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New, existing Town schools ‘elementary,’ KCS suggests to Board-Ed

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Knox County Schools brass is recommending Farragut public schools below sixth grade become kindergarten-through-fifth grade schools, including the new school to be built on 41 acres along Roring Road, and behind Ingles, near Kingston Pike.

Dr. Garfield Adams, KCS assistant superintendent who has led the effort to collect public feedback and professional data, presented the final KCS recommendation, costing around \$47 million, to Knox County Board of Education during a special work session Monday evening, Jan. 8.

If approved, a “tentative and ideal” new school construction start would be during the ’25-26 school year, and be completed and ready to open by the 2026-27 year — but this is far from certain.

An additional \$3 million was recommended for renovations of three existing Farragut public schools, Adams said KCS recommended.

No Board decision was made. “So our KCS solution, what we decided to bring before the Board, is to construct a K-through-5 elementary school on Boring Road. The programmatic capacity would be 1,200,” Adams said. “The approximate cost would be \$47 million. We plan to come back before the Board to ask for renovations to the primary, intermediate and middle school, and that is to do a conversion over to the K-through-5 elementary.

“And so we plan on asking for a fund balance designation to give programmatic capacity for the Farragut Primary School, which would be a new elementary school of 753 students; the programmatic capacity for the Farragut Intermediate School, which would be K-through 5; and approximate renovation and portable removal costs,” he added.

With the \$3 million, “We will explore possible and future freshman academy additions on Farragut High School,” Adams recommended. “And that is something that we will continue to look at. ... We’ll get input from administration, the community, the school board.”

Specific benefits Saying public feedback leaned toward a pro-elementary focus, “We really needed to answer the call as to how we address the needs at the elementary level,” Adams said. “So this solution will provide for the smallest possible school sizes while creating capacity for growth across all Farragut elementary schools.

“It maintains the middle school proximity to the high school — which, again, this is something that the community of Farragut really asked for,” he added. “It reduces the number of school transitions for students, and it addresses traffic concerns related to Boring Road.”

About 2,000 lose power in, near Town as tree downs lines, poles



Tammy Cheek

Lenoir City Utilities Board journeyman lineman Bryant Bingham worked on power lines in LCUB’s bucket truck along Canton Hollow Road about 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9, after a tree fell, knocking down a pole that fed other poles, requiring 13 poles to be repaired after the damage knocked out power to about 2,000 area residents.

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A tree fell along Canton Hollow Road around 7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 8, downing one pole and power lines, leaving a few thousand Farragut and Knox County utility users without electrical power until at least Tuesday afternoon.

Lenoir City Utilities Board crews reportedly responded quickly to fix the downed lines effecting 13 poles that had to be repaired.

“We had a tree fall on Canton Hollow Road, right outside of our Lovell Substation (about a quarter of a mile from the Canton Hollow Road/Kingston Pike intersection), and it took down a pole that had two (substation breaker feeder) circuits that would feed multiple customers,” said Jeremy Walden, LCUB director of electrical engineering and operations. “There were two on each pole, and (the tree) broke five poles.

“Our guys had to work an additional eight poles back to get everything rewired and everything, so 13 poles total (had to be repaired),” he said. “They had to switch around to Westland Substation and temporally feed some of it; but everybody up Canton Hollow that’s fed off of that (was) out until we (got) those poles repaired.”

Walden said he expected the repairs to have been completed around lunchtime Tuesday. He estimated about 2,000 people in the Concord Hills, Canton Hollow, Loop Road and Wood Road neighborhoods were affected by the outage.

“We got several of those (breaker feeders) on by switching around it from

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Multiple gunshots in Farragut happen at Comfort Suites: KCSO

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At 11:57 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 31, Knox County 911 received a call from Comfort Suites, 811 N. Campbell Station Road, reporting multiple gunshots heard.

“When deputies arrived, the complainant stated someone had fired multiple shots,” the report stated. “The shots came from the west-side

stairwell exit door area. We reviewed the security camera covering that area and determined the person responsible for the gunfire was in guest room 225. We knocked on the door of room 225 and made contact with the suspect.

“... Our investigation revealed (suspect) owned a 40-caliber Springfield handgun,” the report further stated. “Five 40-caliber spent shell casings were found near the exit door. The

brand and type of casings matched the ones in the suspect’s gun. The investigation also determined the shots were fired from the open exit door into the air.

Knox County forensics responded to the scene and “photographed and collected the shell casings,” the report stated. However, no arrest was mentioned in the report.

“The on-call Major Crimes detective was notified of the situation.”

U.S. Navy Band coming

• Farragut High School Marching Admirals Band is hosting the United States Navy Band beginning at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15, in the school’s Vickie B. Wells Auditorium.

Concert is free to the public as long as individuals reserve a seat.

Hub for Career Closest donations

• Closets by McKenry, 201 Center Park Drive Suite 1070, is the West Knox County donation location for Carson-Newman University’s clothing drive for THE STORE Career Closet. “This program collects business attire — in good condition — for students to wear for interviews, job hunting and course presentations.

All items are offered free to current Carson Newman students,” a Closets press release stated.

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Patrick Burnette, left, owner of Brickhouse Collectibles, is delighted to welcome new Farragut residents Kyle Ball and his wife, Nicole Ball, to his shop in West End Shopping Center as December Shop Farragut/Farragut Business Alliance Town Sampler champs. Kyle, a recent graduate from the latest “Intro To Farragut” class, was delighted to be randomly picked from more than 100 entries. The couple received \$25 gift cards from Brickhouse along with Maurice’s, Buffalo Wild Wings, Clean Juice, Longhorn Steakhouse, International Flair Jewelers and Men’s Wearhouse, plus a \$25 gift certificate from The Consignment Shoppe and other Farragut swag.

