

**You don't have to be a kid to enjoy this playground.** 6A

Ex-Vols AD Currie, Schiano had made a \$27M deal. 3B

## Hospital deal still in limbo

FTC remains tight-lipped after review of Wellmont, Mountain States merger

By ZACH VANCE  
Johnson City Press

With the Federal Trade Commission's 30-day review now complete, the only thing separating Mountain States Health Alliance and Wellmont Health System from merging is an official closing date.

Hospital officials expect the merger to close sometime before Jan. 31, at which time the Tennessee Department of Health will grant the merged system, to be called Ballad Health, a Certificate of Public Advantage that protects it from antitrust scrutiny.

Early during the process, hospital executives Alan Levine and Bart Hove said they reached an agreement with FTC officials that, if the merger was approved in Virginia and Tennessee, the deal would not close until the FTC cordially conducted a 30-day review.

Tennessee approved its Certificate of Public Advantage in September, followed by Virginia Department of Health Commissioner Marissa Levine approving a Cooperative Agreement on Oct. 30, the day the FTC review commenced. Thirty days later, on Nov. 29, is when the review concluded, and

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COURTESY OF PHILLIP HENARD

Phillip Henard, Register of Deeds Judy Kirkpatrick, and realtor Mark Trent pose with the executed and filed deed transferring property from Henard to Donald Trump at the Hawkins County Registrars Office on Friday.

## Is Trump interested in property in Hawkins?

Developer's quitclaim makes president owner of acre near Rogersville

By JEFF BOBO  
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ROGERSVILLE — Last year Phillip Henard had a "crazy idea" to quitclaim about an acre of his mostly undeveloped remote Grandview Subdivision near Rogersville to President Donald Trump and the Trump family.

With all the publicity this move has garnered, Henard may turn out to be crazy like a fox.

On Saturday, Henard sent an email to the Times-News stating that on Dec. 8 he handed a deed over to Mark Trent, "representing the Trump Family and Trump Organization for Lot 40 in the Grandview Subdivision" located just west of Rogersville.

There are several lakefront lots at Grandview that might be more desirable and valuable with Donald Trump as a neighbor, and/or if the local water utility decided to extend service there.

Lakeview Utility District Superintendent Tim Carwile told the Times-News Monday that Henard has been seeking water service for his Grandview Subdivision for about a decade.

"Mr. Henard insists that he put in a waterline in 1977 and it was the district's responsibility to maintain, even though there were no customers," Carwile told the Times-News. "I told Mr. Henard that what he put in was not compatible or capable of being served by the district in 1977, and is not compatible or capable of being served by the district today."

Carwile added, "I ran across him back in the summer and he mentioned that 'I have talked to someone who will force you to serve my properties.' I told him that nobody exists who can force me to put water to his system with what he installed. I guess he figures that the president can."

Henard told the Times-News on Monday that water was not on his mind when he contacted the Trumps.

Henard answered a few Times-News questions about his land deal:

**How did this all come about?**

"It was a crazy idea that I had about a year ago, or maybe a little bit longer. I don't know the exact date. I thought it might be something I'd like to try and do."

**You've had contact with the Trumps since you came up with this idea?**

"Not personally, but with some agents of theirs."

**What was their response to your idea?**

"To try to put things together

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## Christmas past



NED JILTON II

With Christmas just around the corner, Nora Bailey helps get folks into the holiday spirit as she puts up some of the decorations for Saturday's 1818 Christmas at Netherland Inn.

## Times News is all new for you

Welcome to your new Times News.

Almost 10 months ago we, along with our partners at Creative Circle Media Solutions, embarked on a focused mission to revamp the Times News. Our goal was straightforward: Design your newspaper easier and faster to read and deliver more relevant content.

The first — and most obvious — change is to our nameplate above. More than 60 options were presented in a wide range of configurations and typefaces. Change from a familiar look that has been in place for more than a decade isn't easy, so we chose not to shock (we hope) our readers with a radical change.

While the nameplate might be the most obvious initial change, we believe something less obvious will be more welcome. That is a new typeface for the copy. Yesterday's copy had a myriad of technical problems that made it a challenge to read. Today's is rounder, a bit less bold and the spacing between letters has been adjusted for maximum clarity.

Additionally, you might notice that the right edges of our stories are uneven — or ragged right. Big deal, right? Actually, it is. Making the columns ragged right eliminates those odd spaces between words that happen when you make every line the same length. That slows your reading and lowers comprehension. Again, easier readability.

Parts of the redesign process have actually been implemented over the past few months. Some of you noticed the changes and knew what they were. Some noticed, but couldn't quite put your fingers on them.

One of those changes has been a focus on a different way of writing headlines. In an effort to make the headlines speak to you, our goal has been to make them more personal. The use of "you" and "your" was — and still is — forbidden in many newspapers. The same with headlines that end with a question mark. But headlines with those elements speak directly to our readers. They

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## How much do you know about the city's centerpiece?

**How many churches are on Church Circle?**

There are four church buildings, but only three churches are represented because one of the churches owns two buildings.

**Name the Church Circle churches.**

First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church and First Broad Street Methodist Church.

**Who designed Church Circle?**

CC&O Railroad engineer William Dunlap designed Church Circle. Many people errone-

ously credit its design to world-renowned city planner John Nolen, who did design much of Kingsport's downtown area.

**Church Circle is home to Kingsport's community Christmas tree, but what other seasonal display is the circle famous for?**

Each year a life-sized Nativity, complete with Three Wise Men and camels, is placed around Church Circle.

**What is the history of the Nativity set?**

The original set (its \$10,000 cost came from

private donations) was given in 1966 by the Circle Churches Christmas Foundation. The Kingsport Jaycees were asked to manage the storage and maintenance of the set. The organization has done so for the past 51 years, with help from volunteers in the community.

The set was completely refurbished for its 50th anniversary last year.

Source: City of Kingsport, "Kingsport Tennessee, A Planned American City," by Margaret Ripley Wolfe

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**WEATHER**

High Low  
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Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow.



### Shop with a cop

At Saturday's Christmas with a Cop party, 24 Hawkins County children had the opportunity to storm out of a military armored personnel carrier for a \$150 Walmart shopping spree. **6A**



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WHO'S IN THE NEWS

# Fans have 'Oceans' of opinions

Don't even try to come for Sandra Bullock and the women of "Ocean's 8." The all-female spin-off of the popular "Ocean's" trilogy saw heavy backlash from people who doubted the film's ability to live up to its predecessors when it was first announced, and the naysayers were noticed by Bullock.

"We got some but boy, I mean, I'll tell you, we've got some feisty women that will fight right back," Bullock said when asked if she heard any of the negative comments.

"It's like, let's just take a breath and let's just see if we come up with something fun. There should be a moratorium. There should be a rule, you're not allowed to say anything nasty until after it comes out. Obviously that's never going to happen."

Bullock cited the treatment by the Internet of the all-female cast of the 2016

reboot of "Ghostbusters" as an example of the attacks actresses sometimes face.

"They did put them through hell," she said.



BULLOCK

"Ocean's 8" stars Bullock as Debbie Ocean, sister of Danny (George Clooney in "Ocean's 11," 12 and 13), who, like her brother, recruits a team of highly specialized thieves to pull off a major heist — this time at the Met Gala.

Bullock costars in the film with an entourage of other powerhouse stars like Rihanna, Anne Hathaway and Cate Blanchett.

The Oscar winner teased that if the film is successful, an "Ocean's" trilogy of her own may be in the future.

# Drawing Card



Drawing contributed by Kaylee Cupp, first grade, Rose Hill Elementary School.

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# TRUMP: President now a Hawkins County landowner?

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and pursue it. They were for it."

## What did you hope to achieve by doing this?

"Not really anything. I just thought it would be a good idea. There's other important people — movie stars, and folks like that who own property in Hawkins County, and Sullivan, Hamblen and Hancock counties ... but nobody like the Trump name. Nobody of that caliber."

## Did you think this might be a feather in the cap of Rogersville and Hawkins County to have property here owned by the president?

"It might get our name on a map somewhere."

## What do they plan on doing with the land?

"I have no idea. It was never asked and I don't know."

## Do you own that entire subdivision?

"I think there were about 58 lots, and I still own about

half of them. I own the majority of what's in there."

## How did you make contact with the Trump family?

"I just wrote them a letter to start with."

## Did you say, "Hey, I want to give you some land in Hawkins County, Tenn., would you be interested?"

"Something like that."

## Do you think this will increase the value or demand for your other land over there?

"I have no idea. I guess that depends on if there's more Republicans or Democrats looking to buy property over there."

## Was this a marketing ploy to bring attention to your subdivision?

"Not really that. That might work, but I've not really thought about any of that."

## Do you think now that the president owns property there, Lakeview Utility will have to extend water service up there?

"I wouldn't have any idea. When I subdivided that property I put water in and signed it over to Lakeview. It's a long story, but they busted the waterline. After I put it in, the district and the state approved it, and they (Lakeview) took it over. I've asked him to fix that leak several times and he says it doesn't meet specifications, but I disagree with him. We can still sell lots and put wells in."

## Might this move convince (Carwife) to be more cooperative?

"I've not thought of that. He's the last thing on my mind."

## The property is worth \$7,800, and the deed says you get \$10 and "other good and valuable consideration." What does that mean?

"I can't reveal that. On the privacy stuff, I can't go into any of that. I can't talk about any of the monetary stuff."

## Is it a gift to the president?

"No, but I can't go into that. I hate not being able to answer your question. Maybe someday I can, but I can't right now."

## Do you think Trump's property will be developed?

"I've been asked that same thing several times today and yesterday. But, if a piece of property is transferred to anybody, I



GOOGLE MAPS

The new Trump-owned property is adjacent to Dalton Cemetery and includes all other property inside the Arrington Road loop in the Grandview Subdivision. The subdivision is near the Cherokee Raceway Park drag strip west of Rogersville.

## MORE ABOUT THE LAND DEAL

- The property in question is appraised at \$7,800. The quitclaim deed states Henard and his wife, Karen, will receive \$10 for the property "and other good and valuable consideration to them in hand paid by (the Trump Organization, Donald Trump and wife Melania Trump, and Donald Trump Jr. and wife Vanessa Trump)".

- The tract being quitclaimed to Trump is located adjacent to Dalton Cemetery and is encircled by the Arrington Road loop. Several lots to the north and west of the quitclaimed property have access to Cherokee Lake. The Cherokee Raceway Park dragstrip is located just south of the property, well within earshot.

- The annual property tax on the property being quitclaimed is currently \$49.

- A quitclaim deed transfers any interest the owner has in the property to a recipient. The owner terminates, or "quits" any right and claim to the property, thereby allowing the right or claim to transfer to the recipient.

- Mark Trent, who is identified by Henard as "representing the Trump Family and Trump Organization" is a Century 21 realtor based in Colonial Heights. Trent didn't respond to messages left by the Times-News at his office.

- In his original press release Saturday Henard stated, "It was a pleasure to work with the Trump's and during this entire process, communication was not as hard as I thought it might be. Everything went smoothly as we did progress along in this matter. Karen, my wife, and I would like to welcome the new property owners for taking a part in Hawkins County property ownership. It will be very interesting to see what their plans are. It was a pleasure to meet Mr. Trent as he made the trip down to see that everything was taken care and in proper order for the Trumps."

wouldn't have no idea what their intentions are. I don't know. It would be nice if they do."

## But through your agent you've been in touch with the Trump family, and they agree to accept the land?

"Yes sir."

## What if somebody wants to buy a lot out there and be neighbors with the president. Can they call you?

"I've got lots down there, but I'll be honest with you, I haven't even thought about selling them. I would, but if somebody called me today and wanted to buy a lot across the street (from Trump), I wouldn't have any idea what to price it. I

haven't even thought about it. That might be something I'll have to pursue."

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## TENNESSEE LOTTERY

### WEDNESDAY

#### Day Drawing

Cash 3: 1-1-2  
Cash 4: 6-6-8-7

#### Midday Drawing

Cash 3: 3-4-2  
Cash 4: 8-1-5-0

#### Night Drawing

Cash 3: 3-7-7  
Cash 4: 3-0-5-4

#### Cash 4 Life

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#### Tennessee Cash

4-8-25-32-33; Cash Ball: 4

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### WEDNESDAY

#### Day Drawing

Pick 3: 8-2-1  
Pick 4: 8-5-7-8  
Cash 5: 6-8-9-30-32

#### Night Drawing

Pick 3: 8-5-8  
Pick 4: 5-1-7-5  
Cash 5: 3-17-19-25-26

#### Cash 4 Life

2-16-30-40-53; Cash Ball: 3

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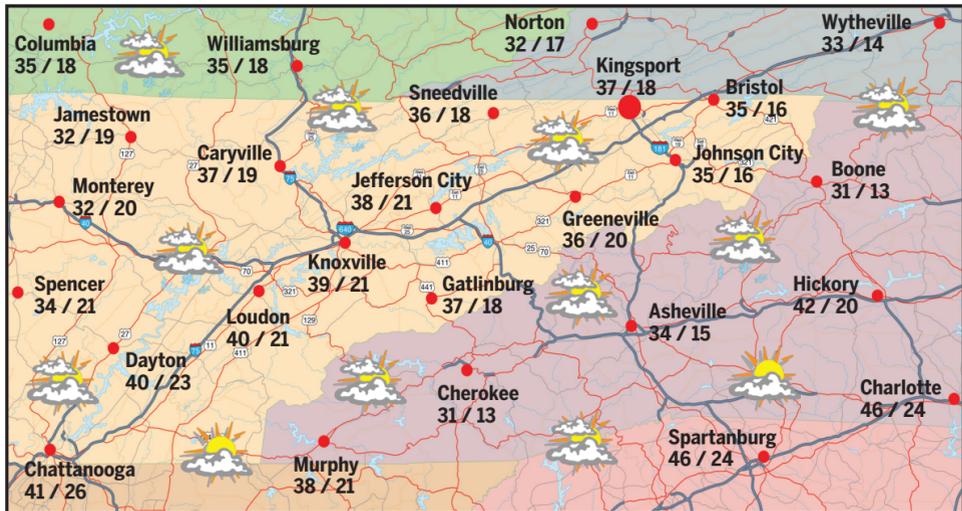
# Kingsport Weather

TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mostly cloudy <b>37   18</b>	Mostly sunny <b>34   25</b>	Mostly cloudy <b>42   30</b>	Mostly cloudy <b>39   26</b>	Mostly sunny <b>45   33</b>

## LOCAL FORECAST

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a slight chance of snow showers, high temperature of 37°, humidity of 69%. West wind 10 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 75° set in 1949. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 18°. West wind 8 to 14 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 9°. The record low for tonight is -5° set in 1962. Wednesday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 34°, humidity of 41%. West southwest wind 3 to 8 mph. Wednesday night, skies will be partly cloudy with an overnight low of 25°. Light winds.

## REGIONAL WEATHER FORECAST



## ALMANAC PAST 24 HOURS

Temperature	
High yesterday	51°
Low yesterday	21°
Normal high	49°
Normal low	30°
Record high	78° in 2008
Record low	4° in 1937
Precipitation	
Past 24 hours	0.00"
Month to date	0.59"
Year to date	41.94"
Normal year to date	38.85"

## UV INDEX

8 a.m.	0
Noon	1
4 p.m.	1
0-2: Minimal	
3-4: Low	
5-6: Moderate	
7-9: High	
10+: Very High	

The higher the UV index, the higher the need for eye and skin protection.

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	7:32 a.m.
Sunset	5:15 p.m.
Moonrise	2:08 a.m.
Moonset	2:13 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	7:33 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow	5:15 p.m.
Moonrise tomorrow	3:06 a.m.
Moonset tomorrow	2:45 p.m.

## AREA RIVER/LAKE LEVELS

IN FEET, PAST 24 HOURS

Name	Full Pool	Current	Change
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Watauga	1,975.0	1,951.7	0.0
Boone	1,385.0	1,352.3	+0.1
Henry	1,263.0	1,259.5	-0.1
Cherokee	1,075.0	1,045.7	-0.2
Douglas	1,002.0	954.7	-0.1
Fontana	1,710.0	1,653.1	-0.4
Norris	1,020.0	999.1	-0.2

## AROUND OUR STATE

City	Today			Wednesday		
	Hi	Lo	Wx	Hi	Lo	Wx
Chattanooga	41	26	mc	42	33	s
Clarksville	38	23	pc	43	33	s
Knoxville	39	21	mc	38	31	s
Memphis	46	30	s	54	37	s
Nashville	39	24	mc	44	34	s

## MOON PHASES



## HUNTING/FISHING TIMES

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Today	7:14 - 9:14	7:36 - 9:36
Tomorrow	7:58 - 9:58	8:21 - 10:21
Thursday	8:43 - 10:43	9:05 - 11:05

# Pipe bomb explodes in NY subway

By COLLEEN LONG  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A would-be suicide bomber inspired by Islamic State extremists strapped on a crude pipe bomb, slipped unnoticed into the nation's busiest subway system and set the device off at rush hour Monday in a scenario that New York has dreaded for years, authorities said.

In the end, the only serious wounds were to the suspect identified as Akayed Ullah, a 27-year-old Bangladeshi immigrant and former cab driver. But the attack sent terrified commuters fleeing through a smoky passageway, and three people suffered headaches and ringing ears from the first bomb blast in the subway in more than two decades.

"This was an attempted terrorist attack," Democratic Mayor Bill de Blasio said. "Thank God the perpetrator did not achieve his ultimate goals."

The suspect had looked as Islamic State propaganda online and told investigators he acted alone in retaliation for U.S. military aggression, law enforcement officials said.

In Washington, President Donald Trump said the explosion highlighted the need to change immigration policies, including the type of family-based visa Ullah obtained to come to the U.S. in 2011. Such visas are "incompatible with national security," he said in a statement.

"America must fix its lax immigration system, which allows far too many dangerous, inadequately vetted people to access our country," said Trump, who campaigned on cracking down on immigration.

The attack near Times Square came less than two months after eight people died near the World Trade Center in a truck attack authorities said was carried out by an Uzbek immigrant who admired the Islamic State group.

Law enforcement officials said Ullah was inspired by IS but apparently did not have any direct contact with the group. Gov. Andrew Cuomo said there was no evidence, so far, of other bombs or a larger plot. He said officials were exploring whether Ullah had been on authorities' radar, but there was no indication yet that he was.

Cuomo said there was reason to believe the attacker looked at bomb-making instructions online.

Investigators described the bomb as a low-tech explosive device attached to Ullah with "Velcro and plastic ties." It was ignited with a Christmas light, matches and a nine-volt battery. The short pipe was packed with explosive powder but did not work as intended. It was not powerful enough to turn the pipe into deadly shrapnel, the officials said.

Investigators said the suspect was seen on surveillance footage putting the circuits together with his hands and igniting the bomb.

Some of the bomb-making materials may have been bought commercially. The pipe may have been obtained from his job where he worked as an electrician, one official said.

Authorities were searching Ullah's Brooklyn home and a nearby rented space, interviewing witnesses and relatives, reviewing his subway fare card and looking for surveillance footage

that might show his movements in the moments before the 7:20 a.m. attack.

Security cameras captured the attacker walking casually through a crowded passageway under 42nd Street between Seventh and Eighth avenues when the bomb went off amid a plume of white smoke, which cleared to show the man sprawled on the ground and commuters scattering.

