The Tennessee River at Chattanooga was out of its banks, and TVA was spilling one million gallons of water a second at Nickajack Dam to keep the river down. Chickamauga Creek crested at almost four feet above the ten-foot flood stage and was falling slowly this morning.

Operation of the Volunteer Army Ammunition Plant during 1967 pumped $45,829,208 into the local economy and provided employment for some 2,600 area residents. Maj. James J. Slater, commanding officer of the TNT plant at Tyner, released these figures.

The Red Bank Highland Jaycees gave more than 2,500 articles of clothing to the county welfare director, Homer Nelson, for distribution to the needy. This was the fifth annual clothing drive the group

By David LaPrad

It's May 25, 1977. Word about a new space fantasy adventure called "Star Wars" has spread like wildfire overnight and lines for tickets are winding around theaters and snaking down streets. As shows sell out, people stand their ground, like they're waiting for a three-minute rollercoaster ride instead of a two-hour movie.

Inside, theater lobbies are crammed not just with salivating sci-fi geeks but regular people eager to see a film that promises sights, sounds and thrills unlike any other cinematic offering in history.

Memories were made that summer not just of heroes and villains in a galaxy far, far away but also of the blockbuster movie experience. All a theater had to do to attract a crowd was post "Star Wars" on its marquee, pop truckloads of butter-soaked popcorn and schedule enough staff to handle the hysteria. No one minded the spring-loaded seats, lack of elbow room or sticky floors; they were there to see a movie.

Fast forward to Dec. 14, 2017. The movie-going public has known about the existence of "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" for a couple of years. Tickets went on sale in October, with many early shows quickly selling out.

A modest line starts to form outside an auditorium at the Regal Hamilton Place 8 in Chattanooga about 20 minutes before "The Last Jedi" is scheduled to premiere. No one seems to be in a hurry to jockey for position because many of the patrons selected their seats when they purchased their tickets on Fandango or Movietickets.com. The only real lines in the building are forming in the lobby, where hungry moviegoers are ordering not just popcorn and soda but also appetizers, salads, pizzas, tacos, burgers and a variety of locally produced draft beers.

Customers who buy with abandon are rewarded with ample points on their Regal

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Battling streaming, HDTVs with recliners, bars, real food, more
Haslam appoints Hedrick as Circuit Court judge for Hamilton

Kyle Hedrick of Chattanooga is the new Circuit Court judge for the 11th Judicial District. He replaces Judge W. Neil Thomas III, who has retired. The 11th Judicial District serves Hamilton County.


“I’m excited and humbled to receive this honor,” Hedrick says. “I am anxious to serve the citizens of Hamilton County as judge for Division IV of the Circuit Court for the 11th Judicial District. I want to thank the members of the Trial Court Vacancy Commission, counsel to the Governor Dwight Tarwater, and especially Governor Bill Haslam, for putting their trust in me. I will give my best efforts and hard work in this position.”

Hedrick earned his law degree from the University of Tennessee in 1987 after earning a bachelor’s degree from Lipscomb University in 1984.

He was youth minister at Mountain Creek Church of Christ from 2007-2013 after serving as youth minister at Central Church of Christ from 2001-2007. Hedrick and his wife, Brenda, have three adult children: Kaitlyn, Lance and Luke.

Source: Office of the Governor

Gibbons named fellow of Construction Lawyers Society

Tim Gibbons, shareholder and chair of the construction group at Chamblis, Rahbar & Stophel, has been selected as a fellow of the Construction Lawyers Society of America. Before joining the construc-
tion, litigation and business groups at Chamblis, Gibbons practiced as a licensed architect in Atlanta.

Gibbons has more than 20 years of experience in construction, arbitra-
tion and mediation. He represents many clients in construction disputes on matters such as differing site conditions, lost efficiency, change orders, defective design, payment claims, structure collapses and job site fatalities.

Gibbons has gained substantial experience from working on multi-mil-

dion and billion-dollar projects, negotiating and drafting contracts for automobile assembly plants, chem-
ical processing facilities and sports stadiums.

Gibbons was named Chamblos Construction Lawyer of the Year for 2017 by Best Lawyers in America. He has been recognized for construc-
tion litigation by Mid-South Super Lawyers and was named a 2015 BTI Client Service All-Star in Construc-
tion by the BTI Consulting Group.

He is a member of the construc-
tion panel for the American Arbi-
tration Association and serves as

The CLSA is an invitation-only international honorary association made up of lawyers specializing in construction law and related fields. Fellowship is limited and selective, with lawyers being invited into fellowship upon a proven record of excellence and accomplishment in construction law at both the trial and appellate levels.

Lawyers may be nominated or selected in any discipline in the construction law arena, including contract specialization, negotiations, litigation, arbitration, surety and appeals. While earning her law degree at Washington and Lee University School of Law, Harris was a member of the Uvaldo Herrera National Moot Court championship team. She earned first place as an individual oralist. She is a graduate of Weber State University with a bachelor’s degree in English and psychology.

Harris interned with the Superior Court of the District of Columbia following a summer clerkship with Miller & Martin. She also volunteered at Nicaragua’s Human Rights Commission and gained legal experience as a litigation paralegal with firms in North Carolina, Utah and Nevada.

Source: Miller & Martin

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Miller & Martin adds litigator
Leitner Williams supports Angel Tree program

Leitner, Williams, Dooley & Napolitan has teamed with the local chapter of the Salvation Army to sponsor the Corporate Angel Tree Program. Staff and attorneys are sponsoring angels throughout the Chattanooga area.

“We've sponsored this program the last several years,” says attorney James Exum, a member of the firm. “It's always amazing to see how generous our attorneys and staff are this time of year.”

The Angel Tree program provides gifts to children and seniors who, due to financial hardship, may not otherwise receive a Christmas gift. The Salvation Army of Greater Chattanooga offers holiday assistance to children, seniors and families in Hamilton, Bradley and Marion counties in Tennessee and Catoosa, Dade and Walker counties in Georgia.

To adopt angels, call the Salvation Army's director of volunteer services and special events, Alissa Best, at 423-756-1023.

Faith, Reynolds selected for TBA's Leadership Law program

Gearhiser, Peters, Elliott & Cannon attorney Justin Faith and Drew Reynolds of Spears, Moore, Rehman & Williams have been selected to participate in the Tennessee Bar Association’s Leadership Law Program, a six-month leadership program for the legal community.

Faith, Reynolds and 28 other attorneys from across the state will interact with judicial, legislative, community and bar leaders to learn about leadership in the legal profession, issues in the courts, policymaking in government and the importance of community service. The class will meet for its first session in January and will graduate in conjunction with the TBA Annual Meeting and Convention in Memphis in June.

“We’re very proud of Justin and his selection to the Leadership Law program,” says Sam Elliott, member of Gearhiser Peters and former Chattanooga Bar and TBA president.

Faith received his law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law with high honors and his undergraduate degree from the University of Louisville with high honors.

Prior to joining the firm, Faith served as the judicial law clerk for the Honorable Jeffrey M. Atherton of the Hamilton County Chancery Court. Since entering private practice, Faith has been heavily involved with the Chattanooga and Tennessee Bar Associations and in related community service events.

Reynolds joined Spears Moore in 2008 after graduating from the University of Tennessee College of Law. His practice centers primarily in the areas of civil litigation and medical malpractice defense.

“His practice is focused on commercial litigation and representing clients in commercial bankruptcy and corporate reorganization,” Reynolds says.

Sources: Gearhiser, Peters, Elliott & Cannon and the TBA

Husch Blackwell promotes Lunn, adds two

Husch Blackwell's Chattanooga office has promoted Samantha Lunn to partner effective Jan. 1 and added associates Ryan Burgett and Adam Buddenbohn.