Power out

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other substations, but the sections up Canton Hollow and all the branches off of Canton Hollow, we couldn’t because that’s the part that was down and broken,” he said. “We had to replace poles overnight.”

Walden surmised the tree fell because of moisture in the ground from the rain and the age of the tree.

“We get an indication here (at LCUB substation) that such and such a breaker is lost,” he said. “Then we send our crews out there. Obviously (the crews) pulled up on it and saw it.

“We got multiple crews out there,” Walden added. “It’s a major undertaking.

“When you got the side pole replacements and it’s got two feeders on each pole, and the

congestion that there is out there on those poles, it can take six to eight hours per pole to replace.

Even with multiple crews working on the poles, “it takes a long time to get those poles replaced,” Walden said.

At 10 a.m., all of the poles were replaced or repaired except two.

“These poles held multiple vital connections leading directly to the Lovell Road substation,” said Bruce Thiem, director of integrated media for CMOCO, the marketing agency for LCUB.

“Multiple crews were dispatched immediately, and replacement of the power poles began,” he added. “This morning, one of the poles partially fell again, and power had to be shut off to stand that pole back up safely.”



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KCSOreports

- **At 11:49 a.m., Friday, Jan. 4, a Knox County Sheriff’s Office unit was dispatched to a Kingston Pike business for narcotics** that were found in the back parking lot. Complainant said he found “a small plastic bag that contained two clear capsules that contained a crystalline substance,” the report stated. “The bag was found near the rear entry doors to the service center. I collected the suspected narcotics and they will be placed in the narcotics locker at the City-County Building” in downtown Knoxville.
- **At 8:41 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 4, a complainant called KCSO West Precinct to report a swindle** from a Lakehurst Lane residence. Complainant said he received numerous calls from a phone number saying they were Spectrum cable trying to give him a better deal on his TV packages. “Complainant advised after several calls he finally answered the phone and spoke with what he assumed to be a Spectrum consultant,” the report stated. “Complainant was advised by this suspect he could get him a package deal for 50 percent off his regular bill and it will be locked in for four years. Complainant also was advised he would have to pay a year in advance and no later than 5 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 3, “in order to lock in the deal.”
- The suspect then proceeded to ask complainant to pay in two \$360 gift cards from Target stores. Complainant went to the Target along Parkside Drive “and purchased two gift cards in the amount of \$720 total. Complainant advised he called back the phone number and gave the suspect ... the gift card numbers. Complainant did not receive a confirmation e-mail, like promised, and proceeded to call Spectrum. At 6:30 p.m., complainant called Spectrum and was advised this was a scam and to report it to the police. Complainant said he also reported it to his American Express and IC3.”
- **At 2:40 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 4, officers were dispatched to Dunkin Donuts, North Campbell Station Road, in reference to a possible case of identity theft.** Upon arrival, officers made contact with victim, who showed officers there were multiple logins on her G-mail account in various locations, one of the locations of the was in Farragut. Victim also showed officers Carfax logs, which showed a person getting their car serviced in her name.
- **At 2:42 p.m., Jan. 4, an officer responded to an Oakland Hills Point residence in regard to a theft.** Victim/complainant said his son, suspect, is a long-term narcotic user. Victim said he allowed the suspect into his residence the previous night, when the suspect

took two firearms before leaving the residence this morning. Suspect was under the influence when he left, and hallucinating to the point of paranoia. Victim has not been able to contact the suspect since. Victim also said the Suspect stole three pairs of high-end shoes from another victim who was not on scene.

- **At 1:59 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 2, a complainant called KCSO West Precinct to report a vandalism to her vehicle** at a Farr Drive residence. Complainant advised sometime during the night of Oct. 17 her vehicle was vandalized and was not noticed until Dec. 1. Complainant advised there are three dents in her vehicle that were not there prior. Complainant was advised by her insurance company to file a police report for the damages. Estimated cost of damage was listed at \$3,000.
- **At 1:25 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 27, a complainant called KCSO West Precinct to report identity theft** at an Ackley Circle residence. “Complainant received two bills in the mail for Verizon for an account that was taken out using his credentials,” the report stated. “Complainant advised there was a bill for \$566.49 and an open letter of credit from Verizon signature credit card. Complainant advised he contacted Verizon about the bills and was advised that no information could be shared with him until a police report was made.”
- **At 7:05 a.m., Friday, Dec. 22, officers responded to a Campbell Lakes Drive hotel in reference to a disturbance.** Officers arrived and spoke with complainant/witness, and she said a male and female had been asked to leave the property but refused. “Complainant also said both parties had been staying in (a room) and had caused \$5,000 worth of damage in the room. Officers located both suspects in the back parking lot.”
- Both were read their Miranda Rights, and both agreed to speak with officers. Male suspect said he recently lost his job and was having an argument with the woman. Male suspect said he caused all the damage to the room. Ms. Price stated that Mr. Hall is under a lot of stress and they were arguing. Female suspect said nothing had gotten physical between them. Officers observed damage to the room, and pictures were uploaded via Axon Capture. Male suspect, who was in possession of a handgun, was taken into custody without incident and transported to Roger D. Wilson Detention Facility.
- Female suspect was released from the scene. Both were both trespassed from the property. The handgun was placed in the lockers at Knox

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Is Walking Bad For Bone-On-Bone Knee Pain?

