



## **Detailed Candidate Profiles**

Knox County General Election / TN State Primary - August 7, 2008

## **US House of Representatives 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District – Democratic Primary**



**Bob Scott**

Democrat

### **General Information**

1. **Please list your name and nickname (if any).**

Bob Scott (Robert R Scott)

2. **How old are you?**

73

3. **How many years have you lived in Knox County?**

I was born in Knoxville and have lived here 57 years. I have also lived in Texas, Delaware, Ohio, California, New Jersey and Virginia.

4. **What is your political affiliation?**

Democrat

5. **In which ZIP Code do you reside?**

37919

### **Education/Military Service**

6. **Where did you graduate from high school?**

West High School (Knoxville). I also attended Knoxville High School.

7. **What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?**

Master of Science in Chemical Engineering

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

BS University of Tennessee MS University of Cincinnati

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

yes

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

Army Signal Corps Research and Development Laboratory

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

Pfc

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

We were at peace

### Professional Experience

**13. What is your occupation?**

Retired Chemical Engineer and college professor

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

44

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

I got my first professional engineer license in 1962

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

Technical Society of Knoxville American Institute of Chemical Engineers

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Seeing my program graduates succeed in getting employment they want

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

yes

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

pleasure

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

Costa Rica. Interesting and beautiful.

### We've Got to Ask....

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No.

## Family/Home

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

Yes 47 years to Julia Montgomery Scott, teacher, homemaker, mother, grandmother

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

We have two children – ages 44 and 37

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

We have five grandchildren – ages 14, 11, 9, 1, and 2 months

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

A few unnamed goldfish

## Faith

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Christian

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

Church of the Savior – UCC

## Community Service

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

Technical Society of Knoxville

## Leadership

**29. How would you describe your leadership style?**

participative

**30. What is your favorite quote?**

It is the House of Representatives, not the House of Lords.

**31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?**

My grandfather – Charles Ferris

## Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

blue

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Corn on the cob

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

peaches

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

basketball

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

University of Tennessee

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

To Kill a Mockingbird  
An Inconvenient Truth  
Cool Running

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

Life with Father  
Man of the House  
Lincoln – The War Years

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

Folk songs

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Steve Scarborough   Sean McCollough   Karen Nickell

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

History channel programs

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

Death of a Salesman

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

Christmas

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

The next one

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Coca cola

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Alaska

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Birdwatching    woodworking    folk singing

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Building a small boat

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Washington DC – It is interesting

New York – I enjoyed working there, but I don't really like visiting any big cities

Santa Barbara, California – It is just a nice city

**Philosophical**

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

I would like to see a Democrat elected to Congress from our district. We have had Republicans since before the Civil War.

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Nothing – I would probably make the same decisions again

**Ethics**

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

I have read the major headings of the ASPA code of ethics

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Yes, ethical behavior is very important to me

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

I would not knowingly do something unethical

## Campaign

### 55. What is your campaign platform?

1. Introduce a constitutional amendment to allow term limits for congressmen.
2. Provide universal health care coverage.
3. Institute tariffs that will put our manufacturing organizations on a “level playing field” in competing with foreign manufacturers with very low wage workers and poor environmental protection.
4. Increase the income tax rate on higher income taxpayers and generally made the federal taxes more progressive.
5. Continue the excellent constituent service of Representative Duncan.

### 56. Why should we vote for you?

1. Our current US Representative has served too long and has some very poor ideas.

I have experience and education in science and technology which seems to be in short supply in the current congress.

I would be committed to providing an excellent level of constituent service.

I believe in solving problems and not in manipulating for political advantage.

I am a manufacturing person and I will work to bring back the manufacturing jobs our country has lost.

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**Bob Scott with his wife, Julia, and their grandson.**

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## TN Senate 6<sup>th</sup> District – Democratic Primary

**Gary Farmer**

*No Photo*

**Democrat**

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Gary Farmer

2. How old are you?

64

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

4

4. What is your political affiliation?

Democrat

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37924

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Holston High School

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

12 years

8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.

University of Tennessee

9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.

no

10. What branch and in what capacity?

11. What rank did you achieve?

12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?

### Professional Experience

13. What is your occupation?

Surveyor

14. How many years have you worked in this field?

35

15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?

no

16. What professional associations are you a member of?

none

17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?

Engineering work on Ohio State football stadium

18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.

yes

19. For business or for pleasure?

pleasure

20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?

Germany

### We've Got to Ask....

21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

no

## Family/Home

22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.

no

23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?

no

24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?

no

25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?

no

## Faith

26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?

Baptist

27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?

Faith Baptist in Oak Ridge

## Community Service

28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.

none

## Leadership

29. How would you describe your leadership style?

Democratic leader

30. What is your favorite quote?

"If you can lie to yourself, you can lie to anybody."

31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?