Lunn, a commercial litigator in the firm’s financial services and capital markets group, counsels national and international clients on complex financial matters, including securities litigation, corporate and fiduciary governance, insurance litigation and white-collar investigations and litigation.

She also has extensive expertise in the areas of e-discovery and data retention.

Burgett is an associate with the firm’s insolvency and commercial bankruptcy team, assisting clients in commercial bankruptcy and corporate reorganization.

His practice also includes commercial litigation and the representation of asset-based secured lenders in loan workouts, asset recovery, asset disposition and general rights protection.

Burgett earned his J.D. from the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law in 2014 and his undergraduate degree in accountancy from Pepperdine University 2002.

Buddenbohn joins the firm’s business litigation practice as an associate after serving as a summer associate in 2016.

He focuses his practice on commercial litigation matters.

Buddenbohn earned his J.D. from Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law in 2017 and his Bachelor of Arts in criminal justice from the University of Delaware in 2009.

Sources: Husch Blackwell

Photograph by David Laprad
Fall Creek Falls: Sound plan or political payback

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Now go find a job. That’s the message the state of Tennessee is sending nearly 60 employees at Fall Creek Falls State Park at this joyous holiday season.

Rather than outsource jobs and the renovation of park’s inn, a proposal vehemently opposed by state workers and numerous legislators, the Department of Environment and Conservation is opting to take a different route, one that means closing the old inn for 18 to 24 months in April 2018 and building a new one.

The caveat, however, is they’ll be releasing 31 full-time and 27 part-time employees.

Sure, they’ll be getting hefty severance packages, including a lump sum of $3,200 for full-timers, college tuition assistance for two years at any state college or technical school, a shot at unemployment and a spot on the state’s Reduction in Force list for one year. Part-timers will receive a one-time $1,000 payment, college tuition assistance and a chance for state unemployment.

“Our human resources staff will be working closely to identify other positions at TDEC, at other state agencies and other employers in the area that might be available to those impacted employees,” TDEC spokesman Eric Ward says.

No employees have been released yet, he points out, since the inn won’t be closed and torn down until next spring.

State Rep. Janie Bowling says she was promised the Fall Creek Falls employees in Van Buren County were going to be “taken care of” and offered other positions in the parks system there while the inn was undergoing work.

Bowling, a Trouhola Republican critic of the state’s previous parks outsourcing plans, points out rural and remote Van Buren County is an economically distressed area already and would be devastated by the loss of jobs, even for a small number of workers.

“These are very good jobs in Van Buren County,” she notes. During presentations on outsourcing by the Department of General Services early this year, officials promised that no state employee would lose their job as a result of privatization.

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“The administration has an obligation to that community and all state taxpayers to consider other locations for the inn which make more business sense for all affected parties, especially when there are options that don’t give the state any revenue for two to three years when clearly other alternatives are available.”

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“Nothing’s being done for the employees, except here’s a minute severance package and good luck,” Wilson adds.

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 11, 2018 at 10:00AM local time, at the west side of the State Office Building, County Register’s Office, Hamilton County, Tennessee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, the City of Chattanooga, or any other federal, state or local Governmental Entity as identified herein and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust, or any party claiming by, through or under any of the foregoing. The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1041 Boy Scout Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee, conducted by Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, at 10:00 AM local time, on the 18th day of January, 2018.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 3517 Sleepy Hollow Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37415, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

The sale is being conducted by the Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, on January 11, 2018, at the usual and customary location at the time and place for the sale set forth above, in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust.

The sale is subject to all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by virtue of any future or existing mechanics liens; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser’s title and any other matter that can be ascertained upon the inspection of the premises.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above described property:

Email: info@shapiroingle.com
Phone: (423) 764-4438
Fax: (423) 764-4420
Website: www.shapiroingle.com

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The following parties may claim an interest in the above described property: Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, 431 Market Street, Suite 204, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402, (423) 764-4438, Fax: (423) 764-4420.

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Terms of Sale: Public auction, for cash, free of any claims of right, redemption and down to the extent claimed by or assigned to, and the rights of Michael B. Ovens, and those claiming through him/her/them.

Any right of redemption, judgment, statutory or otherwise, and homestead are waived in favor of the Substituting Trustee or Substitute Trustee.
Plan of Rogers Addition to Forest Hills Subdivision

WILLSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by PennyMac Loan Services, LLC,世界银行, and the holder thereof has called upon the undersigned, as Successor Trustee, to foreclose and sell the above-referenced property 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.

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated May 27, 2011, and the Deed of Trust of even date, recorded in Book 239, Page 1472, in the Register of Deeds for Hamilton County, Tennessee, to which Plan reference is made for a full and complete description of the lien thereby created.

WHEREAS, the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by Wells Fargo Bank, NA, will, on January 8, 2018, and on about 3:00 P.M., at the Hamilton County Courthouse, Chattanooga, Tennessee, for sale certain property therein described, to-wit: Tract “D”, Book V, Page 367, as shown by plat recorded in Plat Book 47, Page 151, in the Register’s Office for Hamilton County, Tennessee, to which Plan reference is hereby made for a more complete description of the described property.

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.

The undersigned, as Successor Trustee, will have an interest in the above-referenced property.

W&A No. 322122

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated June 19, 2005, and the Deed of Trust of even date, recorded in Book 239, Page 1472, in the Register of Deeds for Hamilton County, Tennessee, to which Plan reference is made for a full and complete description of the lien thereby created.

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The undersigned, as Successor Trustee, will have an interest in the above-referenced property.

W&A No. 326498

WHEREAS, has defaulted in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust secured by a note executed by Glenn G. Geralds, II and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Tract “D”, Book V, Page 367, as shown by plat recorded in Plat Book 47, Page 151, in the Register’s Office for Hamilton County, Tennessee, to which Plan reference is made for a more complete description of the lien thereby created.

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W&A No. 326498

Notice of Trustee’s Sale

December 23, 2017

KNIGHTS & LEE, P.C.
11107 North Parkway, Suite 400
Shreveport, LA 71106

Telephone: (704) 333.8107
Fax: (704) 333.8156

File No. 12-051191

Dec. 15, 2017

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

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W&A No. 326498

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The undersigned, as Successor Trustee, will have an interest in the above-referenced property.

Notice of Trustee’s Sale

December 23, 2017

KNIGHTS & LEE, P.C.
11107 North Parkway, Suite 400
Shreveport, LA 71106

Telephone: (704) 333.8107
Fax: (704) 333.8156

File No. 12-051191

Dec. 15, 2017

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

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set forth above. The failure of any high bidder to pay the purchase price and close the sale shall, at the option of the Trustee, be cause for rejection of the bid and in the event of such rejection, the Trustee shall have the option of making the sale to the next highest bidder who is ready, willing and able to comply with the terms thereof. The proceeds derived from the sale of the property will be deposited for the benefit of the Holder of the Deed of Trust. Said Deed of Trust is made a part hereof if copied verbatim herein.

This 1st day of December, 2017.