"All we could hear was the chaos," said Elrana Peralta, a Greyhound customer-service worker who was working at the Port Authority bus terminal near the blast, though she did not hear it. Instead, she heard people yelling, "Get out! Get out! Get out!"

Port Authority police said officers found the man injured on the ground, with wires protruding from his jacket to his pants and the device strapped to his torso under his coat. They said he was reaching for a cellphone and they grabbed his hands.

A photo published by the New York Post showed a bearded man crumpled on the ground with his shirt apparently blown off and black soot covering his bare midriff.

Law enforcement officials said the suspect was speaking with investigators from the hospital bed where he was being treated for burns to his hands and abdomen.

He was "all over the place" on the question of motive, but indicated he wanted to avenge U.S. aggression against the Islamic State, one official said.

The officials spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly about the blast.

# MERGER: FTC still tight-lipped on deal

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although FTC officials remain tight-lipped about their findings, the merger still appears to be on track.

"The investigation is still open, and we are aware that the state of Tennessee has yet to officially issue the COPA certificate. That's about as much as we have to say right now," FTC Senior Public Affairs Specialist Betsy Lordan said in an email to the Johnson City Press.

To date, Mountain States spokeswoman Teresa Hicks said the FTC has yet to take formal legal action against the merger.

If the FTC does choose to

take the matter to court, Levine, Mountain States' CEO, said last month that the attorney generals' offices would defend the state health departments' approval of the merger.

During the 30-day window, Hicks said the FTC did not provide any feedback or recommendations regarding the merger's review.

"The (COPA) certificate will be issued at closing. We are still preparing for closing, but it will occur no later than Jan. 31," Hicks wrote in a message to the Press. "The lack of a certificate being issued to this point has nothing to do with the FTC, but rather to

the fact that Tennessee tied issuance to the closing date of our merger. We have no concerns related to the current posture of the FTC or the issuance date of the COPA certificate."

Meanwhile, in Virginia, the Technical Advisory Panel is working diligently to construct index measures to evaluate the merger before the Cooperative Agreement certificate can actually be issued.

Appointed by Commissioner Marissa Levine, the 15-member Technical Advisory Panel has already met twice in December and is scheduled to meet again on Thursday.

# NEW: Times News gets a new look

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strike a chord and feel much more personal.

Another change has been in the way we present our stories, especially those produced by the Times News team. While some still are in traditional style, others are in Q&A format, grids, vignettes, fast facts, pro-con, and more. Why the change? These alternative story forms give you quicker reads and stories that are easier to digest

than traditional forms.

Another significant change is our new weekday comics lineup (Sunday hasn't changed). Comics come and go, but the classics are classics for a reason. While the Times News has carried many of the classics for literally decades, others have been replaced or have never appeared on our pages. So the goal of the new lineup was to bring you a classic assembly of comics that represents the best of the

best. Comics are one of the best ways to brighten your day and we believe Herman, Beetle Baily, Frank & Ernest and the rest will do just that.

There's more in store as you go through the week, so you will see more improvements each day. Today, we simply wanted to point out some of the major changes and explain the thinking behind those changes.

Thank you for reading the Times News and enjoy. It really is New for You.

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## IN OUR VIEW

# Mount Carmel is finally moving in the right direction

Mount Carmel has been through the wringer over the past few years due to bad management and related issues, but the community has been fighting back, and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen went a long way toward polishing the city's image in handing full control to hire, fire and discipline city employees to the city manager.

It removes the last vestige of a strong mayor form of government that led to many problems for Mount Carmel. This action by the BMA restores integrity to city government and is to be applauded.

The city has operated under multiple forms of government the past three years with unsatisfactory results. Under the administration of previous Mayor Larry Frost, Mount Carmel operated under a strong mayor form of government which featured a centralized administration in the office of the mayor, who had the authority to hire, fire and discipline employees, make purchases, and control the day-to-day operation of the city.

That can work when the elected mayor takes a professional approach to management. But following a series of controversial hiring and policy decisions on the part of Frost, the BMA voted to change to a weak mayor form of government in which the seven-member BMA as a whole makes day-to-day decisions.

from a poorly functioning mayor. But with no central authority with the ability to make independent decisions on a daily basis, it can lead to all sorts of problems.

When the BMA hired former Mayor Gary Lawson as a part-time city manager, it adopted a council/administrator type of government under which the city manager controls the day-to-day operation of the city but the BMA maintains the power to hire, fire and discipline employees. That also leads to management problems, with the city manager tasked with ensuring efficient operation of city departments but with no authority to remove failing city employees.

Last month, the BMA heard recommendations from the state's Municipal Technical Advisory Service as to the council/manager form of government under which the manager is given full authority to operate the city, and voted to adopt it. The city manager will fully administer the business of the community, keeping the BMA advised of those operations and also acting as purchasing agent. The manager will prepare and submit an annual budget, and employ, promote, discipline or discharge employees as he sees fit. The BMA's sole responsibility now is to set policy.

This is a significant leap forward for Mount Carmel in that it removes political factors and influence in job performance and operation of city departments.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

### 'Saturday Night Fever' premieres in New York

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**Today is Tuesday, Dec. 12,** the 346th day of 2017. There are 19 days left in the year. Hanukkah, the Jewish Festival of Lights, begins at sunset.

**Today's Highlights in History:**  
**On Dec. 12, 1917,** during World War I, a train carrying some 1,000 French troops from the Italian front derailed while descending a steep hill in Modane; at least half of the soldiers were killed in France's greatest rail disaster. Father Edward Flanagan founded Boys Town outside Omaha, Nebraska.

**On this date:**  
**In 1787,** Pennsylvania became the second state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

**In 1906,** President Theodore Roosevelt nominated Oscar Straus to be Secretary of Commerce and Labor; Straus became the first Jewish Cabinet member.

**In 1925,** the first motel — the Motel Inn — opened in San Luis Obispo, California.

**In 1937,** Japanese aircraft sank the U.S. gunboat Panay on China's Yangtze River. (Japan apologized, and paid \$2.2 million in reparations.)

**In 1946,** a United Nations committee voted to accept a six-block tract of Manhattan real estate offered as a gift by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. to be the site of the U.N.'s headquarters.

**In 1947,** the United Mine Workers union disaffiliated from the American Federation of Labor.

**In 1963,** Kenya became independent of Britain.

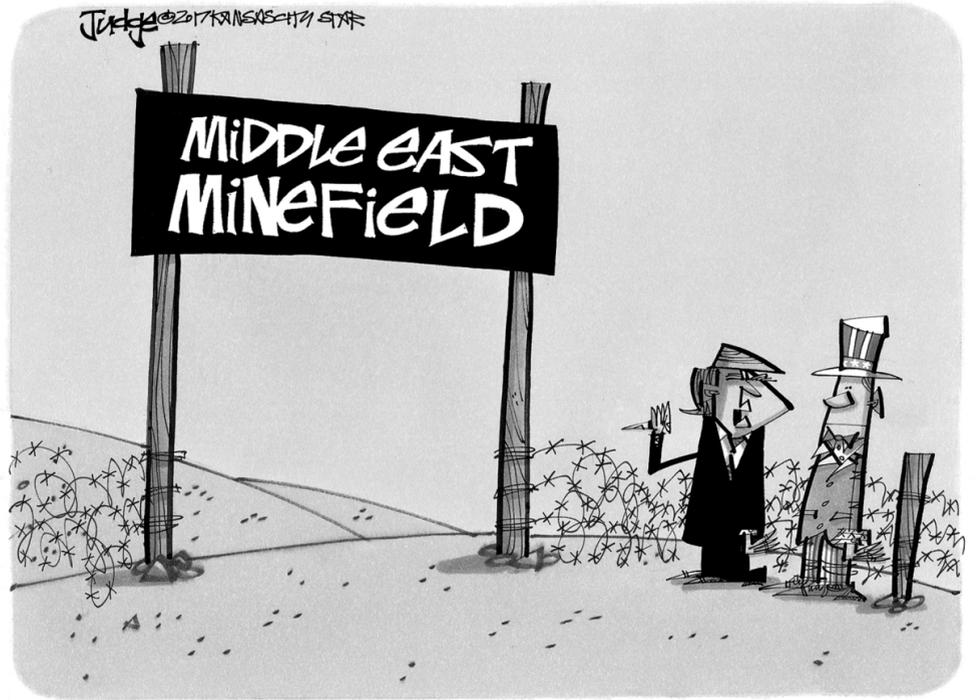
**In 1977,** the dance movie "Saturday Night Fever," a Paramount Pictures release starring John Travolta, premiered in New York.

**In 1985,** 248 American soldiers and eight crew members were killed when an Arrow Air charter crashed after takeoff from Gander, Newfoundland.

**In 1997,** Ilich Ramirez Sanchez, the international terrorist known as "Carlos the Jackal," went on trial in Paris on charges of killing two French investigators and a Lebanese national. (Ramirez was convicted, and is serving a life prison sentence.)

**In 2000,** George W. Bush became president-elect as a divided U.S. Supreme Court reversed a state court decision for recounts in Florida's contested election.

**Today's Birthdays:** Former TV host Bob Barker is 94. Singer Connie Francis is 80. Singer Dionne Warwick is 77. Hall of Fame race car driver Emerson Fittipaldi is 71. Actor Bill Nighy is 68. Actor Duane Chase is 67. Gymnast-turned-actress Cathy Rigby is 65. Singer-musician Sheila E. is 60. Actress Jennifer Connelly is 47. Country singer Hank Williams III is 45. Actress Mayim Bialik is 42.



"SEEMS LIKE A GREAT SITE FOR AN EMBASSY."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### You won't regret jury service

In October I received a summons for jury service with the Sullivan County Circuit Court in Blountville. As I was about to turn 86 years old, I believed the summons was a mistake. I called the county clerk's office and to my dismay I learned that no age limit existed for jury service. I could only be excused from the duty if I had a medical condition verified in writing by a physician. As my health has been fine, I reported with reluctance for the orientation session as ordered.

As this was my first ever call to jury service, I didn't know what to expect. Everybody without exception treated us with kindness and consideration. Judge James F. Goodwin and Court Clerk Tommy Kerns were cordial and gracious, and everyone employed at the Justice Center mimicked their behavior.

Although I served on only one case as a juror, I found myself wonderfully impressed by the fairness and wisdom exercised by my peers. We were ordinary people comporting ourselves in an extraordinary way. Although initially we were in disagreement in our determination as to the guilt of innocence of the defendant, we hashed out our differences amicably and came, I believe, to the correct conclusion.

May I suggest to all of our fellow citizens of Sullivan County that if and when you get called to perform jury service, do it. You'll never regret the experience.

Alvin Tirman  
Kingsport

Dave Gander  
Kingsport

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Our daily editorial reflects the opinion of the newspaper. We do not control nor necessarily agree with other opinions including letters, cartoons and columnists.

## AS THEY SEE IT

### Al Franken's Senate fate and Roy Moore's future

Senator Al Franken was not kicked out of Congress. He decided to resign. That distinction should not be lost on either Congress or the American people, especially if Roy Moore wins next week's Alabama Senate election.

Franken, a Minnesota Democrat, could have remained in Congress to fight the numerous allegations of sexual misconduct against him. He chose not to only after intense partisan pressure: It's one thing to be ostracized within your party; it's another to cost your party its credibility in an intense cultural debate.

If the Democratic Party wants to send the message that it does not tolerate harassment, the theory goes, then it could not accept Franken's continued presence in the Senate. Besides, a Democratic governor will appoint Franken's successor, and in the special election to replace him,

Democrats will be favored to win. Principles are so much easier to keep when the politics work out.

That is not the case for Republicans and Moore. The accusations against Moore are both more numerous and more serious than those against Franken, and party leaders initially urged him to withdraw. As Election Day approaches, however, the party has resumed its funding of Moore's campaign.

Yet Republicans shouldn't fool themselves: If Moore is elected on Tuesday, their dilemma gets even more fraught. The Senate has never expelled a member for acts committed prior to election. Democracy is a messy business in part because people are flawed. The right to judge those flaws, and weigh them against political considerations, belongs to voters.

Bloomberg News

# Choose this day whom you will serve

In September 1862, a group of Chicago ministers sent a "memorial" (or long letter) to President Abraham Lincoln in which they made a theological argument for the elimination of slavery.

Lincoln had also heard from Southern clergy who used the same scriptures to justify slavery's preservation.

In response, Lincoln wrote the Chicago group with words that today's Christians might consider when it comes to matters involving sexual harassment and the setting aside of moral and biblical principles to achieve temporary political goals.

"I am approached with the most opposite opinions and advice, and that by religious men, who are equally certain that they repre-

sent the Divine will. I am sure that either the one or the other class is mistaken in the belief, and perhaps in some respects both. I hope it will not be irreverent for me to say that if it is probable that God would reveal his will to others, on a point so connected with my duty, it might be supposed he would reveal it directly to me; for, unless I am more deceived in myself than I often am, it is my earnest desire to know the will of Providence in this matter. And if I can learn what it is I will do it! These are not, however, the days of miracles, and I suppose it will be granted that I am not to expect a direct revelation. I must study the plain physical facts of the case, ascertain what is possible and learn what appears to be wise and right. The subject is difficult, and good men do not agree."

Lincoln eventually made the right decision that culminated in

The Emancipation Proclamation. The divided nation shed much blood over slavery, and the fallout from that war continues today in racial conflict.

I have listened to arguments on both sides of the sexual harassment issue by "good men" (and women). There are those who believe allegations of sexual harassment of teens and young women by Alabama Republican Senate candidate Roy Moore are sufficient to deny him a seat in the Senate.

Others say that maintaining a 52-seat Republican majority is critical to advancing President Trump's agenda, which includes seating more conservative judges on federal benches.

This, they say, supersedes what Moore may or may not have done 40 years ago.

By cleaning house (and the Senate) of their own bad boys, many Democrats think they will

gain a previously hidden moral authority to win back the House and impeach President Trump for his alleged past (and they believe more recent) misdeeds.

The Democrats' agenda might be true, but for evangelical Christians should either argument matter more than the King and Kingdom they are supposed to serve?

Some biblical wisdom might be instructive. In the Old Testament, Esau sold his birthright to his brother Jacob for a bowl of soup. He later regretted his decision, but at the time he was hungry and said his birthright meant little to him.

In the ultimate church-state moment where the crowd was forced to choose between demanding that Pilate give the order to crucify Jesus of Nazareth, or let Him go, there was this sobering exchange: Pilate: "Shall I crucify your

king?"

The chief priests: "We have no king but Caesar." (John 19:15)

As then, today's "chief priests" and church members are being asked to make a choice. One choice might give short-term satisfaction, as Esau experienced with his temporarily filled stomach, but it leads to a loss of credibility in the eyes of the world.

It demonstrates that for Christians attaining earthly and temporal power is paramount.

Another verse that might help evangelicals: "Choose this day whom you will serve." (Joshua 24:15)

Bob Dylan contempORIZED it this way: "Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord, but you're gonna have to serve somebody."

It's time to choose. Readers may email Cal Thomas at [caeditors@tribpub.com](mailto:caeditors@tribpub.com).



Cal Thomas

# Husband's Luddite attitude puts a heavy burden on wife

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been together for 40 years. Like most people, we've had our good times and bad, but we've both been committed to the marriage, and so we've made it work.



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

As you know, computers are now key to even the most fundamental tasks. That means, as the only computer user in the house, all tasks are MY responsibility.

Banking, bill paying, communication with family, friends, lawyers, financial advisers, arrangements for social events, business meetings, medical appointments, travel and other activities are totally up to me. He does NONE of it! He washes the dishes and takes out the trash, but any function that requires brains and technology are totally left to me.

I'm tired! Is this fair? I've asked many times for him to go to our public library and take lessons on computer use, but he adamantly refuses. How do I handle this?

*It's All On Me In New York*

**DEAR ALL ON YOU:** After 40 years you are not going to change your husband, so appreciate the things he does do. I know you're tired and it may not seem fair, but grit

your teeth and forge ahead.

You have no idea how lucky you really are. Many wives know little or nothing about the family finances. If something unforeseen happens to their husbands, they are left scrambling to learn about realities for which they are not equipped.

P.S. Consider asking your husband what he would do in the case of YOUR sudden death. He, too, would be left completely adrift. It couldn't hurt to warn him.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a widow, and I often dine out with my youngest son. Invariably, because I have a 25-year-old man with me and no husband, we are shown to an undesirable table in the restaurant. Usually, I say nothing.

This evening, we were escorted to a room way in the back of a large restaurant (two-thirds full). The only other occupants were a couple with two small children who looked to be about 2 or 3. When I requested a different table, my son was furious. He said what I had done was rude.

We were moved to another table. It was between the hostess station and the kitchen door. I sat there and said nothing. This was an expensive restaurant, and our bill was more than \$100. Was I rude? I would appreciate your opinion.

*New Seat In Florida*

**DEAR NEW SEAT:** Your son was mistaken. To ask to be seated at a table in a different part of the restaurant was not rude; it was your prerogative. If you preferred

a location in the front of the place rather than near the kitchen or a family with small children, you should have repeated your request. And if the host or hostess had a problem with it, you should have left and enjoyed dinner at a restaurant more accommodating than that one.

**TO MY JEWISH READERS:** The eight days of Hanukkah begin at sundown. Happy Hanukkah, everyone! May we all enjoy a joyous festival of lights.

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## BUSINESS

### U.S. stocks close modestly higher

Technology companies led U.S. stocks modestly higher Monday, driving the market to another set of milestones. The Standard & Poor's 500 index and Dow Jones industrial average finished at new highs. The S&P 500 index rose 8.49 points, or 0.3 percent, to 2,659.99. The Dow gained 56.87 points, or 0.2 percent, to 24,386.03. The Nasdaq composite added 35 points, or 0.5 percent, to 6,875.08. The Russell 2000 index slipped 1.88 points, or 0.1 percent, to 1,519.84. Bitcoin futures rose on their first day of trading on a major U.S. exchange. Trading on the contract for the virtual currency began Sunday. The first-ever futures contract closed at \$18,545, according to data from Cboe Global Markets, ending its initial day of trading with a 20 percent gain from its opening price. Benchmark U.S. crude

gained 63 cents, or 1.1 percent, to settle at \$57.99 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude added \$1.29, or 2 percent, to close at \$64.69 per barrel in London. Gold slipped \$1.50 to settle at \$1,246.90 per ounce, while silver fell 4 cents to \$15.79 per ounce. Copper added 3 cents to \$3.01 per pound. Bond prices were little changed. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note held at 2.38 percent. The dollar edged up to 113.52 yen from 113.51 yen Friday. The euro rose to \$1.1786 from \$1.1768.