Lincoln Davis

## Getting to Know You

32. What is your favorite color?

blue

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

beans

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

pineapple

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

basketball

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

Lady Vols

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

Open Range, You've Got Mail, Shane

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

none

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

bluegrass

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Bob Dylan, Willie Nelson, Mick Jagger

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Twilight Zone

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

none

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

Labor Day

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

steak

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Green tea

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Vero Beach, Florida

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

sports

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

fishing

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Vero Beach & Ft. Lauderdale, Florida ; Munich, Germany

### Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Meet Carly Simon

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Be nicer to my mother

### Ethics

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

### Campaign

**55. What is your campaign platform?**

**56. Why should we vote for you?**

### Contact Information

**57. Please list your email address, telephone number, and website.**

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## TN House of Representatives 14<sup>th</sup> District – Republican Primary



**Thomas S. Baer**

Republican

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Thomas S. Baer

2. How old are you?

66

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

19 of the last 27.

4. What is your political affiliation?

Republican

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37934

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Huntington, WV

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

Ph.D.

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

BS U. S. Naval Academy 1964  
MS University of Cincinnati 1971, Nuclear Engineering  
PhD University of Cincinnati 1973, Nuclear Engineering  
MA U.S. Naval War College 1991, National Security & Strategic Studies

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

Yes

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

Navy, 30 years total. Worked in naval nuclear power plant operations.

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

I retired from the Navy after 30 years service as a Captain. During my military service I qualified in naval nuclear power plant operations and commanded six different reserve units in operations, engineering, communications and research.

- Base Consolidated Telecommunications Unit 304
- Amphibious Squadron Staff 723
- Commander Sixth Fleet Staff Detachment 109
- Naval Electronics Systems Engineering Center 109
- Naval Material Command Data Systems Group 109
- Office of Naval Research Science & Technology 406

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

Vietnam

**Professional Experience**

**13. What is your occupation?**

Business Consultant and President of Baer Resources of Knoxville, a management and leadership skills development firm.

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

8 years

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

35 + years in Corporate Management including:

- President of US Ecology Nuclear
- President of US Ecology Environmental
- President of Texas Ecologist, Inc.
- VP of Nuclear Fuel Services Inc.
- VP of PAI Corporation.
- Project Manager with Bechtel National Inc.

Testified before Congress and several State Legislatures on nuclear waste and hazardous chemical waste issues. Assisted in drafting legislation for State Legislatures on the formation of nuclear waste disposal compacts and on regulation of waste disposal in their states.

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

U. S. Naval Institute, Naval Reserve Association, and the Reserve Officers Association. I am a past member of the American Nuclear Society, the Health Physics Society, the American Management Association,

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

No one thing stands out. Several things come to mind. In no particular order:

- Writing and imposing safety rules to protect my workers, on customers who were shipping radioactive waste to our disposal sites. The rules later became federal regulation.
- Being selected as President of US Ecology Nuclear then maintaining profitability, safety and taking care of our employees in a rapidly shrinking market.
- Serving on senior officer promotion boards for the U. S. Naval Reserve.
- Renewing the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Operating License for the Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. facility in Erwin, TN.
- As Mobilization Officer for Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region Nine, guiding the region and all of its units from last place to second place in the nation in readiness status.
- Working with Bechtel Hanford as a Consultant and saving over \$40 million in waste disposal costs.

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

Yes

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

For business, military and pleasure. Business, I conducted business in Spain while supplying equipment to Spanish nuclear power plants. Military travel includes, Japan, Hong Kong, Philippines, Australia, Okinawa, Italy, and Spain. Pleasure travel includes Israel, Jordan, Palestinian Territory, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

Rome, Italy. The history, archeology, art, science, museums, people, food and atmosphere are unequalled.

**We've Got to Ask....**

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No

## Family/Home

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

Yes. My first wife Margaret passed away in 2005 after over 40 years of marriage. I am now married to Phyllis Roberts Baer, a retired Knoxville City school teacher and Choral Director. She is also retired from the U. S. Naval Reserve as a Master Chief Petty Officer.

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Daughter Kathleen Baer Stovall, 40, married with 3 children and lives in Louisville, KY.

Son Thomas Holman Baer is deceased.

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Gerald Thomas Stovall, age 13

Sarah Virginia Stovall, age 11

Hannah Abigail Stovall age 8

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

Miniature Schnauzer named Max

## Faith

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Roman Catholic

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

All Saints Catholic Church. I also sing in the Choir at West Hills Baptist Church and at All Saints Catholic Church.

## Community Service

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

In 1988, Dr. Baer's son Thomas was murdered on the campus of the University of Tennessee—Knoxville. He and his late wife Margaret began a nearly 20 year career in improving college campus safety in Tennessee and across the U. S. They proposed and got a Safe College Campuses Act which required the reporting of "on campus" crime statistics and the publishing of policies and procedures for safe college campuses by all Tennessee institutions of higher learning in 1989.