Question: *Hey Dr. John-Mark, I just moved here from New Jersey, I'm 66 and I've been dealing with some knee pain. I had an x-ray a few years ago and the doctor said that the cartilage was worn and it's close to being "bone-on-bone". I'm sure it's gotten worse over the past few years, and I'm not looking to have a knee replacement anytime soon. I love to get out and walk, but I'm concerned that I might be doing more harm than good. Is walking good or bad for me considering the condition of my knee? Thanks for the help!*

-Lisa S. Farragut



Dr. John-Mark Chesney
Ask The Physical Therapist

Lisa, I’m not saying that you should turn into a runner (: But what I hope to communicate is that exercise, movement, and even walking is therapeutic, even if you have arthritis and worn cartilage. In fact there is an argument in saying that because you have arthritis- it’s even more important that you get regular exercise, such as walking.

When we work with people at the clinic dealing with knee pain and difficulty walking, the solution isn’t just, “go walk”. But incorporating a walking program is typically one of the goals. There are many factors that will impact the success of a walking program such as: foot wear and arch support, walking terrain, distance, lower leg alignment, knee support, strength and flexibility of the leg... just to name a few.

But the fact of the matter is that exercise and regular walking help conditions like knee arthritis. Just imagine that with every step you take, as your foot hits the ground and the knee gets compressed, that you are helping to spread nutrients into the cartilage, increasing blood flow, gaining muscular strength, and improving your heart health.

The beginning of the year is a great time to get started as well!

Lisa- if you haven’t been walking out of fear, or even some mild pain. I’d encourage you to start easy and slow. Give yourself time to adjust. Find a friend who can keep you company and provide some accountability, find a flat area to start and walk at a comfortable pace.

We have a lot of hills around Knoxville, but many of the greenways and parks around Farragut have great walking paths.

You should never push yourself through sharp or intense pain. Mild discomfort and soreness is very common, and can be expected as you are starting out.

If you currently have knee pain, I’d recommend starting off with a movement evaluation or gait analysis. We help people overcome injuries or arthritis related conditions so that you can be more active and enjoy life. If you’d like some individual help, give us a call at (865) 351-0615 and we are happy to perform an evaluation to make sure you’re fit to start your walking program.

Remember... One step at a time (: And welcome to East Tennessee Lisa!

John-Mark Chesney is a Doctor of Physical Therapy and owner of Simply Physio in Farragut. If you have a question you'd like him to answer, call Simply Physio at (865) 351-0615 or email him at john-mark@simplypt.co

lettertotheeditor Reader wants 15-acre North Ward park

During the McFee parkland purchase, I raised an issue that the North Ward neighborhoods in and around the Kingston Pike and Everett Road intersection were not within walking or biking distance to a local park.

These neighborhoods include Fox Run, Ivey Farm, Saddle Ridge, western Fox Den, Camden Grove, McKinley Station, Split Rail, Andover, Old Stage Hills, Old Stage Farms, Wentworth and the Renaissance Condos. Children in these neighborhoods must cross Watt Road to get to the nearest park, which is unsafe due to the level of traffic.

As part of this discussion, I recommended that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen contact Goodall Homes and seek a deal for their land at the north-east corner of the Kingston Pike and Ivey Farm Road intersection. There are approximately 15 acres that abut a creek and land designated as open greenspace. This is the only remaining vacant large lot suitable for a small park for these local residents.

A park in this location provides several benefits and has many advantages. First, this land is on our main entrance into our Town. A nice park would make a statement on the importance to parks and greenways to our Town. Perhaps including a memorial for veterans and first responders in this location

would be a nice addition to our Town.

Second, this land is in close proximity to local greenways and could make a critical greenway connection between the north and south side of Kingston Pike. This location would provide local access to a park for children in at least 12 neighborhoods. This location provides a level of equity in the placement of parks within the Town.

The land is currently planned for commercial development; transition to park space would decrease the traffic flow along this section of Kingston Pike.

This is likely the last opportunity to purchase any additional property in the North Ward for park purposes. Just as the Town recently invested \$5.5 million in the additional land along McFee Road, the recent placement of a “for sale” sign on this land offers the Town an opportunity to provide additional access to park space in the North Ward.

The only way this happens is if residents call and write their BOMA members and insist they pursue this property with the owner.

A deal might not be possible, but if they don’t ask the answer is no. The land is for sale. If we, the residents, stay quiet on the matter, this land will sell and we will get yet another commercial development on this section of Kingston Pike.

Personally, I believe green space is much more appealing and provides more benefits to the community than another tire store, dentist office, coffee shop, etc.

I encourage all that agree to immediately reach out to the Mayor and Aldermen or show up at the next BOMA meeting and speak up during Citizens Forum and ask them to pursue this land for our next park.

Michael Wilson, Farragut

Letters election notice

All letters supporting a given candidate running in the Tuesday, March 5, Knox County Primary must be submitted to farragutpress no later than 8 a.m., Monday, Jan. 29, for our Wednesday, Jan. 31 issue — the last issue such letters can run before March 6.

This will happen in light of Early Voting for this primary beginning Wednesday, Feb. 14.

Should a given candidate take issue with information within a letter supporting an opponent, that candidate can respond any time through our Wednesday, Feb. 7, issue (Deadline is 8 a.m., Monday, Feb. 5). The responding candidate’s letter must address only the disputed information — and may only be answered by the candidate himself/herself, and not by any other campaign official, supporter or relative.

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County Jail for safekeeping. Total value of damage was listed at \$1,195.

• At 2:42 p.m., Dec. 22, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report a swindle/false pretense from Battle Front trailer lot. Complainant said “she received a call from someone claiming to be with First Horizon Bank and fraudulent activity was noticed,” the report stated.

“The complainant answered questions and gave the caller bank information. With the information provided the suspect was able to access the mobile banking app and transfer \$2,000 to a Republic Bank bank account. The complainant notified First Horizon and the checking account was closed.”

