

# The Daily Edition

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Thursday, December 10, 2015

## Local charged with theft from Sprint



Brandon McKinley  
(see theft pg. 3)

## Vomit covered driver charged with DUI after being on wrong side of interstate



Shanda Coffey (see DUI pg. 2)

## Celebrate Dolly Parton's birthday with a Tribute Show on January 19 Proceeds benefit the Imagination Library of Knox County

Dolly Parton is turning 70 years young, and we're throwing a birthday party in her honor on January 19 at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited to celebrate East Tennessee's favorite daughter with a Tribute Show on the U.S. Cellular Stage at the Bijou Theatre, where she got her start more than 50 years ago. Tickets are \$25 and are

on sale now at [knoxbijou.com](http://knoxbijou.com), the Tennessee Theatre Box Office or by calling (865) 684-1200. Proceeds from the event will benefit Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Knox County.

The evening features Mark Lamb with his award-winning story, *A Boy and His Dolly*, and Knoxville musicians

(see library pg. 5)

## DUI driver charged with small sack following jail search

Michael Giles, 24, Carmel Lane Loudon, was charged with DUI, Violation of Implied Consent, and Contraband in a Penal Institution. Officer Bruce Padgett LCPD, responded to Kelly Lane on a physical fight call. Upon Officer arrival he made contact with a black vehicle attempting to leave the scene. Officer activated his emergency equipment,

(see charged pg. 7)



Michael Giles

## Update: Larry "Little Man" Davis receives several charges



Larry Davis

(see Davis pg. 4)

### Verse of the Day

Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for the gracious and compassionate and righteous man. — Psalm 112:4

### Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**  
A GREAT Big Happy Birthday to my baby brother Mark Bell, sure do hope you have a great one for sure. See ya soon!

### Weather

Today: Areas of patchy fog early. Overcast. High 62F.  
Tonight Partly cloudy. Low 46F.  
Friday Cloudy. High 68F.  
Friday Night Partly

cloudy during the evening followed by cloudy skies overnight. Low 56F.

### Horoscopes

*Sagittarius 11/22-12/21*  
Your feelings may be hurt today as unkind words are thrown at you by someone

(Continued on page 6)



**DUI**

Shanda Coffey, 41, Channing Lane Knoxville, was charged with DUI, and Violation of Implied Consent.

According to the report, Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, was advised of a vehicle traveling the wrong way on the interstate.

The complainant stated the

SUV was traveling Southbound in the Northbound lane near the 84mm. Deputy made contact with the vehicle traveling Southbound in the Northbound lane at mm 77, and traffic stopped the vehicle and made contact with the driver Shanda Coffey, who had bloodshot watery eyes as strong odor of alcohol coming from her

breath.

Shanda had vomit on her person and inside her vehicle. Shanda did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.

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**theft**

Brandon McKinley, 32, North A Street Lenoir City, was charged with Theft of Property, Driving on Revoked License, and Poss. of Drug Para. Officer Nick Hasley LCPD, responded to Hwy 321 N Sprint in reference to theft. The sprint store manager advised that Brandon McKinley did steal a display phone and multiple phone cases belonging to Absolute Wireless by Sprint. Upon reviewing the video footage, it was confirmed that Brandon McKinley removed the display phone and put it in his back pat pocket then left the store. The total on the theft was 700.00. Officer Nick Hasley LCPD, made the arrest.