Working with Security on Campus, Inc. they helped pass the federal Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990. Dr. and Mrs. Baer served on the Security on Campus, Inc., Board for a number of years where they continued working to pass legislation at the national level for improved safety and security on our nation's college campuses including:

- Federal Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990
- Modifications to the Buckley Amendment relating to the privacy of student records.
- Enacting civil penalties for violation of the Federal Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act.

Dr. Baer was a founding member of the East Tennessee Victims' Rights Task Force where they were successful in promoting legislative passage in Tennessee of several issues including;

- Inclusion in the Tennessee State Constitution of the Crime Victims Bill of Rights.
- No parole for felons convicted of selected major crimes until they have served 85% of their sentence.
- Passage of .02 limit on breathalyzer test for under 21 as evidence of illegal alcohol possession.
- State funding for Statewide Victims Coalition.
- Crime victim families participating in the parole system by opposing parole.

Dr. Baer has a long history of commitment to community service. As part of The Compassionate Friends, Inc., a national self help organization for parents who have lost children, he has serviced in a number of capacities which include:

- Member for the national Board of Directors of The Compassionate Friends, Inc. a nationwide 501c(3) with over 600 chapters through the U.S.
- Treasurer for the Knoxville HOPE Chapter of The Compassionate Friends, past Chapter Leader and a member for over 10 years.
- Founded Tri-Cities Area Compassionate Friends Chapter.

Dr. Baer has an even longer history with the Boy Scouts of America with over 30 years as a volunteer leader including

- Past Vice President of the Great Smoky Mountain Council.
- Founding member of 3 boy Scout Troops, one Sea Explorer Ship and one Cub Pack.
- Served as a Commissioner in three different Boy Scout Councils in Louisville, KY, Providence, RI and Knoxville, TN.
- Assistant Scout Master for two World Jamborees in Canada and Australia.

Dr. Baer has served with the United Way of Greater Knoxville for the past 4 years as a loaned Executive and as an allocations committee Panel 6 member.

He is the Operations Manager and sings with the Knoxville Choral Society.

He is a member of the Knoxville Area Chamber of Commerce and the Farragut Chamber of Commerce.

He is a member of Knights of Columbus Council 5207.

## Leadership

### 29. How would you describe your leadership style?

Communicate the Vision, Mission and Goals, Pick good people, make sure they know what their role is and know how to do it, get out of the way and let them do it, then communicate frequently and inspect frequently to assure performance. Reward in public and admonish in private. Recognize all good performance.

### 30. What is your favorite quote?

"He, who will not risk, cannot win." John Paul Jones

### 31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?

Abraham Lincoln

## Getting to Know You

### 32. What is your favorite color?

Blue

### 33. What is your favorite vegetable?

Corn on the Cob

### 34. What is your favorite fruit?

Strawberries.

### 35. What is your favorite sport?

Navy Football

### 36. Who is your favorite team?

Cincinnati Reds

### 37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?

Twelve O'clock High  
Sand Pebbles  
Brave Heart

### 38. What are your top 3 favorite books?

The Federalist Papers by Alexander Hamilton, John Jay and James Madison  
The Art of War by Sun Tzu  
The Leadership Secrets of Attila the Hun by Wes Roberts

### 39. What is your favorite type of music?

Classical and the Big Band Sound from the 30's

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Johnny Cash, Anna Maria Alberghetti, Tommy Dorsey

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

M\*A\*S\*H

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

1776

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

Christmas

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Lamb Chops

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Milk

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

The beach.

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Sailing, Genealogy, Gardening

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Continuing research in genealogy and U. S. history

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

San Francisco – The Opera, the pacific coast, San Francisco Bay, climate and nearby agricultural areas.

Rome, Italy – The food, history, architecture, people, culture and art.

Washington, D.C. – History, museums, restaurants, sightseeing, the Marine Corps Band, Arlington National Cemetery, the National Archives and the Kennedy Center.

## Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Sing the Berlioz Requiem in Carnegie Hall

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Nothing

## Ethics

52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?

Yes

53. Would you follow this code if elected?

Yes

54. Would you resign if you violated this code?

Yes

## Campaign

55. What is your campaign platform?

I am a **Conservative Republican**. I believe in respect for **Life, Liberty, Property and the Consent of the Governed**.

I am **Pro-Life** and I believe in Individual Responsibility and Accountability.

I favor **No State Income Tax** and **No State Property Tax**. Tennessee and other states have shown that they are unnecessary and place a drag on the economy making it more difficult for business to create new jobs. The fairest taxes are consumption based taxes.

I am for implementation of **spending controls on state funds**. The Government uses our money. There is no such thing as government money except those funds we give to it to provide for the common good.

**No Toll Roads**, as this is just a tax levied on a small part of the population and always has unintended consequences for the local citizens. The Orange route through Knox County is not in the best interests of Knox County residents. Its location is short sighted, is to close in and will not provide adequate traffic relief.

