We, the undersigned, acknowledge ourselves Sureties for all costs in this cause in accordance with T.C.A. §20-12-120.

DENNIS GREGORY  
PRINCIPAL

PATRICK L. LOOPER, Attorney  
SURETY

### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE

**TO: THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF THE CHILD; IN RE: FAITH LYNN WALKER D.O.B. 10/12/2010**

**NO. 199872-2**  
IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
In this Cause appearing from the Complaint filed, which is sworn to, that the defendant THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF THE CHILD 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 THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF THE CHILD it is ordered that said defendant THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF THE CHILD file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court in Knoxville, Tennessee and with Barbara W. Clark, an Attorneys whose address is, 2415 E. Magnolia Avenue Knoxville, TN 37917, 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 Clarence E. Pridemore, Jr. at the Knox County Chancery Court, Division II, 400 W. Main Street, Suite 125, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. This notice will be published in The Knoxville Focus Newspaper for four (4) consecutive weeks.  
This 18th day of March, 2020.

Clerk and Master

date of death. This the 19TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF ANDREA RENE CROMBIE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
TODD A; CROMBIE; ADMINISTRATOR  
3341 INDIAN HILLS DR.  
PACE, FL 32571

SARAH E. C. MALIA ATTORNEY AT LAW  
P.O. BOX 12395  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOSEPH FRANCIS DARAGO III DOCKET NUMBER 82856-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25TH day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JOSEPH FRANCIS DARAGO III who died Jan 14, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 25TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF JOSEPH FRANCIS DARAGO III

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ANDREW WRIGHT DARAGO;  
ADMINISTRATOR 1804 CAMPFIRE DR  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

LAUREN E SMITH ATTORNEY  
110 COGDILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CATHERINE HAIRE DILLARD DOCKET NUMBER 82838-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20TH day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of CATHERINE HAIRE DILLARD who died May 23, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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(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 20TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF CATHERINE HAIRE DILLARD

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
CATHERINE COLLINS; CO-ADMINISTRATRIX  
P.O. BOX 1422  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

MARY MILLER; CO-ADMINISTRATRIX  
3918 SHIPWATCH LN.  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37920

MARK JENDREK ATTORNEY AT LAW  
P.O. BOX 549 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WALTER EUGENE EVERETTE DOCKET NUMBER 82854-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WALTER EUGENE EVERETTE who died Mar 7, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 25TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF WALTER EUGENE EVERETTE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S) ROBERT D EVERETTE; EXECUTOR 2528 BYINGTON SOLWAY RD KNOXVILLE, TN 37931

ROBERT A COLE ATTORNEY  
3715 POWERS ST  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37917

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CLARA EDENS FOX DOCKET NUMBER 82835-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 19TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CLARA EDENS FOX who died Dec 12, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 19TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF CLARA EDENS FOX

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
JAMES MICHAEL FOX; CO-EXECUTOR 722 GRAHAM WAY KNOXVILLE, TN 37912

DANNY JOE FOX; CO-EXECUTOR  
1402 PRICER ST  
HENDERSON, TX 75654

MICHAEL L DEBUSK ATTORNEY AT LAW  
5344 N BROADWAY, STE 101  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF R GALE HUNEYCUTT JR DOCKET NUMBER 82824-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of R GALE HUNEYCUTT JR who died Feb 21, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 24TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF R. GALE HUNEYCUTT JR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (S) DENNIS B RAGSDALE; EXECUTOR 1111 NORTHSHORE DR STE. S700 KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

LEE A POPKIN ATTORNEY  
1111 NORTHSHORE DR STE 700  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BETTY F. KINCAID MCCLAIN DOCKET NUMBER 82834-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 19TH day of 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of BETTY F. KINCAID MCCLAIN who died Aug 10, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 19TH day of MARCH, 2020

ESTATE OF BETTY F. KINCAID MCCLAIN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
ROBERT SAMUEL KINCAID, JR.; EXECUTOR 6809 STONE MILL DR. KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