• At 4:45 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 21, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report vandalism of his 2019 Ford F-50 Super Duty truck while he was shopping

at Costco, 10745 Kingston Pike. Complainant advised when he returned to his vehicle he noticed a “2 to 3-inch hole in his tailgate that was not there before,” the report stated. “The complainant stated that he does not think the damage could have been done by another vehicle; rather (it was) possibly done with a knife by an unknown suspect.”



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Hannah E. Giannini, stylist/owner of new salon Hair By Hannah, provides haircolor services; men’s, women’s and children’s cuts; facial waxing; Brazilian blowouts (hair straightening treatment); and hair extensions at 12748 Kingston Pike, Suite 206.

Hair By Hannah finds home in Town

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“I just always knew I was going to be a hairdresser,” Hannah E. Giannini, stylist/owner of Hair By Hannah, said while coloring a customer’s hair recently.

“There was never a question about that,” she added.

At her new salon, Giannini offers color services; men’s, women’s and children’s cuts; facial waxing; Brazilian blowouts (hair straightening treatment); and hair extensions.

With hair coloring, “I provide everything,” she said. “I do women’s base colors, Biolage, foils (and) highlights.”

Giannini opened her salon Nov. 13 in Renaissance | Farragut’s Complete Suites at 12748 Kingston Pike, Suite 206.

After having a salon suite in another Farragut location, she realized she needed more space and found it at Complete Suites.

“When I moved, I just changed (the name of the busi-

ness),” Giannini said.

However, she has been a hair stylist for about eight years.

“My entire life, I’ve wanted to play with somebody’s hair,” she said. “In high school, I would cut my friend’s hair.”

Having previously lived in Knoxville, Giannini started a business in the other Farragut location.

“This is where my clients live so (this location) is close to them,” the Blount County resident said. “I don’t mind to drive.”

“This location is extremely convenient to my clients homes, and it’s very clean and the ownership is fantastic here,” Giannini added. “The environment is very bright and welcoming.”

Hair By Hannah is open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesdays; and from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays. She is closed Mondays and Sundays.

To book an appointment, call 865-226-9175.

Passion to come alive

Revival Thrift Boutique to open Feb. 10



Tammy Cheek
Sydney Coffey of Farragut is preparing to open Revival Thrift Boutique Saturday, Feb. 10, at 11152 Outlet Drive, with a novel take on “thrifting.”

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Farragut High School Class of 2018 graduate Sydney Coffey, owner of Revival Thrift Boutique, 11152 Outlet Drive beside Culligan, will offer upscale second-hand women’s/unisex clothing, accessories, jewelry and home décor in her upcoming small business when she opens Feb. 10.

“Eventually, I’ll expand with men’s (items),” the Farragut resident said. Regarding unisex, she referred to men’s T-shirts and sweatshirts.

Coffey also will have some of her own paintings available for sale.

She is excited to start her new entrepreneur venture, reflecting that getting her shop ready has “been a fun, roller coaster ride.”

“I’ve always been very passionate about thrifting and reselling clothes,” Coffey said. “I’ve sold clothes since I was 12 out of my closet.”

“My friends would come over and go shopping,” she recalled. “I’ve always had that natural personal shopper energy.”

When Coffey graduated from University of Tennessee with a degree in sociology, she intended to go into non-profit work. However, she was led on another path.

“I had no idea this is where I would be after I graduated, but I’m extremely thankful,” she said. “I looked for jobs in non-profit work but

nothing was working out for me.

“Then I had the opportunity to do this, so I took it,” Coffey added. “I found I had a niche for closets and I always enjoyed selling clothes ... eventually it got to the point I could literally open a store of my own.”

And with the shop, “I knew I’d have a platform to help others. I do intend to give back to the community,” she said. “That’s always been my goal in life.”

“I am going to be very women positive, body positive, sustainable” at her shop, Coffey added. “I’m going to use extra fabric to create my shopping bags, sew them at home and reuse them.”

“Most of the furniture I use (in the shop) will be thrifted.

Likewise, her clothing and other merchandise will be “curated out of your closet.”

To complement her boutique, Coffey explained, she also has a closet cleanout service, with which she helps people organize and clean out their closets.

“When I clean somebody’s closet, it’s a trade-off,” she said. “I ‘Marie Condo’ somebody’s closet for the stuff people get rid of.”

Coffey said customers are welcome to bring in things to the shop.

“This (closet cleanout service) is hopefully going to be my main fuel for my inventory,” she

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• SmartBank recently announced **president/CEO William Y. Carroll Jr.**, was elected to the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. This appointment reflects on Carroll's leadership qualities, financial expertise and dedication to advancing the banking industry. He has more than 30 years of experience in the financial sector.

Boutique

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said. "I started out organizing ... it's kind of what I did through college, just to pay bills."

Coffey also is thinking about having birthday parties for women and wine nights and painting parties.

"I have lots of ideas, and I'm very excited for all the things to come," she said.

Rather than consignment, Coffey plans to do "up-front buying" or trade.

Additionally, "I will have avenues of donating to places for pieces of clothing I choose not to buy but someone wants to

get rid of it," she said. "I won't be happy if I'm not helping others. I won't be motivated without knowing it's going to a good cause."

"I do want the store to be innovative," Coffey added. "The vibe I'm going for is Altered State meets Goodwill, right there in the middle."

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1. Jaxson Lewis, 3, with mom, Julie Lewis
2. Charlotte Beale, 3, with mom, Emily Beale
3. Zoe Murri, 6
4. Olivia Dalton, 4, and sister, Ella, 7
5. Ein Kim, front; Minseo Cho, left; and Minjae Cho
6. Emily Young with niece, Annie Honaker, 8, and nephew, Tramel Honaker, 5

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Admirals rally past Karns; FHS girls in command

BILL HOWARD
Correspondent

KARNS — Farragut High School boys' basketball team's 62-59 win on the road at Karns Friday night, Jan. 5, exemplified an age-old coach's dictum: play 'til the end.