**Obituaries**

Dorothy Williams Hankins - age 92 of Lenoir City went to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 6, 2015. Dorothy was a member of Oral Baptist Church. She loved God and her family dearly. Preceded in death by her son, Ronnie Hankins and grandson, Keith Hankins. She is survived by her husband of 72 years, Joseph C. Hankins; sons and daughters-in-law, Jerry and Linda Hankins and Steve and Kim Hankins; grandchildren, Gayla Ann Hankins, Kerri Crabtree, Scott, David Hankins, Julie Marinski, Matthew and Lacy Hankins; 4 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, December 10th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at

1:30 p.m. with Rev. Eddie Chasteen and Rev. Jack Belcher officiating. Burial will follow in the Loudon Co. Memorial Gardens. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Thelma Jean Taylor of Kingston, TN, departed this world for the presence of Jesus December 7, 2015. Born Thelma Jean Cole May 18, 1941 in Schuler Creek, NC, she was 74 years old. She was a member of Dogwood Chapel Baptist Church in Kingston, TN. She was preceded in death by her parents, Hobert and Hazel Cole; her sisters, Louise Martin and Bernice Cole; and her brother, Lenor Cole. She is survived by her husband, Charles (Junior) Taylor; sister, Rosa Brannon of Madisonville, TN; brothers, Danny Cole of Fanner, TN and Hoyte Cole of Lenoir City, TN; daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Cordell Roberts of Kingston, TN; grandchildren, Katrina and Ray Umphrey of Louisville, KY; Jesse and Lindsey Roberts of Cookeville, TN; and Caleb Roberts of Kingston, TN. Services for Thelma Jean Taylor will be held on Friday, December 11, 2015 at Click's Funeral Home in Lenoir City, TN where the family will receive friends from 10:00 am