EDWARD COX, JR.  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1111 N NORTHSHORE DR. STE N-290  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JERRY NEAL MINNICH DOCKET NUMBER 82843-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 23RD day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JERRY NEAL MINNICH who died Jan 27, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 23RD day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF JERRY NEAL MINNICH

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
REBECCA ANN MINNICH; EXECUTRIX  
301 SARVIS DRIVE KNOXVILLE, TN 37920

O.E SCHOW IV ATTORNEY  
P.O. BOX 900  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37901

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOHN WESLEY MORGAN, SR. DOCKET NUMBER 82839-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20TH day of 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JOHN WESLEY MORGAN, SR. who died Jan 24, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 20TH day of MARCH, 2020

ESTATE OF JOHN WESLEY MORGAN, SR.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
THOMAS R. MORGAN, SR.; EXECUTOR  
132 E. EMERALD AVE.  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

MELISSA LAWING ATTORNEY  
AT LAW 3715 POWERS ST.  
KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF SUZANNE FRANCIS PHILLIPS DOCKET NUMBER 82810-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25TH day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of SUZANNE FRANCIS PHILLIPS who died Feb 5, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 25TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF SUZANNE FRANCIS PHILLIPS

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
KATHLEEN A. COURTNEY; ADMINISTRATRIX  
121 MOUNTAIN MEADOW  
LANE CLINTON, TN 37716

BROOKE GIVENS ATTORNEY  
110 COGDILL ROAD KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHRISTINE A PISCATELLI DOCKET NUMBER 82848-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHRISTINE A PISCATELLI who died Jan 14, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 24TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF CHRISTINE A PISCATELLI

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
DUSTIN GOLDSBY;  
EXECUTOR 2112 WINDBROOK RD  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

DUSTIN S CROUSE ATTORNEY  
9111 CROSS PARK DR STE  
D200 KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CAROLYN L ASPLUND AIK/A CAROLYN L REIERSEN DOCKET NUMBER 82841-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 20 day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CAROLYN L ASPLUND AIK/A CAROLYN L REIERSEN who died Jan 23, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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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, 2020.

ESTATE OF CAROLYN L ASPLUND  
AIK/A CAROLYN L REIERSEN

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
WAYNE REIERSEN; EXECUTOR  
238 INDIANA SHADOW DRIVE  
MARYVILLE, TN 37801

JEANNIE REIERSEN; CO-EXECUTRIX  
238 INDIANA SHADOW DRIVE  
MARYVILLE, TN 37801

LORENE PLEMMONS ATTORNEY  
294 B VILLAGE SQUARE DRIVE  
LOUNDOON, TN 37774

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RAMAH BOWMAN SEYMOUR DOCKET NUMBER 82852-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 24TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RAMAH BOWMAN SEYMOUR who died Feb 2, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 24TH day of MARCH, 2020.

ESTATE OF RAMAH BOWMAN SEYMOUR

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
HOME FEDERAL BANK; EXECUTOR  
515 MARKET STREET  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37902

STEPHEN CARPENTER ATTORNEY  
10413 KINGSTON PIKE STE 200  
KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOSETTE SIEWERT DOCKET NUMBER 82849-3**

# LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF EVELYN LUCILLE WEST DOCKET NUMBER 82009-3**  
 Notice is hereby given that on the 24TH day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of EVELYN LUCILLE WEST who died Feb 7, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

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 (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 24TH day of MARCH, 2020.

**ESTATE OF EVELYN LUCILLE WEST**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 STEVE RANDALL DEBRUHL; Administrator  
 44809 FOUR OAKS LANE  
 CALIFORNIA, MD 20619  
 DUSTIN CROUSE ATTORNEY  
 1139 AVOCET LANE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JOYCE L BATES DOCKET NUMBER 82862-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of Joyce L Bates who died Feb 2, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
 (1)(A) Four (4) months from the date of the first 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 1 day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF Joyce L Bates**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 TELESA K WEAVER; EXECUTRIX  
 111 BLACKSFERRY LOOP  
 CLINTON, TN. 37716  
 CURTIS W ISABELL  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 251 SHORT STREET  
 CLINTON, TN. 37716