Trailing for more than three quarters, the Admirals took their first lead with 6:11 left in the game, momentarily lost it, then regained it and held on for the win.

For FHS head coach James Burris, it was gratifying to finally pull out a close one.

"First game we've won when it's been three possessions or less," Burris said.

"We locked in a lot better on the defensive side in the second half, especially down the stretch."

Farragut fell behind 7-0, and trailed 16-6 at the end of one quarter. Simon Tutus' tip-in with 1:48 left in the half gave the Beavers a 34-23 lead.

But the Admirals closed the half on a 7-0 run — six coming on three lay-ups from sophomore point



Burris

BILL HOWARD
Correspondent

KARNS — Most basketball coaches are likely to say they prefer balanced scoring in their teams.

Sometimes imbalance works just fine.

In its 52-35 non-district win on the road Friday night, Jan. 5, versus Karns, Farragut's girls basketball team got 48 points — an astounding 92 percent — from just three players.

And by the end of the first quarter, the scrappy, physical game was never in doubt.

"You got two good teams, both of

'em playing hard," Lady Admirals head coach Jason Mayfield said. "You just have to tough it out. Points have been hard to come by for us the past four or five games."

Jaci Neubert, FHS's speedy junior point guard, led all scorers with 21 points while running the offense. Senior wing Mya



Mayfield

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Late basket lifts Warriors past Lions at CCS 45-43; CAK girls strong, 63-40

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In a fast-growing high school basketball rivalry, district foes Concord Christian School and Christian Academy of Knoxville predictably went down to the wire at CCS Thursday night, Jan. 4.

The only two points scored by junior guard Bryson White were huge, coming after White got open upon cutting to the basket while receiving a nice pass from Caden Owens for a lay-up, breaking a 43-43 tie with just 23 seconds to play.

The Lions (7-7) missed a last-second 15-foot jumper to tie, as the Warriors (5-11) pulled out a 45-43 district road win led by senior guard Bennett Simerlein's game-high 29 points. Drew Sloan, a 6-foot-10 senior post, was tops for Concord with 14 points. Dom Alford added 10 for CCS while Cale Smith scored nine.

"We made enough plays at the end, especially Bennett Simerlein, to get it done in a really tough environment," CAK head coach JD Johnson said.

About Simerlein, "He's been in the 20s (scoring) multiple times, but tonight was a career high," Johnson said. "... He had some nice transition baskets and obviously hit some nice threes as well."

"Give them credit, they played really good defense," CCS head coach Justin Zachary said. "And it's the best defensive effort we've had all year. We had a little bit of trouble making shots."

Other highlights

Though the Warriors jumped ahead 6-0, Concord went on a 13-3 run and led 17-13 after one quarter. That lead grew to seven, 20-13, after Sloan's lay-up about 90 seconds into the second quarter.

A steal and lay-up by Simerlein tied the game 22-22 to cap a 9-2 CAK run before Jace Gheen's three-point basket in the final seconds gave CCS a

25-22 halftime lead.

Concord built a five-point edge at 31-26, but the Warriors trimmed that advantage to 36-35 after three quarters.

A three-point basket by Simerlein tied it 41-41 with 2:52 to play, then a technical foul on the CCS bench allowed Simerlein to make a pair of free throws for a 43-41 Warriors lead — its first since the opening quarter — at the 2:11 mark.

Sloan's offensive rebound and two free throws tied the game 43-43 with 1:01 to go.

CAK girls win 63-40

A 20-point second quarter fueled the CAK Lady Warriors to a 63-40 win versus Concord.

Colie Thompson's 16 points led the winners offensively, followed by Maddie Braden with 10, Ivey Brewster scoring eight and seven each for Ava Jane Puckett and Izzy Proffitt.

Natali Fender's game-high 17 points led CCS, followed by 13 from Emory Thomas and six points by Kiran Keeton.



Alan Sloan

Cale Smith, Concord Christian School senior wing, drives to the basket versus CAK at CCS Thursday night, Jan. 4.



Alan Sloan

Irish rally but fall vs. McCallie

Despite a team-high 16 points from junior guard Juice Eleam (**above, right**, looking to score versus a McCallie defender), the Knoxville Catholic Irish (11-6 starting the week) lost to the Blue Tornado (14-1) 50-42 Friday night, Jan. 5, at KCHS. Down 37-22 with under six minutes to play, Catholic went on a 13-2 run to close within four, 39-35, with 2:35 remaining before falling.

Other top Irish scorers were senior guard Caleb Asbaty with 12 and sophomore guard Cade Murphy scoring eight.

Defensive struggle goes to Lady Rams in visit to Farragut Middle

KEN LAY
Correspondent

Farragut Middle School's girls basketball team had its Eighth-Grade Night spoiled by Robertsville in a non-league game.

"We came out and played well offensively. We hit shots," FMS head coach Devan McIntyre said after her team let a lead get away in a 27-24 loss to the Lady Rams Thursday, Jan. 4, in Farragut's Bobby J. Henry Gymnasium. "... I told the girls after the first quarter that our defense wasn't good enough, and I knew that it would eventually catch up with us."

After opening a 16-11 lead by the end of the first quarter, the Lady Ads were able to maintain the upper hand, despite having trouble scoring, until the fourth quarter. Robertsville opened the final frame by scoring six consecutive points for a 25-19 lead.

The Lady Admirals had one last gasp, as Makena Hartley single-handedly put them back within striking distance, making consecutive baskets and a free throw to pull Farragut to within 25-24 with 22.2 seconds to go. The Lady Rams, however, closed out their victory with a pair with foul shots.

