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SALVAGGIO WINS GERMANTOWN MAYORAL RACE

Staff Reports



GERMANTOWN, Tenn. — Tony Salvaggio secured a decisive victory in the Germantown mayoral race, receiving nearly 79% of the vote as all eight precincts reported in the city's election.

According to the updated unofficial results, Salvaggio received 12,880 votes, or 78.95%, compared with Edgar Babian, who received 3,308 votes, or 20.28%. Write-in candidates accounted for 127 votes, or 0.78%.

In the Germantown Alderman Position 1 race, Scott A. Sanders received 13,868 votes, or 98.61%. Write-in candidates received 195 votes.

Mary Anne Gibson won the closely contested Alderman Position 2 race with 8,102 votes, or 51.91%. Todd Adams received 7,447 votes, or 47.71%, while write-in candidates accounted for 59 votes.

In the Germantown School Board Position 2 race, Republican Heather Fisher received 12,986 votes, or 96.95%, compared with 409 write-in votes.

The Position 4 school board race went to Independent candidate Joy Williams, who received 9,649 votes, or 57.70%. Republican Vicki Gandee received 7,044 votes, or 42.12%, while write-in candidates accounted for 29 votes.

All eight of Germantown's eight precincts had reported at the time of the updated results. The results remain subject to official certification by election officials.



Germantown Mayor Mike Palazzolo stands with former Mayor Sharon G. Goldsworthy following the announcement that the Children's Area at the Germantown Community Library will be named in her honor. The special proclamation recognizes Goldsworthy's decades of public service and dedication to early childhood literacy, education and the Germantown community.

Photo City of Germantown

HONORING A LIFELONG CHAMPION FOR LITERACY

City of Germantown

During Monday night's Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) meeting, Mayor Mike Palazzolo and Alderman Sherrie Hicks issued a special proclamation officially naming the Children's Area at the Germantown Community Library in honor of former Germantown Mayor Sharon G. Goldsworthy.

The dedication celebrates

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Championship Showdown: Collierville and Houston squared up during Thursday night's Region 7-6A championship showdown. The Dragons held off the Mustangs 42-35 to finish unbeaten in league play.

Photos By Ryan Frazier playmakerporiats.com

THE SHOWDOWN

Collierville survives Houston challenge to capture Regional title

By Thomas Sellers, Jr.
Richardson Media Group



Hard-Fought Battle: Houston and Collierville players competed for every yard during their Region 7-6A championship matchup. The Dragons edged the Mustangs in a high-scoring 42-35 contest.

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Coming into the game with a combined 9 wins after 17 games, the Houston Mustangs and Collierville Dragons walked into the Collierville Football Stadium Thursday night with everything on the line.

After both teams navigated tough schedules loaded with some of the best teams from Mississippi, the Mustangs and Dragons entered the regular-season finale unbeaten in league play.

The Region 7-6A championship was on the line for Houston Head Coach James Thomas and Collierville Head Coach Joe Rocconi. In a thriller, the Dragons repeat as Region champs pulling out a 42-35 win over Houston.

After both teams scored two touchdowns in the first quarter, Collierville (6-4, 4-0 in Region 7-6A) grabbed a 21-14 lead by halftime.

With the Mustangs matching the Dragons score for score in the second half, that meant Collierville outlasted its rival for the championship.

Houston (4-5, 3-1) will be the No. 2 seed going into the playoffs and hosting a postseason game. In the big game to close the regular season, the stars shined with Mustang signal caller Canon Day passing for 199 yards and two touchdowns. His Collierville counterpart Dominic Rocconi tossed for 136 yards and a touchdown to Erik Walden Jr. The standout senior wideout caught two balls for 71 yards.

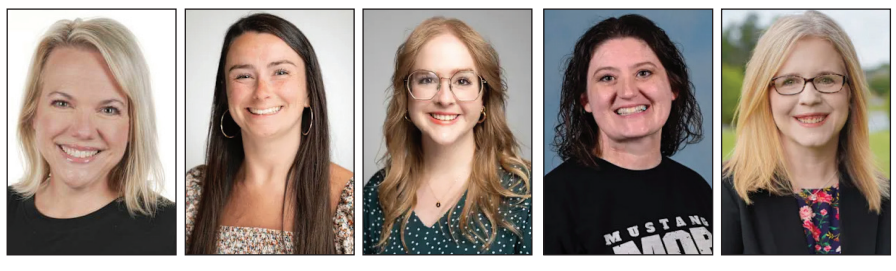
On the other side, Brennen Odle caught five passes for 91 yards and a score for Houston.

This game was won on the ground. Houston stayed in the game behind Raderius Robertson rushing for 157 yards on 33 carries and reaching the end zone once.

His Collierville counterpart Larry Johnson was the star of the game with 266 yards on the ground on just 13 carriers. Johnson reached paydirt three times in guiding the Dragons to the championship.

GMSD ANNOUNCES 2027-28 TEACHERS AND PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Staff Reports



Jessica Woody of Dogwood Elementary School | *Chloie Quinn of Farmington Elementary School* | *Lauren Timmerman of Houston Middle School* | *Dr. Melissa Ducey of Houston High School* | *Dr. Lara Charbonnet of TLA*

GERMANTOWN, Tenn. — Germantown Municipal School District Superintendent Jason Manuel and other district representatives surprised five educators and administrators earlier this week to announce the district's 2027-28 Teachers, Instructional Supervisor and Principal of the Year.

The honorees include Chloie Quinn of Farmington Elementary School, Elementary Teacher of the Year; Lauren Timmerman of Houston Middle School, Middle School Teacher of the Year;

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