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF RAYMOND WILLIAM BOLING DOCKET NUMBER 82761-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of RAYMOND WILLIAM BOLING who died Dec 28, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
 (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first date of the publication of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication; or  
 (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 5 day of MARCH, 2020

**ESTATE OF RAYMOND WILLIAM BOLING**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 KRISTI WILSON; EXECUTRIX  
 1123 APPALOSA WAY  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922  
 R SETH OAKES ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1111 N NORTHSHORE DRIVE, SUITE  
 N-290 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ROBERT GENE BROWN, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 82846-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ROBERT GENE BROWN, JR who died Feb 25, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF ROBERT GENE BROWN, JR. DOCKET NUMBER 82846-3**  
 KEVIN HARDIN  
 ATTORNEY  
 2701 KINGSTON PK  
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37919

described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF ROBERT GENE BROWN, JR.**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 CHRISTOPHER RAY BROWN; EXECUTOR  
 1976 RAYS GAP RD.  
 SEVIERVILLE, TN. 37876  
 BRADLEY S. LEWIS  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 10413 KINGSTON PK. STE. 200  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CHARLIE ARNOLD BUTLER DOCKET NUMBER 82871-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CHARLIE ARNOLD BUTLER who died Nov 25, 2017, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF CHARLIE ARNOLD BUTLER**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 ADRIANE E. DOBBINS; EXECUTOR  
 9724 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 406  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922  
 REBECCA D. ABBOTT  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 118 HUXLEY ROAD, STE 7  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JIMMIE RUTH KYLE DOCKET NUMBER 82580-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of APRIL 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of JIMMIE RUTH KYLE who died Oct 19, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 1 day of APRIL, 2020.  
**ESTATE OF JIMMIE RUTH KYLE**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 PATRICE BALL; ADMINISTRATRIX  
 2909 WOODBINE AVENUE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37914

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM EARL L LEWELLYN DOCKET NUMBER 82750-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27TH day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of WILLIAM EARL L LEWELLYN who died Dec 27, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 27TH day of MARCH, 2020.

**ESTATE OF WILLIAM EARL L LEWELLYN**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 KIMBERLY L KANIP; EXECUTRIX  
 2130 RAINES RUN  
 SHOAL CREEK, AL 35242

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF VIRGINIA K. MORGAN DOCKET NUMBER 82870-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of VIRGINIA K. MORGAN who died Mar

9, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death

This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.  
**ESTATE OF VIRGINIA K. MORGAN**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 RICHARD E. MORGAN; CO-EXECUTOR  
 2217 DAWNS PASS  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919  
 VICTORIA M. PRICE; CO-EXECUTOR  
 8827 BELLE MINA WAY  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37923  
 CHARLES W. MORGAN; CO-EXECUTOR  
 1836 REGENTS PARK ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922  
 MARGO J. MAXWELL  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 116 AGNES ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF DALE H MOSS DOCKET NUMBER 82845-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1 day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of DALE H MOSS who died Feb 28, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1 day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF DALE H MOSS**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 KIMBERLY MOSS BAILEY; CO-EXECUTRIX  
 1901 PLUMB BRANCH ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932  
 DARLA MOSS WATSON; CO-EXECUTRIX  
 3320 BLUEBELL LANE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37931  
 BRADLEY S LEWIS  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 10413 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 200  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37922

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF ARLENE BAILEY POPE DOCKET NUMBER 82790-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 5 day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of ARLENE BAILEY POPE who died Sep 29, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. This the 5 day of MARCH, 2020

**ESTATE OF ARLENE BAILEY POPE**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 CHERYL P ROACH; CO-EXECUTRIX  
 1512 PARKRIDGE DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37924  
 JUDITH Y JOHNSON; CO-EXECUTRIX  
 2806 BORIGHT DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37917

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF FRANKIE SUE ROGERS DOCKET NUMBER 82533-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of FRANKIE SUE ROGERS who died Nov 23, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication as described in (1)(A); or  
 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 30 day of MARCH, 2020.  
**ESTATE OF FRANKIE SUE ROGERS**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 LISA BOHER; ADMINISTRATRIX  
 7716 KARNES ROAD  
 CORYTON, TN. 37721  
 KENNETH HOLBERT  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1810 AILOR AVENUE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37921

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF BRENT ALAN ROTH DOCKET NUMBER 82863-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 27TH day of MARCH 2020, letters administration in respect of the Estate of BRENT ALAN ROTH who died Feb 17, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above-named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.  
 This the 27TH day of MARCH, 2020.