### Kingsport Livestock Auction

Dec. 9, 2017. Total head, 169. Heifers, 200-295 lbs., low, \$80, high, \$90, average, \$84; 300-395 lbs., low, \$117.50, high, \$130, average, \$123.03; 400-495 lbs., low, \$87.50, high, \$130, average, \$112.13; 500-595 lbs., low, \$80, high, \$120, average, \$103.33; 600-695 lbs., low,

\$80, high, \$112.50, average, \$92.53; 700-795 lbs., low, \$80, high, \$107.50, average, \$92.25. Steers, 300-395 lbs., low, \$100, high, \$100, average, \$100; 400-495 lbs., low, \$120, high, \$140, average, \$131.55; 500-595 lbs., low, \$110, high, \$144, average, \$128.78; 600-695 lbs., low, \$118, high, \$138, average, \$131.60. Bulls, 200-295 lbs., low, \$100, high, \$135, average, \$116.88; 300-395 lbs., low, \$110, high, \$144, average, \$131.70; 400-495 lbs., low, \$87.50, high, \$137.50, average, \$111.54; 500-595 lbs., low, \$90, high, \$140, average, \$118.48; 600-695 lbs., low, \$77.50, high, \$130, average, \$100.13; 700-795 lbs., low, \$85, high, \$102.50, average, \$95.88. Slaughter cows (800 and up), low, \$5, high, \$55, average, \$46.58. Slaughter bulls (1,000-1,500), low, \$55, high, \$70, average, \$62.41. Slaughter bulls (over 1,500), low, \$58, high, \$73, average, \$66.39. Baby calves, low, \$160; high, \$160, average, \$160.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### POLICE

#### KINGSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT Charges Filed Nov. 6

Chelsea N. Jarrett, 29, 616 Newland Ave., Kingsport, drug paraphernalia.  
James F. Loftis, 23, 1050 Delwanna St., Kingsport, driving on suspended license; illegal transfer of registration.  
Shannon O. Miller, 43, 1014 Gibson Mill Road, Kingsport, display of registration; driving on suspended license.  
Jeffrey L. Morelock, 49, 628 Perry St., Kingsport, driving on revoked license; no insurance; registration display.  
Desiree D. Roberts, 22, 1114 W. Windsor St., Kingsport, driving on suspended license (first offense); failure to yield.  
Wesley L. Sowards, 38, 116 Crockett Hill Road, Kingsport, violation of light law; driving on revoked license.  
**HAWKINS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Charges Filed Nov. 26**  
William Ryan Hankey, 53, 647 War Creek Road, Rogersville, driving left of center; DUI; violation open container; violation implied consent.  
Nicholas Shane Woodard, 26, 617 Peach Orchard Drive, Kingsport, speeding; driving on suspended license.  
**Charges Filed Nov. 27**  
Tracie Ellen Morelock, 44, 524 Cherokee Drive, Mount Carmel, violation probation.  
Jonathan Michael Skeen, 31, 1405 McCracken Lane, Mount Carmel, two counts failure to appear.  
Jason Matthew Edwards, 39, 102 Hoskins Lane, Church Hill, failure to appear.  
James Mark Lawson, 52, 258 North Johnson Road, Rogersville, violation probation.  
**SCOTT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Charges Filed Nov. 28**  
Doretta Ann Dockery, 38, Dunnington, larceny.  
Casey Allen Porter, 20, Gate City, probation violation.  
**NORTON POLICE DEPARTMENT Charges Filed Nov. 26-30**  
David Hunter Akers, 26, Dunnington, expired inspection.  
Tyson Isaiah Niece, 18, Norton, DUI.  
Charles Donald Crumley, 65, Norton, probation violation.  
James Russell Laforce, 45, Concord, N.C., expired tags.  
Amanda Chyenney Gibson, 22, Coeburn, concealed weapon.  
**LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Charges Filed Nov. 20. - Dec. 4**  
Michael R. Barker, 37, Kentucky, possession.  
Shawn R. Livesay, 34, Rose Hill, capias.  
Don Wayne McKinney, 56, Big Stone Gap, public intoxication.  
Robert Evan Williams, 43, Dryden, assault and battery.  
Jackie Lynn Lawson, 22, Dryden, assault on a family member.

Justin Boyer, 30, 468 Burem Road, Rogersville, possession of weapon by convicted felon-Fac, fined \$50 plus costs, serve 11 months, 29 days probation, serve 96 hours community service.  
Jordan Pumphrey, 31, 103 Hermitage Drive, Surgoinsville, possession of weapon by convicted felon-Fac, unlawful possession drug paraphernalia uses and activities, fined \$200 plus costs, serve 11 months, 29 days probation; unlawful possession drug paraphernalia uses and activities, not prosecuted.  
Michael Smith, 31, 307 Tipton Ave., Rogersville, domestic assault, fined \$50 plus costs, time served, to run consecutive to parole violation, serve 11 months, 29 days probation; false imprisonment, interference with emergency calls, not prosecuted.  
Ladonna Adams, 27, 309 Western Heights Drive, Rogersville, public intoxication, time suspended; disorderly conduct, not prosecuted.  
Jordan Gilliam, 27, 500 Mooresburg Springs Road, Rogersville, driving on revoked license, violation financial responsibility, fined \$50 plus costs, serve 6 months unsupervised probation; domestic assault, not prosecuted.  
Ralph Livesay, 65, 387 Ensor Road, Church Hill, theft of services \$1,000 or less, fined \$2 plus costs, pay restitution, serve 11 months, 29 days probation.  
Nicholas Good, 23, 218 Beech Nut Drive, Church Hill, manufacture/deliver/sale/po possess with intent methamphetamine, unlawful possession drug paraphernalia uses and activities, bound over to the grand jury.  
Michael Kessecker, 32, 1638 Vance St., Kingsport, driving on suspended license, speeding, vehicle evading arrest flight, violation vehicles/streetcars stop at all stop signs, 4 counts felony vehicle reckless endangerment, violation financial responsibility, bound over to the grand jury.  
Patrick Sumpter, 27, 208 Waymond Fields Road, Surgoinsville, violation probation, serve 11 months, 29 days jail at 75 percent, credit for time served; violation probation, not prosecuted; criminal trespassing, attempted unlawful possession drug paraphernalia, fined \$160 plus costs, time suspended, serve 11 months, 29 days probation.  
Luther Gibson, 36, 155 Country Lane, Lot 4, Church Hill, violation probation, serve 80 days jail at 75 percent, credit for time served, to run consecutive.  
Seth Cornelius, 25, 877 Burem Road, Rogersville, violation probation, serve 11 months, 29 days jail at 75 percent, credit for time served, to run consecutive.  
Shawn R. Livesay, 34, Rose Hill, capias.  
Don Wayne McKinney, 56, Big Stone Gap, public intoxication.  
Robert Evan Williams, 43, Dryden, assault and battery.  
Jackie Lynn Lawson, 22, Dryden, assault on a family member.

Jarrod B. Napier, Evarts, Ky., failure to obey highway sign, hearing waived, prepaid \$30 plus \$64 costs.  
Jessica N. Owens, Stonega, Va., failure to obey highway sign, guilty in absence, fined \$30 plus \$99 costs.  
Steven D. Huth, Plymouth, Mich., failure to obey highway sign, hearing waived, prepaid \$30 plus \$64 costs.  
**WISE COUNTY GENERAL DISTRICT COURT Criminal Division Cases Heard Sept. 20**  
Kan Martin Fleenor, Norton, reckless driving by speed 55/35, guilty, \$114 fine, \$199 costs.  
Lauren Michelle Branham, Pound, fail to appear, guilty, \$239 costs; fail to appear, dismissed; shoplifting, guilty, 1 year unsupervised probation, \$150 fine, \$224 costs.  
Steven Ryan Newsome, Haysi, concealed weapon-brass knuckles, guilty, \$100 fine, \$224 costs.  
Dalton Ray Adkins, Coeburn, reckless driving by speed 47/25, guilty, \$114 fine, \$79 costs.  
Cody Christopher Mitchell, Coeburn, reckless driving by speed 47/25, guilty, \$54 fine, \$69 costs.  
Charles Logan Plaster, Raven, Va., reckless driving, guilty, \$114 fine, \$69 costs.  
David Harry Smith, Wise, reckless driving by speed, not prosecuted.  
Arthur McWharther, Jr., Seneca, S.C., defective equipment, dismissed.  
**LEE COUNTY GENERAL DISTRICT COURT Cases Heard Sept. 18**  
Patrick Burchett, Jonesville, failure to carry/exhibit license, guilty in absentia, fined \$10 plus costs \$10, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$96.  
Timothy Collins, Rose Hill, safety belt violation, guilty, fined \$25, failure to obey highway markings, guilty, fined \$30 plus costs \$61.  
Johnny Cooper Jr., Big Stone Gap, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$96, speeding 71/60, guilty in absentia, fined \$66 plus costs \$10.  
Evan Dehart, Jonesville, driver violation restricted -- learner permit, guilty, fined \$50 plus costs \$86, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty, fined \$30 plus costs \$10.  
Charles Dykes, Jonesville, failure to drive on right side of highway, guilty, fined \$50 plus costs \$61.  
Abygaill Eason, Pennington Gap, failure to display/license plates, guilty in absentia, fined \$25 plus costs \$96, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$10, failure to carry/exhibit license, guilty in absentia, fined \$10 plus costs \$10.  
Brandy Edwards, Jonesville, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$96.  
Douglas Ely, Dryden, speeding 73/60, guilty in absentia, fined \$78 plus costs \$96, expired registration, guilty in absentia, fined \$25 plus costs \$10, failure to carry/exhibit registration, guilty in absentia, fined \$10 plus costs \$10.  
Arturo Sanchez, Charlotte, N.C., no driver's license, guilty in absentia, fined \$100 plus costs \$121.  
Sandra Garrett, Jonesville, speeding 58/45, guilty, fined \$78 plus costs \$61.  
Megan Gibson, Pennington Gap, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$96.  
Lauren Hanna, Pennington Gap, failure to carry/exhibit registration card, guilty in absentia, fined \$10 plus costs \$10, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty in absentia, fined \$30 plus costs \$96.  
Joe Harvel 3rd, Johnson City, Tenn., failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty, fined \$30 plus costs \$61, improper display of plates, guilty, fined costs \$10.  
Jacob Justice, Pennington Gap, failure to have vehicle inspected, guilty, fined \$30 plus costs \$61.  
Chester Langley Jr., Jonesville, speeding 75/60, guilty, fined \$90 plus costs \$61.  
Robert Lawson Jr., Big Stone Gap, reckless driving -- parking lots, etc., guilty, sentenced 12 months unsupervised probation, operator's license suspended for 60 days, fined \$250 plus costs \$86.

## MARKET

### Stocks of Local Interest

Name	Ticker	Prev.	Close	Chg.
AdvAuto	AAP	100.31	100.85	+54
AirProd	APD	160.92	163.12	+220
Airtria	MO	71.54	71.65	+11
AEP	AEP	76.93	77.08	+15
ATMOS	ATO	91.80	91.91	+11
BB&T Cp	BAT	49.81	49.75	-06
BkofAm	BAC	29.05	28.94	-11
BlockHR	HRB	27.22	27.5	+28
BobEvans	BOBE	77.69	77.73	+04
Brinks	BCO	80.45	80.45	...
CSX	CSX	56.46	56.97	+51
CVS Health	CVS	73.08	73.08	...
Citigroup	C	75.71	75.85	+14
CocaCola	KO	45.31	45.33	+02
CrackerB	CBRL	162.74	163.13	+39
DeanFoods	DF	11.28	11.31	+03
Deere	DE	151.58	151.33	-25
DollarGen	DG	93.38	93.35	-03
DollarTree	DLTR	108.67	107.07	-160
DomRescs	D	83.88	84.14	+26
Domtar	UFS	48.15	48.19	+04
EQT Corp	EQT	56.38	57.13	+75
EastChem	EMN	92.18	92.8	+62
FstHorizon	FHN	19.94	19.72	-22
Goodyear	GT	31.75	31.41	-34
HP Inc	HPQ	21.07	21.3	+23
HancFinOp	BTO	37.40	37.3	-10
HlthSouth	HLS	49.21	48.83	-38
HomeDp	HD	183.41	182.25	-116
IBM	IBM	154.81	155.41	+60
IntlSpdw	ISCA	40.60	40.45	-15
Kroger s	KR	26.68	26.58	-10

### Money Rates

Name	Ticker	Prev.	Close	Chg.
LaZBoy	LZB	31.60	31.05	-55
LeggPlat	LEG	46.30	46.12	-18
LbtyASE	USA	6.11	6.12	+01
LaPac	LPX	27.07	26.84	-23
Lowes	LOW	85.60	85.54	-06
McDnlds	MCD	173.15	173.25	+10
Microsoft	MSFT	84.16	85.23	+107
NorfolkSo	NSC	140.82	141.55	+73
PNC	PNC	143.80	143.29	-51
Pennney	JCP	3.22	3.2	-02
RegionsF	RF	17.08	16.98	-10
RexAmRes	REX	85.88	87.01	+113
RockWAut	ROK	192.86	191.47	-139
SelectBc If	SLECT	12.42	12.35	-07
ServiceCp	SCI	37.77	37.85	+08
Sherwin	SHW	408.85	407.76	-109
SouthCo	SO	51.06	51.68	+62
SwstAirL	LUV	63.33	63.32	-01
SpeedM	TRK	19.43	19.63	+20
SunTrst	STI	65.20	64.62	-58
TempurSly	TPX	58.79	58.91	+12
TextInst	TXN	98.02	98.83	+81
Trustmk	TRMK	32.93	32.34	-59
VerizonCm	VZ	51.09	51.84	+75
VulcanM	VMC	125.88	122.92	-296
WalMart	WMT	96.55	96.93	+38
Wendys Co	WEN	15.25	15.28	+03
Westmrlid	WLB	1.23	1.28	+05
WestRck	WRK	64.42	64.42	...
Weyerhsr	WY	35.43	35.44	+01

Prime Rate:	4.00
Discount Rate Primary:	1.75
Discount Rate Secondary:	2.00
Broker call loan rate:	2.10
Federal funds effective rate:	1.56
Certificates of Deposit Retail	
3 months	0.29
6 months	0.45
1 year	0.80
Jumbo CDs	
1 month	0.16
3 months	0.32
6 months	0.50
1 year	0.81
London Interbkk Offered Rate	
3 months	1.55
6 months	1.73
1 year	2.01
Treasury Bill auction results	
average discount rate	
3-month as of Dec. 11	1.32
6-month as of Dec. 11	1.42
Treasury Bill annualized rate on	
weekly average basis, yield adjusted	
for constant maturity, 1-year, as of Dec. 11:	1.63
Treas. Bill market rate, 6 Mos:	1.49
Fed Home Loan 11th District Cost of Funds	
As of Dec. 4:	
Money market fund	
Fidelity Cash Reserves	
7 day average yield	0.75

### Daily Gainers

Name	Close	Chg.	%Chg.
Yldl0B10 rs	5.53	+3.58	+183.6
Argenx n	54.47	+24.02	+78.9
SevStars h	3.61	+1.16	+47.3
RiotB1ck	23.08	+7.22	+45.5
MaraPat rs	6.30	+1.89	+42.9
SunesisP rs	3.44	+0.96	+38.7
Arcimoto n	3.71	+1.02	+37.9
NetE1em rs	5.44	+1.41	+35.0
USG1oblv	5.33	+1.38	+34.9
FDaves	7.00	+1.70	+32.1

### Daily Losers

Name	Close	Chg.	%Chg.
SparkTh n	47.72	-25.66	-35.0
SyrosPhar n	8.45	-3.92	-31.7
TechComm	5.00	-1.35	-21.3
WinsFin	48.01	-9.80	-17.0
Verastem	3.60	-0.73	-16.9
JunoThera	50.24	-8.41	-14.3
BebeStr rs	4.80	-0.77	-13.8
CoDiagn n	3.80	-0.60	-13.6
TrilliumTh	9.75	-1.50	-13.3
Arsanis n	12.22	-1.75	-12.5

### Daily Indexes

Name	Close	Chg.
Dow Industrials	24386.03	+56.87
Dow Transportation	10370.83	-31.68
Dow Utilities	762.59	+4.90
NYSE Composite	12668.21	+25.14
Nasdaq Composite	6875.08	+35.00
S&P 500	2659.99	+8.49
S&P Mid-cap	1888.20	-2.66
S&P Small-cap	925.32	-0.77
Wilshire 5000	27594.30	+77.63
Russell 2000	1519.84	-1.88

### Most Actively Traded (NYSE and Nasdaq)

Name	Volume	High	Low	Close	Chs.
AES Corp	51162	10.95	10.74	10.86	+10
AK Steel	167369	5.53	5.25	5.40	+07
AT&T Inc	218331	36.94	36.52	36.90	+17
AMD	278910	10.16	9.96	10.16	+22
Alibaba	73858	72.09	71.15	71.53	+28
AlexieOut	23475	17.68	17.08	17.63	+40
Anndly	65594	11.99	11.92	11.99	+08
Apache	51324	42.15	40.08	41.99	-51
Apple Inc	294560	172.89	168.79	172.67	+330
ApldMatl	93233	52.20	50.97	51.62	+19
ArcelorM	49463	31.81	31.57	31.68	+37
BakHUGe n	67191	30.69	30.25	30.59	+33
BkofAm	526072	29.17	28.90	28.94	-11
BarrickK	113766	13.84	13.57	13.65	+15
BostonSci	87614	25.77	25.49	25.60	-27
CSX	57736	56.99	56.18	56.97	+51
CVS Health	63034	73.60	72.56	73.08	...

# A new playground for everyone

Borden Park's new nature-themed tree house-style structure will have multiple slides, poles, climbers

By **MATTHEW LANE**  
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KINGSPORT — Kids aren't the only ones who enjoy a good playground. Parents and grandparents like to get in on the outdoor action, too.

So don't be too surprised to see children of all ages swinging, climbing and sliding on the new playground equipment coming soon to Borden Park.

## ABOUT THE PARK

Borden Park is one of the original parks from the Nolen plan, which was used to design Kingsport, and was built as a buffer between the industrial zone and residential area of town.

It's located between Lamont, Willow and Borden streets and includes a basketball court, six tennis courts, picnic shelters, playgrounds, horseshoe pits, a paved walking trail, 65 different species of trees and an 18-hole disc golf course.

## RECENT ENHANCEMENTS

This past fall, Kingsport cut the



PHOTO COURTESY OF GAMETIME

**Borden Park's new nature-themed playground will be roughly 152 feet across and 72 feet wide. Adjacent to it and connected via an overhead ladder will be a cluster of climbers presenting a higher level of challenge for kids.**

ribbon on the first of three rounds of improvements to the park, which included a newly paved and expanded walking trail, a resurfaced basketball court and an open plaza for gatherings and exercise classes.

Funding for these and future improvements was made possible through a \$450,000 Project

Diabetes grant from the Tennessee Department of Health, along with \$550,000 from the city of Kingsport.

Kingsport also replaced the 20-year-old disc golf baskets with new ones, and the Rotary Club of Kingsport agreed to replace two old shelters with new ones.

## PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The new playground equipment is coming from GameTime, an Alabama-based company that has designed and manufactured playground equipment since 1929. Rob Dominica, GameTime representative for Tennessee, said that while the equipment is designed for kids, adults will also be able to participate.

"I have four children, and when I go and play with them, I don't sit on a bench," Dominica said. "It's our standard practice to design the equipment where adults can play near their children."

Borden Park's new nature-themed playground will be roughly 152 feet across and 72 feet wide, containing a tree house-style structure with multiple slides, poles and climbers.

Adjacent to it and connected via an overhead ladder will be a cluster of climbers presenting a higher level of challenge for kids.

In the middle of the playground will be eight swings (one ADA compliant) while on the far end will be one of GameTime's Tri-Runner swings.

"You can travel this whole playground without touching the 'lava' on the ground," Dominica said. "We're a firm believer that there's no place for children to build upper body strength except on a playground. We don't let them climb trees, we don't make them do push ups, so this is just a way to have a unique climbing experience."

## PLAN MOVING FORWARD

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen recently approved a \$118,000 purchase order for the playground equipment. Dominica said the equipment will ship during the Christmas break and be installed sometime mid to late January. It typically takes seven to 10 days to install.