[Signature]

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### Notice of Trustee's Sale

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the payment of the principal amount, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated August 15, 2016, and the Deed of Trust of even date executed by the same, recorded August 18, 2016, Document No. 2016081900201, in Book No. 10830, at Page 279, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Hamilton County, Tennessee, executed by James D. Meeks and Carla R Meeks, conveying certain real property therein described to Fidelity National Title Insurance Company as Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Loandepot.com, LLC, its successors and assigns; and the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by StateDepot.com.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable at the option of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and conferred upon such Successor Trustee, by StateDepot.com, will, on February 8, 2018 on or about 10:00 AM, at the Hamilton County Courthouse, Chattanooga, Tennessee, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder for cash paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustees. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in the County of Hamilton, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

**The Land Referred to Herein Below is Situated in the County of HAMMONT, State of TENNESSEE, and is Described as follows:**

- **TRACT ONE (1):** LOT SEVENTY-FIVE (75), REVISION OF LOTS 74 THROUGH 78, PINE TREE ESTATES, as shown by PL AT RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 125, in the Register's Office of Hamilton County, Tennessee. TRACT TWO (2): A SMALL TRIANGULAR STRIP OF LOT 78, REVISION OF LOTS 74 THROUGH 78, UNIT TWO (2), PINE TREE ESTATES, as shown by PL AT RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 27, PAGE 125, in the Register's Office of Hamilton County, Tennessee. AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHERNMOST CORNER OF LOT 75, IN THE NORTHEAST LINE OF LISALEY DRIVE; THEN NORTH 44 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE NORTHEAST LINE OF LOT 75, 368.9 FEET TO ITS EASTERN MOST CORNER; THEN SOUTH 38 DEGREES 32 MINUTES WEST 167.3 FEET TO THE BEGINNING.

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE & SALE
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated October 20, 2005, executed by TOMMY RAGLAND, WANDA F. RAGLAND, and D. EDWARD RAGLAND, as co-trustees, to SunTrust Mortgage, Inc., Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, in its capacity as Substitute Trustee, to foreclose and sell at public outcry in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, the property described therein.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property described is 408 Oriole Drive, Chattanooga, TN 37411,

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE & SALE
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated September 30, 2005, executed by ROBERT HARDIN, conveying certain real property therein described to WESLEY D. TUPPER , as Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, in its capacity as Substitute Trustee, to foreclose and sell at public outcry in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, the property described therein.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property described is 1851 Woodgate Road, Chattanooga, TN 37402,

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE & SALE
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 5, 2005, executed by ROBERT LUBLIN TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, in its capacity as Substitute Trustee, to foreclose and sell at public outcry in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, the property described therein.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property described is 200 Southwind Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402,

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE & SALE
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated May 8, 2005, executed by THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK as Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, in its capacity as Substitute Trustee, to foreclose and sell at public outcry in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, the property described therein.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property described is 1341 Fourth Street, Chattanooga, TN 37403,
Time to review your investment strategy

As the year draws to a close, it’s a good time to review your progress toward your financial goals. But on what areas should you focus your attention?

Of course, you may immediately think about whether your investments have done well. When evaluating the performance of their investments for a given year, many people mistakenly think their portfolios should have done just as well as a common market index, such as the Standard & Poor’s 500.

But the S&P 500 is essentially a measure of large-company, domestic stocks, and your portfolio probably doesn’t look like that — nor should it, because it’s important to own an investment mix that aligns with your goals, risk tolerance and return objectives.

It’s this return objective that you should evaluate over time — not the return of an arbitrary benchmark that isn’t personalized to your goals and risk tolerance.

Your return objective will likely evolve. If you are starting out in your career, you may need your portfolio to be oriented primarily toward growth, which means it may need to be more heavily weighted toward stocks.

But if you are retiring in a few years, you may need a more balanced allocation between stocks and bonds, which can address your needs for growth and income.

So, assuming you have created a long-term investment strategy that has a target rate of return for each year, you can review your progress accordingly. If you matched or exceeded that rate this past year, you’re staying on track, but if your return fell short of your desired target, you may need to make some changes.

Before doing so, though, you need to understand just why your return was lower than anticipated.

For example, if you owned some stocks that underperformed due to unusual circumstances — and even events such as Hurricanes Harvey and Irma can affect the stock prices of some companies — you may not need to be overly concerned, especially if the fundamentals of the stocks are still sound.

On the other hand, if you own some investments that have underperformed for several years, you may need to consider selling them and using the proceeds to explore new investment opportunities.

Investment performance isn’t the only thing you should consider when looking at your financial picture over this past year. What changed in your life? Did you welcome a new child to your family? If so, you may need to respond by making some changes.

Whether it is the performance of your portfolio or changes in your life, you will find that you always have some reasons to look back at your investment and financial strategies for one year — and to look ahead at moves you can make for the next.

Second Life TN presents human trafficking awareness event

Second Life Tennessee and the Chattanooga Coalition Against Human Trafficking will host their seventh annual human trafficking awareness event on Friday, Jan. 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at the DoubleTree Hotel, 407 Chestnut St.

The local expression of National Human Trafficking Awareness Month will be “Unite: Wear White.” Event guests are asked to wear white as a sign of solidarity about human trafficking and to support those who have been or are victims of the crime.

“Unite: Wear White was created to expand overall awareness about the issue of human trafficking,” says Jerry Redman, CEO of Second Life Tennessee. “A well-informed community is a community that’s prepared to fight human trafficking.

“Human sex trafficking is the world’s fastest growing criminal industry, and it’s our duty to do everything we can to end it to.”

This year’s speakers will include Second Life Tennessee representatives and local partners. The speakers will discuss the local, regional and statewide resources and initiatives that are in place to combat human trafficking.

“The more we know about the crime, the better we’re able to recognize it,” says Emily Aikins, director of survivor services at Second Life Tennessee. “Our goal is to work together to strengthen the agencies and organizations that work together daily to end human trafficking.

“Through awareness and collaboration, we’ll be able to reach more survivors and bring an end to this crime.”

Unite: Wear White is open to the public. There will be no charge to attend. Sponsor exhibits from various community partners will be held 9:30-10 a.m. and 11-11:30 a.m. The event program will take place 10-11 a.m.

Information: www.secondlifeTN.org; www.facebook.com/secondlifetennessee; 423 994-4857

Source: Second Life Tennessee
Crown Club cards. While the lobby of the Regal blurs the line between a movie theater and a restaurant, the concept of the living room has invaded the auditorium where films are shown. Gone is the tightly packed, saddle-sore seating that has filled theaters for decades, and in its place are rows of plush, spacious power recliners, each of which faces a small but adequately sized screen.

The Regal is not alone in offering these amenities. Rather, theaters across the country are embracing the premium experience.

So, what happened during the 40 years between "Star Wars" and "The Last Jedi?" Simple: the movie business has done what it’s always done in response to new competition, which has included high-definition television, home video rentals and video-on-demand: it’s upped its game to offer an experience that gets people off their couches and into theaters.

The Age of Netflix

When George Lucas’ space opera hit theaters in 1977, movies were locked in a decades-old battle with television for the eyeballs of America. But the entertainment landscape was less diverse and expansive than it is today.

There were fewer channels on TV, and home video rentals had not yet arrived, so if someone wanted to see a film, they either went to a theater or waited for the CBS Friday night movie.

Not so in 2017, when streaming giants like Netflix, Hulu and Amazon can beam unto your television a variety of mobile and station- ary devices. What’s more, by releasing entire seasons of popular shows like "Narcos" (Netflix), "The Landlord’s Tale" (Hulu) and "The Man in the High Castle" (Amazon), these companies have made binge watching a cultural phenomenon and caused satellite and cable TV executives more than a few headaches.

Plus, people are still renting physical media, although VOD ended the reign of Blockbuster and its ilk, upstarts like Redbox found a lucrative niche in offering cheap rentals of new DVD releases through street-level kiosks. Redbox’s 41,500 kiosks handle 39 million disc rentals a month, according to the Variety article.

So, if someone wants to see a movie, they can turn on their TV, connect their tablet or smartphone to the nearest Wi-Fi, download digital content to their computer or, if they don’t mind the inconvenience, drive around the corner to Walgreens, where a Redbox stands ready to pop out Blu-rays like soda cans from a vending machine.