**ESTATE OF BRENT ALAN ROTH**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 SHARON C ROTH; ADMINISTRATRIX  
 5104 WINFIELD LN  
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37921  
 BILL ROUTH ATTORNEY  
 3214 TAZEWELL PK STE 105  
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37918

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF CARL D. SIKKEMA DOCKET NUMBER 82869-2**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of CARL D. SIKKEMA who died Feb 28, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF CARL D. SIKKEMA**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 DALE SIKKEMA; EXECUTOR  
 12443 BUTTERMILK ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932  
 ANNE M. MCKINNEY  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1019 ORCHID DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

**ESTATE OF CARL D. SIKKEMA**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 DALE SIKKEMA; EXECUTOR  
 12443 BUTTERMILK ROAD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37932  
 ANNE M. MCKINNEY  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 1019 ORCHID DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37912

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF EVELYN S SIMPSON DOCKET NUMBER 82865-1**

Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of EVELYN S SIMPSON who died Mar 13, 2020, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 30 day of MARCH, 2020.

**ESTATE OF EVELYN S SIMPSON**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 EDWARD B SIMPSON, III ; EXECUTOR  
 4609 GILLCREST DRIVE  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37938  
 DALE CALLEN  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 P.O. BOX 900  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37901-0900

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF AGNES I SMITH DOCKET NUMBER 82783-3**

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST day of APRIL 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of AGNES I SMITH who died Oct 2, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against his or her estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 1ST day of APRIL, 2020.

**ESTATE OF AGNES I. SMITH**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 RANDY I OGLE; EXECUTOR  
 2008 REED ROAD  
 TEN MILE, TN. 37880  
 M. SUE WHITE  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 216 PHOENIX COURT STE. D  
 SEYMOUR, TN. 37865

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**ESTATE OF JEAN PROFFITT WHITAKER DOCKET NUMBER 82866-2**  
 Notice is hereby given that on the 30 day of MARCH 2020, letters testamentary in respect of the Estate of JEAN PROFFITT WHITAKER who died Dec 23, 2019, were issued the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Knox County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:  
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 (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death This the 30 day of MARCH, 2020.

**ESTATE OF JEAN PROFFITT WHITAKER**  
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE(S)  
 PAMELA WHITAKER; EXECUTRIX  
 606 VALLEY VIEW STREET  
 SEYMOUR, TN. 37865  
 DAVID H LUHN  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 310 N FOREST PARK BLVD  
 KNOXVILLE, TN. 37919

## MISC. NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

On March 26, 2020, Mid-Century Radio LLC filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for renewal of the license of FM Translator station W286DT, which is licensed to serve Knoxville, Tennessee. The station is licensed to transmit from a site at 35°48'52.3" N. Latitude, 83°39'59.6" W. Longitude, on a frequency of 105.1 MHz, with an effective radiated power of 0.027 kW. The station rebroadcasts WKCE, Knoxville, Tennessee, which operates on a frequency of 1180 kHz. Individuals who wish to advise the FCC of facts relating to the renewal application and to whether this FM translator station has operated in the public interest should file comments and petitions with the FCC by July 1, 2020, by writing to the FCC, Washington, DC 20554.