The new playground will be located near the main building near Lamont. Several old pieces of playground equipment will be removed.

Borden Park will get some additional playground equipment in 2019 through a third round of funding from the state grant.

## How much lower will gas go?

From staff reports

NASHVILLE — The month of December continues to deliver discounts at the pump for U.S. motorists.

AAA reports that gas prices have slipped to five-week lows after declining nonstop for the past month. Tennessee gas prices averaged \$2.26 on Sunday, a decline of 2.5 cents over the past week.

Prices are 7 cents less than a month ago but remain 21 cents higher than this time last year, AAA reported.

"Seasonal trends like reduced gasoline demand and increased fuel supply are allowing pump prices to keep moving lower," said Mark Jenkins, AAA spokesman, in a press release. "The first half of December is normally characterized by weak demand, as cold weather and shorter days cause Americans to drive less. Look for another week of declines as refineries continue to produce gasoline at a much higher rate than what is being consumed."

## MOST EXPENSIVE GAS PRICES IN THE STATE

- Jackson (\$2.36)
  - Memphis (\$2.30)
  - Nashville (\$2.29)
- Least expensive gas prices in the state
- Chattanooga (\$2.14)
  - Cleveland (\$2.16)
  - Clarksville-Hopkinsville (\$2.21)

## HIGHS AND LOWS OF 2017

- National: The highest average price for gasoline was \$2.67 on Sept. 8. The lowest was \$2.23 on July 5.
- Tennessee: The highest average price was \$2.60 on Sept. 10. The lowest was \$1.99 on July 5.

To view daily gas price averages, visit GasPrices.AAA.com.

## CHRISTMAS WITH A HAWKINS COP



PHOTO COURTESY OF CASEY FERGUSON

**The Hawkins County Sheriff's Office hosted its annual Christmas with a Cop party on Saturday. Each child was united with his or her own personal deputy who chaperoned them through a \$150 Walmart shopping spree, in which they could buy anything they want.**

## Deputies take children shopping

By **JEFF BOBO**  
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ROGERSVILLE — More than 1,000 Hawkins County children will be served this year, either directly or indirectly, by the Of One Accord ministry's Christmas for the Children program.

But only 24 of those children had the opportunity to storm out of a military armored personnel carrier for a \$150 Walmart shopping spree.

On Saturday, the Hawkins County Sheriff's Office hosted its annual Christmas with a Cop party.

The sheriff's office received 24 names from the Of One Accord ministry. Those children's families met the economic criteria required to be eligible for the OOA's Christmas for the Children program.

Utilizing the sheriff's M-RAP (mine-resistant ambush protected) for transport, the children



PHOTO COURTESY OF CASEY FERGUSON

**Hawkins County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Tony Allen helps a boy pick out a new bike during Saturday's Christmas with a Cop at Walmart.**

were deployed to Walmart in two waves of 12.

Upon their arrival, each child was united with his or her own personal deputy who chaperoned them through their \$150 Walmart

shopping spree, in which they could buy anything they want.

When the shopping was done, they returned to the sheriff's office for a pizza party, which included face painting, balloon twisting and a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

Of One Accord also contributed gift packages for each child that included a coat, gloves, hat, shoes, toys and a backpack with school supplies and other necessities.

On Oct. 21, the Brotherhood Leathers shop in Rogersville sponsored a benefit motorcycle ride and chili dinner that raised the lion's share of the funds needed to make Christmas with a Cop a success this year.

Of One Accord is currently in full Christmas party mode for the next two weeks as well, with parties being hosted for children across the county through Dec. 20.

## Church donates handmade toys to hospital

By **JESSICA FULLER**  
Johnson City Press

JOHNSON CITY — Patients of Niswonger Children's Hospital will have a special and unique gift waiting for them on Christmas morning.

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church's men's club spent about 3,000 hours cutting, sanding, painting and assembling almost 200 wooden toys for children in the region. Monday afternoon, Jim Stouffer, one of the men in the club who churned out the wooden toys in the span of about 10 months, donated 110 of them to Niswonger Children's Hospital so they can be gifted as presents to patients on Christmas.

"It has definitely been a labor of love for the children here at Niswonger Hospital," Stouffer said. "I think anytime you can do anything for children, it's just an unbelievable benefit, both for the person (giving) and for the person receiving the toy."

The club donated 110 of the toys to Niswonger, 47 to the Boys and Girls Club, 21 to the Haven of Mercy and 19 to the Ronald McDonald House. Stouffer said the men's club was looking for a project, and since several craftsmen are part of the club, they decided making toys was the way to go.

While the whole men's club had their hands in the project, Stouffer said it took about six people to do all the cutting, sanding, painting and assembling to get the toys ready for the holidays.

## Snow day leads to exercise for the body and soul (and loose change)

Let me say this about that...

Snow days. When we were kids they were a delight, especially if it meant getting out of school.

As adults, snow is problematic. Yes, it is beautiful as it falls around us, but it covers the roads and creates all sorts of problems.

So my thought is, let's just be kids again!

When I awoke last Friday and looked out the window, I was amazed to see it was snowing. And it was coming down hard. The first thought I had was what to do about my daily walk.

Over the past few months, I'd been slowed down by a foot problem that limited my daily walking routine. After dealing with that issue, I have been focused on not breaking my regimen. If I wasn't out on the trail with the Old Timers Hiking Club, I was making my way up and down the Bristol Highway getting

in my five-plus miles each day.

But it was snowing. No problem, I've got the gear to deal with it. I just needed the mind-set.

There is some monotony in just walking up and down the road each day. A man can solve only so many of the world's problems in 90 minutes. I just try to keep my mind busy and my feet a movin'.

It was frigid when I stepped out of the house, but I quickly warmed up as I climbed the hill at the end of my street. What I became most aware of was the snow hitting my face. The cool

touch of those flakes against my warm skin was a wonderful distraction. And it gave me a sense of being one with my surroundings.

On this day, I wasn't just out there for a walk. I was immersed in the elements and experiencing every step I was taking.

Snow covered the sleeves of my jacket and gloves. It was great.

On this day, I was getting more out of this hike than just exercise. Because of the conditions, the exercise was even more invigorating. For once my head wasn't

churning with the usual trivial thoughts that bounce around in there.

Things were clear, and I was absorbed in the moment. It was exercise for not only my body, but also my soul.

Oh, and along the way I found a dime and a penny. Man, life is good, even on snow days.

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**Pat Kenney**

# DEATHS

## TODAY'S OBITUARIES

**AZALEA LUCY ALLEN**, 81, Blackwater, VA  
**VIVIAN ANN BLEDSOE**, 58, Duffield, VA  
**JOHN ROBERT BRINKLEY**, 78, Gray  
**TERESA ANN BROOKS**, 64, Piney Flats  
**V.R. (VANDUIS) COURTNEY**, Rogersville  
**JOHN DAVID DAVIS, JR.**  
**SHARON RUTH DAVIS**, 62, Church Hill  
**MARY ELIZABETH FULLER**, 94, Hot Springs, VA  
**ANTWON MERICE GOFF**, Kingsport  
**RUSSELL HUDSON**, 28, Brentwood  
**ECKLE R. JENKINS**, 76, Kingsport  
**JAMES H. MANN**, 76, Kingsport  
**SANDRA KAY MULLINS**, 65, Kingsport  
**KENNETH MUSSELMAN, JR.**, Kingsport  
**JAMES WILLIAM REYNOLDS**, 72, Kingsport  
**JOHN R. ROGERS**, 71, Church Hill  
**JOHN H. RUSHING, SR.**, 94, Kingsport  
**JOHNNY MCARTHUR SALYERS**, 65, Wise, VA  
**CHARLES DONALD "C. DON" SMITH**, 83, Gate City, VA  
**LOIS ANN WADEWITZ**  
**HEISKELL HARVEY WINSTEAD, SR.**

## REGIONAL DEATHS

**THOMAS "TOMMY" W. ALTMAN**, 77, Johnson City  
**JOHN ROBERT BRINKLEY**, 78, Gray  
**TERESA ANN BROOKS**, 64, Piney Flats  
**CARL "COTTON" MILLER**, 90, Johnson City  
**JUANITA SUE RITTNER**, 83, Jonesborough  
**ALMA TURNMIRE**, 90  
**LOIS RAMEY WRIGHT**, 87, Elizabethton

These obituaries may be read in today's edition of The Johnson City Press or online at [johnsoncitypress.com](http://johnsoncitypress.com).



### John Robert Brinkley

GRAY - John Robert Brinkley 78, of Gray went to be with the Lord Saturday December 9, 2017.

Arrangements are incomplete at this time and will be announced later by Gray Funeral Home. [grayfuneralhome.net](http://grayfuneralhome.net)

### Mary Elizabeth Fuller

HOT SPRINGS, VA - Mary Elizabeth Fuller, 94, Hot Springs, VA passed away at her residence. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Gate City Funeral Home, [www.gatecityfunerals.com](http://www.gatecityfunerals.com).

### V.R. (Vanduis) Courtney

ROGERSVILLE - V.R. (Vanduis) Courtney, of Rogersville, passed away Monday, December 11, 2017. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Christian-Sells Funeral Home in Rogersville.

### Sharon Ruth Davis

CHURCH HILL - Sharon Ruth Davis, 62, of Church Hill, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at her residence. To view a complete obituary and funeral arrangements you may visit [www.cartertrent.com](http://www.cartertrent.com). Carter-Trent Funeral Home, Church Hill is serving the Davis family.



### John R. Rogers

CHURCH HILL - John Robert Rogers, 71 of Church Hill went to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at Wellmont Holston Valley Medical Center, Kingsport. Funeral Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later. Carter-Trent Funeral Home, downtown Kingsport, is serving the Rogers family.



### Russell Hudson

BRENTWOOD - Russell Hudson, 28, of Brentwood, TN died Wednesday, December 6, 2017 in Jackson, TN. Arrangements will be announced by Hamlett-Dobson Funeral Home, Kingsport.



### John H. Rushing, Sr.

KINGSPORT - John H. Rushing, Sr., 94, of Kingsport, passed away Friday, December 8, 2017, at Holston Valley Medical Center. The full obituary may be viewed and condolences may be shared online by visiting [www.oakhillfh.com](http://www.oakhillfh.com). Oak Hill Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.

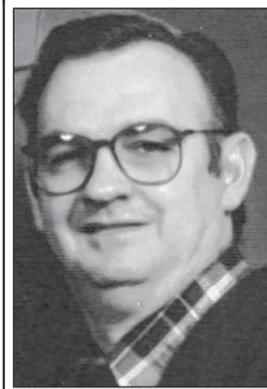


### Antwon Merice Goff

KINGSPORT - Antwon Merice Goff, of Kingsport, was born February 8, 1984, and passed away, Saturday, December 9, 2017, suddenly from a brain aneurism at home, in his wife's arms. The full obituary may be viewed and condolences may be shared online by visiting [www.oakhillfh.com](http://www.oakhillfh.com). Oak Hill Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.



### James William Reynolds



KINGSPORT - James William Reynolds, 72, of Kingsport, departed this life to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 10, 2017.

James was born February 21, 1945 to the late William and Maxie Massengill Reynolds. He was a proud Veteran of the United States Navy during the Vietnam Conflict.

James was a kind and loving Christian man, and he was genuinely loved by all who knew him. He was a longtime member of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Jerry Reynolds.

Those left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 42 years, Lisa Reynolds; sister, Jean Campbell, sister-in-law, Judy Reynolds; three nieces; special cousins, Betty English and Barbara (David) Gardner; special friends, Deborah and Harold Lane; and many, many friends also survive.

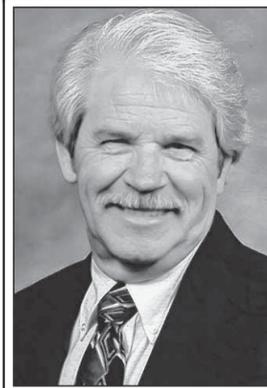
The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 1444 Bloomingdale Rd. Kingsport, Tennessee, 37660.

A Celebration of Life Service will follow at 7:00 pm with Rev. Cecil Sturgill officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in James' name to the Missions Fund of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church.

The care of James William Reynolds and his family has been entrusted to the staff of Oak Hill Funeral & Cremation Services.



### James H. Mann



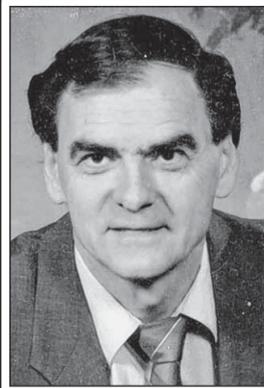
KINGSPORT - James H. Mann, 76, of Kingsport, went to be with the Lord unexpectedly on Saturday (December 9, 2017). He was born in Scott County but had lived the majority of his life in Kingsport. James retired from the City of Kingsport with over 30 years of service. He was a very active member of Pleasant View Baptist Church and was especially a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Geneva Mann; his parents, Carl and Sudie Blair Mann; sisters, Janice Mann, Betty Adkins, and Aileen Williams; brothers, Fred Mann, Carson Mann, and Jerry Mann; a brother-in-law, Hubert Shaw and his sister-in-law, Unny Shaw.

James Mann is survived by his loving wife, Sue Mann; his children, Jeff Mann and wife, Sharon, Sandra Riner; step-children, Joel Bowman and wife, Carrie, Steve Bowman and wife, Teresa, Trish Bowman and fiancé, Jeff Owens; grandchildren, Derek James Mann and wife, Autumn, Michael Haynes and wife, Kimberly, Dusty Riner, Megan Orfield and husband, Kaelob, Tyler Bowman, and Jonah Harlow; great grandchildren, Neyland James Mann and Ellie Grey Stout; his dear friend, Pastor Wayne Baker along with several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday (December 13, 2017) from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Carter-Trent Funeral Home, downtown Kingsport or friends may also call anytime at the residence. A funeral service will take place on Wednesday (December 13, 2017) at 12:30 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Wayne Baker, officiating. Music will be provided by the Salyers family. A graveside service will follow the funeral at Oak Hill Cemetery with Tyler Bowman, Derek Mann, Dusty Riner, Michael Haynes, Kaelob Orfield, and Jeff Owens serving as pallbearers.

You can send an online condolence to the family by visiting [www.cartertrent.com](http://www.cartertrent.com). Carter-Trent Funeral Home, downtown Kingsport is serving the Mann family.



### Eckle R. Jenkins

KINGSPORT - Eckle R. Jenkins, 76, of Kingsport, passed away at home surrounded by his family on Monday, December 11, 2017 as a result of Alzheimer's.

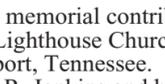
Eckle was a righteous man. His Bible is worn and pages filled with handwritten questions he had for those he sought wisdom from. His goal in life was to walk the streets of Heaven. He was a member of Apostolic Lighthouse Church. Eckle was a member of Masonic Lodge #688 and Scottish Rite of Knoxville. Eckle retired from Domtar with 50 years of service.

He was also preceded in death by his first wife, Seretia Shelton Jenkins; parents, Frank and Lillie Jenkins; and his sisters Murrel Robinette and Eula M. Jenkins.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Brenda; children, Shane Dingsy and Summer (Chris) Osborne of Kingsport; nephew, Jeff (Carol) Robinette; brother-in-law, Don Robinette of Fall Branch; grandchildren, Blake and Brayden Dingsy, Christopher, Angela and Olivia Carter, and Cavin Osborne.

A Graveside Service will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 in the J. Wayne Hamilton Memorial Chapel of Oak Hill Funeral and Cremation Services with Pastor David Peters officiating. Masonic Rites will be officiated by Cliff McMillion.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Apostolic Lighthouse Church, 145 Shipp Springs Rd., Kingsport, Tennessee. The care of Eckle R. Jenkins and his family has been entrusted to the staff of Oak Hill Funeral & Cremation Services.



### Vivian Ann Bledsoe

DUFFIELD, VA - Vivian Ann Bledsoe, 58, Duffield, VA, passed away on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at her residence in Duffield, VA.

Vivian was born on July 17, 1959 in Scott County, VA and was the daughter of the late Bob Wilson and Nancy Ann (Gibson) Berry.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Joe Berry.

She is survived by her special friend, Randall Stacy, Duffield, VA; daughters, Peggy Robinson (Jeff Harrison), Jonesborough, TN and Norma Bledsoe, Duffield, VA; son, Kevin Bledsoe, Duffield, VA; special granddaughter, Emily Grace Bledsoe; grandchildren, Logan Dishner, Hezekiah Robinson and Angel Robinson; sisters, Wanda Livesay (Lonnie Woodard), Duffield, VA, Betty Collins (Taylor), Sneedville, TN, and Linda Berry, Gate City, VA; brothers, Robert Berry (Jackie), Fairview, VA, Junior Berry, Duffield, VA, and Jessie Berry, Duffield, VA; along with several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive family and friends Wednesday, December 13, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Gate City Funeral Home. Funeral services will be conducted at 12:00 p.m. in the Gene Falin Memorial Chapel of the funeral home with Evangelist Kenneth Neeley officiating. Music will be provided by Betty and Pam Wells.

Graveside services will follow the services at the Berry Cemetery, Fairview, VA. Jeff Harrison, Kevin Despain, Lonnie Woodard, Michael Livesay, Tommy Berry, and Randy Taylor will serve as pallbearers. Kevin Bledsoe will serve as honorary pallbearer.

An online guest registry is available for the Bledsoe family at [www.gatecityfunerals.com](http://www.gatecityfunerals.com). Gate City Funeral Home is honored to be serving the family of Vivian Ann Bledsoe.

# ATTENTION Funeral Directors

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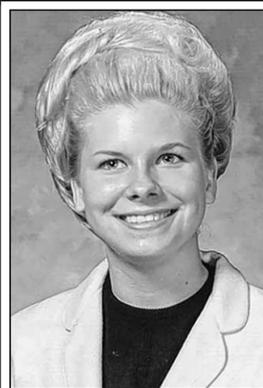
## Heiskell Harvey Winstead, Sr.

Heiskell Harvey Winstead, Sr. passed away on Thursday, December 7, 2017 at his home surrounded family after a battle with pancreatic cancer. Heiskell's Celebration of Life service will be held at 6:30 pm Tuesday, December 12 at First Baptist Church in Rogersville with Dr. Andy Willis officiating. Kindall Lawson will give the eulogy. The family will receive friends from 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm prior to the services. In lieu of flowers please make a contribution to The First Baptist Church TV and Media Ministry. Christian-Sells Funeral Home is serving the family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.christiansells.com](http://www.christiansells.com).



## Sandra Kay Mullins

KINGSPORT - Sandra Kay Mullins, 65, of Kingsport, TN, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, December 9, 2017. Sandra was a lifelong resident of the area and a member of Way of Life Baptist Church. A gathering of family and friends will be held on Thursday December 14th from 5 pm. to 7 pm. at Trinity Memorial. A memorial service will follow at 7 pm. with Rev. Johnny Gibson officiating. Trinity Memorial Centers Funeral Home (423-723-8177) is honored to serve the family.