The mounting popularity of streaming content has coincided with painful dips in box office revenues. In 2017, one mega-budget bomb after another landed in theaters with a thud. The carnage began in May with the release of "King Arthur: Legend of the Sword," which cost Warner Bros., $175 million to make and squeezed a mere $30 million and change out of the American public.

The costly failure of "King Arthur" was an omen of things to come. "Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets," "Baywatch," "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales," "The Mummy" and "Transformers: The Last Knight," all of which cost a pretty penny to make, also rode in woefully disappointing returns.

A handful of movies hit big, including crowd pleasers like "Wonder Woman," "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2" and "Spider-Man: Homecoming," but these were the exceptions to the new norm.

The 2017 summer box office season was the worst the industry had seen in a decade. Variety reports, with the 14.6 percent drop in revenues from May-August putting the year 6.5 percent behind 2016. Ticket sales are down, too. As of Dec. 18, 2017, moviegoers have purchased over 153 million fewer tickets this year than all of 2016, according to movie industry data website The Numbers.

All this has been a body blow to movie theaters, which are seeing fewer butts in seats and shorter lifespans for their high-dollar investments. Regal Entertainment Group, which has 7,315 screens in 561 theaters in the U.S. and abroad, announced revenues of $716 million for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 2017, down from $811.5 million for the same period in 2016.

AMC Theatres, which sports 11,046 screens in 1,006 theaters worldwide, saw a boost in revenues from close to $780 million to nearly $1.2 billion during the third quarter of 2017, but the company’s shares took a tumble when it reported a net loss of as much as $178 million between April and June, compared to a $24 million profit during the same period a year ago.

Meanwhile, the numbers tell a broader story at Netflix. During the third quarter of 2017, the king of streaming added 5.3 million subscribers (boosting the company’s subscriber base to 109.3 million) and collected $2.98 billion in revenues, according to an Oct. 16, 2017 article in the Financial Times.

At first glance, the math appears to paint a picture of a nascent industry giving a century-old business a sound thrashing. First, videos on demand brought the rental chains to their knees; now streaming services are doing the same to the movie industry.

Not so fast, says John Fithian, president of the National Association of Theatre Owners (NATO), in a Feb. 16, 2017 guest column published by The Hollywood Reporter.

In the column, Fithian says that while a weak economy and cheap home entertainment options have eroded theatrical admissions slightly, domestic revenue is still strong.

"Box office has topped $10 billion domestically for seven straight years, $11 billion for two straight years, and set records in five of the past seven," Fithian writes. "Some analysts will downplay performance by noting that this has been accomplished through increased pricing rather than admissions growth, but that suggests that theaters have done nothing but raise their prices.

"Instead, the cinema industry has reinvented itself with stadium seating, digital projection and sound, premium large-format screens, cocktail and food service in the auditorium and luxury power recliners.

"All those billions of dollars spent on improving the movie-going experience come with an average ticket price that, adjusted for inflation, is lower than it was in 1976." (The average ticket price in the U.S. is $8.95, according to NATO.)

Fithian makes a strong argument for the glowing health of the movie industry and the film exhibition business. So, how does one account for the dramatic box office failures of 2017? People said no to bad movies.

"You have to give audiences credit for being intelligent," says Chris Dorch, founder and director of the Chattanooga Film Festival. Dorch was among those who chose to see director Christopher Nolan’s visually spectacular World War II drama “Dunkirk” at the Tennessee Aquarium’s IMAX 3D theater, which not only boasts a six-story tall screen but also features 12-channel audio and a 4K laser projection system that delivers sharp, bright digital images.

"I’d already seen ‘Dunkirk’ but went back a second time because I wanted to see the amazing presentation," he explains. "Many of the people I talked with were seeing the film for the second or third time. Audiences are interested in more than spectacle, as they’ve proven by rewarding small but gratifying independent films like “Lady Bird” and “The Big Sick” with their movie-going dollars. They will turn off their TVs, silence their tablets and leave their homes to see a good film.

"I’m not worried about the future of theatrical exhibition," Dorch says. "Movies like ‘It’ or ‘The Last Jedi’ provide such a visceral experience that they warrant being with a bunch of like-minded people who are ready to have fun.”

As the film industry kicks its wounds and carries the lessons it’s learned from its successes and failures this year into 2018, the movie exhibition business is working harder than ever to do its part to make seeing a film in a theater a special experience.

There lies a bigger challenge than Netflix: Can they find a way to offer a premium experience without going under?

Dollars and sense

To entice people back to theaters, the industry rolled out several technical innovations in the 1950s, including 3D, CinemaScope and VistaVision. But box office receipts would not return to pre-television era levels until 1974, Fithian adds.

This lean period in the history of the film business hasn’t stopped the theatrical exhibition industry from striving to stay on the cutting edge in the modern era, which is defined less by what’s new and more by what’s next.

Evolution is necessary, says Ryan Noonan, AMC’s public relations director, not because the specter of Netflix makes it so but because the public is demanding a more complete and immersive entertainment experience.

"About a decade ago, AMC was looking at the movie industry and seeing how it could re-invent itself," Noonan acknowledges. "We started making some changes, and I don’t think anyone realized that it would change the landscape as much as it has.

Noonan points to AMC’s MacGuffins Bar and Lounge, a full-service bar placed in some theaters so moviegoers can enjoy a cocktail before heading into their screening. AMC also expanded its food offerings and began to install recliners in some theaters in
Erlanger to honor four at 2018 Dinner of Distinction

Dr. Michael Greer, Dr. Michael Love, Rae Young Bond and the late Tom Eld Wilson will be honored at the Erlanger Health System Foundation’s annual Dinner of Distinction on Friday, Jan. 19. This is the 15th year for Erlanger’s annual recognition event, which will be held at the Chattanooga Hotel from 6-9 p.m.

Greer and Love were selected for their commitment to fostering quality medical services locally as well as demonstrating unquestionable character and human compassion, says Julie Taylor, president and chief development officer of Erlanger Health.

Erlanger Health will honor Bond and Wilson with Gordon Street Distinguished Leadership awards. Erlanger gives these awards annually to community leaders who have championed the advancement of healthcare in the Greater Chattanooga region.

Greer is a board-certified vascular surgeon with University Surgical Associates. He has served in numerous leadership roles at Erlanger, including 20 years on the health system’s credentialing committee. Greer has also served as secretary of the medical staff and was a founding member of Assured Care. An associate professor of surgery at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College, he has served as surgical clerkship director of medical students for the past 15 years. Greer has also served for six years on the Alumni Council of UTHSC and 15 years as president of University Surgical Associates.

Love is a board-certified cardiovascular disease specialist with UT Erlanger Cardiology. He has served on Erlanger’s cardiology, pharmacy and therapeutics committees and currently serves on the health system’s transportation advisory committee.

Love is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology and a member of the American College of Physicians and the American Heart Association. In 1981, he served as president of the Chattanooga chapter of the American Heart Association. He is also an assistant professor of internal medicine at UTHSC.

In addition to serving as CEO of the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Medical Society, Bond heads the Medical Foundation of Chattanooga as well as Project Access, a community health partnership that coordinates charity care for low-income, uninsured residents of Hamilton County.

Bond also assisted the Tennessee Department of Health in the development of the 2010 and 2014 Tennessee State Health Plans.

Wilson died suddenly on June 10, 2017, less than a week after leading ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Children’s Hospital Outpatient Center at Erlanger. His career and civic involvement enabled him to lend his expertise and support to many major initiatives around the state.