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

THE OWNERS AND/OR LIEN HOLDERS OF THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES ARE HERBY NOTIFIED OF THEIR RIGHTS TO PAY ALL CHARGES AND RECLAIM SAID VEHICLES BEING HELD AT THE STORAGE LOT OF KAREN'S GARAGE FAILURE TO RECLAIM THESE VEHICLES WILL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF ALL RIGHTS, TITLE AND CONSENT TO DISPOSE OF SAID VEHICLE AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON April 23RD AT 9AM AT 2364 MYNATT DR, KNOXVILLE, TN 37918  
 1975 PLYMOUTH DUSTER VL29C5E116989

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization Executive Board Meeting, April 22, 2020**  
 The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board will meet on **Wednesday, April 22nd at 9 a.m.** in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN. Due to the unusual circumstances of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be conducted by electronic means. Please check the website for updates. The full Agenda will be available on the TPO website 5-7 days prior to the meeting and can be found here: <https://knoxtpo.org/boards-and-committees/>. If you would like a copy of the final Agenda please contact the TPO. If you need assistance or accommodation for a disability please notify the TPO three business days in advance of the meeting and we will be glad to work with you in obliging any reasonable request.  
 865-215-2694 or dorci.caron@knoxplanning.org.



Considering the number of disasters that have occurred in the past decade, chances are you'll experience some sort of emergency. Between school, sports and other activities, chances are you won't be with your kids when it happens.  
 Ready.gov/kids has the tools to make preparing easy and even fun, so your kids can feel...  
**Prepared, not scared.**

Go to  
[www.Ready.gov/kids](http://www.Ready.gov/kids)  
 and talk to your family today.



# Tips on how to deal with anxiety during the coronavirus

By The University of Tennessee Medical Center

As coronavirus news floods our news and social media feeds, it is easy to become overwhelmed by fear and anxiety. The anxiety felt because of coronavirus uncertainty, or many other stresses, can affect your physical and mental wellness in numerous ways. Headaches, insomnia, panic attacks, depression, stomach aches, and muscle pains are just some examples of the health issues caused or increased by anxiety. However, in these times of fear and unrest, Dr. Clayton Bell, an integrative medicine specialist at The University of Tennessee Medical Center (UTMC), offers some tips on how to alleviate stress and become more grounded.

"When experiencing stress, the first thing I try to remind myself and my patients to do is pause and breathe," said Bell. "When we get anxious, our breath shortens. I suggest intentionally taking deep breaths to activate the diaphragm muscle and parasympathetic nervous system ('rest and digest') or relaxation arm of the autonomic nervous system."

Bell suggests some other actions to mitigate anxious feelings:

- "Take breaks from watching or reading news stories, especially in the evening before bed. Meditate or read a good book instead."
- "Eat healthy, well-balanced meals, made from whole foods. It's very important to optimize your nutrition during this time as real foods are full of immune boosting vitamins and minerals. Processed foods made from nutrient-void white flour or with added sugars actually prevent your body's white blood cells (immune system) from fighting off infections."
- "To boost your immune system and keep

down stress, get outside and move your body every day. Make sure to get plenty of sleep as well."

"Talk about your concerns and how you are feeling with people you trust. Now is the perfect time to connect with loved ones, rekindle old friendships via telephone, or have a Zoom/FaceTime party or dinner with family and friends."

Bell says making these simple changes to your daily routine boost your immune system as well as help you maintain a sense of calm and purpose.

"We often focus so much on our own anxiety, that we may forget that others around us are also feeling anxious," said Bell. "Children are very susceptible to the energies of others and they react according to what they see and feel from the adults around them."

According to Bell, children express anxiety through different emotions and habits. Some of the most common ways are excessive fussiness or crying, regressing back to behaviors they have outgrown, excessive worry or sadness, unhealthy eating or sleeping patterns, and avoidance of activities they enjoyed in the past.

Bell recommends the following steps for parents or caregivers to practice with anxious children:

- "Don't be afraid to talk with your child about the COVID-19 outbreak. It is much better to learn what is going on from you than from the media."
- "Share with your child how you deal with stress, so they can understand they are not alone with their feelings and can learn healthy techniques that can help them cope as well."
- "Limit your family's exposure to news coverage of coronavirus, including social media."
- "Have a daily routine. Create a schedule that includes learning, relaxing and fun activities. This is especially important

while schools are closed." Bell explains mental health is always important, but especially right now.