Livi Slagle led Farragut with 10 points, all in the first quarter. Makena added eight.

4th-Q run seals FMS boys win vs. Robertsville

KEN LAY
Correspondent

Lynn Allen might have celebrated Eighth-Grade Night with a non-conference home win against Robertsville. But the Farragut Middle School boys basketball head coach couldn't hide his frustration.

"We don't get ourselves into position where we play hard all the time," Allen said after the Admirals had to come from behind to outlast the Rams, 37-32, Thursday, Jan. 4, in Farragut Middle School's Bobby J. Henry Gymnasium.

Though leading 16-10 at halftime, the Admirals found themselves behind 25-23 heading into the final six minutes of the contest.

But things finally kicked into gear and the Admirals opened the fourth quarter on a 14-0 run, building a 37-25 lead when Brooks Johnston knocked down a shot with 2 minutes, 44 seconds to play in the contest.

Brooks, who scored 10 points against the Rams, had four in the fourth quarter, including a bucket to give Farragut a 27-25 lead early in the frame.

"We were ahead, and then we stopped playing team basketball," Robertsville head coach John Spratling said.

Farragut had two other players also post double figures in scoring. Braylen Gibbs led the way with 13 points, scoring seven over the final eight minutes to key the Admirals' late surge. Kyle Clark had 11, as he buried three 3-pointers.

Lamiere Porter led the Rams in scoring with 10 points.

Farragut, which trailed 10-8 after the opening frame, kept the Rams off the scoreboard in the second stanza — and dribbled out two minutes of game time just before the break.

"We were really struggling offensively ..., " Allen said about choosing to run off time late in the half, wanting to assure his team's six-point half-time advantage.

HVA boys fall vs MHS; Lady Hawks' 'Sisters-K' lead win

BILL HOWARD
Correspondent

HARDIN VALLEY — An axiom in sports is: don't dig a hole early. Thursday night, Jan. 4, at home against Maryville, Hardin Valley Academy's boys' basketball team violated that rule, and had to spend the rest of the game trying to overcome it.

The Hawks fought back valiantly, but the result was a 63-52 Red Rebels victory. The Hawks entered this week 11-6, 0-1 in District 4-4A.

Missing post Will Fellers due to injury, HVA trailed 30-13 with 5:11 left in the first half. But a Tommy Joseph lay-up with 5:04 left in the game cut the Maryville lead to four, 50-46. It got no closer.

Barron Sheetz scored 16 to lead the Hawks. Bryson Frey added 14. "Sheetz played really hard," HVA head coach Andy Arendt said. "Tommy Joseph did a phenomenal job defensively. Bryson Frey was phenomenal."

Alex Akard, MHS 6-foot-9 post, scored a game-high 18.

BILL HOWARD
Correspondent

HARDIN VALLEY — It was opening night in District 4-4A play Thursday night, Jan. 4, and the "Sisters-K" of Hardin Valley Academy's girls basketball team stepped up big.

In the Lady Hawks' 62-42

home win over Maryville, the "Sisters" — Kamryn Butcher, Kyndra West and Kamiyah Love — combined for 48 of the team's points, more than 77 percent of the total. The victory gave HVA a 9-8 overall record, 1-0 in district, starting this week.

All three members of the sis-

terhood are juniors.

"They were all huge for us tonight," HVA head coach Jennifer Galloway said. "I thought Kamryn had the most well-rounded game she's played."

"Her decision-making was the best it's ever been when

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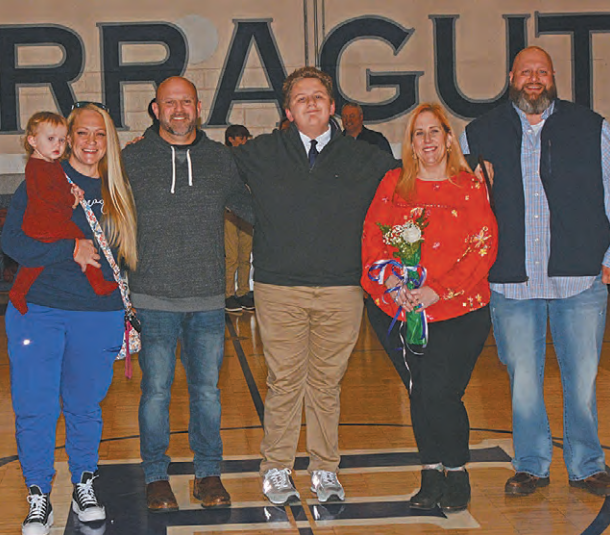
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Admirals

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guard Parker Lane — to cut KHS’s halftime lead to 34-30. “We talked about being more efficient on the offensive end (at halftime),” Burris said. Both teams had scoring runs in the third, which ended with the Beavers leading 46-41. In the dramatic fourth, the Admirals took their first lead, 49-48, on senior forward Berkeley Naro’s lay-up with 6:11 left. The Beavers took the lead right back, 50-49, on Bubba Faulkner’s two free throws. But over the next four minutes FHS outscored KHS 10-3 to lead 59-53 with 1:55 to play. The Ads points came from a three by Aidan VanAcker, a jumper and lay-up by Nero and a three-point play by Lane. Dom VanAcker, junior wing, led Farragut with 19 points. Aidan VanAcker and Naro each had 13 while Lane added 11. Aidan VanAcker grabbed nine rebounds. “We came out in the second half and got motivated,” Dom VanAcker said. “This is a much-needed win.” Karns’ speedy point guard Chris Bozeman led all scorers with 23.