Most recently, Wilson served as co-chair of the Erlanger Children’s Hospital Capital Campaign. He was a member of Erlanger’s Hospital board of trustees, SunTrust Bank’s board of directors, the Economic Development Council, the Mayor’s Task Force on Renewal Communities, the Enterprise South Development board, the Local Workforce Investment board, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Chancellor’s Roundtable, the Rail Authority board, the College of Engineering Computer Sciences industrial board and THRIVE.

Erlanger’s 15th annual Dinner of Distinction will include a reception, dinner and a program featuring the honorees.

Tickets are $125 per person or $1,500 for a table of eight. Seating is limited. The deadline to purchase tickets is Jan. 12.

Information, tickets: Rebecca Styles with Erlanger Health at (423) 778-4803, Rebecca. Styles@erlanger.org

Source: Erlanger Health
Real Estate

Nu Vision takes new look at real estate sales

Fewer office-related fees means ‘Your split is yours to keep,’ Woodburn says

By David Laprad

In a real estate market defined by the word “more” (more business, more agents, more optimism), Nu Vision Realty owner Katherine Woodburn says Realtors are ready for less.

So, she’s giving it to them.

At Woodburn’s newly launched company, which opened its Lee Highway location in November, Realtors won’t pay any fees. No desk fees, no transaction fees, no office fees – nothing. “Your split is yours to keep,” she says.

Woodburn launched Nu Vision out of a desire to step out from under the umbrella of a franchise and start her own concern. She was previously part-owner of the now-shuttered Exit Realty franchise in Chattanooga.

While Woodburn has good things to say about the company, the dos and don’ts that come with doing business with a franchise were too restrictive for her.

“Franchises put you in a box. You have to do things their way,” she adds. “I want us to determine our own destiny.”

Woodburn also wants her agents to earn more money. Hence, the

Old St. Nick delivered a sack full of good news for the Greater Chattanooga housing community with the November market report.

Closed sales for the month increased by 5.7 percent compared to November of last year, which leaves the market with a 1.4 percent increase year to date. Keep in mind that sales in 2016 were record highs in this market, so the 9,274 sales this year is a strong number.

Strong price increases were the second gift in this report. The median price of a home increased 13.3 percent, and the average price sold increased by 10.5 percent. These increases pushed the year-to-date median price to $175,000, a 9.4 percent increase. The average price for the year stands at $210,698, an 8.6 percent increase compared to the first 11 months of 2016. This is all good news for home owners as it underscores the strength of the local real estate market.

The third gift in this month’s report comes in the form of shorter days on the market. It took the average home 58 days to go from listing to contract in November. For the year, the market is standing at 39 days, a decrease of 10.6 percent from last year’s 66 days on the market. Although it might be on many
Sandhill Crane cruises cap Explorer’s nine-year run

With their 5-foot wingspan, red crowned and sheer numbers, the winter migration of sandhill cranes to southern roosts is a sight to behold. 

But for birding enthusiasts, the arrival of these waterfowl to the Tennessee Valley at the Hiwassee Wildlife Refuge is as much an aural spectacle as a visual one. 

“When a couple thousand sandhill cranes are taking off, you get the proverbial whoosh,” says John Dever, a naturalist aboard the Tennessee Aquarium’s high-speed catamaran, the River Gorge Explorer. 

“With the length of the cranes’ trachea, it’s like a vacuum hose, so you can hear their call for miles,” he adds. “They’re very cacophonous.”

Passengers aboard the River Gorge Explorer have a unique perspective of these birds during special sandhill crane tours. These two-hour trips, which include a circumnavigation of Hiwassee Island, offer passengers views of the cranes and other birds that find refuge there, from spike-crested kingfishers and enormous white pelicans to rafts of ducks and bald eagles.

This year’s cruises depart from Sale Creek Marina (3900 Lee Pike, Soddy-Daisy) at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dec. 29-31, Jan. 5-7 and Jan. 12-15. 

This year’s Sandhill Crane cruises mark the last chance for guests to board the River Gorge Explorer. The vessel will end operations after a nine-year run with the last cruise on Jan. 15.

The cruises coincide with the annual Tennessee Sandhill Crane Festival, which will take place Jan. 13-14 at the refuge and nearby Birchwood Community Center in Birchwood. The festival, which is hosted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency features live music, food and animal demonstrations. But the real appeal to many of the 2,000 to 3,000 guests who arrive from all over the country and abroad is the wildlife spectacle, which is in full view from the covered sanctuary of the refuge’s observation platform. 

Based on early arrivals at the start of December, this year’s migration should more than satisfy the birding crowd, says Mimi Barnes, TWRRA’s wildlife information specialist.

“We’re seeing good numbers. The technician at the refuge said they had up to 6,000 birds this week,” Barnes says. “As someone who enjoys wildlife and bird watching, that area has a lot to offer.”

Standing on the deck of the River Gorge Explorer just off shore offers an even more unobstructed way to appreciate the arrival of the largest flock of sandhill cranes in the southeast outside of Florida, Barnes adds. “I hope folks come out and experience it from land and water,” she says.

Cruise registration is $35 for Aquarium members and $45 for non-members. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Registration, information: www.tnaqua.org/sandhill-cranes. 

Source: Tennessee Aquarium

NU VISION
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no fees policy. But “no fees” doesn’t translate to “no support” for Realtors. On the contrary, Nu Vision already has all the bells and whistles agents need, Woodburn says, including yard signs, lockboxes, work stations with online access, a conference room for meetings with clients and a lead-generation system.

Woodburn also promises to have “top of the line training that will teach agents to sustain themselves.

Agents also have access to Nu Vision’s broker, Rod Cook, a 12-year veteran of the local real estate industry who’s worked with two of the biggest names in the region – Aaron and Sheila Shipley, owners of ERA Blue Key Properties.

Cook is taking a “down the hall” approach to supporting his brokers. This means being available to give everyone one-on-one attention.

“I can sit down with each agent and develop a program that works for them and helps them to succeed,” he points out. “Instead of putting our agents through a boilerplate training program, we identify the skills they have and the best way they can use them to get their name out there.”

While Woodburn says the good health of the real estate market makes this a great time to launch Nu Vision, she would have had no qualms about starting the brokerage under less favorable conditions. She did it once before when she and her husband opened their own mortgage lending company in 2008 – after the real estate bubble burst.

“We launched our company in the middle of the crash,” Woodburn recounts. “People said we were crazy. But we were tired of working for others – and it was a big success.”

Woodburn has since relinquished her mortgage loan officer license and earned her real estate license. Her mission is to turn Nu Vision into a place where agents can “thrive and brand themselves as opposed to being branded by a large company.”

While Woodburn might have an aversion to franchises and large companies, she’ll be competing against those very entities for a piece of the real estate pie in Chattanooga. But that thought doesn’t faze her.

It doesn’t concern Cook, either. Rather, he says he believes the trend to buy local will find its way to Nu Vision. “There’s a big trend toward wanting to work with local companies and people,” he adds. “You see it with restaurants, stores and more. People like to support the businesses they’re associated with in their community.

Cook also brushes aside the suggestion that brand recognition is of paramount importance in real estate. Buyers and sellers don’t work with a new inventory, the number of homes available for sale slipped to 2,814 in November, which represents a 25.3 percent decrease from the same month last year. This inventory position combined with current sales trends produced a 3.4 months’ supply of inventory, which is a 27.7 percent decrease from November 2016.

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Exit Realty closed and a portion of the agents moved with Woodburn. The company currently has eight real estate professionals serving residential and commercial clients in Ten-nessee and Georgia and an in-house lender. While this is small compared to many local brokerages, Woodburn is more focused on defining the heart of Nu Vision rather than its size.