## Teresa Ann Brooks

PINEY FLATS - Teresa Ann Brooks, 64, of Piney Flats passed away Friday, December 8, 2017 in the Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She was a native of Kingsport and was a daughter of the late Robert and Audrey Godsey Brock. Teresa was a Medical Assistant for many years and was a member of the Concordia Lutheran Church. She was also a member of the

AAMA. Teresa was a 1971 graduate of Ketrion High School in Kingsport. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She loved going to her grandkids ball games. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by a brother, Gerald Brock. Survivors include her loving husband, Jimmy Brooks; a son, Sam Henry and wife, April; a daughter, Amanda Reed and husband, Jonathan; a brother, Bobby Brock and wife, Donna; four grandchildren, Christian and Jaiden Henry and Hailey and Rylan Reed; several nieces; also special friends, Tommy, Glen and Kenny. Funeral services for Teresa will be conducted at 7:00 PM Wednesday, December 13, 2017 in the East Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Home, 800 E. Watauga Avenue, Johnson City with Rev. Joe Hill officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:00 PM until the service hour. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Truxton Drive, Kingsport. Pallbearers will be selected from the family and friends. For those attending this service you are asked to meet at the cemetery by 10:45 AM. The family would like to give special thanks to Natasha Kanipe, FNP and staff of Vanderbilt Medical Center and Holston Valley Medical Center. Condolences may be made online at [www.wadugger.com](http://www.wadugger.com). Arrangements by Woodall-Anderson and Dugger Funeral Home, 108 W. Watauga Avenue, Johnson City. 423-928-2245



## Charles Donald "C. Don" Smith

GATE CITY, VA - Charles Donald "C. Don" Smith 83, of Gate City went to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at The Holston Manor. Don retired from Eastman Chemical Company after 42 years in 1997. He was an avid farmer and loved being outdoors. Don also enjoyed photography and working in his garden. He was a member of Darthula Baptist Church where he served as the head of the Deacon's Board and Sunday School Superintendent. Don had also served as chairman of the board at Frontier Health. He lived life to the fullest and was a friend to all who met him. Don was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Elizabeth Fugate Smith; sister, Nora Alice Smith Pope.

Survivors include his loving wife of 25 years, Dremia Smith; son, David Smith; daughters, Cathy Smith Piner and husband Rodney, and Cindy Price Lowdermilk and husband Tim; granddaughters, Gwen Beasley, Ashley Lawson, Nicole Hensley, and Whitney McKinnie; grandsons, Rusty Smith, Adam Price, and Brandon Piner; step-children, Tessa Frye and Seth Bishop; step-grandson, Mason Frye; sister, Elizabeth "Tootsie" Ann Taylor; brother, Carl Smith; along with several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a host of friends. A graveside service will be conducted at 11am on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 with his Pastor of 25 years Layton Bentley officiating at Holston View Cemetery. Family and friends will serve as pallbearers. Those wishing to attend are asked to meet at the funeral home by 10:15am to go in procession. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of the 100 wing at Holston Manor they were his special girls. To send a condolence to the family please visit our website at [www.scottcountyfuneralhome.com](http://www.scottcountyfuneralhome.com). Carter-Trent/Scott County Funeral home is serving the Smith family.



## Johnny McArthur Salyers

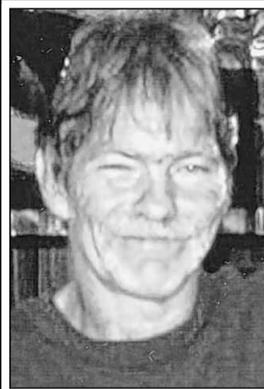
WISE, VA - Johnny McArthur Salyers, 65, died Saturday, December 9, 2017 after a long illness. Johnny was born in Wise, Virginia to parents Ed and Macie Salyers. He was co-owner of Dykstra and Salyers Construction for 20 years prior to his retirement. A graduate of Kelly High, Johnny was an avid golfer who enjoyed playing at various courses, including ones in Ireland and Scotland. He was particularly pleased when he scored a hole-in-one on May 18, 2015 at The Legacy in Aberdeen, North Carolina. He lived most of his life in Wise, but moved to Duffield, Virginia in 2010. He never met a stranger, and was known by his friends for his hospitality. Johnny was of the Christian faith and attended Robinette Chapel. He also enjoyed driving his dogs around in "Green Enough", his restored 1940 Dodge truck. Johnny enjoyed westerns, especially John Wayne films, Daniel Boone episodes, and would often quote lines from Tombstone, one of his favorites. He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Jenny Salyers; step-daughter, Markie Mullins; A strong family man, he is survived by brothers, Don R. Salyers and wife Ruby and Jimmy Salyers and wife Wanda; sisters, Betty Bishop and Wanda Jo Lawson and husband Ronald; He was fond and proud of his many nieces, nephews and cousins. A memorial service for Johnny Salyers will be held at 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at the Sturgill Funeral Home Chapel in Wise, VA with Matthew Clark. Family will receive friends from 4:30 P.M. till time of services at 7:00 P.M. at the Sturgill Funeral Home in Wise, VA. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to a charity of their choice in Johnny's memory. Please visit [www.sturgillfuneral.com](http://www.sturgillfuneral.com) to leave online condolences for the family. Sturgill Funeral Home 1621 Norton Rd SW Wise, VA 24293 is in charge of arrangements.



## John David Davis, Jr.

John David Davis, Jr., born on October 26, 1954 to Pauline (Pendergrass) Davis and John David Davis, Sr. (pre-deceased), went to live with our Lord on Friday, December 8, 2017. Born in Kingsport, John later moved with his family to Sarasota, FL where he graduated from Sarasota High School in 1972. He joined the U.S. Air Force, serving several

years in Security and as a K-9 Handler when he was stationed in Thailand at Na Kong Phenom during the Vietnam War. He later joined the family business and became a mechanic, which led him to Disney where he worked for many years, including the Kilimanjaro ride for the opening of Animal Kingdom. Fondly known as "Johnny" to some and "JD" to others, he was a wonderful and godly man who loved the Lord first, his family and the TN Vols. His strong faith was a testimony to all who knew him and his strength as a man led him to unashamedly love the Lord. John was a member of Christ Fellowship since relocating back to Kingsport earlier this year and formerly The Connection Church in Kissimmee, FL. He is survived by his wife, Jan Sullivan-Davis (Wegman) of Kingsport, daughters Michelle Sullivan of Kingsport, Kelly Sonoda and husband Steven of Chicopee, MA, and Alison Newcomb of Wellington, FL, and son, Shawn Sullivan (pre-deceased), mother, Pauline Davis, sister Sherry Bell and husband Harry, nephews Harry Lee Bell and wife Leeanne, and David Bell, all of Sarasota, FL, as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins in and around Kingsport. A celebration of John's life will be held at Christ Fellowship on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123 or <https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate/>. To leave condolences for the family and view the obituary online visit [www.cartertrent.com](http://www.cartertrent.com). Carter Trent Funeral Home, downtown Kingsport is serving the Davis family.



## Kenneth Musselman Jr.

KINGSPORT - Kenneth Musselman Jr. passed away Friday, December 8, 2017 after a short battle with cancer. He was born and resided in Kingsport most of his life. He was of the Baptist faith. He was a loving Son, Husband, Father, and Papaw who loved to spend time spoiling his grandchildren. His hobbies included target shooting, Piddling on old cars, an listening to good music. Kenneth is preceded in death by his father Kenneth Musselman Sr. Survivors left to cherish his memory here on earth are his wife of 38 years: Kathy Musselman, daughters: Kelly Johnson (Jarrid), and Krista McGee, son: Kody Musselman, mother: Shirley Musselman, sister: Robin Ratliff (Jeff), brother: Gregg Musselman, grandchildren: Brooklyn, Landon, Emma and Logan, nephew: Isaacc Ratliff and family. A celebration of life will be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at East Tennessee Funeral Home 2630 Highway 75 Blountville, Tennessee 37617. East Tennessee Funeral Home is honored to serve The Musselman Family.



East Tennessee Funeral Home

## Azalea Lucy Allen

BLACKWATER, VA - Azalea Lucy Allen, 81, of Blackwater, VA, was born September 16, 1936, and went home to be with her heavenly Father on December 10, 2017, at her home. She was a member of Blackwater Lick (Big Door) Primitive Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, Hamp and Minnie Roller Wallen; husband, Dana Allen; infant son, Charles David Allen; brothers, Clyde, Charles, Carl Ray, and Claude Wallen; and a sister, Pauline Brock. She was a loving daughter, wife, mother and sister. She will be truly missed by all. Azalea is survived by her children, Junior Allen, of the home, Brenda Nichols, of Kyles Ford, TN, Rocky Allen, of Edison, TN and Peggy Allen, of Blackwater; three grandsons, Adam Nichols, Cody Spears and Timmy Spears; one great-granddaughter, Trinity Spears; sisters, Una Mae Rhoten, Nellie Ruth Gilliam and June Wilson; several nephews, nieces, aunts and uncles. The family will receive friends from 6 until 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, at Robinette Funeral Home in Blackwater. The funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 13, in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Glen Hurd and Elder Harmon Willis officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Willis Cemetery. Pallbearers will be family and friends. Online condolences may be sent by visiting, [www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com](http://www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com). Robinette Funeral Home of Blackwater is serving the Allen family.

## Lois Ann Wadewitz

Lois Ann Wadewitz passed away after an extended illness on December 10, 2017. Lois is fondly remembered by those who knew her well as a jewel in her own way. She enjoyed knitting, needlework, stained glass, travel with her husband in their RV, and her beloved pet schnauzers. In later years she followed the UT Lady Volunteer Basketball team. She was born Lois Ann Hammer along with her twin sister, Ruth Gladhill Hammer-Kwiatk in Jersey City, New Jersey on February 14, 1935 to William Hammer and Ruth Gladhill Hammer. Lois graduated from Kearny High School in Kearny, NJ in 1953 and attended Tusculum College in Greenville, TN majoring in art and general studies. She met Peter Wadewitz at Tusculum and the two were married on January 28, 1956. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her twin sister, Ruth Gladhill Hammer-Kwiatk on September 9, 2001, and her son, Peter Wadewitz, Jr. on November 5, 2014. Lois is survived by her husband of 61 years, Dr. Peter Wadewitz, of Kingsport; her sister, Dorothy Hanlon and husband, Dr. Robert Hanlon, of Kearny, New Jersey; her son, Martin Wadewitz and his wife, Helen Grace of Franklin North Carolina; daughter, Gretchen Gindlesperger and her husband, Kevin of Oak Ridge, Tennessee; daughter-in-law, Edithann Buckles-Wadewitz of Kingsport; five grandchildren, Seagh Mulligan of Brooklyn, New York, Siobhan Mulligan of Johnson City, Tennessee, Martin Wadewitz III of Baltimore, Maryland, Dillon Wadewitz and wife, Kendra of Franklin North Carolina, and Frank Buckles Wadewitz of Kingsport; and one great-granddaughter, Eliza Guffey of Franklin, NC. The family also wishes to extended their sincerest appreciation for the dedicated and compassionate care that Lois and the family received from all of the staff of Wellmont Hospice. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 1 to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday at Hamlett-Dobson Funeral Home, Kingsport. The service will follow at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Jack Edwards officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Frank Wadewitz, Dillon Wadewitz, Martin Wadewitz III, Martin Wadewitz II, Kevin Gindlesperger, and Seagn Mulligan. Memorial contributions may be made to Wellmont Hospice House, 1 Medical Park Boulevard, Bristol, TN 37620 or the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 2280, Kingsport, TN 37662.



# Defendant in football player's death says he fired into the air

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE — Jurors in a murder trial involving the 2015 death of a Tennessee high school football player who shielded friends from gunfire heard an interview Monday in which one defendant tells police he fired shots in the air without aiming at anyone that night. Members of the jury saw Knoxville police investigator A.J. Loeffler's interview with Christopher Drone Bassett on the night 15-year-old Zaevious Dobson died. Bassett, Kipling Deshawn Colbert and Richard Gregory Williams III face first-degree murder charges. Bassett initially denied accompanying cousin Brandon Perry to the Lonsdale area of Knoxville where Dobson was shot but eventually said he saw Perry fire shots, got scared and later fired "maybe five" shots in the air. Perry died in a separate shooting later that night. In his interview with Loeffler, Bassett said Perry had been angry because his mother — Bassett's aunt — had been shot earlier in the day. According to the state's

case, the handgun that fired the bullet that killed Dobson was found under Williams' seat during a January 2016 traffic stop, though Williams wasn't driving the car. Prosecutors have said at least 34 shots were fired by multiple people in the Dec. 17, 2015, attack that resulted in Dobson's death. In his interview with Loeffler, Bassett said he started running when he realized what Perry was doing. Bassett later acknowledged firing shots up in the air but added that "I didn't aim" at anyone. Bassett also noted in the interview that he had a hand injury that prevented him from shooting much. T. Scott Jones, the lawyer representing Bassett, cited the lack of references to any gang-related connection to the shootings in the interview. Prosecutors have said there was a series of gang-related shootings that occurred in Knoxville that night. "If you thought this was gang activity, certainly as a seasoned investigator, you would have asked somebody those questions, wouldn't you?" Jones asked Loeffler.

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SECTION

## Balance carries D-B past Crockett

By **STEVE WILMOTH**  
TriCitiesSports.com

JONESBOROUGH — Dobyns-Bennett rolled to a Big 7 Conference basketball doubleheader sweep at David Crockett on Monday evening.

The Lady Indians (5-5, 1-1) broke free from a halftime deadlock for a 74-46 win over the Lady Pioneers (3-8, 0-3). The D-B boys were more methodical in their approach, steadily pulling away in a 72-49 decision.

Eleven Indians scored in the nightcap, with none totaling more than 13 points.

"I think we are at our best when we are balanced," said Tribe coach Chris Poore. "We do have some guys that can put up points, but you never know who it is going to be. And at different times in a game, it's different players."

For the second straight game, the Indians (7-4, 1-1) sank 30 field goals, coming off a two-game stretch in which only 24 went down.

"It's pretty special to see a team come together and execute and use each other the way that they are right now," Poore added.

The contest was tied five times early but a 9-2 burst to end the first frame — featuring a pair of Marae Foreman 3-pointers and one from Brit Thomas — gave D-B a 19-12 lead at the first stop.

The Pioneers (6-3, 2-1) whittled the margin to two, 27-25, as Jordan Hensley's third connection from the right corner in the second quarter alone, but the Indians scored the final five points of the first half and the first 11 of the second half to assume control with a 43-25 cushion.

"I thought we did a great job of sharing the basketball, especially in the third quarter, distributing the ball to guys who could then do something with it," Poore said.

The Indians finished with 19 assists. Six of them came from Foreman, who also led the team with 13 points.

"Marae has the capability of putting up points quickly, but I was glad to see he included so many different players," Poore noted.

Foreman's defense also thwarted the Pioneers, who eventually surrendered 28 possessions on turnovers.

"That's a pretty good stat. That's going to win you some basketball games," Poore said. "I thought Marae was really disrupting their ball-handler and getting them into disarray offensively."

Brody Potter and Riamello Wadsworth added 11 points each for D-B. Wadsworth led the effort on the glass with nine rebounds. Thomas finished with 13 points.

See **DOBYNS-BENNETT, 3B**

## HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



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Sullivan North senior Peyton Robinson (10) puts up a shot in front of Providence Academy's Hunter Reid during Monday night's nonconference matchup in Kingsport. Robinson finished with nine points for the Golden Raiders.

## 'We are finally coming together as a team'

Burk leads balanced scoring effort for Sullivan North, which tops Providence Academy to secure split of nonconference twin bill

By **JIMMY MOORE**  
TriCitiesSports.com

KINGSPORT — Sullivan North gained a split with Providence Academy in a nonconference basketball doubleheader on Monday night inside J. Richard Carroll Gym.

After the Lady Raiders came up short in the opener, 55-40, the North boys turned back the Knights 72-51.

The Golden Raiders (4-4) outscored the outmanned Knights (2-7) in every quarter, and nine of 11 North players who saw action scored.

"The boys are really playing hard

and have bought in and we are finally coming together as a team," first-year North coach Travis Cain said. "They are really working hard and it was pretty balanced scoring tonight."

Matt Burk led the Raiders with 19 points, and Blake Spradlin chipped in 14. Thomas Brown and Peyton Robinson added nine points each.

"The football boys are finally getting in shape and when everybody plays together, we can be pretty good," Cain added. "Blake Spradlin had a big game for us tonight. Matt leads us in scoring and always plays

tough defense. Brown also had a big game for us along with Peyton Robinson."

The Knights had three players reach double figures. Ben Jones led the way with 13 points followed by Caleb Zepeda with 11 and Colby Backus with 10.

In the girls' contest, the Lady Raiders (2-3) were able to hang with Providence (6-3) for three quarters and held a 33-32 lead heading into the fourth, but the final eight minutes belonged to the Lady Knights.

See **SULLIVAN NORTH, 3B**

## Warriors dial up D, beat 'Cats

By **KEVIN MAYS**  
Times-News Sports Correspondent

WISE — Wise Central got a little retribution Monday night by getting defensive.

The Warriors took advantage of 24 turnovers and a 24-3 scoring run over an eight-minute stretch to take a 73-40 win over the boys of the Kingsport Area Christian Homeschoolers Education Association.

The victory came just a week after Central (1-1) opened its basketball season with a loss to the Wildcats (5-7).

"It was all about defense," said Central coach T. J. McAmis. "We had heart-to-heart meetings all last week about intensity and drive and defense. I was more intense and they were more intense, and that's how we're going to have to play defense."

"It was wonderful to watch that kind of turnaround and that kind of effort these young men gave," McAmis added. "I'm tickled to death and I'm proud of them."

The teams played evenly throughout the first quarter with Central emerging with a 13-9 lead.

The Warriors kept a narrow advantage in the second quarter until back-to-back 3-point shots from KACHEA's Luke Joyner and Caleb Schinawit tied the game at 18 with 5:35 left before the half. Seconds later, Jared Strickland hit 1 of 2 free throws to put the Wildcats up 19-18.

Then Central took over. Sparked by shots from Isaiah McAmis, Tyler Varner and Ben Brickey — and eight KACHEA turnovers — the Warriors finished the first half on a 17-3 run. All of KACHEA's points during the run came from the free-throw line.

Up 35-22 entering the third quarter, Central scored the first seven points of the period to build a 42-22 lead.

"They played well tonight. They shot the ball well tonight and had several that contributed," KACHEA coach Johnny Coaker said of the Warriors. "We got them early last time. I think we kind of caught them off guard that first time and they didn't shoot the ball very well. Tonight, they shot the ball well."

"We just got hit in the face and didn't respond and they put a good one on us."

Central continued to add to its lead in the second half by relying on solid defense the rest of the way.

Varner led Central with 17 points. McAmis added 15 and Dalton Mullins and Bryson Collins scored 13 points each.

Strickland led KACHEA in scoring with nine points.

## Dolphins best Brady again

Two interceptions help bring end to Patriots' 8-game winning streak

By **STEVEN WINE**  
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Tom Brady was intercepted twice by Xavien Howard and held without a third-down conversion Monday night, and the Miami Dolphins snapped the New England Patriots' eight-game winning streak with a surprising 27-20 victory.

The Dolphins (6-7) were 11-point underdogs at home, but they kept the Patriots (10-3) from clinching their ninth consecutive AFC East title — at least for another week.

Brady went 24-for-43 passing for 233 yards and one touchdown. Miami sacked him twice

and hit him five times while holding the Patriots to 25 yards rushing. New England was 0-for-11 on third down.

The Dolphins' Jay Cutler threw for 263 yards and three scores, including two to Jarvis Landry. Kenyan Drake had 114 yards rushing and 79 receiving.