FHS girls

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Johnston got 14 while sophomore wing KJ McNealy added 13. Points were especially difficult for the Lady Beavers. Reece Roberts led Karns with 11. “Keeping ’em off the three-point line,” McNealy said when asked about the key to victory. “We know they like to shoot, so keeping them off the three-point line was our focus.” Down 3-2 barely a minute into the game, the Lady Admirals (8-10 to star the week) ran off 11 straight to lead 13-3 with 2:46 left in the first quarter — and never looked back. It was 18-6 after one quarter. “They had a very quick start; we were slow to start, and that was pretty much the ballgame,” Lady Beavers head coach Lauren Trent said. The teams mostly traded baskets in the second quarter. FHS led 28-14 at the half. Karns hung around, with Farragut leading 39-27 after three quarters. A jumper by Johnston and four points by Neubert — two free throws and a lay-up — promptly put the game on ice early in the fourth quarter. “They’re a good team, they can shoot the ball really well,” Mayfield said. “Finishing shots at the rim really helped.”

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‘Blitz’ to have 20+ projects

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Long-time mission-minded, Concord United Methodist Church members are preparing for this year’s Mission Blitz, which is four days of activities—from Friday, Jan. 12, through Monday, Jan. 15 — to help the community.

“We have 20 to 22 projects going on,” said Jane Currin, CUMC missions director.

This will be the 10th year the church has been involved in Mission Blitz, which coincides in observance of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 15.

“When I switched from youth ministry to full-time missions, I wanted to do something that we could involve a large number of the congregation and missions at the same time during Martin Luther King weekend,” Currin said. “So, we came up with the idea of Mission Blitz as a way of honoring his legacy and calling our members to be involved, hands-on, in serving, reaching out and loving our community by challenging ourselves to serve others and



Farragut High School Flagship 3140 FIRST Robotics team mentor Eric Manneschmidt, fourth from left, shows FHS members the kit of tools they received during the FIRST Robotics task reveal in Hardin Valley Academy Saturday afternoon, Jan. 6. Around the mentor, from left, are Jack Gebhart (partial view), Aarav Saboo, Jack Feathers, Sam Warren, Issac Wilder and Jason Kim.

Tammy Cheek

3140, other FIRST Robotics teams ready for '24 challenge/competition

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Robotics teams from seven area schools turned out at Hardin Valley Academy Saturday, Jan. 6, for kick-off reveal of this year’s challenge for FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics competitions.

Team members and mentors from Farragut High School, Hardin Valley Academy, Knoxville Catholic High School, Webb School of Knoxville, Knoxville West High School, Austin East S.M.A.R.T. Institute and Oak Ridge High Schools gathered in HVA’s Auditorium to hear this year’s challenge.

“What all these kids are here for is to watch the unveiling of the competition this year,” said Christy Crouse, regional director of FIRST Robotics, which has its national headquarters in New Hampshire. “They’ll all be competing for a spot at the world championship.”

For instance, “In March, we’ll have a (Smoky Mountain) Regional competition,” she said. “We’ll have 34 teams in attendance. About 2,000 kids will be vying for a place at the World Championship.”

The challenge of this year’s game, CRESCENDO, is to place doughnut-shaped rings called “notes” behind an “amplifier” (wall).

“Like every year, the matches are two minutes and 30 seconds long and consist of two alliances of three robots each playing against each other,” said Eric Manneschmidt, mentor for Farragut High School’s Flagship 3140 team.

“The robots start a match with one note, which they try to shoot or place in one of two designated places (amplifiers),” he said. “Robots can pick up more notes throughout the game. The match starts with a 15-second au-

tonomous period, which is when the robots perform pre-programmed moves.

“Following these 15 seconds, drivers take the controls and move their robots as quickly as they can to retrieve and play as many notes as possible,” Manneschmidt added. “In the last 30 seconds, each alliance moves to the ‘stage,’ a triangular-shaped area surrounded by a chain.

“Robots will gain more points if they hoist themselves onto the chain and additionally place a note in a container in the middle of the stage. At the end of the two-and-a-half minutes, the alliance with the most points wins the match.”

About 2024, “We are excited to start a new season,” Manneschmidt said. Farragut High School’s Flagship 3140 team has 33 members.

“We are scheduled to compete at the Smoky Mountains Regional, Sunday, March 3, through Wednesday, March 6, at the Knoxville Coliseum, and at the Rocket City Regional, April 3 through April 6 in Huntsville, Alabama,” he said. “Most of the local teams will be at both of those regionals.

“Obviously, if we win either of the regionals, we will go on to compete at Worlds in April in Houston, Texas,” Manneschmidt added.

He explained Saturday the reveal of the challenge, “where all the FIRST teams worldwide hear by video broadcast what the challenge is for 2024.

“While we have been getting prepared, at this time,” the key to success is “how to manage time and schedules, machine/tool training and determining the team leadership structure,” Manneschmidt said.

“Our team met Sunday afternoon to start strategizing how we are going to approach the



Tammy Cheek

Joe Laco is Knoxville Catholic High School’s FIRST Robotics Robotichans Team 2393 build captain and senior. Laco’s team has about 20 members who plan to compete in the Smoky Mountain Regional, hosted by UT, and Rocket City Regional.

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Concord United Methodist Church member Mary Ruth Turnbull prepares sweet potatoes to be bagged during last year’s Mission Blitz.

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FIRST Robotics

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challenge,” Manneschmidt said. HVA’s RoHawktics 3824 Team has 35 members this year who plan to compete. “I think we’re ready, yeah,” said Luke Daniel, RoHawktics captain. “We’ve got a great team and a ton of experience,” he added. His team will participate in the Smoky Mountain Regional and in Rocket City Regional

Getting the robot built and ready “takes a lot of experience and work ethic,” Daniel said. I’m super-excited,” said Emily Ford, team captain for Webb School of Knoxville’s Team 1466, which has 40 members. “We came off with such good success last year, went to the world (competition).” Last year, her team earned second place out of the regionals and a Dean’s List award. This year, they plan to compete in Smoky Mountain, Rocket

City and Magnolia (Mississippi) regionals. “The stake is high,” said Joe Laco, Knox Catholic High’s Robotichaus Team 2393 build captain and senior. “We love what we do.” Laco’s team has about 20 members who plan to compete in the Smoky Mountain Regional, hosted by UT, and Rocket City Regional. “There are six weeks of competitions then they have the world competition the first week of April,” he said.