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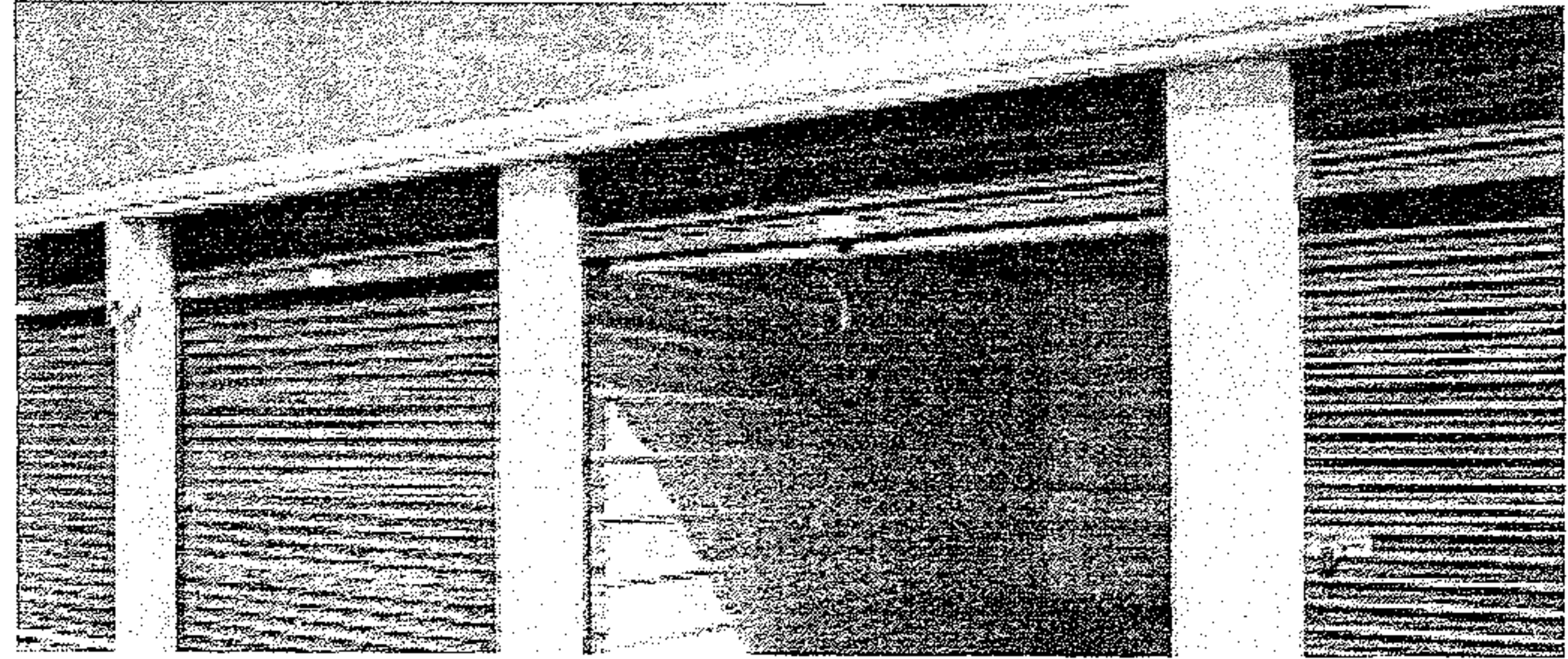
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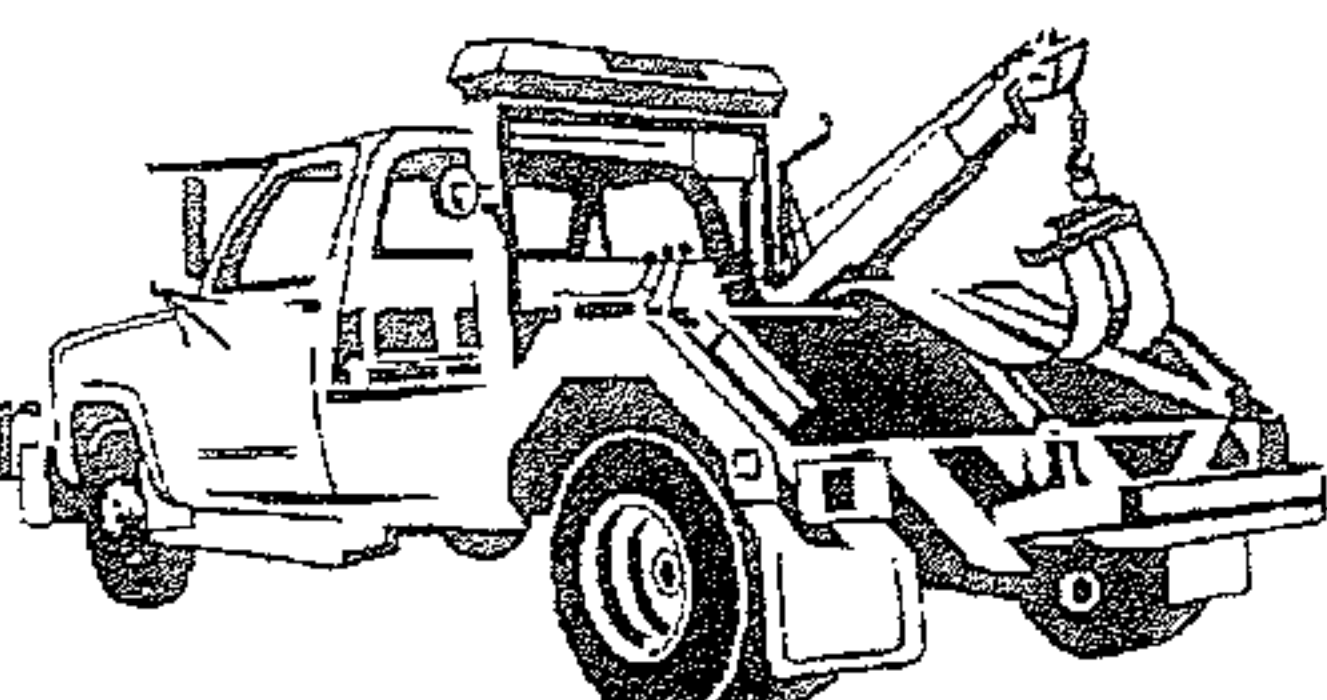
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**Davis**

Larry Lynn Davis, aka Little Man, 28, of Kelly Lane, Lenoir City, was charged with 2 counts of contempt of court, 2 counts of theft over \$500, one count of theft over \$1000 and burglary. This is an update to the story we brought you in Wednesday's Daily Edition since he received added charges.