A Brady touchdown pass cut the deficit to 10 points with 13 minutes left, but the Patriots' next three possessions netted 5 yards. After a New England field goal, Miami sealed the victory by recovering an onside kick with 53 seconds to go.

The Dolphins wore the uniforms from their perfect 1972 season and looked the part for the first time in four prime-time

appearances this season.

Miami tried to turn the game into a laugh in the third quarter when Landry caught a touchdown pass and then set the ball down in the end zone and pumped it repeatedly, an apparent reference to the Patriots' Deflategate scandal.

Coach Adam Gase beat New England for the first time in four tries. His team snapped the Patriots' 14-game road winning streak, second best ever behind San Francisco's 18 in a row from 1988-90.

The Patriots sputtered without tight end Rob Gronkowski, who served a one-game suspension for a late hit to the head of an opponent.



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Dolphins receiver Jarvis Landry (14) grabs the mask of New England Patriots cornerback Jonathan Jones (31) during Monday night's game in Miami Gardens, Fla.

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## FOOTBALL

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East											
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New England	10	3	0	.769	368	250					
Buffalo	7	6	0	.538	240	290					
Miami	6	7	0	.462	236	318					
N.Y. Jets	5	8	0	.385	266	311					
South											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Jacksonville	9	4	0	.692	329	202					
Tennessee	8	5	0	.615	273	294					
Houston	4	9	0	.308	312	335					
Indianapolis	3	10	0	.231	212	343					
North											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
y-Pittsburgh	11	2	0	.846	404	250					
Baltimore	7	6	0	.538	238	261					
Cincinnati	5	8	0	.385	226	271					
Cleveland	0	13	0	.000	197	335					
West											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Kansas City	7	6	0	.538	298	225					
L.A. Chargers	6	7	0	.462	264	304					
Oakland	4	9	0	.308	229	315					
Denver	4	9	0	.308	229	315					

NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
East											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
y-Philadelphia	11	2	0	.846	404	250					
Dallas	7	6	0	.538	316	294					
Washington	5	8	0	.385	285	344					
N.Y. Giants	2	11	0	.154	199	321					
South											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
New Orleans	9	4	0	.692	370	263					
Carolina	9	4	0	.692	300	262					
Miami	8	5	0	.615	294	261					
Tampa Bay	4	9	0	.308	264	312					
North											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
Minnesota	10	3	0	.769	309	235					
Detroit	7	6	0	.538	338	329					
Green Bay	7	6	0	.538	285	302					
Chicago	4	9	0	.308	224	274					
West											
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA						
L.A. Rams	9	4	0	.692	396	265					
Seattle	8	5	0	.615	314	252					
Arizona	6	7	0	.462	231	317					
San Francisco	3	10	0	.231	228	314					

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Monday, Dec. 18										
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 8:30 p.m.										

Dolphins 27, Patriots 20										
New England	0	10	0	0—20						
Miami	6	7	14	0—27						
First Quarter										
Mia. FG Parkey	44	3:41.								
Mia. FG Parkey	44	3:49.								
Second Quarter										
NE	Burkhead	3	run	(Gostkowski kick), 6:18.						
Mia.	Landry	5	pass	from Cutler (Parkey kick), 3:33.						
NE	FG Gostkowski	46	:02.							
Third Quarter										
Mia.	Grant	25	pass	from Cutler (Parkey kick), 11:03.						
Mia.	Landry	4	pass	from Cutler (Parkey kick), 4:43.						
Fourth Quarter										
NE	White	3	pass	from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 13:05.						
NE	FG Gostkowski	33	:53.	A_65:548.						
NE										
First downs	14	21								
Total Net Yards	248	362								
Rushes-yards	10-25	30-120								
Passing	223	242								
Punt Returns	5-37	2-9								
Kickoff Returns	3-49	3-47								
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	2-29								
Comp.-Att-Int	24-43	225-30-8								
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-10	2-21								
Fumbles	7-47-7	7-45-0								
Punts-Lost	0-0	1-0								
Penalties-Yards	9-78	8-102								
Time of Possession	23:51	36:09								

Individual Statistics										
RUSHING—New England, Lewis 5-17, Burkhead 5-8, Miami, Drake 25-14, Cutler 4, Gray 1-2, PASSING—New England, Brady 24-43-2-233, Miami, Cutler 25-38-0-263, RECEIVING—New England, Amendola 6-76, Lewis 5-50, Burkhead 4-45, White 3-11, Allen 2-10, Cooks 1-8, Develin 1-2, Hogan 1-1, Miami, Landry 8-46, Drake 5-79, Parker 4-40, Grant 2-42, Stills 2-18, Johnson 2-11, Fasano 1-17, Gray 1-10, MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.										

NCAA FCS Playoff Glance										
Quarterfinals										
Friday, Dec. 8										
James Madison 31, Weber State 28										
Saturday, Dec. 9										
North Dakota State 42, Wofford 10										
South Dakota State 56, New Hampshire 14										
Sam Houston State 34, Kennesaw State 27										
Semifinals										
Friday, Dec. 15										
Sam Houston State (12-1) at North Dakota State (12-1), 8 p.m.										
Saturday, Dec. 16										
South Dakota State (11-2) at James Madison (13-0), 4:30 p.m.										
Championship										
Saturday, Jan. 6										
At Toyota Stadium										
Frisco, Texas										
Semifinal winners, None										

NCAA Division III Football Playoff Glance										
Quarterfinals										
Saturday, Dec. 2										
Brookport 31, Delaware Valley 28										
Mount Union 70, Frostburg State 37										
Wisconsin-Oshkosh 41, Wartburg 27										
Mary Hardin-Baylor 24, St. Thomas (Minn.) 10										
Semifinals										
Saturday, Dec. 9										
Mount Union 43, Wisconsin-Oshkosh 40										
Mary Hardin-Baylor 24, Brockport 0										
Championship										
Friday, Dec. 15										
At Salem, Va.										
Mount Union (14-0) vs. Mary Hardin-Baylor (14-0), 7 p.m.										

NAIA Football Playoff Glance										
Quarterfinals										
Saturday, Nov. 25										
Saint Francis (Ind.) 52, Northwestern (Iowa) 7										
Morningside (Iowa) 52, Saint Xavier 7										
Reinhardt 17, Georgetown (Ky.) 10										
Southern Oregon 34, Lindsey Wilson 29										
Semifinals										
Saturday, Dec. 2										
Saint Francis (Ind.) 43, Morningside (Iowa) 36										
Reinhardt 37, Southern Oregon 34										
Championship										
Saturday, Dec. 16										
At Midical Stadium										
Daytona Beach, Fla.										
Saint Francis (Ind.) (13-0) vs. Reinhardt (12-0), 6 p.m.										

National Basketball Association										
EASTERN CONFERENCE										
Atlantic Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Boston	23	6	.793	—						
Toronto	17	7	.708	3½						
New York	13	13	.500	8½						
Philadelphia	13	13	.500	8½						
Brooklyn	10	15	.400	11						
Central Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Chicago	23	6	.793	—						
Indiana	16	11	.593	3						
Memphis	8	19	.296	14						
Dallas	7	20	.259	15						
Northwest Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Minnesota	16	11	.593	—						
Denver	14	12	.538	1½						
Portland	12	14	.462	3½						
Utah	13	14	.481	3						
Oklahoma City	12	14	.462	3½						
Pacific Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Golden State	21	6	.778	—						
L.A. Lakers	10	15	.400	10						
L.A. Clippers	9	15	.375	10½						
Phoenix	9	19	.321	12½						
Sacramento	8	18	.308	12½						

Southeast Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Washington	14	12	.538	—						
Miami	13	13	.500	1						
Orlando	11	17	.393	4						
Charlotte	10	16	.385	4						
Atlanta	6	20	.231	8						
Central Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Cleveland	19	8	.704	—						
Milwaukee	15	10	.600	3						
Indiana	16	11	.593	3						
Detroit	14	12	.538	4½						
Chicago	6	20	.231	12½						
WESTERN CONFERENCE										
Southwest Division										
W	L	Pct	GB							
Houston	21	4	.840	—						
San Antonio	15	8	.704	3						
New Orleans	14	14	.500	8½						
Memphis	8	19	.296	14						
Dallas	7	20	.259	15						
Northwest Division										
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Sunday's Games										
Toronto 102, Sacramento 87										
Boston 91, Detroit 81										
Indiana 126, Denver 116, OT										
Minnesota 97, Dallas 92										
New Orleans 131, Philadelphia 124										
New York 111, Atlanta 107										
Monday's Games										
Charlotte 116, Oklahoma City 103										
Chicago 108, Boston 85										
Houston 130, New Orleans 123										
Miami 107, Memphis 82										
Portland at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.										
Toronto at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.										
Tuesday's Games										
Atlanta at Cleveland, 7 p.m.										
Denver at Detroit, 7 p.m.										
L.A. Lakers at New York, 7:30 p.m.										
Washington at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.										
San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.										
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m.										
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.										
Wednesday's Games										
L.A. Clippers at Orlando, 7 p.m.										
Memphis at Washington, 7 p.m.										
Oklahoma City at Indiana, 7 p.m.										
Denver at Boston, 7:30 p.m.										
Portland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.										
Milwaukee at New Orleans, 8 p.m.										
Utah at Chicago, 8 p.m.										
Toronto at Phoenix, 9 p.m.										
Charlotte at Houston, 9:30 p.m.										
Thursday's Games										
Detroit at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.										
New York at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.										
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 8 p.m.										
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.										
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.										

Bulls 108, Celtics 85										
Boston	29	13	21	22	—	85				
Chicago	28	28	22	36	—	108				

3-Point Goals										
Boston	10-40	(Smart 3-6, Brown 3-10)								
Chicago	10-40	(Smart 3-6, Brown 3-10)								

Rebounds										
Boston	3-3	(Mirotic 3-7, Zipsier 2-2, Grant 2-2, Holiday 2-5, Ponderexter 0-1, Valentine 0-4, Dunn 0-4)								
Chicago	10-8	(Valentine 1-7, 0-2, Mirotic 9-14, 3-6, 2-4,								

# Spurned Schiano missed out on six-year, \$27M deal at Tennessee

ASSOCIATED PRESS

KNOXVILLE — Former Tennessee athletic director John Currie and Greg Schiano signed a memorandum of understanding to make the Ohio State defensive coordinator the new Vols football coach before the deal fell apart amid a public backlash. The memorandum of understanding, obtained through a public records request, states Schiano would have received a six-year, \$27 million contract.

## BRIEFLY

### Three Sooners make AP All-America team

No. 2 Oklahoma will take three All-Americans into the College Football Playoff. Sooners quarterback Baker Mayfield, offensive tackle Orlando Brown and tight end Mark Andrews were selected to the Associated Press All-America team on Monday, giving Oklahoma more players on the first team than any school. Four of the top five vote-getters for the Heisman Trophy made the first team, including runaway winner Mayfield. Stanford's Bryce Love, the Heisman runner-up, and San Diego State's Rashaad Penny, the nation's leading rusher and fifth-place finisher for the Heisman, were the first-team running backs. Penn State's Saquon Barkley, fourth in the Heisman voting, made the team as an all-purpose player. Louisville's Lamar Jackson, last year's Heisman winner and All-America quarterback, was selected to the second team.

### Lady Cyclones coach Johnson resigns

ELIZABETHTON — Barry Johnson resigned Monday as coach of the Elizabethton's girls basketball program. Taking over a program that made four consecutive trips to the TSSAA Class AA tournament — but graduated four-year standouts Kayla Marosites and Kelci Marosites — Johnson led the Lady Cyclones to a 13-16 finish last season. This year they're off to a 2-6 overall start, 0-2 in the Three Rivers Conference. Johnson said the decision was a tough one. "This was a difficult decision, especially the timing of it," he said. "Personal things don't happen on a set time. I appreciate the support from (Director of Schools) Dr. Corey Gardenhour, Principal Josh Boatman, and athletic directors Mike Wilson and Eddie Pless. I love our basketball team, players and coaches and will miss them. Go Cyclones!" Johnson will be replaced by interim coach Lucas Andrews. Andrews has previous head coaching experience, compiling a 34-27 record from 2015-17 with the Cloudland girls.

### Eagles lose Wentz through playoffs

PHILADELPHIA — Eagles star quarterback Carson Wentz has a torn left ACL and will miss rest of the season and playoffs, coach Doug Pederson confirmed Monday. Wentz, a favorite in the NFL MVP race, had an MRI that revealed the severity of the injury one day after he was injured on a third-quarter play at Los Angeles. Backup Nick Foles rallied the Eagles (11-2) to a 43-35 win over the Rams that secured the NFC East title. Wentz threw for 3,296 yards and set a franchise single-season record with 33 touchdown passes with only seven interceptions.

### Stallard dies at 80

COEBURN — Tracy Stallard, the pitcher who gave up Roger Maris' record 61st home run in 1961, died last week at the age of 80. Sturgill Funeral Home said the Coeburn native died Wednesday at Holston Valley Medical Center. He was on the mound for Boston in 1961 when Maris broke the single-season record that Babe Ruth had held since 1927. The record stayed until 1998. Stallard went 30-57 with a 4.17 career ERA while pitching for the Red Sox (1960-62), New York Mets (1963-64) and St. Louis Cardinals (1965-66). His funeral was Sunday.

Tennessee officials say they believe the document isn't legally binding because it was never signed by the school's chief financial officer. Tennessee Chancellor Beverly Davenport also didn't sign the document with Schiano. Tennessee suspended Currie and replaced him with Phillip Fulmer on Dec. 1, five days after the Schiano deal fell through. Fulmer took over the search and last Thursday announced the

hiring of Alabama defensive coordinator Jeremy Pruitt. The memorandum that accompanied Pruitt's hiring included signatures from Pruitt, Davenport, Fulmer and chief financial officer David L. Miller. Pruitt agreed to a six-year deal paying him \$3.8 million annually plus other benefits. Tennessee was seeking a coach to replace Butch Jones, who was fired Nov. 12 after going 34-27 in five seasons. Tennessee went 4-8

this year and set a school record for losses. Under the terms in the memorandum of understanding, Schiano would have received \$4.4 million in 2018. His annual pay would have increased to \$4.45 million in 2019, \$4.5 million each in 2020 and 2021, \$4.55 million in 2022 and \$4.6 million in 2023. When word got out on Nov. 26 that UT had contacted Schiano about its coaching vacancy, fans and politicians vented their frustra-

tions. Four gubernatorial candidates and at least three state representatives issued tweets or statements criticizing the school for considering Schiano. They said their complaints stemmed from Schiano's background as an assistant at Penn State during Jerry Sandusky's tenure as the Nittany Lions' defensive coordinator. Sandusky is serving 30 to 60 years in prison for his conviction on 45 counts of sexual abuse.

# Baseball fans, say hello to the Towers of Power

## Stanton, who had 59 homers last season, joins 52-homer hitter Judge in New York

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Giancarlo Stanton eased his 6-foot-6 frame into a pinstriped No. 27 jersey, ready to join 6-foot-7 Aaron Judge as the Towers of Power on the resurgent New York Yankees. "They're winners," Stanton said after his trade from the Miami Marlins to New York was finalized Monday. "They're young, and they're in a good position to win for a long time, and I lost for a long time. So I want to change that dynamic and be a winner." New York sent second baseman Starlin Castro and a pair of minor leaguers to the Marlins for the NL MVP, also giving up right-hander Jorge Guzman and infielder Jose Devers. The Yankees became just the fourth team in big league history with the reigning home run champions in each league, joining Hank Greenberg and Ralph Kiner of the 1947 Pirates, Joe DiMaggio and Johnny Mize of the 1949 Yankees, and Mike Schmidt and Dick Allen of the 1975 Phillies. Stanton joined a team that reached Game 7 of the AL Championship Series against Houston led by Judge and fellow young sluggers Gary Sanchez and Greg Bird. The Yankees expect top infield prospect Gleyber Torres to join the big league team next season. "New York's a marquee town, and I think it's important to have some marquee players," Yankees owner Hal

Steinbrenner said. "But more important than that, I think it's important to have veteran players that could be mentors for the young kids." Stanton, a 28-year-old who like Judge plays right field, is owed \$295 million over the final decade of his record \$325 million, 13-year contract. The payroll-slashing Marlins, with new CEO and former Yankees star Derek Jeter presiding over the team's fourth roster purge in two decades, will send \$30 million to the Yankees if Stanton doesn't exercise his right to opt out of the deal after the 2020 season: \$5 million each on July 1 and Oct. 1 in 2026, 2027 and 2028. Under baseball's new labor deal, that money will be prorated for the luxury tax and Stanton will count as \$22 million annually. "It's a win-win for both sides," Marlins president of baseball operations Michael Hill said. "Opportunity for him to start fresh, and an opportunity for us to gain needed flexibility." Stanton led the majors with 59 home runs and 132 RBIs last season, and Judge was second in the majors with 52 homers. The daunting duo figures to create must-see BP, and new Yankees manager Aaron Boone isn't sure yet who will play right or left, figuring they also will see time at designated hitter. "A 10-year commitment to any player, any position, should be a concern for the owner, without a doubt," Steinbrenner maintained, "but having say that, he's 28 and in great shape, and I think there's going to be many, many years." Stanton's contract includes a no-trade provision. He told the Marlins he was willing to accept trades only to the Yankees, his hometown Los Angeles Dodgers, the Astros and Chicago Cubs.

# DOBYNS-BENNETT

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ished with eight points, and Charlie Browder and Chase Jenkins dropped in six each. Jenkins also had three rebounds, three steals and three assists while drawing a pair of key charging fouls. "Chase definitely had his best game of the year," Poore said. "He's played different roles for us and he's been thrown into every possible scenario. He's able to play three positions and has been able to put some pressure on teams by the mismatch he offers at each one." Hensley finished with 12 points, all on 3s, to pace the Pioneers. In the opener, the Lady Indians trailed by three, 28-25, late in the first half. Baylee Waye's 3-pointer tied the contest just before intermission and a 46-18 differential in the second half produced the deceptive final tally. "We weren't playing D-B basketball in the first half," said Lady Indians coach Bill Francis. "We got to playing D-B basketball in the second half." Freshman Emma Gouge actually gave Crockett a 30-28 lead early in the third quarter, but a 20-6

Tribe burst ended the frame. Bridging into the fourth quarter, the run ballooned to 31-9 and a 59-39 cushion on a Caitlyn Wallace bucket. The freshman nearly doubled her career high by finishing with 11 points. "Caitlyn really gives us something extra in the post," Francis said. "She's got length and moves well. She's still pretty green, but I'm real excited about her potential." Lady Indians junior Courtney Whitson logged another double-double with 21 points and 11 rebounds. Whitson also had five assists and four steals. "Her shot isn't all the way back from her injury, so we want her to take it to the rim," Francis said. "She's doing a good job of finding teammates when people slide over to her. She's realizing she's got some help out there." Ta-Tionna White finished with nine points and nine rebounds and Peyton Dobby also came up with nine boards. D-B enjoyed a 53-40 edge in a busy night on the glass. Gouge led the Lady Pioneers with 20 points. Kassie Lowe contributed 13.