I believe in **Protecting our Property Rights from the over-zealous use of Eminent Domain** and will work to return the right for a jury trial to property owners who oppose annexation by municipalities.

I am a strong supporter of our **Second Amendment Rights**. The ability of citizens to arm themselves reduces crime. There are too many restrictions on when and where we may carry arms. Most of the restrictions should be lifted.

I believe in **Improving Higher Education** and Better Secondary Schools. It is no mistake that Silicon Valley is in California. California made the commitment to provide the best education possible for their citizens over 40 years ago.

We have the potential to create our own "Silicon Valley" here in East Tennessee with the Technology Corridor between Knoxville and Oak Ridge. Reforming the BEP and establishing a floor for county contributions to education in order to receive state funding is a must for fair distribution of state funds.

I believe that we must provide for post secondary Educational Assistance for all Iraq/Afghanistan War Veterans. They have given us a part of their lives to defend us. We must return something to them in thanks for their service.

I also believe we should provide post secondary educational assistance for the children our Iraq/Afghanistan Tennessee war dead. The federal government provides for appointments to West Point, Annapolis, Air Force Academy and Merchant Marine Academy for the all the children of war dead who meet the stringent physical requirements and meet the minimum academic entrance requirements. We Tennesseans should provide for the Children of our Tennessee war dead with substantial assistance to post secondary education in a like manner.

**Immigration:** We can't do a lot at the state level about illegal immigration but we must do those things we can such as, No College Scholarships for illegal immigrants and require all state contractors to not hire illegal immigrants.

**Health Care:** Our health care system must be improved with more choices available to the elderly. Particularly for long term care. We have the best health care in the world in the U.S. We also have some administrative rules that prevent delivery of the care at the lowest possible cost, especially in long term care situations.

I believe we must keep government from competing with the private sector. We must maintain a **business friendly atmosphere** to create sustainable long term jobs for our citizens.

I believe we need to address insurance issues in the health Care Industry and the Auto Repair industry. We need to find the appropriate balance between the providers, the insurance company and the consumer. We need to find ways to minimize frivolous law suits and to improve delivery of auto repair services based on extended warranty coverage.

## 56. Why should we vote for you?

Because experience matters.

We need to provide experienced individuals to serve in the legislature. Individuals that are experienced in negotiating, experienced in managing large budgeting efforts, experienced in identifying issues, developing and proposing innovative solutions that can be effectively implemented and shepherded through the legislative process.

The only issue that faces the voters of District 14 is experience. 35+ years of successful performance in the military, business and in community advocacy compared to about 1 year of business experience. Experience matters. We should not send a recent college graduate to do the job of a seasoned veteran unless we have no other option.

I can apply my 35+ years of experience gained through proven leadership in the military and in business, as well as experience in issue identification and proposed solutions in business and in legislative matters. After a family tragedy nearly 20 years ago, I began a successful career of improving college campus safety in Tennessee and across the U. S. I also addressed victims' rights issues, drunk driving, and other improvements in our Tennessee justice system.

I am a dedicated Conservative Republican. I am running because I have the experience, the proven ability and the demonstrated commitment to stand up for conservative Republican principles and to serve the citizens of Knox County in the State Legislature.

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**Tom Baer and his wife, Phyllis, overlooking the city of Jerusalem.**

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## TN House of Representatives 16<sup>th</sup> District – Democratic Primary



**Charlotte Meyer**

Democrat

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Charlotte Meyer

2. How old are you?

Will be 54 in July.

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

17 years.

4. What is your political affiliation?

Democrat.

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37912

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Sinton High School - Sinton, Texas

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

Bachelor of Science

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, NC

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

No.

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

N/A

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

N/A

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

N/A

**Professional Experience**

**13. What is your occupation?**

KFC – Team member, Team Trainer – All-Star

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

3 years

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

Did political polling & fundraising up in Washington, D.C. Ran for Congress in 1996 while living in Maryland suburbs in Washington D.C. came in 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 9 candidates in primary.

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

Not sure.

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Not sure.

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

I have been to Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, Canada & Mexico.

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

Pleasure and to expand my horizons.

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

Love Germany – I have Germany ancestry. Would like to visit Australia in the future.

## We've Got to Ask....

21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

No.

## Family/Home

22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.

No – single.

23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?

No.

24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?

No.

25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?

A cat - Sammy

## Faith

26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?

Baptist

27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?

## Community Service

28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.

Worked with the homeless in Knoxville as well as in Washington D.C.

## Leadership

29. How would you describe your leadership style?

Leading by listening to others & incorporating others' ideas, as well as my own.

30. What is your favorite quote?

"If my heart can believe it and if my mind can conceive it, then I can achieve it."

31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?

Former President John F. Kennedy and his brother, Bobby Kennedy

## Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

Yellow – and blue is a close second.

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Peas

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

Bananas

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Basketball

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

College – UT Women's Basketball team, Professional – Chicago Bulls & used to like the Phoenix Suns when Charles Barkley was on the team.