“I don’t want to put a number on Nu Vision,” she says. “I’d rather maintain a small office feel and make sure we become a family.”

To help nurture a friendly atmosphere, Woodburn and Cook recently held an office Christmas party at which they presented gifts. Cook says he poured a lot of thought into the presents and wound up making two of his agents cry.

“One lady has had a really tough year, personally and professionally, and needed to relax, so I bought her a massage at Massage Heights, where she can have peace and serenity for an hour,” Cook adds, laughing.

“I also gave a sign with the word ‘Faith’ on it to someone who doesn’t always believe in herself. I wanted her to know we have faith in her.”

Cook then pauses to wonder if the second lady might have preferred an hour at Massage Heights, too. Sometimes, those who agree to take less

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Realtors’ wish list this holiday season, Santa did not deliver tons of new homes and condos for them to sell. In fact, just the opposite occurred. 

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no fees policy. But “no fees” doesn’t translate to “no support” for Realtors. On the contrary, Nu Vision already has all the bells and whistles agents need, Woodburn says, including yard signs, lockboxes, work stations with online access, a conference room for meetings with clients and a lead-gen-

eration system.

Cook is taking a “down the hall” approach to supporting his brokers. This means being available to give everyone one-on-one attention.

“I can sit down with each agent and develop a program that works for them and helps them to succeed,” he points out. “Instead of putting our agents through a boilerplate training program, we identify the skills they have and the best way they can use them to get their name out there.”

While Woodburn says the good health of the real estate market makes this a great time to launch Nu Vision, she would have had no qualms about starting the brokerage under less favorable conditions. She did it once before when she and her husband opened their own mortgage lending company in 2008 – after the real estate bubble burst.

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Woodburn has since relinquished her mortgage loan officer license and earned her real estate license. Her mission is to turn Nu Vision into a place where agents can “thrive and brand themselves as opposed to being branded by a large company.”

While Woodburn might have an aversion to franchises and large companies, she’ll be competing against those very entities for a piece of the real estate pie in Chattanooga. But that thought doesn’t faze her.

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Dream up a more functional, appealing garage

When you think about the spaces in your home where you most enjoy spending your time, the garage is probably not at the top of the list. Here are some ways to make it more functional — and dare we say — attractive space.

Storage everywhere
There are several types of sturdier, free-standing shelving units and hanging fixtures available. But pay close attention to the weight limit for each shelf and measure your space carefully to make an informed decision before you buy. When you possibly can, fix the shelves to the studs within the walls so that they don’t tip and cause injury.

Then, look up. Do you have space above where you or a professional can install shelving overhead? That might be a great place for larger items, especially if those items are used infrequently.

Work space
Consider installing cabinetry and countertops that you’d normally see in a kitchen or craft room. You’ll want to ensure the durability and features meet the demands of your tools or hobby projects. Also, bear in mind that the moisture and temperature conditions of your garage likely differ from those of your kitchen or other rooms inside the home. Those variables could have an impact on the types of materials best suited to meet your needs.

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Garage untouched. Consult with a remodeler or builder in your area to finish your walls, allowing you to then paint your garage walls an appealing color to brighten it up.

As for the floor, one of the most bang-for-buck upgrades is properly sealing and finishing the floor. When doing so, you can choose from a variety of colors instead of a bland grey. You also can install a durable, non-slip material to portions of the floor that’s both appealing to the eye and safer and softer to walk on. These often come in the form of interlocking squares for easy installation.

Start by going online or to a home improvement store to find out what new products might be a great fit for your garage and your lifestyle.

Or think bigger and reach out to a professional remodeler or home builder at HBAGC at www.hbagc.net or 423 624-9992. Maybe you’ll find the garage becomes your new favorite space in your home.

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VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK, Hamilton County, State of Tennessee, to wit: Lot Eighty-One (81) Heritage Hills, Unit Three (3) as shown by plat recorded in Plat Book 58, Page 157, Register’s Office of Hamilton County, Tennessee.

ALSO KNOWN AS: 6988 Stonewall Road, Harrison, TN 37344.

The sale is to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, restrictions, and/or set back 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 prior 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:

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MAURICE WOODROUFF
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 25, 2018, at 10:00AM local time, at the west entrance to the Hamilton County Courthouse, Chatta- nooga, Tennessee, pursuant to Deed recorded in Book 1415, Page 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400

If you purchase a property described above, you assume full responsibility for the payment of applicable taxes and other encumbrances as well as any prior liens or other matters that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any prior lienholder, the legal description herein shall control.

The substitute trustee herein appointed by the lender is not responsible for the correctness of the data or the condition of the premises and no warranty is made by the substitute trustee nor by the lender as to the correctness of the data or condition of the premises.

The Substitute Trustee, or his agents, shall have the right to enter upon the property prior to the sale and to evict and remove any person occupying or otherwise disturbing said property, and all persons in possession of said property shall be and are hereby made and notified to desist from disturbing said property, and are hereby notified that the Substitute Trustee, or his agents, will enter upon said property and proceed with the sale of the same, and that they must remove and vacate said property and such sale shall be at their risk, peril, and hazard.

The Substitute Trustee hereby reserves the right to adjourn 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. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, and dower and dowry are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, to the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties, and all persons claiming through or under the prior lienholder or any other person, or persons claiming under or by virtue of the properties herein described, or anyone taking title from such person or persons shall purchase at their own risk and at their own peril.

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For more information, visit www.HamiltonCountyHerald.com Today!
This property is being sold with the express reservation and understanding that the sale of this property may be subject to the payment of a commissions to or the order of the person or persons named 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 person claiming through them. This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unrecorded easements, sovereights, or restrictions; by setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental entity; restrictions, covenants, easements, or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners’ associations’ restrictions, covenants, and easements, or other matters, whether of record or not, which may affect the title. The undersigned shall not be responsible for any discrepancy, the legal description herein set forth.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain, and if said sale shall be adjourned at the time and place for the sale set forth above, the purchaser shall have no right or claim to said property at any time, and the right to sell said property shall be reserved until the time and place for the sale set forth above. W.B. No. 159508, said Register’s Office, as it may pertain to the said deed of trust. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the deed of trust, except as provided by law. Subject to a 10 foot pedestrian walkway in the centerline of a 50 foot roadway reserved across said property and for vehicular ingress and egress and for the beneﬁt of said 50 foot roadway and all easements, rights of way and interests appurtenant thereto.

Termination of Foreclosure Sale

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The sale is to be conducted by the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., its successors and assigns, and the undersigned, Shapiro & Ingle, LLP, its successors and assigns, at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the sale. Bids must be made payable at or to the order of the person or persons named 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 person claiming through them. This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unrecorded easements, sovereights, or restrictions; by setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental entity; restrictions, covenants, easements, or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The address of the street described above is property is believed to be 5159 East Ave, Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee. The address is not part of the legal description of the property and may not accurately depict the location. The undersigned has made no inquiry as to whether there are any discrepancies, the legal description herein set forth.

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Ditech Financial LLC, in the circuit court of the State of Tennessee, being in Hamilton County, Tennessee, within thirty (30) days after the fourth weekly publication of this order, the same will be taken as admitted by DENNIS JAMES THOMAS HARRIS and the case will be set for hearing ex parte or without DAVONIA LACHELLE HENRY presence. This 21st day of November 2017.

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4829 W. Brown St.
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Docket No. 17A151

This 29th day of November 2017.

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Dec. 15, 22, 29, 2017 Mmr18695

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Star Wars: The Last Jedi
Rated PG-13 for sci-fi, action and violence

By Linda Thistle

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uate of Bright School, Baylor School for Boys and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was a first lieutenant in the Air Force during World War II, a board member of Mizpah Temple Religious School and served on the MIT educational council.