"When we neglect our mental health, our physical health will also feel the repercussions," said Bell. "Making small, daily changes will create long term benefits and make lasting impacts on how you experience and deal with anxiety."

Bell says it is important to remember that you are not alone during this time.

"We all are feeling the effects of the coronavirus, and it is important to take the necessary steps to maintain good mental and physical health in addition to following the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO), such as practicing social distancing, washing your hands, and avoiding touching your face," said Bell.

For reliable information on taking care of your health or a loved one's health, contact UTMC's Health Information Center at 865.305.9525 or online at [www.utmedicalcenter.org/hic](http://www.utmedicalcenter.org/hic). Staffed by medical librarians and certified health information specialists, the Health Information Center offers an extensive health library, digital and printed resources, walk-in assistance, and help with the research on specific health conditions – all free of charge and available to the public.

# Pets and COVID-19

Writing about Covid-19 is difficult on many levels. In my lifetime I have witnessed how disease has changed or has taken our lives. I remember how HIV scared us and how society reacted in fear of an unknown virus. In 2009, I wrote about the H1N1 influenza (swine flu) a pandemic that caused 201,200 respiratory related deaths worldwide. The Ebola outbreak in West Africa in 2014 claimed about 11,000 lives. We are no strangers to disease and pandemics—and the common flu in 2020 has already claimed about 20,000 lives.

To put things in perspective—as a pulmonary nurse I see how society responds to illnesses such as the flu and social habits like cigarette smoking. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates cigarette smoking causes more than 480,000 deaths annually. This writing is not about cigarette smoking, H1N1, or HIV, I only mention them to bring perspective to our normal everyday lives and how the media shapes opinion and in some cases—causes chaos and panic.

Working on the front line of this pandemic—I face this virus directly and it is challenging. This time I find myself emotional, challenged, and frightened—of what? In my 25 years as a nurse I have never experienced hospitals limiting visitation the way they



By Howard Baker, RN BSN

are today. I have now stood in the face of a virus that is wrecking our economy, bringing businesses to a halt, pulling families apart, and scaring people to the point of buying up groceries and toilet paper faster than merchants can stock the shelves.

Ways of protecting ourselves from COVID-19 is on every television and radio station—but what about our pets? I know how to limit the risk to my human family members but, what about Hobo the Wonder Dog? The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) is a great source for accurate up-to-date information in the evolving environment, the AVMA is in regular contact with CDC, FDA, and USDA, as well as public health and international veterinary experts. The AVMA current recommendations:

Key information about COVID-19 and Keeping Your Pet Safe:

- Infectious disease experts and multiple international and domestic human and animal health organizations agree there is no evidence at this point to indicate that pets become ill with COVID-19 or that they spread it to other animals, including people.
- Out of an abundance of caution, it is recommended that those ill with COVID-19 limit contact with animals until more information is known about the virus. Have another member of

your household take care of walking, feeding, and playing with your pet. If you have a service animal or you must care for your pet, then wear a facemask; don't share food, kiss, or hug them; and wash your hands before and after any contact with them.

As always, careful handwashing and other infection control practices can greatly reduce the chance of spreading any disease.

The WHO, FAO, and CDC, indicate that pets and other domestic animals are not considered at risk for contracting COVID-19 or transmitting the virus that causes COVID-19 (also known as 2019-nCoV).

Out of an abundance of caution I will take the same steps in protecting Hobo the Wonder Dog as I do the human species of our household. Out of the same abundance of caution I have postponed Hobo's dental cleaning and non-essential travel. I made sure we have a one-month supply of food and water, and a three-month supply of heartworm and flea prevention medications.

Our pets are a great source of comfort during these trying times; and knowledge is the key to stifle fear and anxiety in a world of uncertainty. Stay safe! Life is better with a Dog—Woof!

I want to thank the AVMA for the information used in this article, you can visit them directly @ [www.avma.org](http://www.avma.org) as information and recommendations change rapidly.

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