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

The Shawshank Redemption, Contact with Jodie Foster, and The Way We Were – Barbra Streisand and Robert Redford

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

Gone With the Wind, On Walden Pond, and The Isaiah Effect by Gregg Braden

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

R&B – older 60's and 70's and pop/rock – some country

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Barbra Streisand, The Eagles, Stevie Wonder, Aretha Franklin

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Dancing with the Stars

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

West Side Story

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

4<sup>th</sup> of July

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Chicken fried steak or fried shrimp

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Lemonade or orange juice

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Hawaii

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Singing including karaoke, music, poetry, reading, movies, traveling

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Karaoke singing – love it!

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Austin, Texas – grew up in Texas & it is the capital/politics

Nashville, Tennessee – country music city & capital of Tennessee

Sedona, Arizona – beautiful red rock country

**Philosophical**

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Would like to go “down under” to Australia.

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Would have liked to have spent more time visiting some relatives before they passed away.

**Ethics**

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

Yes.

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Yes.

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

Yes, but I would follow the code.

**Campaign**

**55. What is your campaign platform?**

Want to be a watch dog on government state spending (work on Finance Committee), route out government waste and abuse. Also work with Oak Ridge & others in state on alternative fuels, such as bio-fuels & flex fuels.

**56. Why should we vote for you?**

Will be the citizens' voice in Nashville & promote their concerns, rather than just special interests. Will have total integrity and honesty in the job.

**Contact Information**

**57. Please list your email address, telephone number, and website.**

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Knox County General Election / TN State Primary - August 7, 2008

## TN House of Representatives 16<sup>th</sup> District – Democratic Primary



**Barbara Nicodemus**

Democrat

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Barbara Nicodemus

2. How old are you?

53

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

20

4. What is your political affiliation?

Democrat

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37918

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

O Perry Walker H.S. New Orleans

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

Masters

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

M.S. Audiology Lamar University & B.S Speech & Hearing Lamar University,  
Beaumont TX

Attended 3 years college at University of SW Louisiana (USL), Lafayette LA

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

No

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

**Professional Experience**

**13. What is your occupation?**

Audiologist, Educator, Program Administrator

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

33 years, recently retired

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

Audiology Consultant to TN Dept of Health and TN Dept of Education  
Regional Lead Teacher & Parent Advisor, Tennessee Infant Parent Services  
Tennessee School for the Deaf, Hearing and Speech Therapist  
Audiology Clinical Supervisor and UT Child Hearing Services/Pediatric Audiologist  
Co-Owner of Small Business – Mobile Health Test Services

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

TN Association of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists, TAASLP  
TN Association of Audiologists, TAA  
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, ASHA  
Halls Business and Professional Association

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Moving to Knoxville in 1988 and receiving the Tennessee Parent Advisor of the Year  
Award in 1995

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

Yes

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

Pleasure

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

Ireland – friendliest people and endless shades of green

South New Zealand – country sides, like stepping back in time, enjoyed the independent self sufficient people

**We've Got to Ask....**

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No

**Family/Home**

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

Yes, Randy Kurth, Project Manager for an Environmental Consulting Firm

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

I have two sons. Forrest 25 and Taylor 21

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

No

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

Juliet, 15 yr old black cat and Lucy, 1 yr old black & tan Miniature Dachshund

**Faith**

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Christian

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church

**Community Service**

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

Central High School Foundation Board, Families Learning About Support Hear (FLASH - support group for families of children with hearing loss), Fountain City Art Center Charter Member & Volunteer, League of Women Voters of Knoxville/Knox County, Friends of Tennessee Infant Parent Services (State Non-Profit), Past PTSO President Central H.S.

## Leadership

**29. How would you describe your leadership style?**

cooperative

**30. What is your favorite quote?**

There are two kinds of people in the world those who do the work and those who take the credit. Try to be in the first group, there is less competition

**31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?**

My mother, Billie Jean Nicodemus

## Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

Red and Green

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Okra

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

Peaches

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Soccer, Olympic Swimming and Diving

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

Lady VOLS

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

Dances with Wolves, Forrest Gump, Out of Africa

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

To Kill a Mockingbird, Cold Mountain, All the Pretty Houses

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

All types, folk to classical and rock to jazz

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Robinella, Allison Kraus, The Beatles

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Top Chef

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

My son Forrest in Lost in Yonkers and my son Taylor in Dance in Time

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

Christmas

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Shrimp Creole

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

A Good Glass of Wine

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Ireland

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Weaving, Reading, Gardening, Hiking, Traveling

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Memory Book

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Washington DC – Our Nation's Capital & The Smithsonian

Charleston SC – Southern Charm & Good Food

New York – Theatre, Art, Culture

## Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Non Partisan Politics

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

I really do not have any regrets.