Thursday, Dec. 28

The Chattanooga New-Free Press Christmas Fund and the Forgotten Child Fund had a grand total of $5,884.59 at the final statement made on Wednesday. Several last-minute gifts were received after the holiday, and a spokesman said all money left in the fund will go to the Team Evaluation Center to distribute to children in need of emergency medication.

W. E. (Bill) Eckenrod Jr., manager of Lovell Field since 1946, has resigned his post effective Feb. 2, it was announced at City Hall Wednesday. Herbert Banks, currently coordinator of the city codes department, has been named to succeed Eckenrod at the municipal airport.

The board of directors of the Greater Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce elected by acclamation a slate of four new officers for 1968. John C. Stophel, attorney, was named president; G. Blackwell Smith Jr., of Miller Bros., first vice president; Harry R. White, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, second vice president; and Sam M. Miles, Jr., vice president of mortgage loans at Provident Life and Accident Insurance Co., treasurer. Egin Smith, president of Elgin Smith Agency, Real Estate, was named director-at-large to serve for three years. Stophel succeeds T. O. Duff Jr., as Chamber president.

Friday, Dec. 29

Raymond Spencer Matthews will become vice president of Navarre Corporation, effective Jan. 1, it was announced Thursday. Matthews will retire as executive vice president and secretary of Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Dec. 31 to take his new position.

The Chattanooga Jaycees have initiated a new project – Festival Chattanooga – aimed at promoting the city and its restaurant and entertainment facilities. Jaycees will sell certificate books entitling purchasers to special rates at the facilities promoted.

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but since I can’t provide examples without spoiling the movie, you’ll have to trust me: “The Last Jedi” disposes of characters it should have developed further, swings from superbly written dialogue and delivery to the most awkwardly penned and acted moments since the prequels, and has characters do things that actually create plot holes in the other movies. That’s a shame because, like I said, “The Last Jedi” has its heart in the right place. Johnson develops the theme of letting go of the past and moving forward throughout the film. It’s a magnificently colored thread, and he weaves it through every character’s lips, every nostalgic throwback to the old films and every envelop he pushes. Even if “The Last Jedi” was not perfectly executed, it had a purpose.

But where does that purpose leave the series? At the risk of saying too much, nowhere. Elements that should be in place at the end of the middle chapter of a trilogy – and that were brilliantly executed in “The Empire Strikes Back” – are nowhere to be seen. Instead, Johnson has handed J. J. Abrams, the director of the next film, the same thing Disney gave him: the ability to do whatever.

It’s been a thrill to see “Star Wars” on the big screen again. And the new films have been exceedingly well made technically. But the lack of a cohesive and driven narrative has me missing George Lucas, the creator of the series.

For all the wooden qualities of the prequels, the back story was very well conceived. Characters existed for a reason and the storyline went somewhere. After seeing “The Last Jedi,” I no longer feel that’s the case with the current trilogy, which simply seems lost in space.
Amid the tumult, a Vol legacy finally gets his call

Jacob Warren got one of the best phone calls of his life a couple of weeks ago.

The senior tight end at Farragut High School was relieved to hear what new Tennessee football coach Jeremy Pruitt told him.

“I talked to him the other day and he was just saying he’s excited to go, and they weren’t honoring my commitment, which was amazing to hear,” Warren said last week at the Farragut fieldhouse.

“That’s kind of one thing I’ve been worried about, was when they do get a new coaching staff, whether I would still be in the picture, and luckily when I talked to him, he reassured me that they still wanted me, and I’d still make a difference on the team.”

Warren, who signed with Tennessee on Wednesday, wasn’t alone in his concerns. Recruits across the nation shared the same worries.

With all the coaching changes at Power 5 programs, new coaching staffs were cutting ties with recruits from previous staffs and bringing in their own recruits.

Pruitt and his new staff made a couple of those tough calls in the days before the first-ever signing period for football, which started Wednesday and ended Friday.

Warren’s father, James, an offensive lineman for Tennessee in 1989-93, had concerns about Jacob’s future at his alma mater during the weeks after Butch Jones’ Nov. 12 firing and the month-long search for the replacement.

“It was up in the air for everybody,” James Warren says. “This was our first time going through this, of course, and you always hear a new staff coming in, the coach is going to want to bring in his guys, and I’m like, ‘Jacob’s going to be signing in about three weeks, are they going to go him?’

“It was just a rollercoaster of emotions because you never know if you can see what’s been going on. We’re just really happy to be in the Vol family, for sure.”

Tennessee’s coaches opted not to honor commitments from several players, including quarterback Michael Penix of Tampa Bay Tech High School and cornerbacks Brandon Crawford of Shawnee, Kansas, and Tanner Ingle of Orlando, primarily because they didn’t fit Pruitt’s system and recruiting profile.

One of them, Mays, de-committed from Tennessee due to the coaching change and the lingering uncertainty in the program, among them five-star offensive lineman Cade Mays of Knoxville Catholic High School, who de-committed Dec. 7, and four-star quarterback Adrian Martinez of Clovis West/Hesperia, California, who de-committed Dec. 13 and committed to Nebraska.

Warren signed with the Vols at Farragut High School, joining Gibbs High offensive lineman Olele Line who had signed two hours earlier.

Mays narrowed his choices to Clemson, Georgia and Ole Miss State, but got a visit from Pruitt and new athletic director Phillip Fulmer last week at Catholic and planned to sign Wednesday afternoon.

Warren never wavered on his May 24 commitment to Tennessee, hoping to play for his dream school. His brother, Joshua, is a freshman at UT, but a student-only.

“It’s a fresh start, a new era, to say the least, and I’m excited to be a part of it,” Warren acknowledges. “I don’t really know what’s it’s like yet just because it’s new, but I’m very excited and looking forward to just contributing to the new culture there and everything that’s going on there.”

Warren will find out what it’s like in a hurry. He graduates from Farragut this month and will be a January enrollee with the Vols.

The 6-foot-6, 215-pound Warren will immediately join Tennessee’s winter training program before spring practices.

“That’s the upside of (War- ren) right now is with the frame he’s got, when he gets in college and gets on a training table and gets in the weight room, he can put that weight on,” Farragut coach Eddie Courtney explains.

“He has great hands, runs great routes. He realizes the thing he’s got to work on is his blocking because he wants to play tight end. From that standpoint, his upside is his poten- tial, straight ahead of him.”

Warren was a multi-sport athlete as a youth, playing football, baseball, basketball and baseball. He grew up going to Tennessee football games. By his middle school days, Warren played only football and basketball, and he stopped playing basketball after his freshman year at Farragut.

“I had somebody ask me about 20 minutes ago why I didn’t play basketball,” Warren recalls. “I said it’s just not my thing, and I’d rather have time to develop toward football because it was something I began to realize I could make something out of.”

Courtney saw the potential when a long-and-lanky War- ren showed up for football as a freshman at Farragut.

By his junior year, Warren was a big-time playmaker, thanks in large part to then-se- nior quarterback Adam Fulton, as the Admirals raced to a 14-0 record and Class 5A state championship, the first in program history.

He finished with 39 catches for 479 yards and nine touchdowns.

Warren was offered by Ten- nessee in December during a call from Larry Scott, an assistant under Jones from 2016-17. He’s the first Farragut player to sign a scholarship as a freshman at Tennessee in more than 20 years.

“I can’t tell you how excited I was when I was offered,” Warren recalls. “I was in the middle of an anatomy and physiology class. I told my teacher, ‘I’m sorry, but I have to take this call. I’ve got to miss class, I’m sorry.’