# SULLIVAN NORTH

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North couldn't seem to buy a basket in the final quarter but trailed by just one point, 38-37, following Hannah Mullins' basket. But that proved to be the Lady Raiders' final field goal, and Providence ended the contest on a game-clinching 17-3 run to seal the victory. Lady Raiders coach Chris Salley lamented his team letting a potential victory slip away. "We just quit playing defense in the fourth quarter," Salley said. "Early in the game, we handled their pressure and were getting layups out of it. Then late in the game it was a completely

different story. We stopped doing what got us those layups. We're still young, but we are going to have to quit using that as an excuse. "They are good, but we just let one get away." Kaitlyn Vaughn led the Lady Raiders with 15 points. Emily Schwartz added nine and Makenzie Harrison seven. "Tonight, they just played harder than we did in that last quarter," Salley said. "That was the story of the game. We just couldn't make a shot and then panicked a little bit." The Lady Knights' Jordan Spano led all scorers with 20 points and Madi Runnels added 13.

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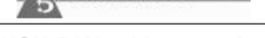
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# CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 42 Shows fondness
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  - 1 Maid's target
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  - 22 Wallet bills
  - 23 Very beginning
  - 25 Roman censor
  - 28 Assesses
  - 31 Get — the crack of dawn
  - 32 More pale
  - 34 Visibility lessener
  - 35 Feel queasy
  - 36 "My word!"
  - 37 Night game needs
  - 40 Dodge
  - 41 Church contribution
- DOWN**
- 1 Tips, as a hat
  - 2 Digital transfer
  - 3 Go hungry
  - 4 "— the season ..."
  - 5 Slender
  - 6 Gear part
  - 7 TV's
  - 8 Stop working
  - 9 School papers
  - 11 Probability
  - 14 Urban transport
  - 19 Silver bar
  - 20 Gear part
  - 24 Like old streets
  - 25 Like a jail-bound perp
  - 26 Twin of Artemis
  - 27 Catch stealing
  - 29 Fourscore
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## Yesterday's answer

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12-12

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY AT BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

BRENDA C. ROBERTS  
Plaintiff  
vs.  
DWIGHT E. ROBERTS  
Defendant  
Civil Action # 17-CB-26199 (M)

## ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing from the complaint in this case, which is sworn to that Dwight E. Roberts resides out of the State of Tennessee or cannot be personally served with process. IT IS ORDERED that publication be made for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Kingsport Times News, a newspaper published at Kingsport, in Sullivan County, Tennessee, requiring the said Defendant(s) to serve upon Plaintiffs:

Brenda C. Roberts  
159 Wonder Valley Road  
Bristol, TN 37620

An answer to the complaint filed against him/her in this cause, within (30) days from the last publication date of this order; and if the Defendant(s) fails to do so, judgment by default will be taken against him/her for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This 9th day of November 2017.

(signed) Katherine Priestler,  
Clerk & Master  
801 Anderson St. Rm 239  
Bristol, Tennessee 37620

PUB4T:  
11/28/17, 12/5/17, 12/12/17,  
12/19/17

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A XYDLBAA XR  
is LONG FELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**12-12 CRYPTOQUOTE**

W U O E R D W S A V M O Q S P I O  
W U S A T K P R G W E S M K V I O D  
S D W U K W W U O B U K J J O A .

— T . X . V U O D W O M W R A  
**Yesterday's Cryptoquote:** IT MAY BE HALF FULL OF WATER, PRECIOUS IN ITSELF, BUT IN THE OTHER HALF THERE'S A RAINBOW THAT COULD EXIST ONLY IN THE VACANT SPACE.  
— ALICE WALKER

## Sudoku Pacific

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

1	2			8	6	3		7
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12/12 DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

## Monday's Puzzle Answer

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Tuesday, December 12, 2017

## GOREN BRIDGE

WITH BOB JONES  
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### COVERING AN HONOR

Both vulnerable, North deals

**NORTH**  
♠ K J 10 8  
♥ Q 8 7 5  
♦ A K  
♣ A 5 3

**WEST**  
♠ Q 9 3  
♥ 10 4  
♦ 10 8 5 3  
♣ Q 8 7 4

**EAST**  
♠ A 6 2  
♥ A J 9 3 2  
♦ 9 4  
♣ K 9 6

**SOUTH**  
♠ 7 5 4  
♥ K 6  
♦ Q J 7 6 2  
♣ J 10 2

The bidding:  
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST  
1♣ 1♥ INT Pass  
3NT All pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♥

We are all taught certain rules when we start to play bridge. Experience eventually teaches us that these are not rules at all, merely guidelines. There are times when it is correct to ignore the rule. But what happens when rules conflict with each other?

North-South both overbid slightly and reached a contract that has virtually no chance. The opening

heart lead is ducked around to South's king and there is no good suit to play. Diamonds are hopeless as there is no entry back to declarer's hand. A spade to the jack is possible, but what will South do if East holds up his ace? There will be no good lead from dummy either.

South elected to lead the jack of clubs from his hand at trick two. This gave West a decision to make. Should he play "second hand low" or "cover an honor with an honor?" West chose to cover the jack with the queen and this proved to be a disaster for East-West. South captured the queen with dummy's ace, cashed the ace-king of diamonds, and led a club from dummy. It didn't matter whether East played low or played the king, South's 10 was not only an extra club trick, but an entry to three extra diamond tricks. A second major suit trick was certain to come later.

There is another rule that is not so well known — "Don't cover the first of touching honors. Cover the second". That would have saved the day for West on this deal.

(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this newspaper or to Tribune Content Agency, LLC., 16650 Westgrove Dr., Suite 175, Addison, TX 75001.)

## Today's Horoscope

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Sagittarius and a Moon in Libra.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017:

This year you open up new doors and experience life from a renewed perspective. You find your day-to-day life much more agreeable, especially if you are willing to make the first move and express your feelings. If you are single, someone quite exotic could enter your life soon. Do not push this person too hard — let the relationship evolve at its own pace. If you are attached, the two of you will make a commitment that will recharge your life together. You are likely to draw a LIBRA into your life; his or her friendship could become very important to you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Focus on a key person. You relate to others easily. You could meet someone today and feel as if she or he has been in your life forever. Communication activates both professionally and emotionally. You are likely to achieve what you want. Tonight: The unexpected occurs.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Your patience appeals to many people who want to work with you or be part of your life. You have a lot to juggle and handle. You will manage to clear out a lot and not lose your easygoing attitude. Discussions later in the day could be significant. Tonight: As you like it.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Keep communication moving, even if you feel overwhelmed at times. Just continue as you have been, as the finish line is much closer than you might realize. Ask for what you need in order to keep such an intense pace. Don't give up! Tonight: Act as if there were no tomorrow.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might want to cocoon at home. You have a fun style that draws people toward you; however, you can screen your calls and be unfindable, if you so choose. You have a lot to do, and you need some extra time to handle what you must. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Others find you easy to talk to. The biggest problem you might face is having enough time to socialize. You want what you want, and you'll settle for nothing less. Vital discussions and intense feelings mark your day. You can deal with only so much. Tonight: Out and about.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Indulging others happens naturally. Gifts you buy for someone are likely to make quite an impression. You also are likely to indulge yourself with a new gift! Be careful when making any money agreements, as plans might backfire. Tonight: Out getting into the holiday spirit.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Back away from an ongoing issue, and you'll be much happier as a result. A loved one could be even more unpredictable than usual. Refuse to take this person's critique personally. Your levelheadedness keeps your days more stable. Tonight: Go along with the moment.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Instead of starting a fight to relieve some of the tension, face facts. You are known as the Scrooge within your group of friends, at least for now.

Take good care of yourself and get some extra sleep, and you will see your mood change in a few days. Tonight: Schedule a massage.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Others might wonder why you are constantly doing your happy dance. Whether you sense that a major change is about to head your way or you simply are happy to see Saturn leave your sign in a few weeks, you feel great. Tonight: A child plays a major role in what happens.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Step up to the plate. You might not see a situation as clearly as you think you do. Be open to listening more and speaking less. You will catch more details about a key matter close to your heart. Know that you might need to stop to gather more information. Tonight: In the limelight.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might like a better friendship to evolve with someone who is quite different from you. Understanding and acceptance will be key. Expect the unexpected today. Others might be getting uptight with the holiday season in full force. Tonight: Allow new information to come to you.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ One-on-one relating takes you down a new path. Stay mellow, even in the face of an unanticipated event. You will need to ground the situation. What seems difficult to grasp now will become easier once you get out of your own head. Tonight: Accept a friend's invitation.

**BORN TODAY**

Singer Frank Sinatra (1915), game-show host Bob Barker (1923), actress Mayim Bialik (1975)

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## Legals

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF HUGH KYLE HURD, DECEASED

PROBATE NO. 17-PR-21805

Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of December, 2017 Letters Testamentary in respect to the estate of Hugh Kyle Hurd, who died November 9, 2017, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Sullivan County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 for the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting); or

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

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

This 30th day of November 2017

(signed) Linda White Lane Executrix

Estate of Hugh Kyle Hurd

(signed) Thomas A. Peters, TBPR #1195 Attorney for Personal Representative 238 Broad Street P.O. Box 2440 Kingsport, Tennessee 37662 Telephone: 423-245-2151 Telecopier: 423-245-4050

Katherine Priester, Clerk & Master P.O. Box 327 Blountville, TN 37617 Tel: 423-323-6483

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## Legals

### SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **December 22, 2017 at 11:00AM local time**, at the main door, Sullivan County Courthouse, 3411 Highway 126, Blountville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Betty Jo Fowler, to Trace Robbins, Trustee, as trustee for Beneficial Tennessee, Inc. on July 22, 2004 at Book 2142C, Page 209; conducted by Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Sullivan County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the CIM Trust 2016-1, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-1, its successors and assigns.

The following real estate located in Sullivan County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder:

Described property located at Sullivan County, Tennessee, to wit:

A CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, SITUATE IN THE 4TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE AND MORE PARTICULARLY SOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF BEAVER CREEK ROAD, CORNER TO PROPERTY TH IS DAY CONVEYED TO ROY L. BRUMMITT, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES FROM THE LINE OF PROPERTY OF SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD : N 51 45 37 E 276.94 FEET TO AN IRON PIN . N 55 48.59 E 80.15 FEET TO AN IRON PIN . N 73 59 1 1 E 69.13 FEET TO AN IRON PIN . S 86 54.06 E 61.64 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. S 74 55 28 E 333.45 FEET TO AN IRON P IN. S 88 2 1.04 E 124.45 FEET TO AN IRON PIN . N 77 29 31 E 111.50 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. N 63.15 50 E 96.32 FEET TO AN IRON P IN . N 50 35 16 E 95.47 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. N 37.15 01 E 103.94 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. 24 00 24 E 97.72 FEET TO AN IRON PIN . N 11 11 06 E 95.34 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. AND N 02 39 56 E 146.24 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WITH SAID ROAD THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES: N 02 39.56 E 100.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN. AND N 11 45 20 E 82.00 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE WITH THE LINE OF PROPERTY OF HARKLEROAD S 79.32 46 E 115.13 FEET TO A POINT ; THENCE S 16.10 46 E 202.56 FEET TO A POINT ; THENCE N 19 32.46 W 954.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN 4 .0908 ACRES, MORE OR LESS (INCLUDING THE PROPERTY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED).

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED FROM RUBY JEANETTE RAMBO AND SAMUEL M. MYERS, CO-EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF JACOB H. MCCROSKEY, DECEASED , TO BETTY JO FOWLER BY DEED RECORDED 11/06/1986 . IN BOOK 523C, AT PAGE 130 , IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE .

Street Address: 973 Old Beaver Creek Rd, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618 Parcel Number: 081 149.55 000 Current Owner(s) of Property: Betty Jo Fowler

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 973 Old Beaver Creek Rd, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, through, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: Cavalry Portfolio Services LLC et al, assignee of GMAC c/o Christopher W. Conner; North Star Capital Acq LLC assignee of Wells Fargo Financial c/o Grisham, Knight & Hooper.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Betty Jo Fowler, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. **If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to Shapiro & Ingle, LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.**

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

This office may be a debt collector. This may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

Shapiro & Ingle, LLP Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 Phone: (704) 333-8107 Fax: (704) 333-8156 www.shapiro-ingle.com

File No. 17-111524

## Legals

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY AT BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE:

THE ESTATE OF: GLEN ODIS MORRELL, SR.,

SAMUEL B. MORRELL, Executor

Civil Action No. 17-PR-21792

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. TROUTMAN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of November, 2017 Letters Testamentary in respect to the estate of Glenn Odus Morrell, Sr., who died September 12, 2017, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Sullivan County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 for the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting); or

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

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

This 27th day of November, 2017

(signed) Samuel B. Morrell, Executor

(signed) Randy M. Kennedy, Attorney

Katherine Priester, Clerk & Master P.O. Box 327 Blountville, TN 37617 Tel: 423-323-6483

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## Legals

## 650 House for Rent

For Rent 3 BR Duplex In town close to Hospital & Schools. Has yard & garage. \$650/mo 1 mos deposit. 423-914-2517

House For Rent- 3BR 1BA \$650/mo + \$650 dep. No Pets Call 423-963-1741



Kingsport- 3BR 2BA Great location, 1603 Washington Ave, \$875/mo Call 367-3272

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TOWNHOUSE FOR RENT IN MT. CARMEL, 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath NO PETS. Call 423-217-1600

## 660 Rooms for Rent

A Day \$29.95. Week \$149.00 Frig. Micro, cable. MODEL CITY MOTEL 246-8148 Laundromat 24 hrs.

## 670 Mobile Homes for Rent

A 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath in Weber City medium sized, \$300 mo. \$200 dep. No Pets. REFERENCES: 276-386-3197

A 3BR, 2BA, Appl's, HP, W/D, in W. Carters Vly, Ref's & Dep Req'd. No Pets. 423-292-0386

A 3BR, 2BA, mobile home w/ HP, Weber City area, No pets \$450 mo + dep 423-276-5234

BRISTOL AREA- 2 br mobile home \$500/month + deposit. NO pets. 423-383-5485

In Carter's Valley 2 br. Mobile Home for rent. \$500 per month, deposit. No pets. Call after 6:00 (423)963-9201

NICE 3 BEDROOM For Rent Will accept Section 8 No Pets Church Hill area CALL 423-357-0281

VERY Clean and Nice. Private 2br, 1ba in a Weber City mobile home park, heat pump, appliances, carport, covered porches, and storage building. ABSOLUTELY NO PETS! \$450 + dep. 423-288-7122

## 700 Business Property for Rent

For Lease/Sale Space J.C. Oakland Square 1300 sq. ft. Call: Ken Talley 423-677-2406

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## ESTATE AUCTION

### SOLD SUBJECT TO COURT APPROVAL

### 3409 STAFFORD STREET IN KINGSFORT

# SATURDAY DEC 16th 11:00 AM

## "AT THE PROPERTY"

**DIRECTIONS:** Allandale section of Kingsport on West Stone Drive at the Holston River bridge, turn on East Avenue, Left on Watterson Street, immediate Right to continue on East Avenue, Left on Stafford Street, property on the Right. Watch for address and auction sign.

**DESCRIPTION:** 100 x 100, more or less, lot improved with one level home featuring 2 bedrooms, full bath, dining room, living room, kitchen, large garage/workshop area, partial unfinished basement.

**NOTE:** For private showing or questions, call Auctioneer Danny Slater (423) 677-5598. Preview sale day from 10:00 a.m. until sale time. For photos and map, go to our website at [www.dannyslater.com](http://www.dannyslater.com).

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REAL ESTATE TERMS: SOLD SUBJECT TO COURT APPROVAL. 10% deposit of contract sales price sale day, balance within 30 days after court approval. Lead based paint waiver applies. Call for details. ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE SALE DAY TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ALL PRIOR ADVERTISEMENTS, PRINTED MATERIAL, & PREVIOUS STATEMENTS.

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## Legals

### NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE

**WHEREAS**, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated September 21, 2004, and the Deed of Trust of even date, securing said Deed of Trust Note recorded in Book 2164C, at Page 746, in the Register's office for Sullivan County, Tennessee, executed by WANDA SUE CRAWFORD, conveying the certain property described therein to BENJAMIN BRADISH, Trustee, for the benefit of CITIFINANCIAL, INC. and to Renee Kammer, having been appointed as Successor Trustee by instrument of record in the Register's Office for Sullivan County, Tennessee in Book 3252, at Pages 938-939, as Instrument Number 17013002.

**WHEREAS**, the owner and holder of the Deed of Trust Note has declared the entire indebtedness due and payable and demanded that the hereinafter described real property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of indebtedness and costs of foreclosure in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Deed of Trust Note and Deed of Trust.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, notice is hereby given that an agent of Renee Kammer, as Successor Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty and authority vested in and conferred upon said Successor Trustee, by the Deed of Trust, will on December 19, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at the Sullivan County Courthouse, 140 Blountville Bypass in Blountville, Tennessee offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, and free from all legal, equitable and statutory rights of redemption, exemptions of homestead, rights by virtue of marriage, and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which have been waived in the Deed of Trust, certain real property located in Sullivan County, Tennessee, described as follows:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN ELEVENTH (11TH) CIVIL DISTRICT, SULLIVAN COUNTY, STATE OF TENNESSEE, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BOOK 847C, PAGE 579, ID# 46G A 18.00, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 5, BLOCK 4, CEDAR VIEW ADDITION TO KINGSFORT, FILED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 152

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MACK CRAWFORD AND WIFE, WANDA SUE CRAWFORD FROM ECKLE JENKINS, UNMARRIED AND BRENDA DINGUS, UNMARRIED, D/B/A HYLANDER PROPERTIES BY DEED DATED 04/16/1992 AND RECORDED 06/29/1992 IN BOOK 847C, PAGE 579, SULLIVAN COUNTY RECORDS STATE OF TENNESSEE.

MACK CRAWFORD PASSED AWAY AUGUST 15, 2003.

More Commonly Known As: **1126 WINDSOR STREET, KINGSFORT, TN 37660**

Said sale shall be held subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and subject to, but not limited to, the following parties who may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: none.

The following individuals or entities have an interest in the above-described property: (1) WANDA SUE CRAWFORD, (2) UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WANDA SUE CRAWFORD, (3) CONNIE S. BUSH, (4) UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CONNIE S. BUSH AND (5) OCCUPANTS/TENANTS OF 1126 WINDSOR STREET, KINGSFORT, TN 37660.

To the best of the Trustee's knowledge, information, and belief, there are no other Federal or State tax lien claimants or other claimants upon the subject property which would require notice pursuant to the terms and provision of T.C.A. § 35-5-104 or T. C.A. § 67-1-1433 or 26 U.S.C. § 7425.

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The Successor Trustee may postpone the above referenced sale from time to time as needed without further publication. The Successor Trustee will announce the postponement on the date and at the time and location of the originally scheduled sale.

This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information gathered in connection herewith will be utilized for that purpose.

DATED this 21st day of November, 2017

Renee Kammer  
Successor Trustee

Prepared by:  
Renee Kammer  
Marinosci Law Group, P.C.  
50 Peabody Place, Suite 255  
Memphis, TN 38103

PUB3T: November 28, 2017; December 5, 2017; December 12, 2017

## Real Estate

## 710 House for Sale



A 3BR 3BA home for sale in Gate City. Split level and fully remodeled including a new roof, heat pump, & appliances. Large living room, large stacked stone fireplace in den, & a large nice yard. This house is close to town with mt. views. \$169,000 Call 276-690-0137 or 276-690-4027

House For Sale: Large 2 bedroom 2 bath home with large living room, separate dining room; laminate, carpet, & vinyl; & heat pump. All new windows & metal roof. Shady level lot with large deck in front. Quiet area near Eastman Rd. Perfect retirement or starter home. No over financing. \$50,000. 1809 Hilltop Rd., Kingsport. Call 423- 967-9479

## 730 Mobile Homes for Sale

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## Legals

### SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **December 22, 2017 at 11:00AM local time**, at the main door, Sullivan County Courthouse, 3411 Highway 126, Blountville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Michael A. Copas and Teresa Copas, to First National Financial Title Services, Trustee, as trustee for Diversified Capital Corporation of Tennessee on August 16, 2000 at Book 1547C, Page 169; conducted by Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Sullivan County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: MTGLQ Investors, LP, its successors and assigns.