## Ethics

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

Read from website link

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Yes

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

Any public official including myself who does not live up to the highest ethical standards should be held accountable

## Campaign

### 55. What is your campaign platform?

**Open Communication:** I will stay in touch with my district and consider varying points of views and follow the lead of my constituents when making decisions in Nashville.

**Education:** I support strong public schools. We need to prepare our children to succeed. The better our education at all levels, the better the quality of life for our children, our district and our state.

**Economic Development:** We need to attract new business and responsible industry to our State creating good jobs and building our tax base.

**Environmental Stewardship:** Addressing the quality of our air and water helps to preserve our natural resources for future generations and improve the health of all Tennesseans

**Meeting Tennessee's economic challenges:** Maximizing governmental cost savings while minimizing the negative impact on Tennesseans, eliminating government inefficiencies, and attracting new business and investments in Tennessee

**Preventative Healthcare to save your tax dollars:** We need to do a better job of promoting awareness of Tennessee healthcare issues to reduce the incidence of heart disease, asthma, obesity and premature births.

**Road Improvements:** I will work diligently to ensure that priority road projects in my district are completed

**Communities:** The Health of our State is reflected by the strength of our middle class. I will work to ease the stresses faced by workers, their families and senior citizens.

### 56. Why should we vote for you?

I will be a full time representative that will listen to and represent everyone. I will stay fully engaged and work hard to find solutions.

## Contact Information

### 57. Please list your email address, telephone number, and website.

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Knox County General Election / TN State Primary - August 7, 2008

## TN House of Representatives 16<sup>th</sup> District – Republican Primary

**Bill Dunn**

*No Photo*

**Republican**

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Bill Dunn

2. How old are you?

46

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

37

4. What is your political affiliation?

Republican

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37918

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Knoxville Catholic High School

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

Master of Science

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

BS Animal Science - University of Tennessee  
MS Extension Education- University of Tennessee

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

### Professional Experience

**13. What is your occupation?**

Executive Vice President - QualPro / Certified Arborist

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

5 months / 14 years

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

Agricultural Extension Agent (4-H)

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Never getting fired

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

## We've Got to Ask....

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No

## Family/Home

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

Stacy Dunn – Knox County TN Right to Life Executive Director

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Daniel (23); Katie (20); Elizabeth (18); Rachel (15); Michael (13)

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

Wildlife in the backyard

## Faith

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Catholic

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

Holy Ghost Catholic Church

## Community Service

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

Go where I'm needed

## Leadership

**29. How would you describe your leadership style?**

Surround myself with good people

**30. What is your favorite quote?**

If you're busy doing good, you won't have time for evil

**31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?**

Parents - Paul & Mary Dunn

## Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

Blue

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Raw chilled Carrots

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

Banana

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Football

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

Whichever one my kids are playing on

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

It's a Wonderful Life, Life is Beautiful, The Longest Day

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

Watership Down, and whatever I'm reading

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

Oldies

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Beatles

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Gilligan's Island

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

Thanksgiving

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Hamburgers

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Soda

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Beach

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Piddling

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Remodeled a bathroom

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

There's no place like home

### Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Grandchildren

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Take typing in High School (who knew computers would come along)

### Ethics

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

I read it

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Been doing it without knowing it

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

That would be a strong possibility. I don't want to say absolutely, because different people will have different interpretations of the code.

### Campaign

**55. What is your campaign platform?**

Taxes are going up and morals are going down and I think it should be reversed.

**56. Why should we vote for you?**

Honesty, Integrity, Good Ideas and I'll Git-R-Dunn

### Contact Information

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General Election in November

## TN House of Representatives 17<sup>th</sup> District – Independent

**David Seal<sup>3</sup>**

*No Photo*

**Independent**

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

David L. Seal

2. How old are you?

47

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

Currently, I live in Jefferson County. After growing up in Jefferson County, I moved to Knox County in 1988 and resided there until 2005. I returned to Jefferson County in April of 2005.

4. What is your political affiliation?

Independent

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37725

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Jefferson County High School

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

High School + 90 hours work on Bachelors Degree

<sup>3</sup> As an Independent, David Seal will not be running in the Primary Elections, only the General Election.

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

Walters State, Carson-Newman, and UT College of Education

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

No

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

### Professional Experience

**13. What is your occupation?**

Teacher

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

20

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

Contractor and Business Owner, Family Farm

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

SkillsUSA

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Watching my students succeed

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

Yes

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

Pleasure

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

Australia and Italy for the food and art

### We've Got to Ask....

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No

## Family/Home

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

No

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Audrey age 15, Leo age 12

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

No

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

No pets

## Faith

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Christian

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

## Community Service

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

I direct a multi-media entertainment event for local veterans at Jefferson County High School each year during veteran's week. The program is called "Night of the Patriots" and features student talent, veterans presentations, drama, music, and many more veteran oriented activities.

## Leadership

**29. How would you describe your leadership style?**

Always lead by example.