“So, I stepped outside. It was cold, winter time. I was out there in a T-shirt talking to Coach Scott. He was like, ‘How did I not know you were in my back yard? How have I not offered you yet?’

“I told him I didn’t know, I’ve been here all along. I was just excited to hear him say everything and kind of make this whole dream become a reality.”

It didn’t stop Warren from enjoying the recruiting process. He took visits to Oregon, South Carolina, Duke, Wake Forest, Auburn, Vanderbilt and others.

James Warren and his wife, Heather, didn’t try to sway Jacob’s decision.

“We’ve got to let him live it, no matter what we think. We just kind of gave him our input and let him make his mind up, and it’s been made up for a long time on Tennessee.”

Jacob realized the West Coast might be an option during a visit to Oregon last spring. After a couple of lay- overs at airports, Jacob and his family took a flight to Portland, Oregon, but missed the con- necting flight to Eugene where the Oregon campus is located. They spent the night in the airport, caught an early-morn- ing flight to Eugene, and drove straight to campus.

“That just kind of made me realize what I have here,” Jacob says. “It might cost me $5 in gas to get down the street to go to school, whereas when you’re going across the country, it takes me a whole day or so to get back.”

“Say if anything happens to me or my family, I’ll be able to see them really fast here. It’s just a convenience thing, and it definitely wasn’t convenient going across the country. I en- joyed the Oregon visit, but (the travel) did kind of take away a little bit of it.”

After committing to the Vols last summer, Warren focused on his senior season and the academics needed to graduate in December. Although Warren had another big season with 39 catches for 659 yards and eight touchdowns – Farragut wasn’t able to repeat as state cham- pions, this time losing eventual Class 6A champion Maryville in a second-round playoff game.

Courtney saw Warren take on a new role in 2017.

“I know what kind of charac- ter guy he is,” Courtney notes. “I know he’ll do everything to be coached. He’s very coach- able, ‘Yes sir, no sir.’ This past year, seriously, he got that re- cruiting stuff behind him, and then he was really a great team leader for our football team.”

The Warren household was elated when Fulmer was hired as Tennessee’s athletic director Dec. 1, hours after John Currie was placed on paid leave by the university.

Fulmer was James Warren’s position coach from 1989 to 1992, and his head coach during the 1993 season when Fulmer replaced Johnny Ma- jors.

“I knew then some stuff would get done,” James Warren said of Fulmer’s hiring as AD. “I knew (Fulmer) would find the right guy (in a head coach), and hopefully, it wouldn’t take too long.”

“Through this whole pro- cess, especially over the weeks during the coaching search, me and Jacob’s mother have been talking to him, asking him if he wanted to maybe reopen his commitment or have a backup school you maybe want to go to.

“He was UT, 100 percent. I’m super excited about Coach Fulmer taking over as AD. He’s going to get us in the right direction, for sure.”

Vol Nation is counting on Pruitt to get the football program headed in the right direction.

The Warren family is on board, and Jacob can’t wait to be part of a new era of Tennessee football.

“(Pruitt) hasn’t been a head

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**MOVIES**

relations directors and industry experts have their place, the
only opinions that truly matter are those held by the people who
hold the life and death of the film industry and theatrical
exhibition business in their hands – or, rather, their wallets, purses and Apple Pay accounts: the customers.

As part of the movie-going public, Chattanoogans Rickie and Shellina Blevins speak not from lofty executive offices but from where the rubber meets the road – the place where regular people decide how and where to spend their money and free time. And the powers-that-be need to hear what they have to say.

Rickie, 44, and Shellina, 39, have plenty to say. But most of the time, they let their costumes do the talking.

The couple is part of an organization called Chattooine, which gleaned its name from the words “Chattanooga” and “Tattooine,” the planet that served as Luke Skywalker’s childhood home.

Chattooine is an organization of genre buffs who dress up as characters from “Star Wars” and other genre properties and then appear at attractions like Lookouts games and the Chattanooga Zoo to bring attention to charitable causes such as Siskin Children’s Institute and Ronald McDonald House.

Rickie enjoys suit up as “Star Wars” villain Darth Vader when he’s not working in the advertising department at Siskin and Shellina, who has been known to appear as (spoiler alert!) Vader’s daughter, Princess Leia Organa, when she’s off duty as a dispatcher at US Xpress.

Rickie and Shellina and their friends at Chattooine also see a lot of movies, with the AMC 18 and Regal being their most frequent haunts. This has made them experts on the amenities both theater chains claim are wooing people to theaters and movie studios.

Rickie and Shellina are Doyle people wanting to see the movie app, which not only allows them to purchase tickets and choose their seats but also enables them to add friends and vote on movie times. “That’s great for us because we sometimes have close to a hundred people wanting to see the same movie together,” Shellina explains.

As members of a large fan group, Rickie and Shellina are enamored with the Atom movie app, which not only allows them to purchase tickets and choose their seats but also enables them to add friends and vote on movie times.

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Rickie appreciates being able to see which seats are available as well because there are areas he wants to avoid. “When the front row is the only thing open at the Regal, you know you need to pick another time,” he says, smiling below his Deadpool baseball cap. “Or when you want to see a movie with a group of friends, you can choose another showing if there aren’t enough empty seats in a row.”

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Although there’s a surcharge for using Atom and other similar apps, the couple shrugs it off as inconsequential, especially considering the conveniences the services provide.

Besides, they say, the fees have dropped as advance ticket-buying has become more widespread. Rickie and Shellina also give four thumbs up to the luxury seating at the Regal, with Shellina saying the comfort is exceptional. “I’m fidgety. When I watch a movie at home, I’m all over the place. It’s even worse when I’m in a theater,” she says. “The recliners help.”

Rickie and Shellina’s friend, Mike Taylor, however, has a different idea of what constitutes a premium movie-going experience. “I go to drive-ins,” the 41-year-old truck driver says. “My assigned seat is the front seat of my car, and the sound system is just the way I like it. It’s comfortable and I don’t feel crowded.”

The one time Taylor joined his Chattooine pals at the Regal, he fell asleep. “I passed out five minutes into the movie and then slept through the whole thing,” he admits, laughing. “Those seats are so dang comfortable.”

The future

As a believer in the power of movies to touch people in unique ways, Dortch says he’s confident in the future of film exhibition.

And he’s a proponent of MoviePass, a subscription-based ticketing service that allows subscribers to purchase one movie ticket per day for a flat monthly fee.

“I make myself watch every-thing, so my MoviePass has ab-solved me of all the guilt I felt when I would spend money to see a Mada Halloween movie,” he says. “I pay $10 a month and I wear it out. I like the model because it’s making movie-going attractive again.”

AMC is less excited about MoviePass, dismissing it as “a small fringe player” and that its model “is not in the best interest of moviegoers, movie theaters and movie studios.”

The end

The history of the movie business suggests the film industry won’t be disappearing any time soon.

Despite the challenges it faces, it embodies the sentiment Dr. Ian Malcolm expressed in “Jurassic Park” when he said, “Life will find a way.”

If the studios respect the filmmakers who make their product and the audiences that consume it, if theaters are willing to offer an appealing experience, the movies will find a way. Dortch hopes so, anyway, not because films are a $10 billion business but because they’re important to the fabric of this country.

“I remember being in a packed lobby before seeing ‘Jura-sian Park’ and it being a huge deal. Those experiences log themselves in our memories and are as important as seeing the Grand Canyon,” he says.

“I’m not disparaging the Grand Canyon, but I believe films are a valid part of our culture. If film exhibitors remember that, then audiences will hopefully follow.”

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