Also after being questioned in Blount County on a murder case there Davis was found not to be involved and was not charged.

Loudon County Sheriff's Office Toys for Tots 2015

Thanks to the generosity year after year of the Loudon County residents, churches, businesses and industries, the Loudon

County Sheriff's Office is once again able to offer the Toys for Tots program. We are beginning our 31st year of providing toys to the needy children of Loudon County, and thanks to generous contributions of time, money and gifts, we are able to make Christmas a more joyful time for more and more children. In 2014, approximately 500 children were helped by the Loudon County Sheriff's Department Toys for Tots program through their partners. Even with the difficult economic times we are experiencing, we hope that the people of Loudon County will

be there once again to help.

If your business or church would be willing to take names please call Debbie Hines, Toys for Tots Coordinator at 986-4823.

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clips and home movies from Dolly's early years in Knoxville presented by the Tennessee Archive of Moving Image and Sound at the Knox County Public Library. To cap off this grand celebration, birthday cake will be served compliments of Magpies Bakery.

"I am so honored to pay tribute to the living legend Dolly Parton on her 70th birthday at

the Bijou Theatre. My story is not only a personal take on her positive influence on my life, but has a universal message told through Dolly's lyrics about love, kindness, and acceptance," said Mark Lamb.

About Dolly Parton and Imagination Library:

Born on January 19, 1946 in Sevierville, TN, Dolly Rebecca Parton was one of 12

children of Robert Lee Parton, a tobacco farmer, and Avie Lee Parton. In 1996, she created the Imagination Library through the Dollywood Foundation which sends a free, high quality, age appropriate book through the mail every month to children under five. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Knox County boasts the highest per capita registration rate of

any urban community in the United States, sending free books to more than 19,000 children each month.

Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com, knoxbijou.com, the Tennessee Theatre Box Office or by calling (865) 684-1200.

This event is made possible through the generous sponsorship of Knoxville News Sentinel, WVLT-TV, WDVX, U.S. Cellular, and Magpies Bakery.

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at 12:00 pm with funeral service at noon. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Ronnie Maples and Rev. Darrell Hackworth. Interment will be immediately following at Dogwood Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery in Kingston, TN. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

David Brown Cook - age 66 of Lenoir City, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, December 6, 2015 at the home of his sister-in-law and her husband in Farragut. He had been quite ill for some time. He lived his entire life in Lenoir City with the exception of his time in the Armed Forces. David was a star basketball player all four years at Lenoir City High School. After graduation, he joined the U. S. Air Force, where he served in the Military Police Canine Corp. After his discharge he returned to Lenoir City, where he met and married the love of his life, Carolyn Ann Montgomery, daughter of Bert and