**30. What is your favorite quote?**

"Knowing how to draw is knowing how to see." Divinci

**31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?**

Gene Kranz, Apollo Flight Director

## Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

Purple

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Bell Pepper

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

Peaches

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Martial Arts

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

n/a

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

Monty Python and the Holy Grail

Cool Hand Luke

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

Flags of our Fathers

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

Rock

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

All the heavy stuff

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Futureweapons

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

The Taming of the Shrew

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

June and July!

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Grilled salmon, pasta, vegetables

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Green tea

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

North Carolina

South Carolina

Great Smoky Mountains National Park

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Building machines from scrap materials

Restoring antique vehicles

Creating new types of tools and machines

Painting and sculpture

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Restoration of a 1965 Dodge truck

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Seattle for the food

Florence, Italy for the art

Washington D. C. for the museums

Asheville, N.C. for all of the above

**Philosophical**

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Graduate from college

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Graduate from college earlier in life and work for NASA.

**Ethics**

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

No

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Although I am not familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics, I have very high standards of ethics that guide my life decisions. I believe in honesty, fairness, and transparency of government. If elected, I would apply the same code to my public service.

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

## Campaign

### 55. What is your campaign platform?

Education, Environment, Agriculture, and Economic Development

### 56. Why should we vote for you?

- a. I would be responsive to my district and consider the views of its citizens. In my opinion, the incumbent does not value the views of his constituents.
- b. I have a history of promoting common sense measures to protect the environment. My opponent (Representative Frank Nicely) has the worst voting record in the Tennessee General Assembly on environmental issues, according to the bi-partisan organization Tennessee Conservation Voters. While other state representatives were awarded one or more tree symbols on their rating scale for good environmental decisions, Mr. Nicely was awarded a "Stump" to symbolize his -2 rating. He even voted to kill the "Tennessee Scenic Vistas Protection Act" that would have placed restrictions on the destructive mining practice called "Mountain top Removal Mining." He killed this bill in committee on April 2, 2008 after his district urged him to support it. He paid no attention to the petitions, letters to the editor, calls, letters, and E-mail concerning this important issue. He chose to side with the coal industry rather than the concerned citizens.
- c. I will work for education. As a teacher, I understand how important education is to the economic health of Tennessee. I will take a pro-active role to improve education. The incumbent representative (Frank Niceley) voted against K and pre-K education funding, and said he was proud of his vote. This is just one of many examples that demonstrate that Mr. Niceley places education low on the priority list of state services.

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Knox County General Election / TN State Primary - August 7, 2008

## TN House of Representatives 18<sup>th</sup> District – Republican Primary

**Stacey Campfield**

*No Photo*

**Republican**

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Stacey Campfield

2. How old are you?

40

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

15 consistently – 40 if you count summers

4. What is your political affiliation?

Republican

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37912

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Vestal

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

College

8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.

Bachelor of Science - Management

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

No.

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

### Professional Experience

**13. What is your occupation?**

House rebuilder

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

15

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

Yes.

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

Pleasure.

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

They are all good in their own way.

### We've Got to Ask....

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No.

## Family/Home

22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.

23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?

24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?

25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?

## Faith

26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?

27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?

## Community Service

28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.

Leadership

## Leadership

29. How would you describe your leadership style?

Work hard.

30. What is your favorite quote?

A quote by Teddy Roosevelt. It is too long to copy here.

31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?

Bill Dunn

## Getting to Know You

32. What is your favorite color?

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Mixed martial arts

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

Cyrano Debergerac,

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

## Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

Tony's pizza

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

Water with lemon

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Mid west

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Politics

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

Getting re-elected

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Knoxville

### Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Skydive

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

I like to think of every thing as a learning experience so it all is part of what made me who I am today.

### Ethics

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

No and the link did not come through.

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

### Campaign

**55. What is your campaign platform?**

No one works harder.

**56. Why should we vote for you?**

See above.

### Contact Information

**57. Please list your email address, telephone number, and website.**

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Knox County General Election / TN State Primary - August 7, 2008

## TN House of Representatives 18<sup>th</sup> District – Republican Primary



**Ronald C. Leadbetter**

Republican

### General Information

1. Please list your name and nickname (if any).

Ron Leadbetter

2. How old are you?

61

3. How many years have you lived in Knox County?

41

4. What is your political affiliation?

Republican

5. In which ZIP Code do you reside?

37909

### Education/Military Service

6. Where did you graduate from high school?

Ramapo Regional (Franklin Lakes, N.J.)

7. What is the highest level of education that you have achieved?

JD

**8. Please list your degrees (if any) and which college(s) you attended.**

BS and JD (both from the University of Tennessee)

**9. Did you serve in the US military? If not, skip to question 13.**

No

**10. What branch and in what capacity?**

**11. What rank did you achieve?**

**12. Special tours, wars, or conflicts?**

### Professional Experience

**13. What is your occupation?**

Attorney

**14. How many years have you worked in this field?**

35 years (all with UT Office of General Counsel)

**15. Any prior professional experience that you would like to include?**

Retired from UT Office of General Counsel on 3/31/08 to run for State House seat. Held position of Associate General Counsel at time of retirement.