Fox Den CC Flag Award



Photo submitted

Liz Logan, right, Regent of General William Lenoir Chapter of NSDAR, presented a Certificate of Award to Fox Den Country Club Wednesday, Dec. 27, for Proper Use, Correct Display and Patriotic Presentation of The Flag of the United States of America. Accepting the award was Caroline Inman, center, assistant general manager, who did so on behalf of the club and attributed all the hard work to FDCC golf course superintendent Scott Severance, attributing all of the flag procedures and care to him. Also on hand for the presentation was Linda Keir Simons.

Planner

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During the tenure of this program, Melody Dalili, the Inaugural Youth Poet Laureate, completed a project called Poet-trees which inspired countless people to write and share poetry in their local library. She also was the runner-up for the State of Tennessee Youth Poet Laureate position. As a part of her service, Dalili was published by the 5th Woman Books for a book called

“Thank you for Staying.” Virgil Voyles, the second Youth Poet Laureate, has used their year to bring a voice to the community for discriminated-against youth. They have performed on podcasts, at rallies and created a workshop series. For more information, contact Rhea Carmon, program director, at info@rheacarmon.com or reach out to the Knoxville Writers Guild at info@knoxvillewritersguild.org. The application can be found at knoxvillewritersguild.org.



Photo submitted

From left during last year’s Mission Blitz was the Russell Family: Kate and her son, Will; and Dustin and daughter, Taylor. They are among hundreds of Concord United Methodist Church members who annually bag sweet potatoes, donated by farmers, that go to area food pantries for distribution.

Blitz

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step forward to make a difference in our community. Their help includes “activities at (East Tennessee) Children’s Hospital (among) lots of different ways of serving the community,” Currin said. The Blitz also provides a way to “teach our children and families — people of all ages — about serving and making a difference,” she said. Friday afternoon, Jan. 12, and Saturday morning, Jan. 13, “we have 40,000 pounds of sweet potatoes coming in” for the Crop Drop, Currin said.

Church members will be preparing those sweet potatoes, donated by area farmers, for donation to area food banks. “We have a grant that we’re going to (use to) make 500 bags of Tennessee taco soup mix that will go to local pantries,” she said. “It’s a recipe we adapted, a dry soup mix. We also will be able to supply the pantries the canned corn and hamburger that goes with it, so (recipients) have the complete meal.” Currin said the mixes will go to several food pantries, including Shepherd of Hope at Faith Lutheran Church in Farragut and Good Samaritan

Center in Lenoir City. She said CUMC members also are making Operation Inasmuch meal packets, which will go to at least 12 pantries. “We’re packing 20,000 meals with that on two different days; so there’s actually 40,000 meals,” said Currin, adding one meal is oatmeal with apple cinnamon bits while the other is pasta with tomato sauce. Members also will be building picnic tables, which will go to a couple of agencies or schools; praying over beds at Knox Area Rescue Mission; working with Habitat for Humanity; making Linus blankets and many other projects.

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FARRAGUT BEER BOARD AGENDA

Farragut Community Center • 239 Jamestowne Blvd

JANUARY 11, 2024 • 5:55 PM

I. Approval of Minutes

A. September 14, 2023

II. Beer Permit

A. Approval of Class 3, On-Premise, Hotel/Motel Beer Permit for Hampton Inn, 11340 Campbell Lakes Dr.

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FARRAGUT BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

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AGENDA • January 11, 2024

BEER BOARD MEETING See Agenda 5:55 PM • BMA MEETING 6:00 PM

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

A. December 14, 2023

IV. Mayor’s Report

V. Ordinances

A. Public Notice and Second Reading

1. Ordinance 23-17, an ordinance to amend the Farragut Zoning Map to rezone all proper-

ties currently zoned Rural Single-Family Acre Residential (R-1-S-A) to Rural Residential (R-1) (Mike Tuell, Applicant)

2. Ordinance 23-19, Ordinance to amend the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, passed by Ordinance 23-07

VI. Citizens Forum

VII. Town Administrator’s Report

VIII. Town Attorney’s Report

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FARRAGUT MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

January 18, 2024 • Farragut Community Center

Assembly Room 7:00 p.m.

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1. Approval of agenda

2. Approval of minutes – December 21, 2023

3. Discussion and public hearing on a request to amend the Future Land Use Map in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update for the property located at 209 N. Watt Road from Parks and Recreation to Commercial (Debra Wilkerson, Applicant)

4. Discussion and public hearing on a site plan for a tire storage enclosure and bollard barrier for the Firestone Complete Auto Care, 11215 Kingston Pike (SGA Design Group, Applicant)

5. Discussion and public hearing on requested variances from the Subdivision Regulations and approval of a preliminary plat for Somerset Farms, 12960 Allen Kirby Road, 4 Lots, 37.98 Acres, Zoned Agricultural (A) (LeMay & Associates, Applicant)

6. Request for approval for the installation of 650 linear feet of two-inch gas line along a portion of Boring Road and Boring Lane to service the residents at 217 Boring Lane (KUB, Applicant)

7. Discussion and public hearing on amendments to clarify certain definitions provided for in the Town of Farragut Public Tree Care Ordinance

8. Approval of utilities

9. Citizen forum

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