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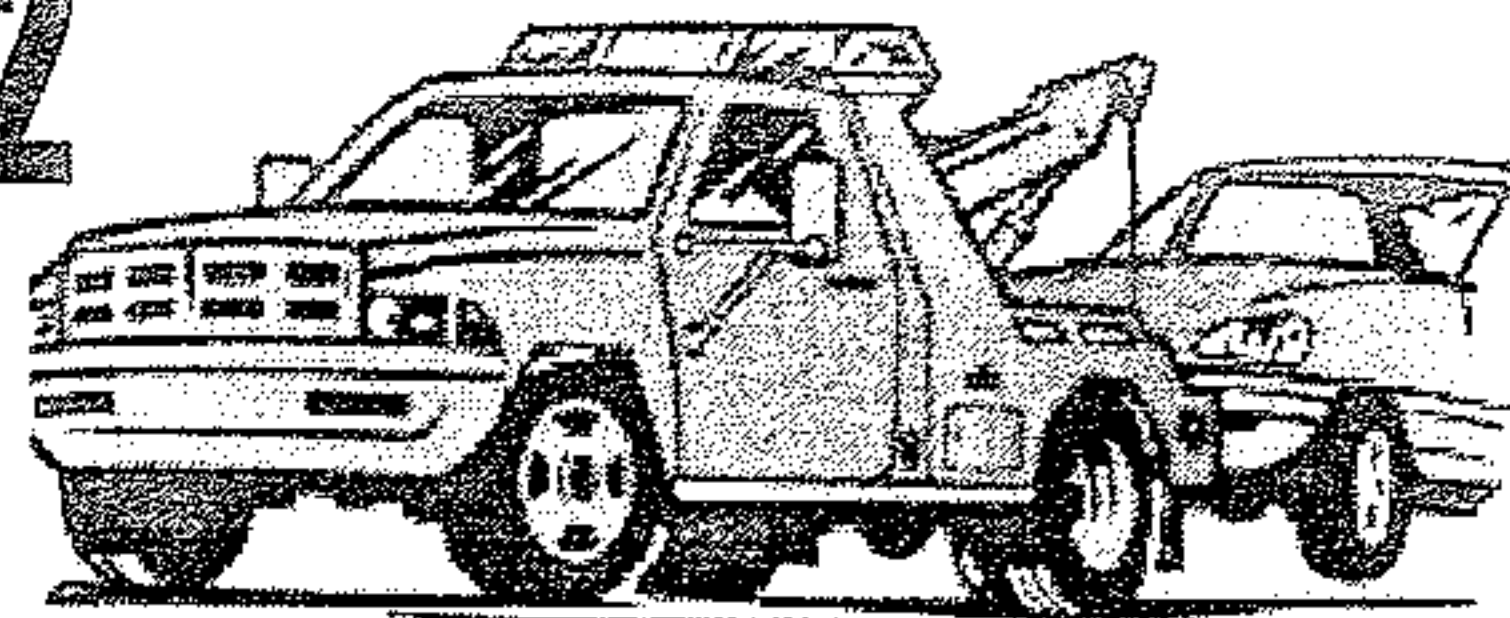
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and made contact with the driver Michael Giles. Michael stated he did get into a fight and was a diabetic and felt light headed. EMS checked Michael and was cleared. Officer could smell a strong odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his person. Michael stated he had a couple at Cotton Eyed Joe and smoked marijuana earlier. Michael did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Once going through the booking process, and search Deputy Jack Frye LCSO, located a plastic sack taped to Michaels genital area with 3 grams of mari-

juana. Michael was then advised he was being charged with contraband into a penal institution. Officer Bruce Padgett LCPD, made the arrest.

**Haslam Announces FOCUS Act Transition Task Force**

State, higher education leaders to provide guidance on Drive to 55 alignment plan

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam today announced the members of the transition task force to offer guidance on the proposed Focus On College and University Success (FOCUS) Act during the legislative process and potential implementation if approved by the General Assembly.

Comprised of higher education leaders and professionals, the transition task force will have two components: a steering committee to provide high level implementation guidance to the governor and a working group that will offer technical assistance and report back to the steering committee.

"The Drive to 55 is changing the landscape for Tennessee students and public higher education in our state," Haslam said. "The conversation has brought us to this point: making sure our colleges and universities are aligned in support of student success, and I want to thank these lead-

ers and professionals from Tennessee higher education for helping work through the details of this proposal."

As charged by the steering committee, the working group will research implementation issues and provide detailed recommendations to increase efficiency in data systems, policy processes and other issues involving state higher education alignment. Drive to 55 Executive Director Mike Krause will chair the working group. The transition steering committee is charged with evaluating key operational areas that will need adjusting under the FOCUS plan announced last week and ensuring

all sectors of Tennessee public higher education are positioned to maximize student success under the new governance structure. Haslam will chair the steering committee.

The transition task force will also seek feedback from a variety of stakeholders including students, parents, higher education leaders, higher education practitioners and advocacy groups.

The FOCUS Act is the next step in the Drive to 55: ensuring that colleges and universities are organized, supported and empowered in efforts to increase the percentage of Tennesseans with a postsecondary credential to 55 by 2025.

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