**16. What professional associations are you a member of?**

National Association of College and University Attorneys (former member of Board of Directors). (\* membership terminated with retirement from UT).

**17. What would you describe as being your best career moment?**

Employment by UT Office of General Counsel in 1972

**18. Do you travel internationally? If not, skip to question 21.**

Extensively

**19. For business or for pleasure?**

Pleasure

**20. Which are your favorite international locations you've visited, and why?**

All countries formerly under communist domination, e.g., Russia, Romania, Central Asia. To observe, first hand, varying degrees of success by these nations in overcoming vestiges of totalitarian rule and moving toward freedom and a market economy.

## We've Got to Ask....

**21. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?**

No

## Family/Home

**22. Are you married? If yes, please provide the name of your spouse and spouse's occupation.**

Therese Leadbetter

**23. Do you have children? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Son, Lee, age 34; daughter, Cara, age 27

**24. Do you have grandchildren? If so, how many? What are their ages?**

Daniel, 9; Phillip, 6; Noah, 4

**25. Do you have pets? If so, what kind? What are their names?**

Not at present

## Faith

**26. What is your religious affiliation (if any)?**

Christian (Southern Baptist)

**27. Where do you attend service (if you do)?**

Central Baptist Church, Bearden (Deacon Ministry, Sunday School Teacher, Committee service, Whitewater Rafting ministry (guide and coordinator) )

## Community Service

**28. Please list your community service activities, including any non-profit boards, service organizations, etc.**

Children's Center of Knoxville (Co-founder and Board of Directors), Fellowship of Christian Athletes (Knox Area Board of Advisors), West Knoxville Sertoma Club (former President), Sons of the Revolution

## Leadership

**29. How would you describe your leadership style?**

Reach a goal by identifying the challenge, getting the facts, then achieving desired result through careful strategy, diplomatic persuasion and cooperative work with others.

**30. What is your favorite quote?**

The early bird gets the worm

**31. Whom do you most admire as a leader or mentor?**

Jesus Christ, Andy Holt (former UT president) and Ronald Reagan

### Getting to Know You

**32. What is your favorite color?**

Orange

**33. What is your favorite vegetable?**

Corn (on the cob)

**34. What is your favorite fruit?**

Strawberries

**35. What is your favorite sport?**

Football (spectator), paddleball/racquetball and volleyball (participant)

**36. Who is your favorite team?**

UT Vols

**37. What are your top 3 favorite movies?**

Passion of Christ , Ben Hur, Mighty Joe Young

**38. What are your top 3 favorite books?**

The Bible, Bowling Alone , 1984

**39. What is your favorite type of music?**

Country and Western

**40. What are your top 3 favorite music artists?**

Little Big Town, Dolly Parton, Kerry Underwood

**41. What is your favorite TV show (current or past)?**

Andy Griffith

**42. What is your favorite play or theater performance?**

Fiddler on the Roof

### Travel/Entertainment

**43. What is your favorite holiday?**

**44. What is your favorite meal?**

**45. What is your favorite drink?**

**46. What is your favorite place to vacation?**

Hilton Head Island, SC

**47. What are your favorite hobbies?**

Independent international travel, hiking, biking

**48. What is the last hobby project that you worked on?**

One month travel through Pamir Mountains of Central Asia and rail travel in Kazakhstan and Russia (Fall 2007)

**49. Which are your top 3 favorite cities to visit and why?**

Penza, Russia (friendship building with new democracy oriented leaders ), Prague (history and architecture), and Mandalay, Myanmar (one of the most exotic cities in the world)

## Philosophical

**50. List one thing you would like to see or do before you die.**

Lead successful effort to solve at least one major challenge facing our state

**51. What would you want to do over in life if you had the chance?**

Start traveling abroad at an earlier age

## Ethics

**52. Are you familiar with the ASPA Code of Ethics (website link provided)?**

Yes

**53. Would you follow this code if elected?**

Mostly (I do not agree with the emphasis on affirmative action to the extent that refers to preferences based on race or sex. I firmly believe in EQUAL OPPORTUNITY and have promoted that concept during my entire professional career)

**54. Would you resign if you violated this code?**

Only for intentional acts of impropriety and dishonesty—which I am firmly committed to avoiding. I value integrity above all else!

## Campaign

### 55. What is your campaign platform?

Support and improve education, identify and eliminate waste and inefficiency at all levels of State government, and revise criminal justice system to remove violent criminals from our neighborhoods.

### 56. Why should we vote for you?

I will apply the same principles and techniques that worked so effectively during my 35 years of work with the judicial, legislative and executive/administrative branches of State government for the purpose of benefiting my district, Knox County and the State of Tennessee.

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