The following real estate located in Sullivan County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder:

Described property located at Sullivan County, Tennessee, to wit:

Attached to and made a part of a Deed of Trust from Michael A. Copas and wife, Teresa Copas to Diversified Capital Corporation of Tennessee.

LOCATED in the 11th Civil District of Sullivan County, Tennessee, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the easterly line of Sherwood Road, at a distance southerly along said line of 1,093.52 feet from its intersection with the southwesterly line of the Johnson City Highway, corner for Lots 18 and 19, said point being the P. C. of a curve. Thence continuing southerly with the said easterly line of Sherwood Road by a curve to the right of radius, 1,390.13 feet an arc distance of 50 feet to a point, corner for Lots 19 and 20. Thence easterly by a line radial to said curve and with the divisional line of Lots 19 and 20, 160.02 feet to a point in the Roller property line. Thence northerly by an interior angle of 88-19 and with the said Roller property line, 55.7 feet to a point, corner for Lots 18 and 19. Thence westerly by an interior angle of 89-37 and with the divisional line of Lots 18 and 19, 159.4 feet to the point of BEGINNING, containing 8,361 square feet, more or less, and being Lot 19, in Block 215 of the Forest Lawn Subdivision, as shown on map of record in the Register's Office for Sullivan County at Blountville, Tennessee in Plat Book 2, at page 133.

BEING the same property conveyed to Michael A. Copas by deed dated October 28, 1994 in Deed Book 1028C, page 694 in the Register's Office for Sullivan County, Tennessee.

Street Address: 2032 Sherwood Rd, Kingsport, Tennessee 37664 Parcel Number: 061L D 004.00 Current Owner(s) of Property: The Heirs of Michael A. Copas, unmarried

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 2032 Sherwood Rd, Kingsport, Tennessee 37664, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, through, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: All parties claiming by, through or under Michael Copas.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Michael A. Copas and Teresa Copas, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. **If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to Shapiro & Ingle, LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.**

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

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Shapiro & Ingle, LLP Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 Phone: (704) 333-8107 Fax: (704) 333-8156 www.shapiro-ingle.com

File No. 17-112650

## 730 Mobile Homes for Sale

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## 750 Lots & Acreage

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TWO CHOICE graves in Garden of Peace. Located in circle driveway at East Lawn Cemetery office. Both for \$6000. 423-288-3333

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## 880 4-Wheel Drive

A 1998 Ford Explorer XLT, 4x4, very nice inside and out, new tires, \$3,000.00

# JUMBLE

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Yesterday's Jumbles: MANLY DOILY FORGET ROTATE  
Answer: They spent the day with their daughter's children and had a — GRAND TIME

## 890 Domestic Automobiles

A 2016 FORD ESCAPE - \$13,500 - Great Car! 2016 Ford Escape in excellent condition. 4 cylinder, automatic with Power everything. Has blue tooth and Sirius radio capability. It is very clean and gets good gas mileage. Please call 423-357-8912 or 423-914-2776 for more information or to see. Price - \$13,500.

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2001 Honda Civic LX 4 door, air, auto, excellent condition, 177,341mi. \$2995.00 or best offer 929-8306

2004 Jeep Liberty Sport Gold 4x4 auto, 4 door, V6, exc. cond. \$3700.00 or best offer 423-929-8306

A 1986 NISSAN 200 SX TURBO, 5-spd. black, good cond. asking \$1,000 OBO 423-245-0878

A 2012 KIA SPORTAGE - \$10,500 - Good Car! 2012 Kia Sportage, 4 cylinder, automatic, loaded with air, cruise, tilt, power windows, blue tooth, Sirius radio. It is a nice clean car. For more information, call us at 423-357-8912 or 423-914-2776. Price - \$10,500.

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## Legals

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY AT BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE

IN RE: ESTATE OF: WILLIAM C. TROUTMAN

Deceased  
No. 17-PR-21784

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. TROUTMAN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of November, 2017 Letters Testamentary/Administration in respect to the estate of William C. Troutman, who died November 1, 2017, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Sullivan County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 for the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting); or

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

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

This 27th day of November, 2017

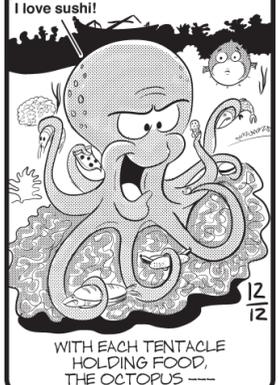
(signed) William C. Troutman, II  
(signed) Tammie S. Herring

Mark D. Harris  
Attorney for the Estate  
Katherine Priester, Clerk & Master  
P.O. Box 327  
Blountville, TN 37617  
Tel: 423-323-6483

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## THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

## 910 Trucks & Vans

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2014 KAWASAKI NINJA 650 S/E, green, 5,050 miles, Touring bags & w/screen, heated grips, many extras. Stock # 0EK871C \$4,999

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2010 HYOSUNG ST700 red, new, 1 yr warranty 0 mi Stock # CH0111B, \$4,999

2013 NEW HYOSUNG GV-250, black, 0 miles Stock # DH0825B \$2,799

2009 YAMAHA FZ1, 13,453 miles, blue, w/ screen, bags, & lots more. Super Clean. Stock # 09Y12V \$4,499

2012 YAMAHA FJR 1300, silver, super clean, 13,929 miles, Stock #0AY997T \$6,499

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2012 HARLEY DAVIDSON XL883L, 13,018 miles, black, Sporsta Low. Stock # XCH050U \$4,599

2011 HARLEY DAVIDSON Road King FLHRC. Lots of extras. A must see. Merlot-Black, 15,176 miles. Stock #0BHD42C \$11,599

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2013 TRIUMPH SPEED MASTER, 14,476 miles, blue & black, w/pipes & backrest, Stock # 0DT180C, \$4,599

2008 TRIUMPH SPRINT S/T 1050cc 40,408 miles, blue, Stock #X8T811T \$4,299

2012 TRIUMPH ROCKET ROADSTER 2300cc, 140 HP, Black, 14,476 miles. Stock # OCT695T \$7,499

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2016 KYMCO AGILITY 125, 5 miles, blue, free helmet, Stock # 0CKY69T \$999

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A 2007 HONDA VTX 1300C, red, with pipes, very clean. 16,996 miles, Stock # 07H9S1T \$7,599

1999 HONDA VF750 MAGNA 17252 miles, orange and black, Stock # OXHO77T \$1,599

2014 KAWASAKI VULCAN 900 LT, 24,623 miles, red & silver, w bags, & back rest. Stock # 0EK069T \$4,299

2003 BMW R1200 CL Custom, mojava brown metallic, touring package, 50,799 miles Stock # 03B797C \$3,299

2011 SUZUKI GSX 1250 F 13,246 miles, black, Stock # OBS815T \$5,499

## 910 Trucks & Vans



A 1999 Chevy Silverado, Red, New Rebuilt Eng. V-6, 5 speed, bed liner Excellent condition, Michelin tires. \$5,200 OBO 423-367-7009

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CLEAN 37ft. 2000 Tradewind w/ slideout. 44 k miles. 300 hp. caterpillar turbo diesel, 6 spd. alison trans. engine brake \$32,000. 423-357-5809

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## 930 Motorcycles & ATV's

Honda CRF150F Dirtbike 2008, electric start, excellent condition \$1700.00 Phone or text 423-963-6209 for info

## Legals

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT BLOUNTVILLE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 17-PR-21804

ESTATE OF HENRY GEORGE PECHACEK, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of December, 2017 Letters Testamentary/Administration in respect to the estate of Henry George Pechacek, who died November 20, 2017, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Sullivan County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 for the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting); or

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

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

This 4th day of December, 2017

(signed) Jim Martinis, Personal Representative

(signed) Myers N. Massengill Attorney for the Estate

Katherine Priester, Clerk & Master P.O. Box 327 Blountville, TN 37617 Tel: 423-323-6483

PUB 2T: 12/12/17, 12/19/17

## Legals

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated February 29, 2008, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded March 10, 2008, in Book No. 2642C, at Page 0245, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Sullivan County, Tennessee, executed by James M. Hayes and Bobbie H. Hayes, conveying certain property therein described to Arnold M. Weiss as Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Liberty Mortgage Corporation DBA Liberty Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns; and the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by Branch Banking & Trust Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by Branch Banking & Trust Company, will, on **January 3, 2018 on or about 1:30 PM, at the Sullivan County Courthouse, Blountville, Tennessee**, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR **certified funds** paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Sullivan County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

Located in the 10th Civil District of Sullivan County, State of Tennessee, south of Chadwell Road, and being more particularly described as follows **BEGINNING** at an iron pin in the northeast corner of the premises herein described, common corner for Tract 1 (property now or formerly owned by James De Vault D B 488C, Page 282) and Tract 2, in the southern margin of Chadwell Road, thence with the line of Chadwell Road, S 35 deg 09' E 42.95 feet to a point (inadvertently omitted from prior deeds), thence S 53 deg 10' E 31.38 feet to a pipe, common corner for Tract 2 and Tract 3 (property now or formerly owned by Helen Newman DB 544C, Page 119), thence with the divisional line of Tracts 2 and 3, S 43 deg 17' 00" W 349.73 feet to a planted rock, common corner for Tracts 2 and 3 and property now or formerly owned by A M Ketrone (DB 139A, Page 114), thence with the line of A M Ketrone, N 07 deg 24' 29" W 200.83 feet to an iron pin, common corner for Tracts 1 and 2, thence along the divisional line of Tracts 1 and 2, N 63 deg 07' 40" E 241.96 feet to an iron pin at the point of **BEGINNING**, 0.815 acres, more or less, and being all of Tract 2 of the Carl Cornett Property, and being shown on survey drawn by Joe A Hale, Tennessee RLS #95, Hale Surveys, 469 Flourville Road, Johnson City, TN 37615.

**ALSO KNOWN AS: 532 Chadwell Road, Kingsport, TN 37660**

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property:

JAMES M. HAYES  
BOBBIE H. HAYES

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. **W&A No. 317374**

DATED December 6, 2017

WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., Successor Trustee

## 960 Parts & Accessories

A 1995 C15 Chevy Suburban LS with 350cid, auto trans, & seats 7. Has a bad transmission, good tires, & new starter \$750 OBO 423-765-0480

Bed liner for 2500 Dodge Ram. \$75.00 Call 423-357-6196

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A 1935 Ford Cabriolet, like original, flathead V8, gray with orange wheels, hydraulic brakes, runs & drives good, & has rumble seat. \$30,000 OBO 423-202-8665

A 1964-1/2 Mustang convertible, 260cu V8, sky blue with a black power top, automatic, power steering, air conditioning, good condition. \$20,000 Call 423-202-8665

JAGUAR E-TYPE - 1961 - 1975 I would like to buy a 1970 or 1971 Mercedes 280SL, or a 1961 - 1975 Jaguar XKE, or a Porsche 911 , 912, or a 1970's or 1980's Ferrari. I am willing to buy running or not running. Any Condition. I'm a local guy living in Grainger County. If you have one or know of one please call Jason (865)621-4012

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## Legals

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY AT BLOUNTVILLE, TENNESSEE PROBATE DIVISION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 17-PR-21803

ESTATE OF LOIS EVELYN BOUTON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of November, 2017 Letters Testamentary in respect to the estate of Lois Evelyn Bouton, who died May 24, 2017, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Sullivan County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non resident, having claims, matured or un-matured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk & 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 for the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting); or

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

This 30th day of November, 2017

(signed) Andrea Jean Bouton Barrett

(signed) A.D. Jones, Jr. Attorney for the Estate

Katherine Priester, Clerk & Master P.O. Box 327 Blountville, TN 37617 Tel: 423-323-6483

PUB 2T: 12/12/17, 12/19/17

## Legals

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NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by Branch Banking & Trust Company, will, on **January 3, 2018 on or about 1:30 PM, at the Sullivan County Courthouse, Blountville, Tennessee**, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR **certified funds** paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Sullivan County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

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JAMES M. HAYES  
BOBBIE H. HAYES

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. **W&A No. 317374**

DATED December 6, 2017

WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., Successor Trustee

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## Legals

## PUBLIC NOTICE

"It is the duty of your Grand Jurors to investigate any public offense which they know or have reason to believe has been committed and which is triable or indictable in this county. Any person having knowledge or proof that such an offense has been committed may apply to testify before the grand jury subject to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-12-104. The foreman in this county is presently:

**Barbara Sanders**  
1740 Orchard Place  
Kingsport, Tennessee 37660

"The Grand Jury will next meet on the **10th day of January, 2018 at Blountville, Tennessee, at 9:00 AM.** You may be prosecuted for perjury for any oral or written statement which you make under oath to the grand jury, when you know the statement to be false, and when the statement touches on a matter material to the point in question."

Respectfully submitted,

Tommy R. Kerns  
Circuit Court Clerk  
Sullivan County, Tennessee

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## Legals

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated March 16, 2006, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded March 21, 2006, in Book No. 796, at Page 697, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Hawkins County, Tennessee, executed by Kim Hogston and Adam M. Hogston, conveying certain property therein described to Robert M. Wilson, JR as Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Lenders Network USA, Inc., its successors and assigns; and the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, for Residential Asset Securities Corporation, Home Equity Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-EMX4.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon

### PEANUTS

SHOULD I, OR SHOULDN'T I?

I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT TO DO...

ASK THE "BEAGLE BOARD"

12/12

### FRANK & ERNEST

I WAS TALKING ABOUT RUNNING YOUR CREDIT CARD THROUGH THE MACHINE WHEN I SAID "STRIP DOWN."

THURSDAY 12-12

### ZITS

YOU NEVER SAID THAT I COULDN'T GO

WELL?

HE HAS THE THINNEST OF EXCUSES.

12/12

### FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

JUST GREAT. I COULD BE SPENDING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS WITH MY FRIENDS.

BUT OH NO! THEY HAFTA DRAG ME ALL THE WAY TO WINNIPEG TO SEE DAD'S RELATIVES!!

WELL, IF THEY THINK I'M GONNA HAVE A GREAT TIME, THEY ARE WRONG. I AM GONNA HAVE A BAD TIME!

I AM GOING TO HAVE A BAD TIME - EVEN IF IT'S FUN.

12-12

### BABY BLUES

DO YOU WANT TO LOOK FOR HIDDEN CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?

I THOUGHT SANTA BROUGHT ALL OF OUR PRESENTS.

HE DOES, BUT MOM AND DAD ALSO GET US SOME.

THEY DO?

THE LIST OF PEOPLE I HAVE TO BE NICE TO JUST KEEPS GROWING!

THE HOLIDAYS ARE NO HOLIDAY.

12-12

### SNUFFY SMITH

NEITHER RAIN, NOR SNOW, NOR GLOOM OF NIGHT-- NUTHIN' STOPS TH' U.S. MAIL !!

THOUGH IT DOES GIT DELAYED A BIT BY MIZ PRUNELLY EV'RY NOW AN' THEN !!

12-12

### HAGAR

IT'S SMOKE SIGNALS FROM OUR ADVANCE SCOUTS! THEY'RE TELLING US WHERE THEY ARE!

WELL, WHERE ARE THEY?

A HOOKAH BAR!

12-12

### SHOE

HOW WAS THAT NEW ITALIAN RESTAURANT YOU'RE REVIEWING?

TOUGH!

HOW'S THAT?

TO TEST THE PASTA, THEY THREW THE COOK AGAINST THE WALL!

12/12

### NON SEQUITUR

OH, NO... DID I SAY BUFFALO?

GEEZ, I KNOW THE CORRECT TERM IS BISON! MY APOLOGIES. ANYWAY, I HAD NO IDEA YOU GUYS DRINK MARTINIS..

HOW STAMPEDES GET STARTED

12-12

### PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

THIS YEAR I DID NOT RECEIVE AN ACADEMY AWARD, PULITZER PRIZE, PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM, MACARTHUR GENIUS GRANT, OR SAINTHOOD.

WHAT DOES THAT TELL YOU?

THAT THE WORLD IS RACIST AGAINST CARTOON CHARACTERS.

TRY AGAIN.

THAT I NEED TO START BOYCOTTING THE POPE?

12/12

### HERMAN

"Don't forget, Buster. If it wasn't for me and Frankie you'd be paying a lot more income tax."

12-12

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"If you want me, Mommy, I'm out here helpin' Daddy shovel the path."

12-12

### GARFIELD

OH, PLEASE, OH, PLEASE, OH, PLEASE, OH, PLEASE...

AAAGGGHHH

EVERY TIME

12-12

### ARLO & JANIS

AGREED--WE WON'T BUY A BIG ITEM WE NEED AS OUR GIFT TO EACH OTHER.

WE'LL BUY A VARIETY OF SMALL GIFTS FOR UNDER THE TREE!

BUT YOU KNOW WE HAVE TO BUY A NEW WATER HEATER SOON ANYWAY?

EXACTAMUDDO!

12/12

### DILBERT

I NEED A LOAN TO FINANCE MY PROFESSIONAL GAMBLING.

THAT SOUNDS LIKE AN EXCELLENT IDEA. I CHARGE 40% INTEREST PER DAY, AND I'LL KILL YOU FOR MISSING A PAYMENT.

WHAT'S THE CATCH?

I'M ALSO AN IDENTITY THIEF.

12-12-17

### BLONDIE

I CAN'T FIND YOUR NEW CHRISTMAS STOCKING, DEAR.

I'LL JUST USE AN OLD ONE

NO, I DON'T THINK THAT'S GOING TO WORK, SWEETHEART

12-12

### THE BORN LOSER

DON'T LET UP ON YOUR WORK AS THE YEAR WINDS DOWN, THORNAPPLE...

REMEMBER, I THINK NOTHING OF REWARDING MY EMPLOYEES WITH A YEAR-END BONUS FOR A TOTAL EFFORT FOR TWELVE MONTHS!

YEAH, AND HE DIDN'T THINK OF IT LAST YEAR, EITHER, OR THE YEAR BEFORE THAT, OR THE...

12/12

### CRANKSHAFT

SO WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU HAD YOUR CHIMNEY CLEANED?

OH, I DON'T KNOW... MAYBE THREE... FOUR...

ABOUT FORTY YEARS AGO.

12-12

### BEETLE BAILEY

EVERYONE HAS A TALENT

NOW GO USE YOURS! THAT'S AN ORDER!

YES, SIR

GREG + MORT WALKER

GOOFING OFF AGAIN?

LT. FUZZ ORDERED ME TO DO THIS

12-12

### DENNIS THE MENACE

"YOU OUGHTA GET SOME REINDEER AND A SLEIGH."

12-12

### ZIGGY

"I'VE TRIED JOINING THE PROCRASTINATORS' SUPPORT GROUP... BUT THEY KEEP POSTPONING THE MEETINGS!"

12/12