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SHARON WELCOMES NEW COMMUNITY BANK BOARD MEMBER

SHARON, TN – First State Bank of Sharon welcomes a new member to their community bank board. The current First State community bank board members are James Gary Roberts, Jerry Brigance, Betty Copeland, David Lackey, and Gerald Caldwell. Joining the board is Stewart Broussard.

Broussard was employed at Ross Manufacturing located in Brownsville, TN as an inside sales person. He then began working for the Weakley County Juvenile Courts as a truancy officer. In 2009, an opportunity was presented to start a career with a new company Auto Mak Assembly Inc. Broussard's primary responsibility as a customer service representative is to train and use Auto Mak's specialized lifting equipment with customers. He is an alderman for the City of Sharon. He is married to Amanda Broussard and is the step-father to son, Dylan.

This group of community leaders and business leaders will assist the bank with being aware of issues that not only affect First State, but the community of Sharon, as well.

“The Sharon community bank board is a true asset to the bank in Sharon and the entire First State organization,” said John C. Clark, president and CEO of First State. “These friends are the eyes and ears of First State in the Sharon community. We will depend on them to advise us about pertinent issues that will benefit the area.”

“I am excited for this opportunity with First State Bank,” says Broussard. “First State Bank is a great company that believes in providing excellent customer service and has a hometown feel.”

First State Bank has 31 full-service banking locations in 25 communities throughout West, Middle and East Tennessee. It is owned by Community First Bancshares, a holding company headquartered in Union City, Tenn., which also operates a mortgage company, an insurance company, a specialized ag services division, investment services, a consumer finance company, an employee benefits division, a specialized trust services division, and an indirect auto financing division at various locations across the state.

The banking company has assets totaling over \$1.7 billion. The banking company has offices in the communities of Blount, Davidson, Dyer, Gibson, Haywood, Henderson, Knox, Madison, Obion, Robertson, Shelby, Sumner, Tipton, Weakley, and Williamson counties in Tennessee. Its metropolitan markets include Collierville, Franklin, Gallatin, Goodlettsville, Hendersonville, Jackson, Knoxville, Nashville, White House, and Memphis.

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